

## PAGES ECN Newsletter - May 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. PAGES ECN Webinar - May 12 - How to successfully apply for academic jobs in science**

It is our pleasure to announce our next PAGES ECN webinar, with the topic "How to successfully apply for academic jobs in science". Professor [Timothy Bralower](#) from The Pennsylvania State University (USA) will present information from his experience on this topic. After your PhD or, your first postdoc, it can be difficult to find the next position in your career. In this time when everyone has a large set of skills, it might pay off to work on our job application skills as well.

The webinar will be organized on **Tuesday 12 May in two time slots (12 pm UTC and 5 pm UTC)** and will last about one hour. At the end of each session there is the opportunity to ask Prof. Bralower your questions. No registration is required, just make sure you have the Adobe Connect plugin installed beforehand. Then login at <https://collab.switch.ch/ecs>.

### **2. PAGES-INQUA ECR Workshop - Abstract submission and travel grant request extended (June 15, 2020)**

The abstract submission and travel grant request to attend the PAGES-INQUA ECR Workshop “Past Socio-Environmental Systems” PASES2020 [has been extended until the 15th of June 2020](#). Due to COVID19-related travel restrictions, we recognize that the workshop’s timeline is likely subject to change. The organizing committee is doing their best to provide opportunities for a fruitful and inspiring meeting for everyone. We are considering alternative arrangements, including online sessions and a postponed in-person meeting as well as innovative virtual forums that would run until the physical workshop takes place, so we still encourage abstract submission. We anticipate making a final decision by June 16, 2020. Further information is available on the official [website](#). Questions? Contact us at [workshop.pages.ecn@gmail.com](mailto:workshop.pages.ecn@gmail.com)

### 3. PAGES Early-Career Award

PAGES has announced 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. The first Award will be publicly presented by PAGES at the next Open Science Meeting (OSM) to be held in Agadir, Morocco, in May 2021. Awardees will receive a certificate, an invitation to present at the OSM, and travel expenses to attend the OSM. For more information and to nominate a colleague, see <http://pastglobalchanges.org/my-pages/pages-eca>

### 4. The Early Pages Blog Update

***The Blog Team has grown! We are happy to announce that*** three new members have recently joined our editorial team: Isobel Rowell (UK), Christine Omuombo (Kenya), and Matthew Drew (Canada).

***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](mailto: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. Join our Write Club!

The PAGES ECN Write Club holds regular online writing retreats for ECRs from all over the globe. We come together to write in a time-structured way, with the moral support of fellow ECRs. Especially in times when most of us are working from home, creating non-negotiable time slots dedicated to writing can bring much needed structure into daily life. To sign up or for more information, write us an email: [writeclub.pages.ecn@gmail.com](mailto:writeclub.pages.ecn@gmail.com)!

#### **6. PAGES Webinar May 27-28 “Promoting FAIR Principles at NOAA’s World Data Service for Paleoclimatology (WDS-Paleo)”**

PAGES is pleased to join with its scientific partner World Data Service for Paleoclimatology (WDS-Paleo) to hold a webinar on Wednesday 27 May 2020 focusing on new features that will help you find and download data more effectively and efficiently. Presented by Carrie Morrill. Questions will be answered by Carrie Morrill, Wendy Gross and Imke Durre. For more information, see <http://pastglobalchanges.org/calendar/2020/127-pages/2029>

#### **7. Upcoming events and conferences**

- EGU 2020 - Happening now! A reminder that participating authors will present their work online between 4-8 May. Conference “attendees” can participate in chat comments for two months following the conference. More information at [https://egu2020.eu/sharing\\_geoscience\\_online/sharing\\_geoscience\\_online.html](https://egu2020.eu/sharing_geoscience_online/sharing_geoscience_online.html)
- 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 International Meeting for Phytolith Research will take place on the 9th-12th of September in Kiel, Germany. For more detailed information, visit the website of the meeting:\* <https://www.12impr.uni-kiel.de/en>. Early bird registration and abstract submission closes **May 15**.
- The Palaeoecology Special Interest Group (PalaeoSIG) within the UK British Ecological Society will be running a virtual a workshop to provide specialist training for palaeoecologists on writing for a broad ecological audience on **13-15 May 2020**. For more details and to register, see: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/palaeosig-science-communication-and-writing-virtual-workshop-tickets-64366413676>. A registration fee is associated with this event.
- 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, as well as presentations focusing on environmental reconstruction, ethnobotanical and linguistic approaches and multidisciplinary studies. Organizers ask that those interests complete a pre-registration form by **June 15, 2020**.

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