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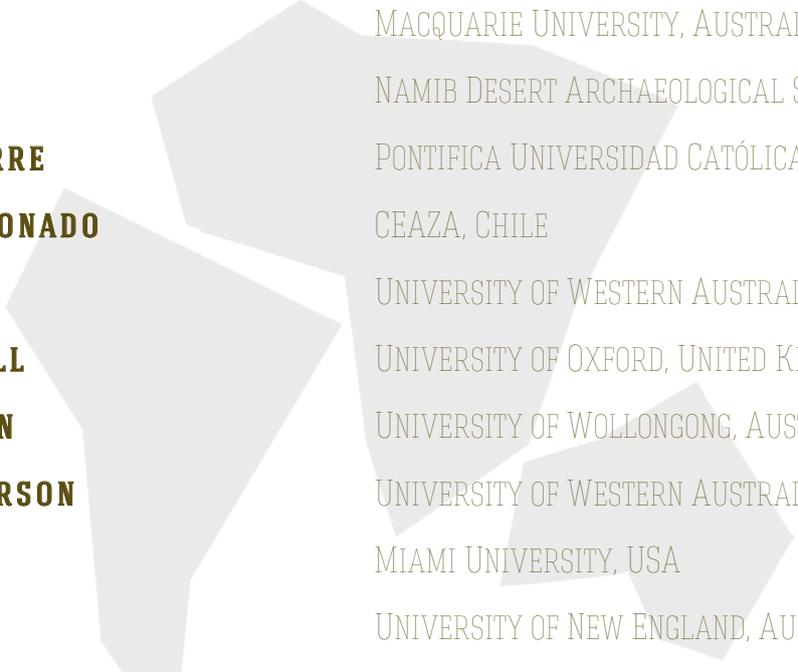
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# Sessions and Coordinators

## **1. The Archaeology of Southern Hemisphere Coastal Deserts**

Peter Mitchell  
Gustavo Martínez

## **2. Late Quaternary Climatic and Environmental Dynamics: a View from the Southern Hemisphere Deserts**

María Eugenia de Porras  
Brian Chase

## **3. Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Initial Occupation of Southern Hemisphere Deserts**

César Méndez  
Daniel H. Sandweiss

## **4. Visual Encounters: The Role Art Played in Contact, Interactions and Relationships between Southern Desert Societies**

María Isabel Hernández Llosas  
Daniela Valenzuela  
June Ross

## **5. Geomorphology and Quaternary Environmental Evolution of Southern Deserts**

David S. G. Thomas  
Alfonsina Tripaldi

## **6. Historical Challenges for Desert Peoples: Towards the Comparative Study of Responses to Intrusions and Ecological Change**

