

The Libero and Zora Polojaz Foundation shall organize a psychoanalytic seminar on

Encounter and Listening

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at the Narodni dom – IUSLIT University of Trieste - Via F. Filzi n. 14



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Encounter and listening are two fundamental features of human relationships that take place in a context of space and time. 'Encounter' is characterized by two opposing elements: the etymology of the word introduces both the sense of moving *toward*, as well as *counter* to someone. 'Listening' implies that one speaks *to* and *with* someone.

Since its beginnings, psychoanalysis has shed light on the centrality of the 'talking cure', which it has then deepened on intra-psychic, interpersonal and transsubjective dimensions. The encounter, which is structured by the setting, fosters an explorative process that involves both participants through an exchange of affects and thoughts. The meeting aims to explore the various levels involved in the psychoanalytic encounter and listening.

Scientific committee: Andrea Braun, Paolo Fonda, Vlasta Polojaz (Psychoanalysts of Società Psicoanalitica Italiana).

Program

Chair: Gabor Szöny (Hungary)

9.15 – Official greetings and opening.

9.45 – *Stefano Bolognini*: “Encounter and Listening: on the neglected role of some basic inter-human functions”.

10.30 – **Coffee break**

11.00 – *Antonius Stufkens*: “Out of the depths of the soul: ways of communicating in the analytic encounter”.

12.15 – First comments from participants.

12.30 – **Lunch**

Chair: Paola Golinelli (Italy)

14.00 – Round Table on “The Experience of Listening in Bosnia and Herzegovina”: *Paolo Fonda (Italy), Sanja Borovečki Jakovljević and Stanislav Matačić (Croatia), Maja Dobranić (BiH)*.

15.30 – **Coffee break**

16.00 – Working groups.

18.00 – Plenary discussion.

18.45 – Closing remarks.

Stefano Bolognini is a training and supervising analyst of the Società Psicoanalitica Italiana, of which he has been both Scientific Secretary and President. He was the President of the International Psychoanalytical Association from 2013 to 2017. He is an Honorary Member of the New York Contemporary Freudian Society (NYCFS) and of the Los Angeles Institute and Society for Psychoanalytic Studies (LAISPS) and is currently Chair of the IPA Encyclopedic Dictionary of Psychoanalysis. He has published numerous works, and his books “Psychoanalytic Empathy” and “Secret Passages: The Theory and Technique of Interpsychic Relations” have been translated and published in various languages.

Antonius Stufkens is a training and supervising analyst of the Dutch Society with a psychoanalytic career of more than forty years and many papers and publications about clinical and theoretical aspects of psychoanalysis and analytical therapy. He was a member of staff of the former HGP Psychoanalytic Institute for Eastern Europe (PIEE) and the director of the Amsterdam Psychoanalytic Training Programme for Eastern Europe. He still travels widely, lecturing and supervising abroad and serving in international committees.

Groups shall be led by: *Andrea Braun (Italy), Benedetta Guerrini Degli Innocenti (Italy), Ettore Jogan (Italy), Eduard Klain (Croatia), Gianina Micu (Romania), Cristina Saottini (Italy), Kitty Schmidt (Austria), Dimo Stantchev (Bulgaria), Jasminka Suljagić (Serbia)*.

The official language is English. Italian translation will be available.

The seminar is free of charge, but the participation is limited.