

PAGES ECN Newsletter - July 2020

Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the PAGES Early-Career Network Newsletter! Please see below for the latest news and announcements.

Best wishes,
The PAGES ECN Steering Committee

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1. Welcome to new PAGES ECN RRs (Montse, Victor, Arjun and Tobias)

Three new Regional Representatives have joined the PAGES ECN the past couple of months. We welcome [Montse Amezcua](#) for Central and South America (Mexico), [Victor Merino](#) for Central and South America (Argentina), [Arjun Rao](#) for East Asia (India), and [Tobias Schneider](#) for North America (USA). Thanks to all our Regional Representatives! Be sure to get in touch with [your local RR](#) or email pages.ecn@gmail.com if you are looking to be more involved.

2. Update on PAGES-INQUA ECR Workshop: vPASES2020 and PASES2021

The organizing committee has decided to postpone the PASES2020 workshop to next year (PASES2021, November 2021) and to organize a virtual meeting this year (vPASES2020, November 2020). We believe that this formula will help all participants to engage and connect, despite COVID-19 related difficulties. More information about the vPASES2020 program, platform and dates will be announced shortly.

We are currently reviewing the applications and will notify all applicants whether their abstracts and travel grants have been accepted by 15 July 2020.

3. Latest PAGES ECN Webinars now on YouTube

The two most recent webinars organized by PAGES ECN are now available on our [YouTube channel](#):

- “How to successfully apply for academic jobs in geosciences” was held on May 12 and featured Dr. Timothy Bralower from Penn State University. Dr. Bralower shared his personal and professional experiences and advice from participating in a variety of job search committees and career workshops. The talk is most relevant to the US academic market, but the advice is still broadly applicable.
- “rPlum: Fechado con Plomo para el usuario común” was held on June 3 and featured Dr. Marco A. Aquino-López from Maynooth University. The webinar serves as an introduction and tutorial for building chronostratigraphic models with the new R-package, rPlum. The webinar was organized by our Central and South American Regional Representatives and is presented in Spanish language.

4. The Early Pages Blog Update

New post on The Early Pages - We asked ECRs how the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting their work and daily life. Read twelve stories by ECRs from all over the world in which they share their thoughts, concerns, and new work routines:

<https://theearlypages.blogspot.com/2020/06/early-career-researchers-in-covid-19.html>

We are looking for authors! You're invited to join our growing list of authors and get more exposure by contributing with a post of your own! We welcome posts from ECRs in and out of academia on all kinds of topics, be it your work or your experiences and opinions regarding the paleosciences, life as an ECR, academic life, and others. If you would like to write a post but aren't sure what to write about, that's fine too! Contact us at pages.ecn.blog@gmail.com, we can come up with a topic and outline together.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter [@TheEarlyPages!](#)

5. Reminder - PAGES Early-Career Award

PAGES provides a biennial Early-Career Award (ECA) for excellence in collaborative scholarship, including research, communication, outreach, leadership, networking, community service, and international collaboration. The PAGES ECA honors people in the early stages of their career for their engagement both within and beyond the scientific community, for example through (though not limited to) involvement in science coordination, outreach, networking, leadership activities, development of international collaborations and for excellence in research in support of PAGES' goals. See <http://pastglobalchanges.org/my-pages/pages-eca>. Deadline for nomination: 30 September 2020.

6. 2021 OSM and YSM registration now open

Registration and abstract submission are now available for the 2021 Young Scientists Meeting (YSM) and Open Science Meeting (OSM) in Agadir, Morocco. The meetings are scheduled for 16-18 May and 18-22 May, respectively. These meetings are a great way to become more involved in PAGES and share your research. Travel support is also available (for qualified applicants). Further information: <https://www.pages-osm.org/>

7. New working group and workshop support applications due 16 September

New working group (<http://pastglobalchanges.org/science/wg/new-wg-proposal>) and workshop support applications (<http://pastglobalchanges.org/my-pages/meeting-support>) are due 16 September. As a reminder, working groups provide a platform for discussion, research, and community building, and normally run in 3-year phases with each phase culminating in an intermediary or final major product (e.g. synthesis article, special issue, database). PAGES workshop/meeting support falls under three categories of workshops – PAGES' working group meetings; Educational meetings; and Open call meetings. Follow the links above to learn more.

8. News from working groups - new papers, 2k Network survey, Floods special issue

- Members of PAGES' VICS working group have found evidence connecting an unexplained period of extreme cold in ancient Rome with a massive eruption of Alaska's Okmok volcano. <http://pastglobalchanges.org/news/all-news-items/9-latest-news/2545>
- A major new compilation of pre-historic temperature records by the GMST working group shows that global warming is reaching levels not seen for at least 6000 years. <http://pastglobalchanges.org/news/all-news-items/9-latest-news/2548>
- Floods Working Group (FWG) has released a Global and Planetary Change special issue as an outcome of their PAGES' 5th Open Science Meeting session in 2017. <http://pastglobalchanges.org/news/all-news-items/9-latest-news/2547>
- PAGES 2k leaders would like feedback from the community on how they can help you to facilitate 2k (or broader PAGES) science now and in the future, please complete the survey by 31 July: <http://pastglobalchanges.org/news/all-news-items/9-latest-news/2538>

9. Reminder - Call for Applications for ECR to Join the SCOR Executive Committee

The call for applications for an Early-Career Scientist (ECS) to join the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR) Executive Committee is open. The ECS in the SCOR EC will help reaching out to the broader early-career community and get it involved into SCOR activities. More information about the position and application instructions can be found at https://scor-int.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Early_career_call_2020_final.pdf. Deadline for submission of applications: 17 July 2020. Please email the completed application form and requested documents to the SCOR Secretariat (secretariat@scor-int.org)

10. Upcoming events and conferences

- For a more complete listing of upcoming conferences and workshops, see the [PAGES event calendar](#).

- The American Geophysical Union's [Annual Fall Meeting](#) will be mostly virtual, held from **7-11 December 2020**. Abstract submission is open through 29 July 2020. The abstract fee is \$40 for students and \$70 for others. Registration fees are expected to be 50% lower than normal.
- The International Meeting for Phytolith Research scheduled to take place on 9th-12th September 2020 in Kiel, Germany has been **cancelled**. For more detailed information, visit the website of the meeting: <https://www.12impr.uni-kiel.de/en>.
- [GSA 2020 Connects Online](#) is a 100% online experience on **26–30 October** that replaces the in-person annual meeting scheduled for 25–28 October in Montréal, Canada. Abstract submission and registration will open in early July.
- 41st Association for Environmental Archaeology Fall Meeting on **November 5th-6th** at the University of Groningen, Groningen, The Netherlands. More information at <http://pastglobalchanges.org/calendar/upcoming/127-pages/2030-aea-20>
- The [50th Arctic Workshop](#) that was rescheduled for 29 August – 1 September 2020 has been postponed until next year: **15-17 April 2021**.
- The [10th International Workshop for African Archaeobotany](#) will be held in Paris from **22-25 June, 2021**. The 10th IWAA is open to contributions related to human-plant interactions dealing with seed and charcoal macroremains, wood, phytoliths, pollen, non-pollen palynomorphs analyses, environmental reconstruction, ethnobotanical and linguistic approaches and multidisciplinary studies. Submit pre-registration form by June 15, 2020.

For more information about all things PAGES ECN, please visit:

[Jobs, Funding, and Listserv guide](#) | [@PAGES_ECN on Twitter](#) | [ResearchGate](#) | [YouTube](#) | [Facebook](#) | [The Early Pages](#) | [@TheEarlyPages on Twitter](#)

