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Argument of the 29th EPF Conference in Berlin, March 2016

Thanks to the invitation of the two German psychoanalytic societies and their Presidents, Gebhard Allert and Ingo Focke, we are once again in Berlin where the 13th EPF Congress on “Love, Hate, and Violence” was already held in 1999.

A recurrent complaint of our time is that there is a lack of authority! This generalised deficiency is seen as affecting both the behaviour of young people and the functioning of political and economic life. This complaint, which circulates every day in all circles, predicts that everything will unravel, that social ties and social life will be dissolved.

It is none the less an equivocal complaint: on the one hand there is an appeal to authority; but, on the other, its excesses, its omnipresence, its perverse exercise and the submission that follows are denounced.

Where, then, is the middle ground, the balance between ‘necessary’ authority and the excesses that need to be checked? But daily experience shows, does it not, that the very manifestation of authority reveals its deficiency? For it is when it becomes manifest that authority proves that it is no longer functioning. Should it then remain, as it were, in the shadows, functioning ‘by itself’, without having to be expressed?

To underline the difficulties of the theme and its challenging character, we have opted for a punctuation mark from the Spanish language, the inverted question mark before the word: ¿Authority?

From authority to authoritarianism – but also including the anti-authoritarian movements of May 1968 – from ‘unquestioned’ racial authority to the rise of the xenophobic discourses in Europe, numerous paths of exploration present themselves. In our argument we will only mention a few of them, while bearing in mind that authority is neither authoritarianism nor power, nor charisma. The path is narrow.

We will not only be exploring the motive forces, effects and paths of authority; in particular, we will be examining the place of authority in ana-

lytic practice as well as the authority of what analysts say in our societies. Which authority? That of the analyst, that of psychoanalysis and that of the institutions created for training analysts. In short, we could say quite simply the authority of the transference.

The question of authority in psychoanalysis traces a large arc from the credulity of the love that founds authority to the fear of losing this love which underpins the superego.

The credulity of love is inseparable from the experience of hypnotism, “the credulous submissiveness shown by a hypnotized subject towards his hypnotist” as Freud wrote 1905 in “Three Essays on Sexuality” (SE VII, p 150 footnote). Would that be fundamental experience? For psychoanalysis, authority is that of the parental figures or of their possible substitutes. The figure of the hypnotist is the first model of such authority (he concentrates on himself all the libidinal forces) – a figure that acquires greater complexity for Freud through the mythical construction of the rebellion of the horde against the father’s authority, a rebellion with considerable consequences: ambivalent feelings and the persistent effect of guilt.

The situation is very different when this authority is internalized. Nothing escapes the superego; it is an omniscient and severe authority, and even dangerous.

For Freud, authority can be coercive and violent. This lies in his conception of the human community. A community is held together by two things: “the compelling force of violence and the emotional ties (identifications is the technical name) between its members” (1933, p. 108).

Authority is not just an external matter. To put it differently, it is just as much external as internal, a relationship just as much as a social phenomenon. It is closely linked to the loss of love and affective ties.

Always a thorny issue here is the fundamental element of suggestion in the transference, its wild and barely rational aspect. Is it basically a question of love? If we agree on the fact that sug-

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gestion is an important aspect of the effect and authority of the transference, why don't we use suggestion directly, for instance, via hypnosis? Is not every analyst confronted in each treatment with the place that he gives to his authority and to suggestion and its consequences both for him and for the patient?

Should the analyst forego making use of the authority with which he is invested? Every analyst knows, at least intuitively, that he must be careful not to disavow it or diminish it, for it is one of the mainsprings of the treatment.

And what happens at the end of the treatment and in its aftermath? Furthermore, what can be said about the functioning of analytic institutions?

Sociology and political philosophy play a full part in this debate. For these disciplines, too, the question of the right balance between authority and authoritarianism is raised. The modern philosophical tradition criticizes all forms of instrumentation of the individual, all forms of domination, whatever they may be (racial, sexual, etc.). This being the case, is it conceivable, for example, to reduce the domination by rules within a society? Can authority be institutionalised?

Authority is only justified, it is said, if it seeks the good of those who submit to it voluntarily. This can give rise to a distinction, in political philosophy, between a 'good' and a 'bad' authority. But psychoanalysis shows us, does it not, that there is no possible point of balance? The undecidable issue of whether authority is good or bad belongs to another field: that of ethics, or of morality.

Authority is neither the exercise of force ("Where force is employed, authority itself has failed," Hanna Arendt (1954) writes in "What is authority?"), nor that of persuasion, nor of argumentation.

Does an obedience exist constructed by psychic structuring itself? May we assume a constant aspect of subjectivity that psychoanalysis can study? A psyche outside time?

