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**THE INTRAPSYCHIC AND
THE INTERSUBJECTIVE
IN CONTEMPORARY
PSYCHOANALYSIS**

**20-23 OCTOBER 2010
ATHENS, GREECE**

**FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT
& CALL FOR SYMPOSIA PROPOSALS**



HOST SOCIETY:
**HELLENIC SOCIETY OF
PSYCHOANALYTIC PSYCHOTHERAPY**



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Yiannis Moralis, *Untitled*, 1975

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We draw special pleasure in inviting psychoanalysts, members of the constituent societies of IFPS and members of other psychoanalytic associations, as well as mental health professionals at large, to attend the 16th International Forum of Psychoanalysis to be held in Athens, Greece, from 20 to 23 October 2010.

The host society of the 2010 Forum is the Hellenic Society of Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy.

The theme of the Forum is “The intrapsychic and the intersubjective in contemporary psychoanalysis”, which offers a thematic diversity to cover various theoretical and clinical approaches.

Our aim is to provide the framework for the exchange of knowledge, information and experience. With this scope in mind, we invite the international community of psychoanalysts to actively participate in this exchange. Proposals for symposia, oral free communications and poster presentations are most welcome.

We warmly invite Candidates of psychoanalytic institutes to actively participate in the Forum. In this respect, we are happy to announce that a Special Award for the best paper presented by a Candidate has been established for the 2010 Forum. All Candidates’ papers will be presented in special sessions, to be chaired by training analysts. The Award Committee will evaluate presentations. As an award, the best paper will be published in the *International Forum of Psychoanalysis*.

We, as hosts and organizers, shall spare no effort in making your participation scientifically rewarding and meaningful, and your stay in Greece as enjoyable as possible.

So, just reserve your dates; we are looking forward to welcoming you in Athens.

Grigoris Vaslamatzis
Assoc. Professor of Psychiatry; Athens University Medical School
President of the 16th IFPS Forum

THE RATIONALE

In the dawn of the 2nd century of psychoanalysis, we notice the presence not only of a wealth of models but also a diverse range of theoretical shifts: from drive gratification to the search for the object and, thereafter, from the dyad drive and object to the interplay of the two subjects.

Some psychoanalysts, though, further distance themselves theoretically from the narcissistic and the object relations approach and introduce the relational dimension.

This approach emphasizes not only the search of the true self in the intrapsychic realm, but also the genuine quest of the other in the interpersonal sphere, beyond projective and identificatory mechanisms.

Even so, the analysis of the phenomena of the intrapsychic space (psychic conflicts, pathological object relations, transference, etc) seems to continue to be the main drift of contemporary psychoanalytic approach.

Within this context, next to Freudian epistemological propositions, “complementary” models of various clinical approaches have been advocated. For instance, the epistemological model of intersubjectivity aims at the broadening of the –theoretical– perspective, by highlighting the interrelation between subject and object. Quite often though, both aspects are examined concurrently: unconscious and conscious, transference and countertransference, the relation of the subject with the social world.

Meanwhile, contemporary neuro-physiological advancement in cerebral plasticity and memory systems, as well as research findings from studies from developmental psychology and infant observation provided new information that stressed the importance of the emotional bond between the subject and the significant Other (the “objective object”) in the here and now of each stage of child development.

These developments had a profound influence on the psychoanalytic views of transference and counter-transference, the analytic field, the psychoanalytic process and technique, the psychic change, and last but not least on clinical theories of trauma, emotion and psychic reality.



The concept of the subject in psychoanalysis belongs both to the intrapsychic and the interpersonal realms. In the realm of the intrapsychic unconscious, it is differentiated from the ego and the superego; in the realm of the interpersonal, it develops in relation to the significant other. It is worth mentioning that the unconscious desire for the Other and the Other's desire for the subject is expressed not only verbally but also non-verbally, and some times is imprinted on the body itself.

Within this context then the search for truth and the development of an authentic relationship between analyst and analysand will be complemented by the re-ordering of the internalised pathological object relations and the "alienated" ego. In this way, the emergence of the subject will be facilitated and it will thus be released from the "shadow of the object".

"The [subjective] object is always being destroyed [in unconscious fantasy]. This destruction becomes the unconscious backcloth for love of a real object. [Then]...the subject is able to use the object." (Winnicott, 1971)

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

Main theme

The Intrapsychic and the Intersubjective in Contemporary Psychoanalysis

Program structure

The first day of the conference will be devoted to a series of special interdisciplinary symposia focusing on “Neurosciences, Psychoanalysis and Medication: Research and Applications”. Invited speakers, experts in their respective fields, will discuss the current theoretical and clinical approaches of the aetiology and the type of treatment of disorders where psychoanalytic psychotherapy combined with pharmaceutical interventions is recommended.

Discussion panels composed of two invited speakers, renowned members of the psychoanalytic community, and a discussant introducing specific topics will feature in the program, the following days.