Alistair Paterson  
Amalia Nuevo Delaunay

## **7. Advances in Archaeological Methods: Developments and Applications to the Southern Deserts**

Valeria Cortegoso  
Kane Ditchfield

## **8. Desert and Semi-Desert Paleocology, Paleoenvironments, and Paleoclimates**

Eugenia Gayó  
Antonio Maldonado

## **9. General Issues in Desert Archaeology**

Karen Borrazzo  
Alan N. Williams

## **10. Round-Table: Comparative Frameworks for the Analysis of Archaeological Discontinuities**

Peter Veth  
Ramiro Barberena  
Jo McDonald

# Timetable

	November 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
8:30	Arrival and Registration	<b>Introduction</b>					Transfers to Mendoza and the airport	
9:00		<b>2. Paleoecology</b> (de Porras and Chase)	<b>3. Colonization</b> (Méndez and Sandweiss)	<b>7. Methods</b> (Cortegoso and Ditchfield)	<b>9. Desert Archaeology</b> (Borrazzo and Williams)	<b>8. Paleoecology</b> (Gayo and Maldonado)		
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12:30		Lunch		Lunch	Lunch			
13:00		Lunch		Lunch		Lunch		
14:00		Lunch		Depart to <i>Salentein</i>		Lunch		
14:30		Lunch		Bodega tour and wine tasting		Lunch		
15:00		<b>1. Coastal deserts</b> (Mitchell and Martinez)	<b>5. Geomorphology</b> (Thomas and Tripaldi)	<b>4. Rock Art</b> (Hernández et al.)		<b>6. Ecological intrusions</b> (Paterson and Nuevo D.)		<b>10. Roundtable</b> (Veth et al.)
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18:30		Coffee and Posters						Individual session meetings
19:30		<b>Keynote 1</b> (Williams)	<b>Keynote 2</b> (Hitchcock)	<b>Keynote 3</b> (Villalba)	<b>Keynote 4</b> (Borrero)	Plenary session		
20:00		<b>Keynote 1</b> (Williams)	<b>Keynote 2</b> (Hitchcock)	<b>Keynote 3</b> (Villalba)	<b>Book Presentation</b>	Plenary session		
20:30		Inaugural Dinner		Dinner		Closing dinner and "Desert Party"		
21:00		Inaugural Dinner		Dinner		Closing dinner and "Desert Party"		

## Sunday, November 9th

- 10:00–20:00 Registration (Lobby Hotel Fuente Mayor)
- 14:30–19:00 Optional activities: trekking, horse riding, or rafting  
(Lobby, Hotel Fuente Mayor)
- 20:30 Inaugural dinner

## Monday, November 10th

- 8:30 **Ramiro Barberena, Calógero Santoro, and David S. G. Thomas**  
Introduction to the 4SDC: Its History and Comparative Goals

## 2. LATE QUATERNARY CLIMATIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL DYNAMICS: A VIEW FROM THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE DESERTS

*Coordinators:* María Eugenia de Porras and Brian M. Chase

- 9:00 **Paul Hesse**  
Quaternary Paleoclimates and Paleoenvironments of the Australian Deserts
- 9:30 **Brian M. Chase and Manuel Chevalier**  
Drivers and Responses of Late Quaternary Southern African Paleoenvironments
- 10:00 **M. Virginia Mancini, Florencia Bamonte and M. Alejandra Marcos**  
Vegetation and Environmental Changes in Extra-Andean Patagonia, Argentina
- 10:30 Coffee Break and Posters
- 11:00 **Claudio Latorre and Antonio Maldonado**  
New Paleocological and Paleoclimate Perspectives for the Late Quaternary of the Atacama Desert Using Rodent Middens
- 11:30 **David S. G. Thomas and Richard M. Bailey**  
Accumulation Rate Variability Analysis of Southern Desert Dune Chronologies
- 11:50 **Karsten Schitteck, Sebastian Kock, Liliana C. Lupo, Andreas Lücke, and Frank Schäbitz**  
High-Altitude Cushion Peatlands as Sentinels of Holocene Environmental Changes in the Central Andes (NW Argentina)

12:10 **María Eugenia Gayo, Calogero Santoro, and Claudio Latorre**

Past Human Demography as Environmental-Proxy Indicator: Exploring Its Potential with an Example from the Arid Western Andean Region

12:30 Brief Presentation of Posters

**Adriana Mehl and Leandro D. Rojo**

Mid- to late Holocene Paleoenvironmental Record at El Peñón Glacial Valley (~35°15' S, 70°31'W), High Andes Cordillera

**Brenda Oxman, Hugo Yacobaccio, Liliana Lupo, Pablo Tchilinguirian, and Julio Kulemeyer**

Paleoenvironmental Studies in Barrancas (Jujuy Province) and Its Implications for Human Occupations (~11,000–5000 BP)

**Karsten Schitteck, Anne Niemeyer, and Liliana Lupo**

Late Holocene Landscape and Climate Evolution in the Sierra de Santa Victoria (NW Argentina, Jujuy) deduced from a High-Andean Peat Record

**Jan Wowrek, Karsten Schitteck, Bertil Mächtle, and Frank Schäbitz**

Paleoenvironmental Reconstruction from a Hard-Cushion Peatland in the Eastern Cordillera, Southeastern Peru

**Sebastian Kock, Karsten Schitteck, Liliana Lupo, Andreas Lücke, Holger Wissel, and Frank Schäbitz**

A 3300-Year High-Resolution Cushion Peatland Record of Climatic and Environmental Change as Recorded in Stable Isotope Proxies from Oxychloe Peat (NW Argentina, Jujuy)