In her text (see above), Hanna Arendt considers that every act of foundation is based on a triptych of tradition, religion, and authority: The

component of authority only functions in relation to the two others, with, as a reference point, the question of foundation. However convincing or debatable her hypothesis may be, it is striking to note that Freud's work refers to elements that are in a way homologous: the question of a first act, of a basically transgressive and criminal foundational act (a question that is absent in H. Arendt), the place of tradition, the study of religion as an essential human production for social and individual life. The parallel is striking.

Is it possible to think that the question of authority is first and foremost one of foundation?

This year we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the EPF. Once again we are faced with the question of the meaning of foundation, of an act which could not foresee from the outset its possibilities or its errors, but an act to which we owe a possibility that exists for us and which we want to 'increase' (first sense of the word 'augere' in Latin from which the word authority is derived).

Celebrating in Berlin the foundation of the EPF with the question of authority at stake cannot fail to evoke what has perhaps been the darkest period of European history. It remains, none the less, that Berlin was, with Vienna and Budapest, one of the three capitals in which psychoanalysis thrived in the 1920's. Berlin is also the city of another foundational act, that of the Berlin Institute which gave rise to the classical tripartite training for psychoanalysts. For Max Eitingon, its founder, training was inseparable from the possibility of making psychoanalytic treatment accessible to those who could not pay for it, thereby linking training to a certain form of clinical practice. This was another reason for the foundation of the Psychoanalytic Polyclinic in the Potsdamer Strasse, less than one kilometre from where our Conference is being held.

That was the era of the pioneers! It is to be hoped that our colleagues from the East, in their drive to found psychoanalysis in their country – or to revive it – will rediscover the spirit of foundation.

For Freudian psychoanalysis, authority and tradition are founded on crime and betrayal. This

should suffice to temper any form of triumphalism or any temptation to honour our predecessors blissfully. The great advantage is that the act of foundation is reduced to the level of a human gesture. No divine or deifiable figures, no divine protection for the future. It will be an authority without heroes, finally, a truly secular authority!

The organisation of the Berlin Congress marks the end of the mandate of the EPF Executive presided over by Serge Frisch. New authorities will take up their functions. The four themes selected are not classical questions of psychoanalysis. Rather, the choices have concerned themes that put psychoanalysis to work within the reality of our time.

Although organised in the form of a 'pre-congress' (all day Wednesday and Thursday) and of a 'congress' (from Friday morning to Sunday midday), the two parts are inseparable from one another: the work in small groups focused on clinical practice during the first days and the lectures and panels during the following days complement and echo each other.

We would like to express our thanks to the Scientific Committee chaired by Franziska Ylander, Vice-President of the EPF and the person responsible for the annual congress as well as Delaram Habibi-Kohlen, Klaus Grab-ska, Milagros Cid Sanz, Benedetta Guerrini Degl'Innocenti, Martin Mahler, Joan Schachter and Heribert Blass (Vice-President elect). And also to the Local Committee which has welcomed us so warmly: Cornelia Wagner, Robert Span, Sanja Hodzic, Eva Reichelt, Rita Marx and Alice Faerber.

Serge Frisch, President

Franziska Ylander, Vice-President and Chair of the Scientific Committee

Leopoldo Bleger, General Secretary

Friday, March 18, 2016

08:15-10:30 First Plenary on the Main Theme

- **Opening of the conference** (s.t.)
Serge Frisch (EPF President)
Gebhard Allert (President of German Assoc)
Ingo Focke (President of German Soc)
Introduction to the conference theme
Franziska Ylander (Chair of the Programme Committee)

- **Authors of our own authority** (s.t.)
Michael Parsons (British Soc / French Assoc)
Sotiris Manolopoulos (Hellenic Soc) as discussant
Chair: Marie-France Dispaux (Belgian Soc)

- 11:00-12:30 Post Plenary Discussion Group**
Laura Viviana Strauss (German Assoc) (EN/FR/GE)
Nicholas Kouretas (American Assoc / Hellenic Soc)

11:00-12:30 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

- **Psychoanalyse lernen und lehren, Psychoanalytiker werden und bleiben. Nachdenken über Kompetenz, Identität und Autorität** (s.t.)
Learning and teaching psychoanalysis, becoming and remaining a psychoanalyst. Thinking about competence, identity and authority
Wulf-Volker Lindner (German Soc)
Mira Erlich-Ginor (Israel Soc) as discussant
Chair: Bérengère de Senarclens (Swiss Soc)

- **Emotional truth beyond words: Challenging the authority of language** (EN)
Avner Bergstein (Israel Soc)
Anders Berge (Swedish Assoc) as discussant
Chair: Marie-Paule Durieux (Belgian Soc)

- **“Russian Oedipus” – Destructivity, civilization and authority in the society and in the analyst’s consulting room** (EN)
Alexander Uskov (Moscow Soc)
Stanislav Matacic (Croatian Soc) as discussant
Chair: Margarethe Wiedemann (German Assoc)

