Paleoclimatic records from Bolivian glaciers

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Abstract:

In the Andes, especially in Bolivia, the glaciers studies allows to reconstruct the evolution of past climate at different time scales, from seasonal variations to the Last Glacial Maximum. At short scale with instrumental data, the study of ablation/accumulation processes were used to establish the relationships between glacier mass and surface changes and weather/climate variables such as El Niño events or recent global warming. In this recent period, the glaciers show strong general retreat all over the Andes. The evolution of the glacier surface, observed by aerial pictures or reconstructed from different moraine stages informs us about their evolution since the Little Ice Age or longer with some fluctuations in a shrinking phase. Ice cores extracted from highest Andean glaciers extend these reconstructions to the Last Glacial Maximum.

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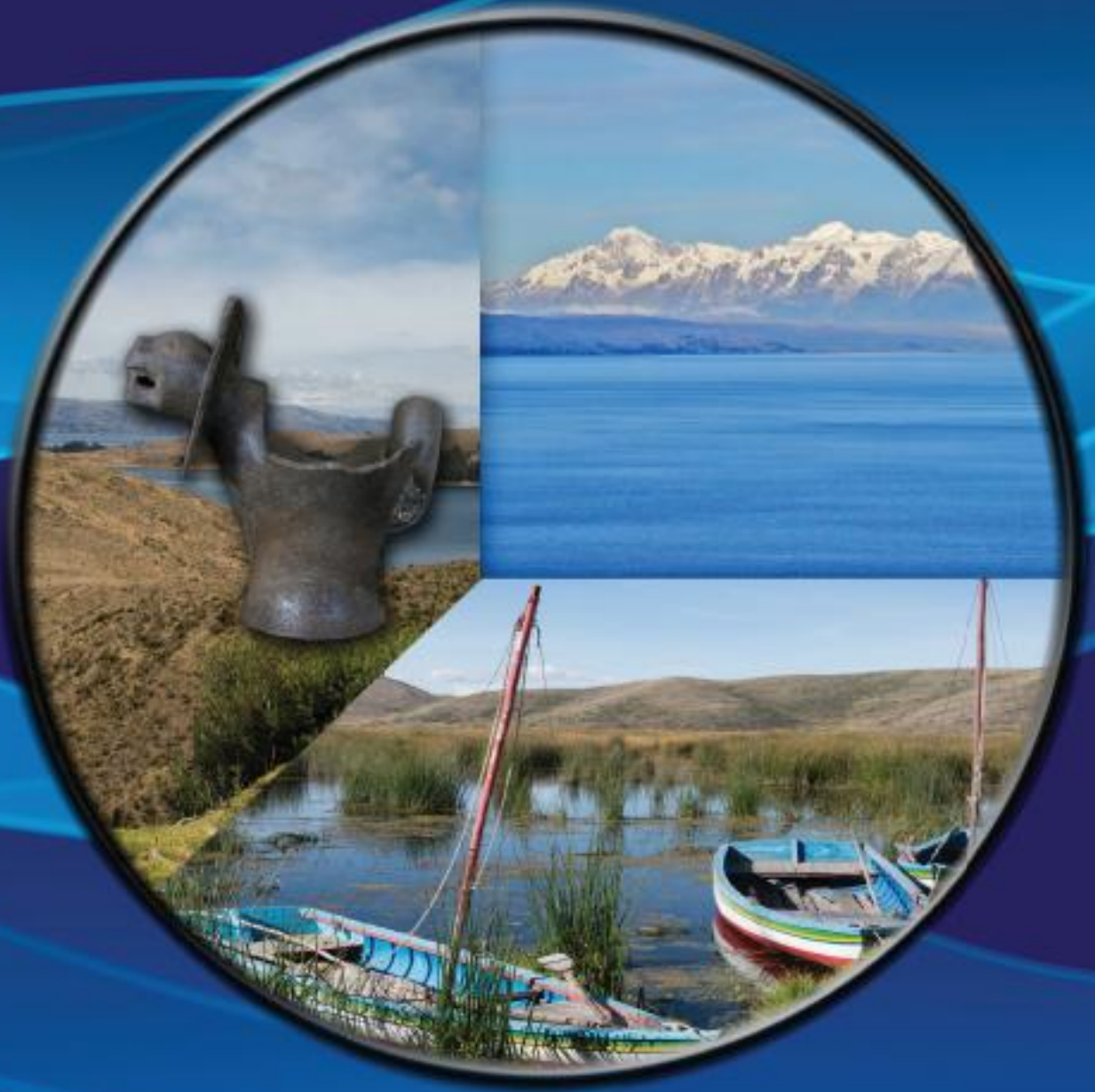

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- **May 3rd 2016: Contamination and eutrophication of Lake Titicaca**

AM session: Mercury biogeochemistry and contamination of aquatic ecosystems of the Andes region
Keynote Lecture: Hg contamination in Latin America: the past is not what we think, nor the future (J.-R. Davee Guimarães).

PM session: Chemical contamination, eutrophication and monitoring of Lake Titicaca and its watershed
Keynote Lecture: Eutrophication of the Cohana Bay (D. Acha).

- **May 4th 2016: Arsenic issues in the Andes**

AM session: Arsenic biogeochemistry and contamination of aquatic ecosystems of the Andes region
Keynote Lecture: Arsenic contamination of groundwater (Chile) (G. Lobos).

PM session:
Workshop 1: Arsenic and mercury speciation.
Workshop 2: Paleoenvironmental studies in the Andean altiplano.

- **May 5th 2016: Historical reconstructions of the human-climate interactions in the altiplano: implication of archeological purposes**

AM session: Paleo-environmental reconstruction of Altiplano's archives
Keynote Lecture: Holocene Paleoclimatic and Paleoenvironmental History of the Lake Titicaca Basin (S. Fritz & P. Baker).

PM session: Archeology: historical human – environment interactions
Keynote Lecture: Recent contribution of terrestrial and subaquatic archeological investigation in Lake Titicaca (C. Delaere & M-A. Vella).