**Andrés Zamora-Allendes, María Eugenia de Porras, and Antonio Maldonado**

Climate–Taxa Responses Based on Modern Rodent Midden Pollen Assemblages from the Central Chilean Andes (18–25°S)

**Juan Luis García, Horacio Larraín, Claudio Latorre, Josefina Hepp, Pablo Osses, Andrés Moreira, Pilar Cereceda, and Camilo del Río**

Reconstructing Fog-Climate Variability at the Coastal Atacama Desert: A Multidisciplinary Approach from the Alto Patache Fog Oasis, Chile

**Carina Llano, María Eugenia de Porras, Ornela M. Beltrame, and Ramiro Barberena**

Fossil Rodent Middens from Northern Patagonia (Argentina): Preliminary Results of Holocene Environmental Changes in the Monte Semi-Desert

**Francisca P. Díaz and Claudio Latorre**

Using  $\delta^{15}\text{N}$  to Reconstruct Climate Changes and to Trace Human Impacts on the N Cycle in Northern Chile

12:40 General Discussion

13:00 Lunch

# 1. THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE COASTAL DESERTS

*Coordinators:* Peter Mitchell and Gustavo Martínez

- 14:30 **Peter Mitchell and Gustavo Martínez**  
Introduction
- 14:45 **Jayson Orton**  
Late Holocene Archaeology in Namaqualand, South Africa: Hunter-Gatherers and Herders in a Semi-Arid Environment
- 15:05 **Jo McDonald**  
Murujuga (Dampier Archipelago) Deep Time: When Arid Hunter-Gatherers Became Coastal Foragers
- 15:25 **Peter Veth**  
Unpacking the Archaeological Signatures of Maritime Deserts
- 15:45 **Federico L. Scartascini**  
The Role of Fishing in Coastal Deserts: Learning from Patagonia
- 16:05 **Gustavo Martínez, Florencia Santos Valero, Natalia Carden, Luciana Stoessel, Gustavo Flensburg, Ana Paula Alcaraz and Erika Borges Vaz**  
Was there a Process of Regionalization in North-Eastern Patagonia During the Late Holocene?
- 16:30 **Genevieve Dewar and Brian A. Stewart**  
Paleoenvironments, Sea Levels, and Land Use in Namaqualand, South Africa during MIS 6–2
- 16:50 **General Discussion**
- 17:30 **Coffee Break and Posters**
- 19:00 **Martin Williams**—*Keynote Talk 1*  
ICE, FIRE, WIND AND WATER: QUATERNARY ENVIRONMENTS IN THE SOUTHERN DESERTS
- 20:30 Dinner at Fuente Mayor Hotel Restaurant

## Tuesday, November 11th

### 3. INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON THE INITIAL OCCUPATION OF SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE DESERTS

*Coordinators:* César Méndez and Daniel H. Sandweiss

- 8:30 **César Méndez**  
Introduction and Goals
- 8:45 **Marjorie Sullivan and Philip Hughes**  
Paleoclimate and Human Occupation in Arid South Australia: Evidence from the Roxby Dunefield
- 9:05 **Phillip J. Habgood**  
"Coloniser Mode" Exchange and the Occupation of New Territories
- 9:25 **César Méndez, Donald Jackson, Roxana Seguel, Amalia Nuevo Delaunay, Ismael Murillo, and Antonio Maldonado**  
High-Quality Translucent Quartz Crystal Procurement from Quarry Site Spanning the Late Pleistocene to Early Holocene Transition in Northern Semiarid Chile: Valiente Site Context and Geoarchaeology
- 9:45 **Billy Griffiths**  
Reading Puntutjarpa: A History of Archaeology in Australia's Western Desert
- 10:05 **Calógero Santoro, Claudio Latorre, Eugenia Gayó, Donald Jackson, Antonio Maldonado, Paula Ugalde, Jason Rech, Daniela Osorio, José Capriles, Katherine Herrera, Delphine Joly, and Ricardo de Pol-Holz**  
Climate Change and Cultural Trajectories in the Atacama Desert
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 **Jane Balme and Sue O'Connor**  
Occupation on the Edge of the Desert in the Southern Kimberley, Western Australia
- 11:20 **Pablo G. Messineo, Marcela S. Tonello, Nahuel A. Scheifler, Silvina Stutz, and Diego Navarro**  
Human Occupations in Semi-Arid Environments of the Central Pampean Dunefield During the Early Holocene (Buenos Aires Province, Argentina)
- 11:40 **Charles R. Stern**  
Impact of the Mid-Holocene H1 Eruption of the Hudson Volcano: Its Role in Reducing Long-Distance Open-System Interactions in the Arid Area of Southernmost Patagonia
- 12:00 Brief Presentation of Posters' Authors