11:00-12:30 Panel – Working Party on Psychosomatics

- **Ideal, superego and psychosomatics** (EN)
Fotis Bobos (Hellenic Soc)
Marina Perris (British Soc)
Christian Seulin (Paris Soc)
Moderator: Luigi Solano (Italian Soc)

14:30-16:00 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

- **Die Autorität des Vaters und die Integration der väterlichen Aggression** (s.t.)
Authority of the father – integrating the father’s aggression
Hans-Geert Metzger (German Assoc)
Dieter Bürgin (Swiss Soc) as discussant
Chair: Jan Abram (British Soc)

- **Clinical Panel on the Main Theme: The role of authority and the building of the subject** (EN)
Irene Ruggiero (Italian Soc)
Maria Teresa Miró (Spanish Soc) as discussant
Chair: John Boots (Australian Soc)

- **The power of the other** (EN)
Wojtek Hanbowski (Polish Soc)
Maria Yassa (Swedish Assoc) as discussant
Chair: Elisabeth Skale (Vienna Soc)

- **Authority or tyranny** (EN)
Sølvi Kristiansen (Norwegian Soc)
Helmut Hinz (German Assoc) as discussant
Chair: Annalisa Ferretti (Italian Assoc)

14:30-16:00 Special Panel: Meet-the-Society

- **Meet the societies: DPV and DPG – from splitting and rapprochement to cooperation** (EN)
Ludger M. Hermanns (German Assoc)
Regine Lockot (German Soc)
Ingo Focke (German Soc)
Gebhard Allert (German Assoc)
Moderator: NN

16:30-18:00 Individual Paper Presentations

16:30-18:00 Large Group

- **Authority, authorization and authoritarianism in analytic practice and institutions**
Consultants: Mira Erlich-Ginor (Israel Soc)
Shmuel Erlich (Israel Soc)
Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (German Assoc)

16:30-19:30 Film Presentation

- **The Flat** by Arnon Goldfinger (Israel 2011)
– will be present
Dealing with existential questions of authority: Between hope of a new beginning and desperate yearning for the lost
Ingeborg Goebel-Ahnert (German Assoc)
Moderator: Christa Leindecker (German Assoc)

Saturday, March 19, 2016

09:00-10:30 Second Plenary on the Main Theme

- **Autorität im Spannungsfeld der Generationen** (s.t.)
Authority in the area of generational conflict today
Martin Teising (German Assoc)
Evelyne Sechaud (French Assoc) as discussant
Chair: Gunnar Berggren (Swedish Assoc)

- 11:00-12:30 Post Plenary Discussion Group**
Laura Viviana Strauss (German Assoc) (EN/FR/GE)
Nicholas Kouretas (American Assoc / Hellenic Soc)

11:00-12:30 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

- **The authority of transference** (s.t.)
Howard Levine (American Assoc)
Elfriede Löchel (German Assoc)
Virginia Ungar (Buenos Aires Assoc)
Moderator: Alain Gibeault (Paris Soc)

- **Envy and its vicissitudes in psychoanalytical organisations** (EN)
Shmuel Erlich (Israel Soc)
Henrik Enckell (Finnish Soc) as discussant
Chair: Gianina Micu (Romanian Soc)

- **The authority of the written word** (EN)
Sylvia Zwettler-Otte (Vienna Soc)
Judy Gammelgaard (Danish Soc)
Moderator: Rob Wille (Dutch Group)

- **The authority/impact of psychoanalysis within the mental health system** (EN)
David Bell (British Soc)
Giovanni Foresti (Italian Soc) as discussant
Chair: Anders Zachrisson (Norwegian Soc)

- **Autonomy and paternalism** (EN)
Rotraud De Clerck (German Assoc)
Robert Hinshelwood (British Soc)
Moderator: Christine Franckx (Belgian Soc)

- **COWAP Panel: Women and power – men and power** (EN)
Susanne Walz-Pawlita (German Assoc)
Hans-Jürgen Wirth (German Assoc)
Moderator: Gertraud Schlesinger-Kipp (German Assoc)

11:00-12:30 EPI Panel

- **The something more than training – major results and conclusions of the EPF-EPI study on training experiences** (EN)
Hanne Stromme (Norwegian Soc) / Tímea Kardos (Hungarian Soc) / Svetlozar Vassilev (Bulgarian Soc)
Sverre Varvin (Norwegian Soc) as discussant
Moderator: Gábor Szönyi (Hungarian Soc)

14:00-16:00 Round Table Discussion

- **Round Table Discussion** (EN)

14:30-16:00 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

- **Responsibility vs authoritarianism** (s.t.)
Rachel Blass (British Soc / Israel Soc)
Jacques André (French Assoc) as discussant
Chair: Maria José Gonçalves (Portuguese Soc)

- **Many facets of authority in the psychoanalytic institutions** (EN)
Jasminka Suljagic (Serbian Soc)
Mario Perini (Italian Soc) as discussant
Chair: Ingo Focke (German Soc)

