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58° ANNUAL MEETING AASP
THE PALYNOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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Presentation

We are pleased to invite the scientific and academic community, as well as the general public, to the 19th Argentine Symposium on Paleobotany and Palynology (SAPP) and the 58th Annual Meeting of AASP – The Palynological Society (AASP-TPS), to be held jointly at the Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum (MEF) in the city of Trelew (Patagonia, Argentina) from September 8 to 11, 2026.

Since 1978, the SAPP, organized by the Latin American Association of Paleobotany and Palynology (ALPP), has become the most important meeting in Argentina for the fields of paleobotany and palynology. It regularly gathers over 200 participants from various regions of Argentina and countries such as Uruguay, Brazil, Paraguay, Chile, Peru, Colombia, Mexico, and the United States. Each edition features more than 150 scientific contributions, organized in oral sessions, poster presentations, and plenary lectures covering a wide range of topics: anatomy and morphology, systematics and taxonomy, paleobiology, paleoclimatology, aeropalynology, melissopalynology, biostratigraphy, paleomycology, among others.

The Annual Meeting of the AASP – The Palynological Society, organized since 1967 by that institution, is a key international event in the field of palynology. This scientific society, based in the United States, convenes researchers from around the world each year, addressing both fossil and modern palynology from an interdisciplinary perspective.

The event will also include thematic symposia, keynote lectures, and field trips to sites of paleobotanical, botanical, and geological interest in the region, offering a unique opportunity for academic exchange in direct contact with the Patagonian landscape.



Organizing Committee

The organization of this joint edition of the SAPP and AASP-TPS Meeting was conceived as an opportunity to form a diverse and representative working team that reflects the federal character of the scientific community engaged in paleobotany and palynology in Argentina. The Organizing Committee is composed of 26 members from 19 institutions, located in six provinces and the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires.

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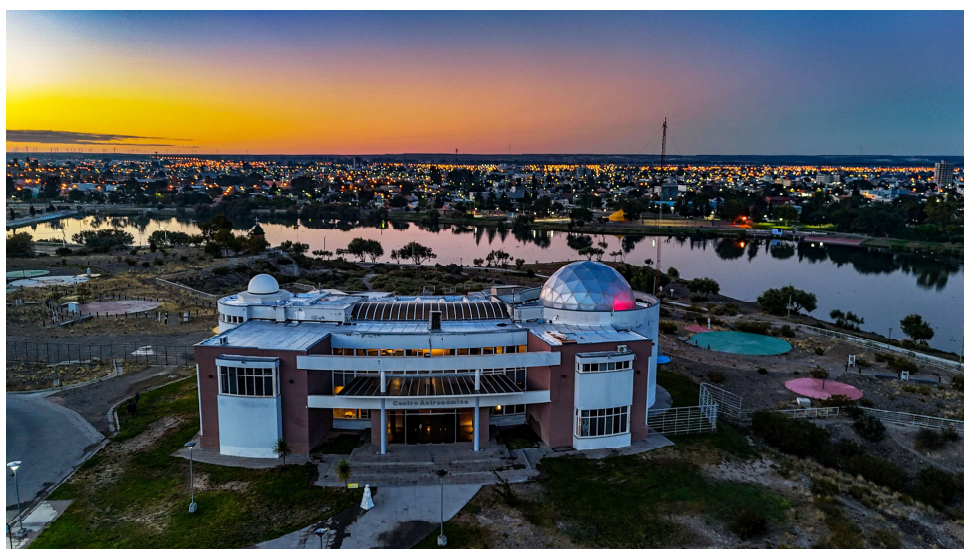
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About Patagonia and Trelew

Patagonia is a key region for the natural sciences of the Southern Hemisphere. Its combination of steppes, mountain ranges, and a vast and well-preserved geological history make it a reference area for paleontological research. Its formations contain exceptional fossil records, essential for reconstructing the evolution of ecosystems and biotas over time.