**Carlos A. Aschero, Elizabeth Pintar, Jorge Martínez, Salomón Hocsman, and Pilar Babot**

From the Highest Desert... Hunter-Gatherer Resources, Mobility and Interactions. Antofagasta de la Sierra 9000-3000 BP, Argentine Southern Puna

12:05 General Discussion

13:00 Lunch

## 5. GEOMORPHOLOGY AND QUATERNARY ENVIRONMENTAL EVOLUTION OF SOUTHERN DESERTS

*Coordinators:* David S. G. Thomas and Alfonsina Tripaldi

14:30 **David S. G. Thomas and Alfonsina Tripaldi**

Introduction

14:45 **Alexandra L.K. Rowell, David S. G. Thomas, and Richard M. Bailey**

Sand Ramp Accumulation and Preservation: New Analyses and Data from Southern Africa

15:05 **Jan-Hendrik May, Tim Cohen, and Samuel Marx**

Last Glacial Maximum Sandy Lunettes in Arid Central Australia and their Paleoenvironmental Significance

15:25 **Patrick De Deckker, Jan-Berend Stuut, David Heslop, and Felix Temmesfeld**

1.2 Million Years of Aeolian Activity in Northwestern Western Australian Recorded in a Deep-Sea Core in the Eastern Indian Ocean

15:45 **Jason A. Rech and Craig D. Tully**

Holocene Incision of In-Stream Wetlands in Río San Salvador and Its Implications for Mega-Droughts in the Atacama Desert, Chile

16:05 **Adriana Mehl**

The Late Pleistocene-Holocene Fluvial Dynamics in the Arroyo La Estacada (~33–34° S), Mendoza Province Andean Piedmont, Argentina

16:25 **Alfonsina Tripaldi and Steven L. Forman**

Paleoenvironmental Evolution of a Subtropical Inland Paleo-Dune Field of Western Pampas, Argentina, During the Past ~50,000 Years

16:45 **Isabel Vilanova, Karsten Schitteck, Mathias Geilenkirchen, and Wilfried Schulz**

Late Holocene Environmental Changes in the Western Pampas of Argentina Recorded in Sediments from a Water-Filled Deflation Pan

17:05 Brief Presentation of Posters' Authors

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Mid- to Late Holocene Paleoenvironmental Record at El Peñón Glacial Valley (~35°15' S, 70°31'W), High Andes Cordillera

**Juan Luis García, Belisario Andrade, Christopher Lüthgens, and Marcus Fiebig**

Preliminary OSL Dating of Ancient Coastal Sand Dunes at the Semiarid Coast of Chile: Towards a Regional Model of Pleistocene Climate Variability

17:10 General Discussion

18:00 Coffee Break and Posters

19:00 **Robert K. Hitchcock**—*Keynote Talk 2*

SOUTHERN DESERT ADAPTATIONS: ANTHROPOLOGICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE SAN OF THE KALAHARI REGION, SOUTHERN AFRICA

20:30 Dinner at Fuente Mayor Hotel Restaurant

## Wednesday, November 12th

### 7. ADVANCES IN ARCHAEOLOGICAL METHODS: DEVELOPMENTS AND APPLICATIONS TO THE SOUTHERN DESERTS

*Coordinators:* Valeria Cortegoso and Kane Ditchfield

8:30 **Kane Ditchfield and Valeria Cortegoso**

Introduction and Goals

8:40 **Kane Ditchfield**

Tracking Variation in Stone Artifact Assemblage Formation: Applications for the Southern Deserts