- **Apartheid and authority: How to build a psychoanalytic society in South Africa** (EN)
Elda Storck (South African Soc) / Mary-Anne Smith (South African Soc)
Moderator: Gabriele Junkers (German Assoc)

- **Clinical Panel on the Main Theme Authority and the perversion of power** (EN)
Dirk Hamelmann-Fischer (German Soc)
Patrick Miller (Research and Training Soc) as discussant
Chair: Dirk Vlietstra (Dutch Group)

- **The oneiric authority** (EN)
George Abraham (Swiss Soc)
Göran Kjellberg (Switzerland)
Moderator: NN

14:30-16:00 Panel

- **Ad hoc Group Psychoanalysis and the Muslim Background Psychoanalytic authority in work with patients from a muslim background** (EN)
Aydan Özdaglar (German Assoc)
As discussants: Fakhry Davids (British Soc) Levas Kovarskis (Finnish Soc), Sevil Kural (PSIKE Istanbul), Geneviève Welsh (Paris Soc)
Moderator: Saskia von Overbeck Ottino (Swiss Soc)

16:30-18:00 Individual Paper Presentations

16:30-18:00 Large Group

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Sunday, March 20, 2016

10:00-11:30 Third Plenary on the Main Theme

- **Authority in different psychoanalytical models** (s.t.)
Gigliola Fornari Spoto (British Soc)
Chris Jaenicke (Germany)
Bernard Chervet (Paris Soc)
Moderator: Stefano Bolognini (Italian Soc)

11:30-12:00 Closing Session

(s.t.) = simultaneously translated (EN) = Panel in English (FR) = Panel in French (GE) = Panel in German

Postplenary Discussion Group
Friday 11:00h-12:30h and Saturday 11:00h-12:30h

Following the plenary sessions, both on Friday and Saturday, there will be a Discussion Group - following the tradition established in Basel, Torino and Stockholm. The aim is to offer a possibility to go into some depth discussing the plenary presentation, but in a smaller setting. On both occasions the plenary speakers and discussants will

be present; on Friday Michael Parsons and Sotiris Manolopoulos, and on Saturday Martin Teising and Evelyne Sechaud. Moderators will be Nicholas Kouretas and Laura Viviana Strauss, who also take on the task to translate between English, German and French. The group is open and there is no preregistration. Candidates are welcome.

Individual Papers
Friday 16:30h-18:00h and Saturday 16:30h-18:00h

This section of the conference is intended to allow members of the EPF component societies (including candidates) to become more involved with the EPF scientific work and to submit their ongoing clinical work and research for peer dis-

cussion and debate. It is also possible for smaller groups to submit their work. Submitted papers will undergo peer review organized by the Programme Committee.

If you are interested in presenting a paper please see www.epf-fep.eu for application form and instructions on submitting your work. Submitted papers should be no more than 8-12 pages / maximum 22.000 letters. Deadline for submission: **20th November 2015**. Enquiries to geber@t-online.de.

A Large Group Event
Friday 16:30h-18:00h and Saturday 16:30h-18:00h
Consultants: Shmuel Erlich, Mira Erlich-Ginor and Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing

Authority, authorization and authoritarianism in analytic practice and institutions

This Large Group provides a space for the emotional and experiential aspects not usually touched on in our scientific discourse. It aims at the exploration of thoughts, feelings, fantasies and projections that may emerge around the different kinds and faces of authority we meet in our analytic lives, such as: What is the authority of the analyst? What authorities do we work for, under, with, or against? How much do our relationships with real or imagined authorities occupy our minds and affect our practice? What pains and injuries do we harbor and what satisfactions or rewards do we receive? How much do residues of historical encounter and past experiences with authority shape our present life and work?

This Large Group will meet twice and is open to all conference participants. Three consultants will be available to facilitate the group work: Shmuel Erlich (Israel Soc), Mira Erlich-Ginor (Israel Soc), and Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (German Assoc).

Psychoanalysis and Film
Friday 16:30h-20:00h
Chair: Christa Leiendecker

Dealing with existential questions of authority: Between hope of a new beginning and desperate yearning for the lost.
Screening and discussion of the film „The Flat“ (Arnon Goldfinger 2011)

Presenter: Ingeborg Goebel-Ahnert (German Assoc)

Film director: Arnon Goldfinger (Tel Aviv, Israel)

Chair: Christa Leiendecker (German Assoc)

The outstanding documentary film, “The Flat” by Arnon Goldfinger (2011), has been internationally acclaimed and received 15 awards. This Israeli-German film touches, indirectly, upon psychoanalytic questions of authority on several levels: the personal, the familial and the inner- and the inter-cultural ones. This is achieved by revealing unspoken, unconscious, oppressed and seemingly denied, unbearable life facts and emotional experiences as well as psychic attempts to cope with them.

