

On behalf of the organizing committee, we are pleased to invite you to take part in the joint PAGES-INQUA workshop for early-career researchers:



**Past Socio-Environmental Systems (PASES)
9-13 November 2020, La Serena, Chile
www.pases2020.com**

The organizing committee is closely monitoring the situation with travel bans and continued concern due to the COVID-19 outbreak. At this stage, we encourage you to submit your abstract for the workshop but we recognize the workshop's timeline is subject to change. Should the workshop be cancelled or you are not able to travel, you will receive full registration refund.

This workshop aims to facilitate scientific exchange between early-career researchers (ECRs) from a broad range of disciplines, that work within the overarching theme of climate-environment-cultural change. The workshop will include four days of oral and poster presentations and breakout groups in which ECRs will contribute to answering the most pressing questions around the application of paleosciences in the study of past socio-environmental systems (TBD). The workshop will also include a one-day field trip, workshop dinner, outreach activities, and a public forum on 'Indigenous knowledge and paleosciences'.

Important Deadlines

Abstract submission and grant request	March 23 - May 8, 2020
Decision on abstract acceptance and grants	May 31, 2020
Registration opens	June 2, 2020
Registration closes	July 15, 2020

Workshop fees

A base registration fee of \$150 will include the workshop, coffee breaks, lunches and ice-breaker. Participants can choose to add up accommodation (\$50, a double shared-room hostel with breakfast), excursion/dinner (\$50) or both.

The workshop is limited to 50 participants. Participants will be selected based on the quality of the submitted abstract (250 words max.), the relevance of their research and a short statement of motivation as to why the participant wants to attend.

A limited number of grants will be available to support ECRs for costs including registration and/or travel, especially those from low-GDP per Capita countries. The maximum amount of support is \$750. Grants will be transferred after the conference, after submission of completed reimbursement forms (to be handed out at conference) and receipts of costs.

* defined as early-career researchers who obtained or expect to receive their PhD in or after 2011. The nine years since PhD include adjustment for career breaks (e.g. maternity/ paternity leaves, illness, sabbaticals).

Programme Outline

See the [website](#) for details of the program and breakout groups

	Sunday Nov 8 th	Monday Nov 9 th	Tuesday Nov 10 th	Wednesday Nov 11 th	Thursday Nov 12 th	Friday Nov 13 th
Morning		Opening ceremony	Keynote and session presentations	Excursion	Keynote and session presentations	Keynote and session presentations
		Keynote and session presentations	Breakout group		Breakout group	Breakout group
Afternoon	Arrival	Poster session	Poster session		Breakout group	Public forum
	Ice-breaker				Workshop dinner	

Workshop sessions

See the [website](#) for a full description

Session	Keynote speaker
Novel techniques to uncover past human-environmental couplings	Simon Connor (Australian National University, Australia)
The whole is not the sum of the parts: synthesizing paleoclimatic, archaeological and paleoecological research	Yoshi Maezumi (University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
Socio-environmental systems in the Anthropocene	Eugenia Gayo (Center for Climate and Resilience Research, University of Concepcion, Chile)
Human paleoecology of semiarid environments	César Méndez (Research Center for Ecosystems in Patagonia, Chile)

Workshop venue

La Serena Archeological Museum (<https://www.museoarqueologicolaserena.gob.cl/sitio/>)

Center for Advanced Studies in Arid Zones (CEAZA), La Serena, Chile (<http://www.ceaza.cl>)

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