9:00 **Karen Borrazzo**

Lithic Taphonomy in Desert Environments: Advances from Patagonia (Southern South America)

9:20 **Elizabeth Pintar, Jorge Martínez, Carlos Aschero, and Michael D. Glascock**

Obsidian Use and Mobility Range During the Early and Middle Holocene in the Salt Puna

9:40 **Patricia Escola, Salomón Hocsman, and María del Pilar Babot**

Obsidian Circulation: The Case of Antofagasta de la Sierra Basin (Southern Argentinean Puna) During the Middle and Late Holocene

10:00 Coffee Break and Posters

10:30 **Juris Burlakovs, Zane Vincevica-Gaile, Vita Rudovica, Karina Stankevica, Dita Pole, Maris Krievans, Liga Zarina, Edmunds Berzins, and Martins Grosbahs**

Long-Term Multidisciplinary Research Project of Settlements and Burials in the Tuva Republic: The Ancient Puzzle of Scythian Wanderings in Eurasia

10:50 **Alexander Cherkinsky**  
AMS and Stable Isotope Analyses of Bone and Tooth Materials in the Desert Regions

10:40 Brief Presentation of Posters

10:50 General Discussion

11:30 Coffee Break and Posters

**Sebastián Pasqualini**

Use of Different Areas in Northwestern Santa Cruz (Patagonia, Argentina) During the Late Holocene. An Anthracological Approach

**Vita Rudovica, Zane Vincevica-Gaile, Juris Burlakovs, Arturs Viksna, and Gunita Zarina**

Analysis of Ancient Human Bones: Development of Methodology in Archaeological Chemistry

**Marcelo Cardillo, Karen Borrazzo, and Judith Charlin**

Environment, Space, and Morphological Variation of Projectile Points in Patagonia (Southern South America)

**David W. Zeanah, Mark E. Basgall, David Glover, and Ian Seah**

Lithic Landscape and Technological Organization of Barrow Island: A View from the Open Scatters

**Eugenia Carranza, Jimena Alberti, Marcelo Cardillo, and Cristian M. Favier Dubois**

Taphonomic Studies of Surface Lithic Scatters from the Coastal Area of San Matías Gulf, Río Negro Province, Argentina

**María Nella Quiroga, Augusto Tessone, Carina Llano, Alejandra Gasco, Florencia Gordón and Ramiro Barberena**

Isotopic Ecology in the Northern Patagonian Deserts of Neuquén (Argentina)

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 Departure to the winery [Bodega Salentein](#)  
Meeting place: lobby of the Hotel Fuente Mayor

14:40 Wintery tour and wine tasting

#### **4. VISUAL ENCOUNTERS: THE ROLE ART PLAYED IN CONTACT, INTERACTIONS, AND RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SOUTHERN DESERT SOCIETIES**