The film shows the changes and ruptures that happened inside individuals, between families, inside countries and cultures as well as between them, and between affected groups. Forced change, in this case exile from Berlin to Tel Aviv,

always means losing common ground followed by the attempt to maintain it through denial and later to regain it by realizing, acknowledging and integrating the horrid feelings of despair, grief, pain, hatred and guilt - an inevitable outcome of traumatic historical experiences.

Emptying the flat of his ninety-eight year old deceased grandmother, the film director uncovers her hidden, uncanny, sad and painful family story which leads him to a lot of research and documenting in Israel and Germany. He gradually constructs a trans-generational denial of his grandparent’s history and as well of a prominent friendly German couple who identified with the Nazi ideology.

The film also shows how the perpetrators need the victims in order to mentalize the unspeakable, and vice versa and how they try to cope with one’s own burdensome authority.

Following the screening in the presence of the film director, Ingeborg Goebel-Ahnert, will comment the film to initiate the discussion with the floor. We suppose a sensitive and very enriching discussion to follow also touching the question what will be the impact of the film on today’s psychoanalytic discourse.

Working Party on the Specificity of Psychoanalytic Treatment Today (WPSPTT)

Wednesday 15:30h-19:00h and Thursday 09:00h-18:45h, Chair: Erika Kittler

The WPSPTT offers two interconnected aspects:

- It is a standing research group integrated into the research programme of the EPF;
- It proposes a new psychoanalytic methodology for working in small clinical groups. The clinical exchanges, in particular on an international basis, form a crucial experience for psychoanalytic research today.

The small clinical groups are made up of 12 to 15 analysts from different analytic cultures working for a day and a half on the same clinical material (3 consecutive sessions). The WP methodology was inspired, with some crucial variations, by J. Norman, B. Salomonsson and J.-L. Donnet. The presenter relates the essentials of the session content without giving any indication concerning biography, the history of the analysis or the setting. He/she then remains silent without responding to the questions raised by the group. The fundamental rule of the group follows that of psychoanalysis, i.e., to 'associate freely' on the material. The group thus 'constructs' the patient, held by the two moderators. Each participant is using their explicit and implicit theoretical refer-

ences as well as his/her conscious and unconscious basic assumptions; but the basic idea is to listen to and articulate the unconscious derivatives in order to further the inter-analytic work. Only towards the end of the discussion the presenter shares his/her thoughts, feelings and associations to the groups's work. This step enables the group to assess the apres-coup of the constructions that have emerged and possibly have been worked through during the preceding step, which in turn enables the presenter to possibly view his/her patient and analytic work from a different and new perspective.

In Berlin there will be **four groups (French speaking and English speaking)**. Moderators will be: J. Abram, C. Desvignes, M.-F. Dispaux, Y. Dorey, B. Filet, N. Gougoulis, E. Kittler, L. Michel, A. Scardovi, R. Shaw, D. Stevens, P. Valon.

Please note that the clinical groups will take place on Wednesday 15:30h to 19:00h and Thursday 09:00h to 18:45h. Those wishing to take part should attend all sessions of their group.

Eligible to participate are all colleagues registered for the conference, including all members and candidates. Note: these groups require pre-registration. Please specify your choice of language. Those wishing to participate in one of these groups should write soonest to geber-reusch@t-online.de and ekittler@online.de. Please note: The application is binding, once it is confirmed by the chair of the WPSPTT (Erika Kittler).

Working Party on Psychosomatics

Thursday 09:00h-12:30h and 15:00h-18:30h

Chair: Jacques Press

Starting from a clinical point of view we would like to better apprehend the points of convergence between hypotheses concerning the somatization processes; these are often hidden behind different metapsychological theorizations. On the other hand, it is equally important to work on the basic differences between these theories. Our working party aims to work on these issues.

There will be **two groups (in English)** in Berlin, each one with two sessions, one in the morning, one in the afternoon. During the morning session, the presenter will speak of the two or three very first interviews with his / her patient. We will then discuss our hypotheses on the functioning of the patient, on our understanding of the mechanisms leading to somatic illness in this particular case as well as on the first transference – countertransference interactions. In a second part of the morning session, the presenter will report the raw material of one or two sessions. In addition to the moderator leading the discussion, there will be a silent listener who will intervene at specific

moments when central psychosomatic issues seem to emerge. We will explore how these moments relate to the initial hypotheses drawn from the first interviews. After the lunch break, we will try to explore more in depth the transference and countertransference issues raised during the morning session and the way the group's dynamics reflect them.

Leaders of the groups will be members of the core group (Fotis Bobos, Bérengère de Senarclens, Joerg Frommer, Marina Perris, Jacques Press, Eva Schmid-Gloor, Christian Seulin, Luigi Solano, Nick Temple).

If you are interested, please write to jacques.press@bluewin.ch with a few words to introduce yourself. There will be no direct registration by Geber and Reusch. Deadline is **15th February 2016**. Limited registration. Candidates are welcome.

