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#### **NEWSLETTER - NUMBER 2, 2008**

# I. Introduction by the President

Dear Colleagues,

With members in all corners of the globe, IPSO truly embodies an international community of psychoanalysts-in-training. From Japan to India to Kazakhstan to Honduras, from new training programs to old and established analytic societies, IPSO offers opportunities to develop and consolidate our analytic identities in the context of a broad network of like- minded people. Even with our differences in training models, theoretical orientations, training requirements, languages, and cultures, we have much in common. I recently attended the OCAL/FEPAL Congress in Santiago, Chile. Greeted warmly by our Latin American colleagues, I felt in familiar surroundings as I met candidates who were interested and deeply committed to the theory and practice of psychoanalysis.

With only seven months to go before the IPSO/IPA Congress in July, 2009 in Chicago, I would like to invite you to participate in the exciting opportunities in international psychoanalysis coming up for candidates. While the deadline for paper submissions for participation in IPSO programming will close on December 15, 2008, there are still many chances for active participation in Chicago. We are seeking candidates interested in presenting clinical material to senior analysts. This has been among the most popular of IPSO's programming for both candidates and IPA members and candidates get to present a case to a senior analyst from another IPA region. The cross-regional discussion brings an international perspective to our clinical work. We are also seeking clinical presenters for candidate to candidate clinical discussions in each of the 4 IPA languages: German, French, Spanish, and English. It is not too late to submit a paper for the Tyson award, which is given by the IPA to the best paper by a candidate. Details of these and other opportunities are available on the new IPSO website, www.ipso-candidates.org.uk.

For on-going involvement in IPSO's international community, IPSO will be electing new officers in July, 2009. The following positions will be available: President-Elect; Vice President-Elect for each region (Latin America, North America and Europe), Treasurer, and Editor. IPSO's President-Elect position rotates through the three regions and this time the President-Elect will come from Latin America. The IPSO Editor should be bilingual in both Spanish and English. If you have a desire to participate in a lively and active analytic organization, and be involved in international psychoanalysis, this is your opportunity. Contact me at <a href="IPSO-President@ipso-candidates.org.uk">IPSO-President@ipso-candidates.org.uk</a>.

Consider joining us as we build an Editorial Board under the leadership of Israel Katz, our Editor-in-Chief. The Board will develop editorial policy for our website, journal, and newsletter. I hope IPSO will be adding an e-journal to our electronic offerings so that candidates can publish and share their clinical and scientific work.

IPSO has much to offer, and I hope each of you will consider becoming more involved. As you read this newsletter, you will find much to interest you and deserving of your time and interest. On behalf of the IPSO Executive Committee, we look forward to welcoming all IPSO members and all candidates to Chicago. If you are reading this newsletter, and are not yet an IPSO member, but would like to be, please contact your regional Vice President. You can find all the officers email address at the end of our newsletter.

Warm wishes for the best of holiday seasons and the new year to come,

Robin Deutsch IPSO President

#### II. Europe

### Dear Colleagues,

I have to inform you with regret and great sadness that Corinne Meylan, European Vice President-Elect, has resigned from her office due to personal considerations. Corinne has been an extremely valuable member of the IPSO Executive Committee and a great asset to IPSO. She will be greatly missed. On behalf of the IPSO Ex Com I'd like to thank Corinne for all her work within the Ex Com and wish her all best for the future.

Luckily, I do not only have bad news. I'm very pleased to officially welcome Eva Reichelt (German Psychoanalytic Society) as the new European Vice President-Elect. Eva has been officially appointed by Robin Deutsch, IPSO President, according to the IPSO bylaws and with full support from the Ex Com members.

Barbara Strack van Schijndel-Garofoli, IPSO Vice President, Europe

# 1. Reports

There have been a few IPSO scientific events held in Europe these past few months. Last October, our colleagues from the British Psychoanalytic Society organized an IPSO program within the English-Speaking Weekend Conference on Endings. Luisa Marino, IPSO President-Elect, attended the conference and reports:

**IPSO** at the English-Speaking Weekend Conference, British Psychoanalytic Society, London, October, 12, 2008: "It is with great pleasure that I write about the invitation to IPSO Candidates to participate in the English Speaking Weekend Conference in London on the fascinating theme of "Endings". The students' meeting was organized by SOBIPA (Students Organisation of the British Institute of Psychoanalysis) and led by Liz Allison, Anne Patterson, Alejandra Perez, and many others, at the Institute of Psychoanalysis, on Shirland Road (we luckily had beautiful warm sunny autumn weather!). The issue of Endings is even more fascinating for us candidates, since in fact we have so little experience about it...

