

PAGES ECN Newsletter - December 2018

Dear colleagues,

Seasons Greetings and 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 at AGU fall meeting 2018

The PAGES Early-Career Network will be present at the [AGU fall meeting](#) in Washington DC, USA, 10-14 December 2018. Save the date in your schedule for these two events:

- **The PAGES Early-Career Network** (Wednesday, 12 December 2018; 13:40-18:00)
Early-Career Scientist Networks and Organizations Poster session
- **PAGES ECN: perspectives on open data practices** (Thursday, 13 December 2018; 12.30-13.30): Town hall session

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2. Next PAGES ECN Webinar

Mark your calendars! Our next webinar titled 'From Idea to Paper in the Paleogeosciences - Using RMarkdown to make your work easier and better looking' will be held on 23 January 2019 at 4:00 pm GMT and 12:00 am GMT, and will be hosted by Simon Goring. This webinar will introduce participants to RMarkdown documents, and the way they can be used for documenting ideas, performing interactive exploratory analysis, and how they can be carried all the way through to publication, with examples. The webinar will include a brief introduction, and a walk-through of a worked example with the Neotoma Paleoecology Database and the chronology building software Bacon.

3. PAGES ECN Grant Writing Workshop

We are pleased to announce the first-ever PAGES ECN Workshop! '*Funding starts here - Grant writing for early-career researchers*', will be held in Prague, Czech Republic, 26-29 May 2019. We are pleased to announce that our keynote speakers will include Dr. Maria Uhle from the National Science Foundation, Dr. Jonas Bunikis from the European Research Council, Dr. Jana Cejkova from the EU H2020 program, and Dr. Alessio Rovere, who is a successful ERC starting grant fellow at MARUM (University of Bremen, Germany). Together, our keynote speakers will teach us everything about international grant agencies and what it takes to write a successful grant. The workshop will take place in Masarykova College just outside the city centre. The registration fee of \$150 will cover the cost of lodging and meals. Travel support will be available for early-career researchers, especially those from developing countries. For more information about registration, travel assistance, lodging, etc, please check out our [website](#).

4. The PAGES ECN in the latest PAGES Magazine

Two of our steering committee members wrote two early-career-relevant pieces in the [latest PAGES Magazine](#) published 20 November 2018. Check them out!

- [Open-data practices and challenges among early-career paleo-researchers](#)
- [Advice for early-career researchers: A summary from the AMQUA/CANQUA student mixer](#)

5. The Early Pages Blog

Last month on The Early Pages

What was your motivation for pursuing a career in research? For Xavier Benito, it all came down to his passion for diatoms - a group of microscopical algae that live in houses made of glass. [Meet these tiny organisms that play a pivotal role in climate and ecology](#), and learn about their importance for human societies in the South American Andes!

Establishing a healthy work-life balance in academia can be hard, and many of us could use some help to achieve it. We asked three researchers from different points in their careers to

share how they maintain a fulfilling private life while being productive and busy scientists in academia. Read about Tomi's, Maya's and Elizabeth's stories shared in [our latest post!](#)

Stay tuned for our upcoming posts about how one PhD student deals with suffering from chronic migraines, how ancient people impacted the Amazon rainforest, how desert springs can be used to explore ancient pluvial lakes, and other exciting posts such as life outside academia.

Are you interested in writing a post? Please contact us at [pages.ecn.blog@gmail.com!](mailto:pages.ecn.blog@gmail.com) And follow us at our new Twitter account [@TheEarlyPages!](#)

6. Host the 2021 OSM/YSM

Held every four years, PAGES' Open Science Meeting (OSM) and Young Scientists Meeting (YSM) provide an invaluable opportunity to bring the past global change community together from around the world to share, discuss, learn, and plan for the future. Would you and your institution like to be an integral part of these premier events in the international paleoscience calendar? The call is now open to host the next meetings in 2021, preferably in the first half of the year. For more information, please click [here](#).

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