Forum Working with Haydée Faimberg's 'Listening to Listening' method (FCI)

Wednesday 17:00h-20:00h / Thursday 09:00h-17:00h

Thursday 09:00h-17:00h / Friday 14:00h-17:30h

Chair: Haydée Faimberg

We co-create a language to discuss differences and understand the presenter's work. We wish to overcome the idea that we accept the work of a colleague just because he works as 'me'.

Often clinical material is heard from one chosen implicit basic assumption (recognised or not). It is part of our goals to train ourselves in listening not only to recognise the presenter's clinical assumptions but also to recognise our assumptions as well.

We shall try to understand from which theory we are listening to the presenter as well as trying to understand from which theory the presenter is listening to his patient and interpreting or not interpreting. We explore the impact that the theoretical assumptions of each participant have on the discussion itself.

Common language refers to a way of understanding each other in the group, not to a project of working as psychoanalyst in a similar way.

Though it might seem a difficult task, we feel it makes justice to differences instead of idealising sameness.

We are using the function of 'listening to listening', which was initially limited to the psychoanalytical listening in the session. By 'listening to how each participant listens to each other', the sources of misunderstanding (as a valuable tool) may appear and so we begin to recognise the basic assumptions of each participant (which might create, precisely, the misunderstanding).

(References: "Listening to listening" and "Misunderstanding and psychic truths", Chapters 7 and 8 in Haydée Faimberg "The Telescoping of Generations: Listening to the Narcissistic Links between Generations", Routledge 2005.)

Please write to h.faimberg@orange.fr if possible in November, groups are easily fully booked. Wednesday/Thursday (English) or Thursday/Friday (English or French) (full attendance required).

For candidates a special session is devoted on Wednesday afternoon (English): For inscriptions write only to IPSO: ipso-europe@ipso-candidates.org.uk.

Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Children

Thursday all day, Friday 11:00h-12:30h and 14:30h-16:00h, Saturday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Noa Haas and Carmen Wenk-Reich

The Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Children organises three main events each year:

Child Analysis Pre-conference

(Thursday all day)

This event offers an in-depth clinical experience for child analysts and those keen to explore the beginnings of adult psychic functioning. Detailed session material is presented to small groups in the course of the day and discussed using the Weaving Thoughts Method, chosen for its capacity to foster a particular openness to unconscious processes while helping to contain critical or supervisory trends in the group. Those unfamiliar with this approach may wish to read Norman J & Salomonsson B (2005) "Weaving thoughts: A method for presenting and commenting on psychoanalytic case material in a peer group", *Int J Psycho-Anal*, 86:1281-1298. We have adapted the original format slightly to make maximum use of the group process itself in understanding the material presented.

If you would like to participate in the pre-conference or present a case to one of the small groups please email Antonia Grimalt: 8331age@comb.cat.

Child Analysis Workshop

(Friday afternoon)

The Forum has started a series of workshops on Children in Modern Families, investigating the challenges to child analysis of unprecedented cultural shifts in the course of a generation. Over the coming years topics including fertility treatment, same-sex parents, multi-ethnic adoptions into 'rainbow families' and patchwork families will be discussed. The first workshop on this topic took place last year in Stockholm with a paper on the topic of "Thoughts on the oedipal conflict in children born through sperm donation".

The speaker for 2016 is to be confirmed.

If you would like to present a paper on this topic please email Beate Schumacher: b_schumacher@o2.co.uk

Parent Infant Workshop

(Friday morning)

The focus of this workshop is on psychodynamic work with infants and their parents and we have, over the years, had presentations from colleagues and projects all over Europe, applying psychoanalytic thinking to the parent-infant relationship. This year, Gisela Schleske (German Assoc), who runs the Baby Ambulance in Freiburg, will present a paper on "Young Families Then and Now: A Historical Comparison of Current and Past Baby Ambulance Cases".

Parallel Panel, jointly organized by the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Children and the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Adolescents

(Saturday morning)

The purpose of this panel is to discuss theoretical and clinical material from the point of view of child and adolescent psychoanalysis. This year the forum will host Petra Heymanns (German Assoc) who will present her paper "Psychoanalytic perspectives on same-sex parenting". There will be two active moderators, Carmen Wenk Reich from the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Children and a co-chair from the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Adolescents (tbc), who will facilitate discussion with the audience.

Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Adolescents

Thursday 10:30h-13:15h and 14:30h-18:00h, Friday 11:00h-12:30h, Saturday 11:00h-12:30h

Chairs: Sara Flanders and Patricia Grieve

¿Authority?

There is no other time of life when the issue of authority becomes as important as in adolescence. An inherent, and necessary, part of adolescence is its confrontation with authority as the parents of childhood are de-idealized. This confrontation also has a social function, underlined by Erikson and Winnicott, that of innovation and change. Parental functions are put to the test, and, while the parents must allow for the modification of infantile dependence, at the same time they have to withstand the confrontation, without their authority being destroyed, both in fantasy and in life.