*Coordinators:* María Isabel Hernández Llosas, Daniela Valenzuela, and June Ross

16:00 **Jo McDonald**—*Invited talk*  
Rock Art in the Australian Deserts

- 16:20 **Vivian Scheinsohn and Inés Caridi**  
Rock Art and Mutual Information Networks
- 16:40 **Anahí Re**  
Information Exchange and Group Differentiation in Southern Patagonia During the Late Holocene. New Perspectives from Rock Art Research
- 17:00 **Sam Harper**  
Heterogeneous Shield Designs Found in Rock Art on the Pilbara Desert Edge
- 17:20 **Natalie Franklin**  
Encountering the Panaramitee: Rock Art and Interaction in Arid Zone Australia
- 17:40 Brief Presentation of Posters
- Daniela Valenzuela, Norma Ratto, Marcela Sepúlveda, Calogero M. Santoro, and Indira Montt**  
Social Interaction and Information Transfer: Inter-Basin Stylistic Variability in the Rock Art of the Atacama Desert, Northern Chile
- Anahí Re, Gisela Cassiodoro, Josefina Flores Coni, and Francisco Guichón**  
Circulation of Information and Goods in Central-Southern Patagonia: Distribution of Rock Art and Lithic Raw Materials During the Late Holocene
- Guadalupe Romero**  
Rock Art and Information Exchange in Desert Environments of Northern Patagonia: Data and Perspectives from the Northeast of Neuquén Province (Argentina)
- Mara Basile and Norma Ratto**  
Images from Pathways and Villages from the First Millennium in the Fiambalá Region (Catamarca, Argentina)
- Flavia Sergio and M. Sol Zárate Bernardi**  
Petroglyphs in Cerro Tunduqueral, Uspallata, Mendoza (Argentina): A Landscape Approach in a High-Altitude Desert
- 18:00 Coffee Break and Posters
- 19:00 **Ricardo Villalba**—*Keynote Talk 3*  
PAST AND PRESENT CLIMATIC DYNAMICS ALONG THE ARID DIAGONAL IN SOUTH AMERICA: IMPLICATIONS FOR HUMANS
- 20:30 Argentine Barbecue (*Asado*) at Salentein Winery
- 22:30 Return to Fuente Mayor Hotel

## Thursday, November 13th

### 9. GENERAL ISSUES IN DESERT ARCHAEOLOGY

*Coordinators:* Karen Borrazzo and Alan N. Williams

- 8:30 **Karen Borrazzo and Alan N. Williams**  
Introduction and Goals
- 8:45 **David W. Zeanah, Robert G. Elston, and Brian F. Coddig**  
Resource Use, Patch Residence Time and the Sexual Division of Labor among Great Basin foragers during the Pleistocene–Holocene Transition
- 9:05 **Nora Viviana Franco, María Virginia Mancini, George A. Brook, and Lucas Vetrivano**  
Environmental and Cultural Changes in Southern Continental Patagonia: The Chico and Santa Cruz River Basins
- 9:25 **Rafael Goñi, Solana García Guraieb, and Francisco Guichón**  
Those Were the Deserts: Archaeological and Bioarchaeological Evidence of Late Holocene Human Peopling in Southern Patagonia
- 9:45 **Vivian Scheinsohn, Sabrina Leonardt, Florencia Rizzo, Pablo Tchilinguirían, Nora Kuperszmit, and Mariela Carpio Gonzalez**  
The Role of the Genoa Valley in the Patagonian Desert Archaeology
- 10:05 **Amber L. Johnson and Lewis R. Binford**  
Probing Northern Desert Archaeology Using Ethnoarchaeology of Environmental Analogues from Southern Deserts
- 10:30 Coffee Break and Posters
- 11:00 **Salomón Hocsman**  
Regionalization Processes in the High Altitude Desert of Northwestern Argentina During Middle to Late Holocene
- 11:20 **Alan N. Williams, June Ross and Mike Smith**  
Puntutjarpa Rockshelter Re-visited: Episodic Occupation of the Western Desert through the Holocene
- 11:40 **Erik J. Marsh**  
The Emergence of Agropastoralism: Accelerated Ecocultural Change on the Andean Altiplano, ~3540–3120 cal BP
- 12:00 **Mónica A. Berón**  
Dunes, Hills, Waterholes, and Saltpeter Beds: Attractives for Human Populations in the Dry Pampa Subregion
- 12:20 Brief Presentation of Posters

**Tania Bilbao, Paula Sosa, Victoria Balducci, Silvina Barbanente, Peter Thomas, Silvia Musso, Víctor A. Durán, and Alejandro Cobo**

Diffusion of Archaeological Knowledge through Environmental Education Articles Facing Climate Change in Mendoza

**Juris Burlakovs, Vita Rudovica, Dita Pole, Zane Vincevica-Gaile, Anda Cine, Diana Kristina, Alise Kepite, Jurgis Armans, Marika Kacare and Jekaterina Matuko**

Scythian and Krygyz Burials in Tuva and the Upper Yenisei Region: From Remote Sensing to Archaeological Excavations

