"Research in Psychotherapy and Culture: Exploring Narratives of Identity"

Vilnius, 11- 12 May, 2018
In this administration, the IAAP has initiated a series of new conferences under the category of “Joint Conferences IAAP /University”. The aim of this project is to foster cooperation between the IAAP and interested universities and to enhance the visibility of analytical psychology at universities, to place the theory of analytical psychology in relation to recent research, to continue promoting psychotherapy research and building bridges between clinicians and academics as well as to deepen the relations between the two disciplines. These conferences are also aimed at facilitating opportunities for university students to learn about analytical psychology on a more frequent and in-depth basis.

When the IAAP approached Jungian analysts who are involved with universities and introduced this project, numerous colleagues responded to the appeal. Professor Grazina Gudaite was the first who submitted a proposal for a joint conference of the IAAP with the University of Vilnius. We are most grateful for this initiative and for the excellent cooperation of the University that made this conference possible. With the participation of Jungian analysts from all over the world, especially from Eastern and Western Europe together with the local academics, it has been possible to put together a well-founded and relevant programme. The title of the Joint Conference IAAP/Vilnius University is: “Research in Psychotherapy and Culture: Exploring Narratives of Identity”. This theme ties in with the research already conducted at the University of Vilnius. Cultural and psychosocial connections within psychotherapy research will be one of the topics and, in this respect, the conference addresses psychological issues with reference to the geographical location of the host country.

A second “Joint Conference IAAP /University” is scheduled in October 2018 at the University of Basel. The title of this conference is: “Theoretical Foundations of Analytical Psychology: Recent Developments and Controversies”. The programmes of the two initial joint conferences make clear the extent to which these events will be characterised by the tradition, research programme and culture of each university, but also by each host country and its history. At the forefront of this project will be the encounter between analytical psychology and the locally developed and locally shaped research. Therefore, each conference will have its own character and its own priorities, depending on whether it is held in Europe, Latin America, Asia or in the USA. However, the emphasis will lie on exchange, mutual inspiration and further development of analytical psychology.

Marianne Müller, IAAP president
About the conference

Over the last decades, there had been a lot of discussions about the transition time and transformation individual needs to experience in the modern societies. Search for the self and experience of the variety of its manifestations, connectedness to one’s cultural context and openness to the other cultures are important themes of cultural studies and of psychotherapy research as well. Analytical psychology provides a good theoretical basis for understanding the process of individual’s transformation and for understanding the role of culture in it. The aim of the Vilnius conference is developing further discussions about interconnectedness between psychotherapy and culture, between research and practise. Such a discussion may lead to a deeper understanding of the healing process in an individual and of his creativity as well. As C.G. Jung noted “All creative act, being rooted in the immensity of the unconscious, will forever elude our attempts at understanding. It describes itself only in its manifestations; it can be guessed at, but never wholly grasped. Psychology and aesthetics will always have to turn to one another for help, and the one will not invalidate the other”1. Creating narratives and listening to them may be the process when creative power emerges and an individual may grasp it, when he or she may witness the reality of it. It may be the moment when deeper understanding of psyche goes together with the sense of beauty and meaning.

We hope that the meetings at the Vilnius conference will bring new insights into the processes of modern time and will inspire participants to further collaborate in the field of analytical theory, practice and research.

Prof. Gražina Gudaitė, Vilnius University

11 May Friday

12 00 - 12 30 Opening of the Conference  (IAAP President Marianne Müller, Prorector of Vilnius University  Prof. Rimantas Jankauskas, President of LAAP Goda Rukšaitė )
12 30 – 14 00 Moderator: Marianne Müller (IAAP President) Prof. Joe Cambray (Pacifica Graduate Institute, USA) Depth Psychological Research for the 21st Century: Some New Opportunities and Challenges

Dr. Murray Stein (ISAP, Switzerland) Deepening the Narrative: “A Harsh and Bitter Drink”
14 00 – 14 30 Coffee break
14 30 – 15 45 Moderator: Dr. Evaldas Kazlauskas (Vilnius University, Lithuania)

Prof. Danutė Gailienė (Vilnius University, Lithuania) When Culture Fails: Coping with Cultural Trauma

Vsevolod Kalinenko, Ekaterina Slesareva (Moscow, Russia) Cheburashka (Topple) Complex: Dissociated Identity of the "New soviet man" in Post-soviet Russia
15 45 – 16 00 Break
16 00 – 17 15 Moderator: Elona Lovčikienė (LAAP)

Ginta Teivane (Riga, Latvia) Latvian Historical Fairytales as a Source of Strengthening the Masculine Energy in Jungian Analysis

Prof. Vykintas Vaitkevičius (Klaipėda University, Lithuania) Discovering Identity of the Lithuanian Partisans: History vs Narrative
17 15 – 17 45 Concert “Ugniavijas”
18 00 – 18 30 Book launch: Research in Analytical Psychology, Vol.1 (ed. by J. Cambray)
18 30 – 19 30 Reception (Vilnius University café)

Poster by Martine Cournoyer (Université du Québec Abitibi-Témiscamingue) The contribution of the art and the narrative in the identity building of a mother in the context of international adoption
12 May Saturday

09 00 – 10 30 Moderator: **Gert Sauer** (Freiburg, DGAP)
**Prof. Verena Kast** (St. Gallen University, Switzerland) *Cultural Sensitivity in Supervision*
**Prof. Alessandra De Coro** (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy) *Can Psychotherapy Research be Useful for Analysts Education? A Short History of the Difficult Relationship between Analysis and Empirical Research*

10 30 – 11 00 Coffee break
11 00 – 12 15 Moderator: **Regina Renn** (Berlin, DGAP)
**Prof. Toshio Kawai** (Kyoto University, Japan) *The Prevalence of Autistic Spectrum Disorder and its Cultural and Contemporary Meaning: Psychotherapeutic Research.*
**Dr. Marta Kotarba** (Maria Grzegorzewska Academy, Warsaw, Poland) *It Hurts not Only Body…- the Search for Soul of Young Women with Rheumatic Disease*
12 20-12 50 Moderator: **Algirdas Petronis** (LAAP)
**Prof. Eckhard Frick** (Munich University, Germany) *Fostering Spiritual Care Competency among Analysts – A Jungian Perspective*
12 50 – 14 00 Lunch break
14 00 – 15 15 Moderator: **Dr. Ieva Bieliauskiene** (Vilnius University, Lithuania)
**Dr. Evija Volfa Vestergaard** (Washington D.C., USA) *Please Sell Me a Dirt- Cheap Dragon: Trauma, Transformations, and Identity in Latvian Legends*
**Dr. Juliana Lozovska** (Lund University, Sweden) *Cultural Differences in Women’s Anger and Aggression*
15 15 – 15 45 break
15 45 – 17 00 Moderator: **Misser Berg** (Copenhagen, DSAP)
**Vera Zabelina** (Kemerovo, Russia) *Multidimensional Cultural Identity in Siberia and Analytical Practice*
**Prof. Gražina Gudaitė** (Vilnius University, Lithuania) *Psychotherapy Research in the Context of Psychosocial Transformations*
17 00 – 17 30 Closing of the conference

19 00 Gala dinner in Vilnius Old Town
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Conference venue:
Vilnius University Theatre Hall (Universiteto st. 3, Vilnius)

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J. P. Eberhard. ...Erste Gründe der Naturlehre... Halle, 1767.
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