

## **Oswaldo Sala Biographical Sketch**

Oswaldo Sala is the Julie A. Wrigley, Regents' and Foundation Professor, at Arizona State University, where he contributes to both the School of Life Sciences and School of Sustainability. He is also the Founding Director of the Global Drylands Center. He came to ASU in 2010 from Brown University where he was the founding Director of the Environmental Change Initiative and the Sloan Lindemann Professor of Biology. Oswaldo has been trained as an dryland ecologist working from the local to the global levels. He is known for his large-scale field manipulative experiments simulating climate change around the world. At the global scale, he has developed highly-cited (>10,000 citations) scenarios of biodiversity change for the year 2100. He has had a prolific scientific production with more than 57,000 citations and H=100. His work has been truly interdisciplinary, collaborating with geologists, social scientists, mathematicians and humanists. Oswaldo Sala received PhD (1982) and MSc from Colorado State University and BSc from University of Buenos Aires. Oswaldo Sala served in numerous national and international institutions from the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment and IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) to being President of the Ecological Society of America. He has been contributor to several reports associated with global change including IPCC, Global Biodiversity Assessment and Millennium Ecosystem Assessment. He has received several recognitions to his academic work including being an elected Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Academy of Sciences of Argentina, Fellow of the American Geophysical Union, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the Ecological Society of America.