**Víctor Durán, Valeria Cortegoso, Ramiro Barberena, Alejandra Gasco, Silvina Castro, Cecilia Frigole, Gustavo Lucero, Erik Marsh, and Carina Llano**

Continuity and Change in the Human Use of High-Altitude Andean Deserts between 29–36°S (Argentina)

**Sebastián Pasqualini, Gisela Cassiodoro, and Juan Matías Dellepiane**

Logistical Mobility in Plateaus from Central-Western Santa Cruz (Patagonia, Argentina): An Anthracological, Technological, and Archaeofaunistic Approach

**Agustina A. Rughini**

Lithic Technology and Human Peopling in the Northern Patagonian Deserts: The Site Cueva Huenul 1

12:30 General Discussion

13:00 Lunch

## **6. HISTORICAL CHALLENGES FOR DESERT PEOPLES: TOWARDS THE COMPARATIVE STUDY OF RESPONSES TO INTRUSIONS AND ECOLOGICAL CHANGE**

*Coordinators:* Alistair Paterson and Amalia Nuevo Delaunay

14:30 **Alistair Paterson and Amalia Nuevo Delaunay**

Introduction and Goals

14:40 **Julieta N. Aranibar, Emmanuel Millán, Silvana B. Goirán, and Eduardo M. Bringa**

Simulations of Human Settlements in Arid Environments with the SeDD (Settlement Dynamics in Drylands) Model

15:00 **Alistair Paterson**

Towards a Comparative Perspective: Australian Responses to Intrusions and Ecological Change

15:20 **David W. Zeanah, Brian Coddington, Rebecca Bliege Bird, and Douglas W. Bird**

Anthropogenic Fire and Intensive Seed Exploitation in the Australian Arid Zone

- 15:40 **Raquel Gil Montero and Mariano Morales**  
Regional Impact of Mining Activity During Colonial Time in L pez (Southern Bolivia)
- 16:00 **Peter Mitchell**  
"I Rode through the Desert": Equestrian Adaptations in Southern Hemisphere Arid Zones
- 16:20 **Amalia Nuevo Delaunay, Rafael A. Go i, and Juan Bautista Belardi**  
From Contact Onwards in Southern Patagonia
- 16:40 **Ricardo Villalba**—*Discussant*
- 17:00 General Discussion
- 17:30 Coffee Break and Posters
- 19:00 **Luis A. Borrero**—*Keynote Talk 4*  
THE OLD, WEIRD PATAGONIAN DESERTS
- 20:00 **Book Presentation**—*Arqueolog a de Ambientes de Altura de Mendoza y San Juan (Argentina)*, compiled by Valeria Cortegoso, V ctor Dur n and Alejandra Gasco (Editorial of the Universidad Nacional de Cuyo). With a short introduction by Nora V. Franco
- 21:00 Dinner at Fuente Mayor Hotel Restaurant

## Friday, November 14th

### 8. DESERT AND SEMI-DESERT PALEOECOLOGY, PALEOENVIRONMENTS, AND PALEOCLIMATES

*Coordinators:* M. Eugenia Gay  and Antonio Maldonado

- 8:30 **Marcelo R. Morales, Paul Tchilinguirian, Malena Pirola, and Sabrina Bustos**  
New Holocene Paleoenvironmental Records from the Dry Puna, Northwestern Argentina
- 8:50 **Mariano S. Morales, Axel E. Nielsen, Ricardo Villalba, and Duncan Christie**  
Precipitation Changes on the South American Altiplano (18–23 S) during the Late Intermediate Period (AD 1000–1450) and Their Impacts on Human Populations
- 9:10 **Mar a Eugenia de Porras, Andr s Zamora-Allendes, and Antonio Maldonado**  
Rodent Midden Pollen Record from the Atacama Desert: From Modern Signal Calibration to Tracing Past Climatic Dynamics
- 9:30 **Samuel Marx, Hamish McGowan, and Balz Kamber**  
Changing Patterns in Aridity in Australia's Deserts during the Mid- to Late Holocene as Indicated by Dust Emissions