In perfect "IPSO tradition", we started with a welcoming "sandwich lunch" before the afternoon session; we then had a clinical presentation (Megan Virtue, candidate of the BPS), during which we had the occasion of learning about many interesting and sometimes very different points of view about how we consider those "endings of short episodes" that may occur during the first two years of treatment. This was only one of the issues that Megan discussed during her presentation.

Mark Dagerfield then gave us his point of view and started a lively discussion amongst the audience. When my turn came, I had "live supervision" with the well known analyst Gregorio Kohon, a senior analyst who is also a writer and a poet and who was born in Argentina and who has been living in England for a long time. The diverse points of view and multicultural experiences exemplify the "IPSO spirit" and help everyone experience differences within psychoanalytic pluralism in different languages with great respect and curiosity toward the "other." I am sure this is one of many creative experiences we can enjoy during international or local IPSO meetings.

Luisa Marino, IPSO President-Elect."

Another IPSO event took place this past October as well. Gil Son I, IPSO representative for candidates from Moscow and the Eastern European countries, organized an IPSO event between candidates from the Moscow Psychoanalytic Society and candidates from the Finnish Psychoanalytic Society:

"The Moscow Psychoanalytic Society (MPS), an IPA Study Group, organized on October 4, 2008 its second IPSO event. Nine candidates and two analysts from Finland came to the event. On the first night our guests went to the opera "Eugeny Onegin." On Saturday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of October, 2008, I had the pleasure of welcoming our Finnish colleagues on behalf of the MPS and of IPSO. The scientific programme started in the morning with an introduction to the history of the Russian psychoanalytic movement presented by Natalia Kigai, a member of the MPS. After this, Ksenia Korbut, a MPS candidate, presented a case to a member of the Finnish Psychoanalytic Society (FPS), Dr Levas Kovarskis. The presentation was followed by a vivid discussion of the clinical material. After a break, Jussi Kotkavirta, a candidate of the Finnish Psychoanalytic Society, introduced the "weaving thoughts" method, which was applied to the discussion of the clinical material that Hanna Maninnen, a candidate of the FPS, presented to Igor Kadyrov, member and head of the training committee of the MPS. The method proved to be successful and we indeed 'wove' fruitful thoughts in our discussion.

Afterwards we invited our guests, some of whom came to Moscow with their spouses, for a walk through the old part of Moscow. We were lucky with the weather, and the walk turned into a captivating excursion led by Alexei Orlov, a MPS candidate. We ended up in the clubrestaurant "Art Garbage"... And, at the very end, we were all invited to go to Finland! To be continued then...

With warm regards,

Gil Son I, IPSO Representative for Moscow and Eastern European countries."

#### 2. Announcements

We'd like to remind you of future IPSO scientific activities:

**15**<sup>th</sup> **IPSO European Meeting** - February 13-15, 2009 in Bertinoro, Italy, "On the candidate, the supervision and the writing of (final) cases."

**IPSO** at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the European Psychoanalytical Federation (EPF), April 2-5, 2009 in Brussels, Belgium: "Using different forms of unconscious communication". IPSO's definitive scientific program will be available on the EPF website <a href="www.epf-fep.eu">www.epf-fep.eu</a> towards the end of January.

Please note the early bird fees for subscription to the EPF:

Fee until January 31, 2009: Fee after February 1, 2009:

Candidates: 295 euro 430 euro

PIEE candidates: 240 euro 310 euro

Last but not least: go to <a href="www.epf-fep.eu">www.epf-fep.eu</a> for registration! We look very much forward to welcoming you to these events! Barbara Strack van Schijndel-Garofoli, IPSO Vice President, Europe

# II. Latin America

IPSO at the OCAL Congress, September, 24-27, 2008, Santiago de Chile, Chile - It was great for IPSO to be in Chile! Right on the first morning our president, Robin Deutsch, gave a warm speech at the opening of the pre-congress and made us all feel proud to be IPSO members. Even though we regularly communicate with candidates through emails that reach many of them, getting to see each other in person, to chat and to be together as we did in Santiago is still the best way to meet. Candidates were invited for lunch at the home of the fomer President of OCAL, María Eugenia Boetsch. We also had the opportunity to attend the candidates' party at her beautiful garden. At these occasions candidates have an opportunity to meet, exchange training experiences, mingle and share diverse training models. It was also stimulating to meet candidates from Honduras and Panama, as an example of candidates who have to travel and thus make extra efforts to train. Our hosts from OCAL toured and pampered us thoroughly. Because, needless to say, as this meeting experience took place, we were discovering the city! IPSO has established contact with Norma García, the new OCAL president. She was very nice and seemed very willing to maintain the good relationship that IPSO and OCAL have had. Gabriela Pszczol, IPSO Vice President, Latin America

# III. North America

Dear Colleagues,

On Wednesday January 14, at 2:00, the **annual IPSO Discussion Group** will be held **at the APsaA meetings in New York**. This year we are extremely fortunate to have Adela Escardó from Peru presenting her paper "The making of an analytic patient." Commentators Gabriela Pszczol (Brazil), Luisa Marino (Italy) and Hilli Dagony-Clark (NY) will then discuss the paper, after which we will open up the floor for discussion.