Located in the heart of the Patagonian region, Trelew offers a privileged environment for scientific and cultural knowledge production and exchange. It lies approximately 60 km from Puerto Madryn, 17 km from Rawson, and 15 km from Gaiman. The city has daily air connections with Buenos Aires via Almirante Marcos A. Zar International Airport (Trelew), and nearby El Tehuelche Airport (Puerto Madryn) also offers regular flights. Trelew has a regional and national bus terminal, as well as a wide range of accommodation, dining, and services, making it a suitable venue for academic events of national and international scope.



Astronomic Center and Cacique Chiquichano Nature Reserve (Trelew, Patagonia)



1. Puerto Piramides, Chubut, Patagonia.

2. Middle Chubut River Valley, Chubut, Patagonia.



Trelew, Patagonia



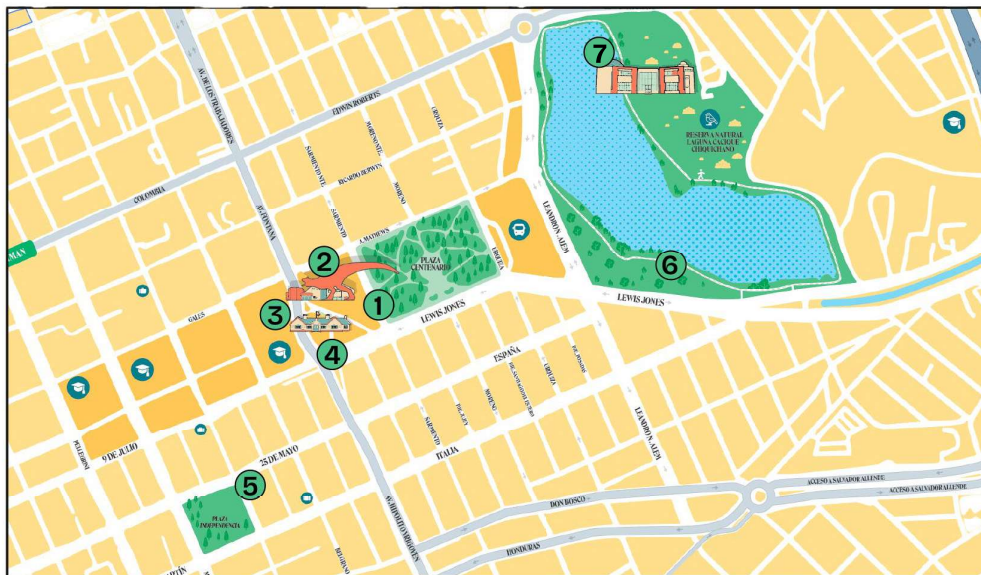
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Venue

The event will be held at the Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum (MEF) and the newly inaugurated Trelew Convention Center. Both venues are located in downtown Trelew and offer modern facilities, accessibility, connectivity, and support services for the successful hosting of an international scientific event.

City map of Trelew, highlighting key locations for the event:



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| 1. Trelew Convention Center | 5. Independencia Park and downtown Trelew |
| 2. Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum | 6. Cacique Chiquichano Natural Reserve |
| 3. National University of Patagonia | 7. Trelew Astronomic Center |
| 4. Pueblo de Luis Museum | |



Trelew Convention Center (TCC)

This modern facility includes a main auditorium with a capacity for over 800 people, additional rooms for parallel sessions, spacious circulation areas, state-of-the-art projection and sound technology, and common areas for breaks and services.