A current and worrying phenomenon in European society is the dramatic threat represented by the fascination of authority, or authoritarianism, in the shape of Islamic extremist movements which appeal to youngsters, mostly, but not only, of immigrant stock, together with an idealization of violence. This is not a new phenomenon; in the past other extreme political ideologies, from both right and left of the political spectrum, have equally captured the imagination of adolescents with their violent solutions and their offer of inclusion in a larger and stronger, invulnerable, group identity. Feelings of guilt are in this way bypassed, as well as other important conflicts in the adolescent struggle; socio-economic and cultural factors of great complexity become the context in which these important adolescent conflicts can be played out and sometimes find tragic outcomes, both for the individual and for society at large.

For all these reasons, and more, we hope that this year's Forum will present the opportunity to discuss important issues which face us as professionals working with adolescents.

As in every year, the Forum organizes **two clinical workshops, in English and in French**, as well as the presentation of a clinical paper from an experienced adolescent analyst, and a theoretical-clinical presentation and its discussion.

Parallel Panel, jointly organized by the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Children and the Forum for the Psychoanalysis of Adolescents (Saturday morning)

This year our programme includes a joint event organized by the adolescents and children forums, which we hope will be a successful and creative new space.

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If you would like to participate in one of the clinical workshops on Thursday please email: geber-reusch@t-online.de with copy to pgrievec@gmail.com. Candidates are welcome.

Forum »Free Clinical Groups« (FCG)

Thursday 14:30h-18:30h

Chair: Denny Panitz and Peter Wegner

This specific method of examining clinical material was developed by Wolfgang Loch in Tuebingen. He has characterized the discussion of clinical material in groups by comparing it to the model of the prism effect: Like the light beam that, when funnelled through a prism, will reveal heretofore invisible parts and make them transparent. The group discussions will reveal thus far unmentioned and unconscious components of the patient and make him appear in his various parts and different nuances, thus enabling a deeper understanding of the psychoanalytic work.

This psychoanalytic method as a discourse oriented method, which aims at the mutual understanding between subjects, is therefore particularly well suited to facilitate a clinical understanding between different psychoanalytic schools and traditions. The group is not only interested in a psychoanalytic process but mainly in arriving at possible interpretations.

The initial presentation of the material ends at a point just before the first intervention or interpretation has been made. Only when the group itself has arrived at one or more possible interpretations, the presenter will show the rest of the session. Information about diagnosis, patient

biography, the process, number of previous treatment hours and frequency of treatment will not be provided until the presented session has been discussed in its entirety that is only before the final discussion.

The independent clinical groups (FCG) in Berlin will consist of two moderators, one presenter, and a maximum of 15 participants. The clinical material may be chosen from psychoanalytic treatments in a variety of settings. The participants ought to come from different European societies.

The following colleagues will act as moderators: Ursula Burkert (German Assoc), Milagros Cid Sanz (Madrid Assoc), Patrick Miller (Paris Soc), Denny Panitz (Hellenic Soc), Manuela Utrilla Robles (Madrid Assoc), Jonathan Sklar (British Soc), Claudia Thußbas (German Assoc), Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (German Assoc), Christine Wegner (German Assoc) und Peter Wegner (German Assoc).

Literary reference: Danckwardt, J. F., Schmithuesen, G. und Wegner, P. (2014): Mikroprozesse psychoanalytischen Arbeitens. Brandes & Apsel, Frankfurt am Main.

Eligible to participate are all IPA-members as well as candidates. Due to multiple requests, we will offer groups in German, French and English (depending on the number of registrations). Those wishing to participate in one of these groups should write, no later than **15th February 2016**, to geber-reusch@t-online.de.

Forum on Psychoanalysis and Language

Friday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Christoph E. Walker and Sylvia Zwettler-Otte

„Civilization and its Discontents“ G.W. Bd. XXI, 57-146

Sigmund Freud's paper „Civilization and its Discontents“ (1929/30) links directly to two of his former works „The Question of Lay Analysis“ (1926) and „The Future of an Illusion“ (1927). Thereby Freud revisits central questions regarding ‚culture‘ and ‚civilization‘. To these belongs certainly the unconscious feeling of guilt, which he claims as the source of the struggle between ego and superego, between each individual inner processing as well as the conflict of the subject with the exterior world. According to Freud, fear of the exterior authority is internalised and establishes a strict superego with the consequence: „the aggression of the conscience preserves the aggression of the authority“.

Against this background several references to the conference's issue „Authority“ appear. Questions come up regarding the tension between ‚culture disallowance‘ and ‚cultural morals‘, whereby through the course of the cultural processes the human's inclination to aggression is attempted to be contained and controlled. Freud's way of looking at culture is still valid nowadays and has

not lost its actuality. Quite the contrary, it gains especially through the threat of ongoing culture struggles and current wars of religion a high topicality. Also regarding the terms ‚culture‘ and ‚civilisation‘, that are used conterminously in translations, interesting questions emerge regarding their equalisation or their distinct meaning. In translations into all the other languages, they are not recognisable anymore.