9:50 **Sophie B. Lehmann, Naomi E. Levin, David R. Braun, Kate J. Dennis, Deano D. Stynder, Laura C. Bishop, and Frances Forrest**

A Plio–Pleistocene Record of Vegetation, Climate, and Hydrology in Western South Africa Using Carbon and Oxygen Isotopic Compositions of Fossil Tooth Enamel

10:10 Brief Presentation of Posters

**Malena Pirola, Sabrina Bustos, and Marcelo R. Morales**

Preliminary Paleoenvironmental Interpretation of the 11,500–4000 BP span from Cruces Core 1, Dry Puna of Jujuy, Argentina: The Diatom and C (TOC and TIC) Content Records

**Jorge O. Sánchez, Mariana Brea, Alejandro F. Zucol, Gustavo Martínez and Gustavo A. Martínez**

Initial Late Holocene Vegetal Communities Inferred from Archaeological Sites in Northeastern Patagonia (Argentina): Anthrachological Evidence from the site Zoko Andi 1

**Antonio Maldonado, D. Cardenas, Juana Martel-Cea, Karsten Schitteck, M. Eugenia de Porras and Stella M. Moreiras**

15,000-Year Pollen Records From High Andean Lakes in the Subtropical Semi-Arid Chile (32°S)

**Leandro D. Rojo and Adriana Mehl**

Stable Carbon Isotopes From Bulk Organic Matter as Indicators of Paleoenvironmental Changes in the Arroyo La Estacada, Mendoza (Argentina)

**Francisco J. González-Pinilla, Claudio Latorre, M. Ignacia Rocuant, Maisa Rojas and John Houston**

Developing Quantitative Estimates of Rainfall From Abrocoma Fecal Pellets in Middens as a New proxy for Past Climate Change in the Atacama Desert

**Cecilia Frigolé and Alejandra Gasco**

Potters and Herders at the Southern Edge of the Andean World: Subsistence and Mobility in Northern Mendoza (500 BC–AD 1000)

10:20 General Discussion

11:00 Coffee Break and Posters

12:00 Lunch

## **10. ROUND-TABLE: COMPARATIVE FRAMEWORKS FOR THE ANALYSIS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCONTINUITIES**

*Coordinators:* Peter Veth, Ramiro Barberena, and Jo McDonald

14:00 **Ramiro Barberena, Peter Veth, and Jo McDonald**

Introduction and Comparative Goals

- 14:15 **Robert K. Hitchcock**  
Discontinuities in Ethnographic Time: View from Africa
- 14:30 **Peter Mitchell**  
Discontinuities in South African Archaeology
- 14:45 **Jo McDonald**  
Discontinuities in Information Exchange in Australian Western Desert Arid Zone Graphic Systems
- 15:00 **Peter Veth**  
(Dis)continuities in Arid Hybrid Coastal Economies: Barrow Island Archaeology Project
- 15:15 **Luis A. Borrero**  
Discontinuities and Colonization of Fuego-Patagonia
- 15:30 **Ramiro Barberena, César Méndez, and Luciano Prates**  
Demographic Basis of Archaeological Gaps and Troughs in South American Deserts: A Comparative Exploration
- 15:45 **Hugo D. Yacobaccio**  
Discontinuities, Fragmentation, and Protection
- 16:00 **Calogero M. Santoro, Claudio Latorre, José Capriles and Eugenia M. Gayó**  
What Happened When the Atacama Desert Run Out of Water: Explaining Environmental, Archaeological, and Social Discontinuities in the Driest Desert of the World
- 16:15 **Alan N. Williams**  
Demographic and Mobility Changes for Prehistoric Australia: A Time-Series Approach Using Archaeological Radiocarbon Data
- 16:30 **Amber L. Johnson**—*Discussant*
- 16:50 **David W. Zeanah**—*Discussant*
- 17:10 General Discussion
- 17:30 Coffee Break
- 18:00 Individual Session Meetings: Future Prospects and Published Outcomes
- 19:00 Plenary Session
- 20:30 Closing Dinner and “Desert” Party

## Saturday, November 15th

Transfers to Mendoza City and Mendoza Airport  
Departure for Field Trip to Patagonia

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