## RALPH GIERHARDS

ANTIQUES / FINE ART



## "Alert Polar Bear with Two Cubs

Circa: 1917 26 x 35.5 cm 10.2362204724409 x 10.2362204724409"

1917 26 x 35.5 cm  $(10^{1}/_{4}$  x 14 inches)

Germany Signed and dated: Richard Friese 16.8. (19)17

> Richard Friese (Gumbinnen 1854 - 1918 Berlin)

## Gouache

In 1898, Richard Friese accompanied researchers on the German "Helgoland Expedition" to Spitsbergen to study polar bears. He portrayed the animals in his photographs and paintings.

## Literature:

Andreas Gautschi, Werner Siemers, H. G. Vollmer-Verheyen, Richard Friese – his life – his art, Edition Nimrod, Verlag J. Neumann-Neudamm, 2013