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Interactive comment on "Patterns of millennial variability over the last 500 ka" *by* M. Siddall et al.

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During the Discussion phase the paper received 2 Referee Comments, in addition 1 Short Comment, which has already been replied to constructively by the authors.

While both referees were generally positive about the approach and acknowledged the relevance of the findings, they also raise a number of points of concern on the methodology, the presentation and significance of results, and the proposed mechanism.

By addressing the issues formulated in all three comments, it appears possible to improve the manuscript to an extent that it will satisfy the referees and qualify for publication in CP. I therefore encourage the authors to follow the standard CP procedure, i.e. respond to the Referee Comments in an Author Comment and to revise the manuscript accordingly. It is possible that the revised mansucript will be reassessed by the referees.

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I look forward to receiving the response on the reviews and the revised manuscript.

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