

# Session # 662 Run to the Valleys [PaM]

(Extreme) Environments – Islands, Coasts, Margins, Centres

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Pleistocene and Early Holocene hunter-gatherer ecodynamics were characterized by the exploitation of resources from their natural sources. As environmental conditions changed, the presence, amount, quality, and visibility of many such biotic and abiotic resources also changed. Moreover, the overall comfort may have also been decisive in occupying or not a particular space during specific periods in relation to environmental conditions and accessibility to such resources.

One of the best setups where a diversity of resources and humans clustered were valleys and canyons. But, these geomorphological features were also where considerable erosion and deposition occurred. Ultimately, the environmental conditions that caused sedimentation and/or erosion were responsible for allowing the preservation or causing obliteration of the evidence of human presence and testimonies of human activity.

In this session, we bring together case studies of single and multiple occupation sites in valleys from around the world during the Pleistocene and Early Holocene. Our goal is to discuss human behavior, adaptation, ecodynamics, resource exploitation, and archaeological visibility.

**Keywords:** Valleys, Canyons, Ecodynamics, Human adaptation

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