

PAGES ECN Newsletter - August 2019

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 Membership updates

We have >400 subscribers to the newsletter, and >450 people who have listed PAGES ECN as an interest on their PAGES profiles. However, only 150 people both subscribe AND have profiles. *We therefore encourage all of you to [make/update your PAGES profile!](#)* We also encourage you to forward and invite people to subscribe! We highly value the newsletter as a primary way to share community news, and we welcome feedback (pages.ecn@gmail.com).

2. Report from INQUA 2019

PAGES ECN participated in the ECR events at the INQUA Conference (25-31 July, Dublin, Ireland) where over 2,500 participants attended. ECN members gathered in a social event on Sunday afternoon organized by the European Regional Representative, Deidre Ryan. On Monday, ECRs met new and old colleagues from other international ECR organizations during the ECR icebreaker. The PAGES ECN Splinter Meeting was organized on Wednesday 31 July to promote and discuss scientific topics for the future PAGES-INQUA ECR Workshop on past socio-ecological systems, to be held in October or November 2020 in La Serena, Chile. Save the date in your calendar!

If you attended INQUA 2019, we hope you had time to talk the PAGES ECN representatives. If you still have any questions or remarks, please don't hesitate to contact us via Email, Facebook, Twitter or Researchgate.

3. PAGES ECN Splinter Meeting at ICP13

Please join us at the 13th International Conference on Paleoceanography (Sydney, Australia) for our networking meeting on Wednesday 4 September, just after lunch. Come meet new colleagues, learn more about the PAGES ECN, discover opportunities to get involved, and discuss matters relevant to ECRs! The details of the meeting can be found on [the ICP13 website](#). Please contact Stella Alexandroff (s.alexandroff@bangor.ac.uk) or Tamara Trofimova (tatr@norceresearch.no) if you have questions.

4. The Early Pages Blog Update

Last month on The Early Pages: No pollen at the study site - a nightmare for a palynologist! However, if you look closely enough, you might find a way around this problem. In our latest post on The Early Pages, Abraham Nqabutho Dabengwa shares how he, like phoenix, rose from the ashes of a stalling PhD with the help of charcoal. Read about how Abraham overcame the difficulties in his research, regained his confidence, and how charcoal can help us study past grazing behaviour:

<https://theearlypages.blogspot.com/2019/07/redeemed-by-charcoal.html>

Stay tuned for our upcoming posts about how to write a successful NatGeo ECR grant, about being a parent while doing a PhD, and how scientists need to find a supportive community.

Are you interested in writing a post? Please contact us at pages.ecn.blog@gmail.com! Don't forget to follow us on Twitter [@TheEarlyPages](https://twitter.com/TheEarlyPages)!

5. Join our Write Club!

We invite you to participate in the PAGES ECN Write Club if you need to or simply enjoy setting aside dedicated time for writing. Here you can join small groups gathering online for focused writing retreats, or participate in our writing challenges. Our goal is to help each other find the time and motivation to write regularly. For more information, email writeclub.pages.ecn@gmail.com!

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