The program will also include:

- Presentations
- Symposia
- Discussion groups
- Workshops
- Oral free communications
- Poster presentations

Confirmed speakers and presentations

Keynote address

M. Baranger (Argentina): The Future of Psychoanalysis

Discussion panels

A. “On female subjectivity”

M. Aisenstein (Greece): Female identifications to the father

J. Kristeva (France): The maternal passion

Discussant: **E. Bichi** (Argentina)

B. “On intersubjectivity”

R. D. Hinshelwood (UK): Being objective about the intersubjective

D. Stern (Switzerland): The implications of a developmental view of intersubjectivity for contemporary psychoanalysis

Discussant: To be announced

C. Overall and individual titles to be announced

A. Ferro (Italy)

J. R. Greenberg (USA)

Discussant: To be announced



Presentations

- E. Aslanidis** (Greece): Dualism and duality in the psychoanalytic scene
- A. Berle** (Norway): Clinical experiences which moved me from a one person intrapsychic position, toward a more interpersonal / intersubjective position
- M. Ermann** (Germany): The intersubjective perspective and the change of the psychoanalytic identity
- J. Flores** (Chile): The place of authenticity and neutrality in contemporary psychoanalysis
- K. Hoffmann** (Germany): Truth and analytic relationship in forensic treatments – Challenges caused by injustice, delinquency, addiction
- Ch. Ioannidis** (Greece): It is a matter of agreement between us, that we will never ask this question
- Z. Lothane** (USA): Dramatology in life, disorder, and psychoanalytic therapy – A new synthesis
- C. Mann** (USA): Psychodynamic understanding in different cultures: a problem in transcultural psychotherapy
- J. Mitrani** (USA): Becoming real: Sorting out identifications toward embodying one's self
- N. Tzavaras** (Greece): The destruction of the intersubjectivity in schizophrenia
- G. Vaslamatzis** (Greece): The traumatic and the analytic relationship

The following faculty will also feature in the program, pending confirmation of the titles of their presentations

E. Bichi (Argentina) • **C. Bonomi** (Italy) • **S. Gojman de Milan** (Mexico) • **V. Falaras** (Greece) • **I. Ierodiakonou** (Greece)

Symposia

Intersubjective traditions in the history of IFPS

(Organised by the IFPS Archives Commission)

Chair: M. Ermann, K. Hoffmann (Germany)
Panellists: E. Frank-Rieser (Austria), R. Funk (Germany),
M. Conci (Italy and Germany)

Intersubjective - intrasubjective experiences and identity alterations
(Organised by the Kaunas Society for the Studies of Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy)

Chair: D. Leskauskas (Lithuania)

Panelists: B. Baranauskiene, D. Leskauskas, G. Gruodis (Lithuania)

A dialogue: The pros and cons of the intersubjectivity

Chair: N. Tzavaras, I. Vartzopoulos (Greece)

Panelists: To be announced

The limits of an analysis are those of the analyst, the analysand or the analytic process?

Chair: L. Moyson (Belgium), D. Anastasopoulos (Greece)

Panelists: L. Moyson (Belgium), D. Anastasopoulos, J. Soumaki, D. Anagnostopoulos (Greece)

Workshop

New ethical questions are challenging psychoanalysts in a transparent and commercial medical health environment.

Coordinator: C Sjödin (Sweden)

Interdisciplinary Symposia on “Neurosciences, Psychoanalysis and Medication: Research and Applications” – Confirmed Invited Speakers

M. Beutel (Germany): Depression – Psychodynamics of pharmacotherapy

A. Cooper (USA): On brain-mind dichotomy: Should neurobiology influence psychoanalysis?

P. Magistretti (Switzerland): Neurosciences and psychoanalysis

M. Solms (S. Africa): On Psychosis: Neuroscientific and psychoanalytic perspectives



SUGGESTED TOPICS

The contribution of Winnicott, Bion, Lacan, Ogden, Modell, Mitchell, Bollas, Green, Stern and Matte Blanco to contemporary psychoanalytical technique • Trauma: Freud and Ferenczi • Analysis of intrapsychic conflicts nowadays • Transference: From the intrapsychic to the intersubjective • Narcissism: Intrapsychic and intersubjective factors • Subject and ego in juxtaposition • The Oedipus complex: Intrapsychic and relational aspects • Subjectivity and objectivity in psychoanalysis • Counter-transference and analytical field • Psychoanalytical technique and intersubjectivity • The place of authenticity and neutrality in contemporary psychoanalysis • Truth and analytical relation • Intersubjectivity and the existential dimension in psychoanalysis • Intersubjectivity and social imaginary realm • Subjectivity and the use of the object

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

1. Symposia

We cordially invite proposals for self-supported symposia for consideration by the Scientific Committee. It should be noted however that, due to time and space limitations, it might not be possible to accommodate all such proposals in the program.

Symposia proposals should include:

- a) overall symposium abstract including title and
- b) names and individual titles of the speakers involved.

Overall time allotted: 90 minutes.

Symposium organizers will be notified in due time regarding inclusion of their proposal in the scientific program.

Such proposals may be submitted either

- through the Forum web site or
- by email to: info@psychoanalysis-psychotherapy.gr

Deadline for submission of proposals: 30 January 2010

2. Oral and poster presentations

Participants interested in contributing to the scientific program by making an oral or poster presentation are kindly asked to notify us of their intent by filling in the appropriate space on the attached "Reply Card" to be returned to the Secretariat the soonest possible

GENERAL INFORMATION

Dates

20-23 October 2010

Venue

The Divani Caravel hotel

Languages

English is the official congress language. The possibility of accommodating sessions with the use of one language other than English will be examined on request. All abstracts, however, should be submitted in English. Also, all congress correspondence will be in English.

Registration Fees

	<i>Before 10.3.10</i>	<i>After 10.3.2010 and on site</i>
IFPS Members	290 €	330 €
IFPS Members from Latin America and Eastern Europe and Candidates of Psychoanalytic Societies	200 €	230 €
Psychoanalysts, Psychiatrists, Psychologists, Neuroscientists and other professionals (non-IFPS Members)	330 €	370 €
Residents in Psychiatry	250 €	280 €
University Students	100 €	120 €
Day registration	100 €	100 €

Second Announcement

The Second Announcement, containing detailed information on the scientific program, registration and abstract submission procedures, mode of payment of fees and hotel accommodation, social program and optional tourist program will be circulated in due time.

The Forum on the Internet

All information regarding the Forum will be available at Hellenic Society of Psychoanalytic Society's website at www.psychanalysis-psychotherapy.gr



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