If past years are any indication, this will be a lively, fun, and rich intellectual experience in comparative/international clinical psychoanalysis. I'd like to invite everyone who will be in NY for the meetings to join us for an interesting presentation and discussion.

Kate Schechter, IPSO Vice President, North America

IPSO 2009 Congress in Chicago - "Conversation with Kate Schechter about the upcoming IPA Congress" by Linda Marino, Ph.D. (From the Fall/Winter 2008 issue of the *Analytic Observer*):

Our own Kate Schechter, an advanced candidate at the Chicago Institute, is one of the four members of the Program Committee for the 46th IPA Congress. The Congress, held every two years, will be held in Chicago July 29-August 1, 2009. The Program Committee consists of one representative from each of three regions (North America, Latin America, and Europe) as well as a representative from the International Psychoanalytical Studies Organization (IPSO), which is the international candidates organization. Committee members for the Chicago Congress are Abel Fainstein from Buenos Aires, chairman; Glen Gabbard from the USA; Mónica de Armesto from Buenos Aires (ex officio); Liliane Abensour from Paris; and Kate Schechter from IPSO. As the IPSO delegate, Kate represents candidates world-wide.

In a recent conversation, Kate described the wonderful camaraderie and exchange of ideas among committee members. It has been a great experience for her to work with this group, which is at the heart of the IPA and international psychoanalysis. Members of the group have welcomed her as a fully equal member of the committee. Abel Fainstein, as chairperson, wanted the congress to have a clinical focus. Everyone on the committee is excited that the spotlight is on clinical material and practice issues rather than on theoretical papers. What happens in the consulting room will be front and center in the program. Many of the panels will consist of one person giving clinical material to be followed by people from different regions, schools, and cultures of psychoanalysis giving their diverse perspectives on the clinical issues raised. The committee is working hard to balance all of the panels with members from each region, insuring that the Congress will be a real forum for cross-cultural dialogue.

It is exciting to have the most important meeting in the international psychoanalytic world right here in Chicago. The Congress will be a great opportunity for us to learn about psychoanalysis in the rest of the world. Kate has just returned from a recent meeting of the Program Committee in Buenos Aires, where she was excited to learn more about the Argentinean schools of psychoanalysis. She shared with me the interesting fact that Buenos Aires has more psychoanalysts per capita than anywhere else. The Congress is expecting a very large turnout of analysts from the USA. In fact, APsaA has cancelled its 2009 spring meeting to encourage everyone to attend the IPA Congress instead. The LAC (Local Arrangements Committee), headed by Jorge Schneider, has been busy organizing events, activities, transportation, and other logistics to welcome the attendees and to make Chicago accessible for their enjoyment. For information about the Congress, hotel accommodations, and optional activities that are available, please check out the website: <a href="www.ipa..org.uk">www.ipa..org.uk</a>. Everyone in the field who would like to attend is welcome; categories for attendance include IPA members, non-members, candidates, and students. A second exciting event that is separate from but adjoined to the IPA Congress will be the 20th IPSO Congress, which will be held on the day preceding the IPA Congress, (July 28), with several panels running concurrently with the IPA Congress as well. All of the panels in the IPSO Congress feature candidates presenting their own work. The IPSO Congress will also include supervision sessions, "Meet the Author" and "Meet the Analyst" sessions, all great opportunities for candidates to present their work to senior analysts from other regions, as well as to learn from each other about the different analytic training traditions. All candidates are encouraged to submit an abstract for a paper. For information, check out the IPSO website at www.ipso-candidates.org.uk (there is also an IPSO link on the IPA website)... One of the events that is eagerly anticipated by regular attendees of IPA meetings is the famous IPSO party, which is widely known for its emphasis on international music, good food, lots of dancing, and much fun. Jeffrey Seiden, the Chicago Institute's Candidate representative on the LAC committee, is also the chair of the Candidate LAC for IPSO. He and his committee are planning a slew of wonderful activities for candidates, including the IPSO party, an IPSO lunch, and lots of other fun Chicago outings. Check out the IPA and IPSO websites for additional information about both organizations, as well as specifics about attending the Congresses. Information about program choices, costs, and cultural offerings is available. (Linda Marino, Ph.D., Fall/Winter 2008 Issue of *Analytic Observer*.)

