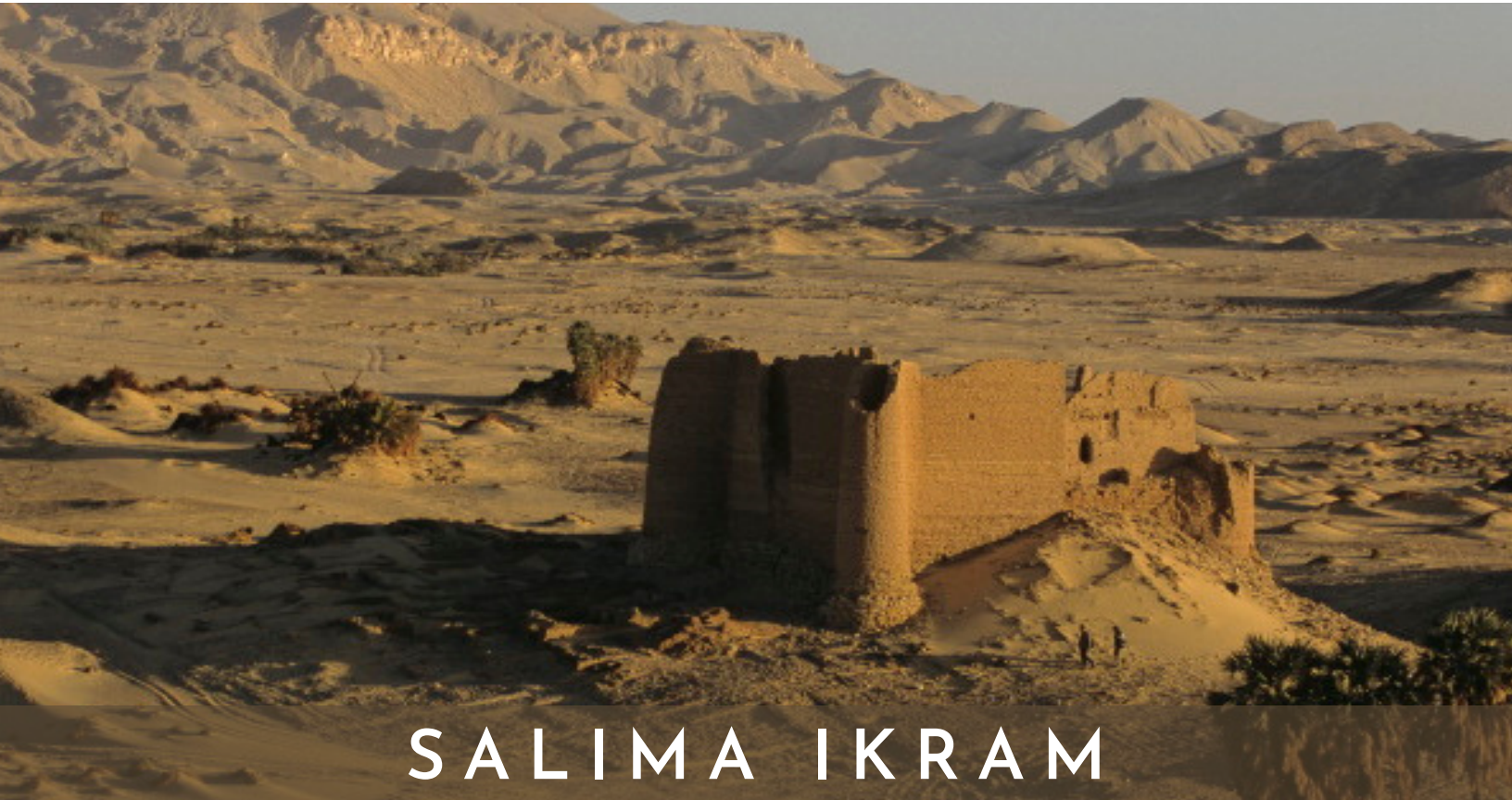


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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2ND  
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*ABSTRACT: Until 2000, Kharga Oasis, the largest oasis in Egypt's western desert, had been relatively unexplored until the initiation of the North Kharga Oasis Survey, followed by the North Kharga Oasis Darb Ain Amur Survey. These projects started to document sites in the main body of the oasis and its hinterland. The surveys have revealed the changing environment in the oasis, and the resulting evolution of human exploitation of the area, starting from prehistoric camps, shelters with rock art, pharaonic installations, and Roman forts. An overview of the discoveries is presented here.*

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