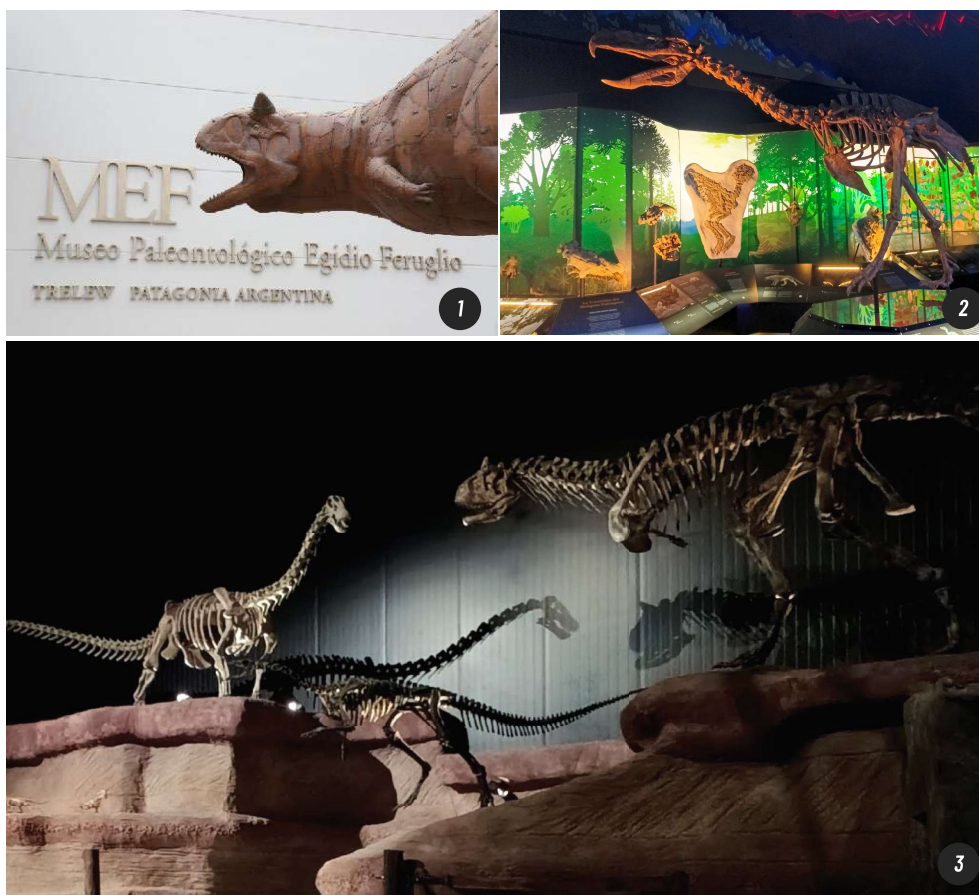
1. External view of the Trelew Convention Center, next to the MEF. Both institutions are internally connected.

2. Main Hall of the TCC. The hall is modular and can be divided into five separate rooms.



Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum (MEF)

The MEF is one of the most renowned scientific institutions in Latin America, with a paleontological collection of international relevance. Its permanent exhibition explores the history of life on Earth from its origins to the present, including iconic discoveries of the largest known dinosaur. In addition to its renewed galleries, the museum includes research laboratories, collections, educational spaces, a gift shop, and a café.



1. Front of the MEF

2. Neogene-Paleogene Hall, Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum

3. Cretaceous Hall, Egidio Feruglio Paleontological Museum



National University of Patagonia San Juan Bosco (UNPSJB)

Located across from the MEF and TCC, the UNPSJB is an institution with a long-standing commitment to education and scientific research in southern Argentina. It hosts the Trelew Herbarium and the Melissopalynology Laboratory, centers of excellence dedicated to the study of both modern and ancient vegetation. These facilities conduct research in botany, paleobotany, and palynology, and play an active role in the local scientific network that provides academic support for this event.xff



1. Trelew Campus, National University of Patagonia San Juan Bosco (UNPSJB)
2. The UNPSJB facilities include the Palynology Laboratory and the Botany Laboratory, both of which house collections.



Thematic Sessions

Thematic Sessions will be organized on various aspects of Paleobotany and Palynology. We invite you to submit your proposals by December 1st, 2025, to trelew2026@gmail.com.

To be evaluated by the Scientific Committee, proposals must include:

- Full name
- Institutional affiliation
- Title of the Thematic Session
- Potential participants (maximum 5)
- Summary of the proposed topic (up to 150 words)

Important dates

September 1 2025	Call for proposals for Thematic Sessions opens
December 1 2025	Deadline for Thematic Session proposals
December 15 2025	Second Circular published, including information on Thematic Sessions and field trips. Early registration and abstract submission open
February 1 2026	Abstract submission opens
May 1 2026	Abstract submission and early registration deadline
August 15 2026	Publication of the third circular and the final program.
September 8 2026	See you in Trelew!



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