Interest Free Loans for Candidates of the American Psychoanalytic Association: If you are in training at an institute affiliated with the American Psychoanalytic Association, you may apply for an interest free loan to assist with your training. Contact Dean Stein, Executive Director, <a href="mailto:deankstein@apsa.org">deankstein@apsa.org</a>

### IV. Treasurer's Report

# Dear Colleagues,

It's dues collection time! For the first time in IPSO history, candidate groups are being billed on an annual basis for IPSO dues. Each candidate group is asked to provide the names and email addresses of IPSO members at the time that dues are paid. Dues reminders will be billed in December 2008 for 2009 membership and are due no later than March 31, 2009. IPSO is working to allow IPSO members to use their credit cards to pay directly for their membership dues.

IPSO has also moved to a two year budget projection. At this moment, income projection is difficult since we do not know how much we will collect in dues. However, as we develop a system where dues are routinely billed and collected, we expect dues collection to become more predictable. Expenses will increase in 2009 as we pay for major expenses associated with the Chicago Congress: costs of simultaneous interpretation (approximately US \$20,000); lunch for IPSO members at Tuesday's IPSO Plenary (approximately US \$4000); the Journal to be published at the Congress (approximately US \$2000), and services for the Congress (approximately US \$16,000). A more detailed budget will be available for IPSO members at the Business meeting in Chicago.

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# Budget 2008

- -Total President and Vice President Funds expenses for required IPSO meetings that President and Vice Presidents have to attend: European Psychoanalytical Federation, IPSO meeting, OCAL meeting.
- -Excom NY Excom annual meeting in New York in January.
- -WebPage reestablishing, updating and management of IPSO Website.
- -North American dues are less than expected (we are waiting for the dues from the independent societies.)
- European dues in 2008 have been higher than our projections based on previous experience.
- Latin America dues are less than expected based on previous projections.
- Total dues are slightly higher than expected.
- IPA contribution IPSO receives a grant of \$10000 per year from the IPA. Current budget reflects two years payment since both 2007 and 2008 were paid in 2008.
- Berlin 2007 final bills and benefits of the Congress: it does not show how much the Congress cost IPSO. Most of it was charged during the 2007 budget.

Thanks to everybody for paying their dues. Please do not hesitate to write me if you have any

questions.

Éric Bierens de Haan, IPSO Treasurer

# V - Editor's Report

**IPSO Website and Journal:** Our website is up and running! Please visit <a href="www.ipso-candidates.org.uk">www.ipso-candidates.org.uk</a> to find out the latest about IPSO including its history, bylaws, members of the Executive Committee, and upcoming conferences and events including Chicago 2009. We are excited to report on developments for our website, including a public information section, electronic publication of theoretical and clinical papers with a password protected area, and a blog! We already have the biennial IPSO Journals from 2003 to 2007 available on our website and will of course have the 2009 on it as well. The Journal is shaping up to be full of innovative and arresting material in the best IPSO tradition.

**IPSO Editorial Board:** Your Editor-at-large is also pleased to report that he is working on consolidating the IPSO Editorial Board, which will oversee editorial policy for the multiple aspects of publication and distribution of information to you, our colleagues. Stay tuned!

Israel Katz, IPSO Editor-in-Chief

# VI - Communication Officer Report

**Database of IPSO members** - It is our current policy that IPSO membership benefits are available only to candidates who are paying IPSO members. To that end we have been collecting the lists of IPSO members that IPSO Representatives send us in order to create our own Database.

On the other hand every year the IPA receives the lists of candidates from the several societies. It's the crossing of both the data obtained by us and the data obtained by the IPA that allows the creation of an IPSO ROSTER.

In the beginning of December 2008 the figures on the IPSO ROSTER are:

Europe – 356 Latin America – 283 North America – 718 Total - 1357 (i.e. roughly 38% of all IPA candidates)

There is a considerable difference between the number of European IPSO Members according to IPSO's own Database and the IPSO ROSTER. In fact IPSO has more than 800 IPSO members in Europe. This higher number cannot be considered for the IPSO ROSTER because the societies to which those members belong are not willing to send the IPA their lists of candidates. This has been the case of France (SPP), Italy (SPI) and Israel which, among them, have more than 500 IPSO members.

**Website** – We expect that in a near future the IPSO ROSTER as well as IPSO Representatives contacts will be available on our new website: <a href="www.ipso-candidates.org.uk">www.ipso-candidates.org.uk</a>
Paula Oliveira (IPSO Communication Officer)

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