Yet due to these corresponding shifts of meaning, different ways of reflecting are discovered, and by referring to the original text our perception could get sharpened, differences made visible and nameable.

The forums emphasis lies on the discussion of the first chapter and the last chapter's final paragraph.

In English and German; Contributions regarding other languages are highly welcome.

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Forum on Psychoanalytical Ethics

Saturday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Claire-Marine François-Poncet

Ethical conflicts in contemporary psychoanalysis

Our divergences and convergences in Europe rest on different conceptions of psychoanalytical ethics, that is to say the principles and values that guide our practice. What are the ethical foundations of these practices within our analytical cultures and their historical context? How can our debate interrogate the development of contemporary psychoanalysis facing the current crisis? Is it relevant to insist upon a specifically psychoanalytic ethics, distinct from the ethics of care within the psychotherapeutic field? Our reflection will start from concrete situations and conflicts in our practice that raise questions as to the conceptions and goals of our work.

This year our debate is centred upon the impact of pluralism on psychoanalytical ethics. Can psychoanalysts understand one another: one psychoanalytical ethics or many?

Pluralistic ethics or ethical pluralism: where do we stand?

What is the consequence of the ever increasing multiplicity of concepts and models in contemporary psychoanalysis on the method or the unity of psychoanalytical ethics? Can the cohesion of our respective schools of thought bear confrontation with other ways of practising that might put it under scrutiny? How can our institutions – and the psychoanalytical movement as a whole – maintain an open dialectic between consensus and controversy, that which is so necessary to keep our practice up-to-date and alive? On the contrary, to what extent may the desire for consensus at any price threaten the very foundation itself of psychoanalytical ethics?

Speaker: Laurence Kahn, training analyst and former president of the French Psychoanalytical Association (APF), author of „The apathetic psychoanalyst and the postmodern patient“ (ed. de l'Olivier, 2014)

Discussant: Udo Hock (German Assoc) teacher at the Berliner Psychoanalytisches Institute (BPI), former member of the EPF scientific committee (2013-2014). Author of „Plea for the unity of the Freudian theory of memory“ (Int J Psychoanal, 2014)

If you would like to participate in this group please email: geber-reusch@t-online.de. Candidates are welcome.

Ad hoc Group on Exploring Training Process and Practice (ETPP)

Wednesday 16:00h-18:00h and Thursday 09:00h-17:30h

Chair: Heribert Blass

In this Ad hoc group we intend to look at the development of candidates in training and especially in supervision. For this purpose, we want to investigate the strengths and weaknesses of presented candidates at different stages of their training. But we also want to do something more: As we have seen in the former ETEP-project, all psychoanalytic supervision is embedded in an institution. The question then arises as to whether and how the progress of candidates is linked to specific institutional influences. One might say supervision is an interface between a private relationship and an institutional process.

Therefore the ETPP-Ad hoc group places emphasis on the meaning of the structure and the culture of an institute in which supervision takes place. Both structure and culture are essentially influenced by the specific training model of each institute, and therefore the presentation of supervisory material will be combined with the question: How do different training models interact with supervision and how does the institution further or hinder the progress of candidates?

The methodology will be as follows: A training and supervising analyst will present supervisory material in a small group of colleagues and the colleagues should concentrate on the implicit training model of the presenter and on the institutional influence as well. The idea is not to focus on what group members think the criteria of strengths and weaknesses should be, but on understanding what the presenter's ideas are. This is therefore also an opportunity for the presenter to try to set out his ideas and to reflect on them with colleagues, especially in relation to the institutional context. We intend to organize several small groups.

Eligible to participate are all EPF and IPA training and supervising analysts. If you want to participate please register online with your registration for the conference not later than **31st January 2016** and send a mail to dr.heribertblass@t-online.de.

Ad hoc Group on Collective Traumas

Thursday 09:30h-13:30h

Chair: Eva Weil

Our work is focused on the experience of the psychic treatment of mass murder survivors and their offspring. In order to theorize this kind of clinical work, we have relied on psychoanalytic texts that question the links between the individual, culture and history – “Group psychology and the analysis of the ego” being the primary text but we also refer to clinical accounts by colleagues, to the writings of survivors and their offspring as well as to some of the findings of contemporary history, political anthropology, literature, etc..

In Freud's model of the mind, culture and the collective are located in the psyche from the outset and this inherited core would bear traces of our ancestor's lived experiences.

Over the ten years during which our seminar has been held at the SPP, the interventions of colleagues have led us to envision the interweaving of the individual and the collective in the experience of the treatment in terms that depart from the strictly oppositional and dual.

The questions we wish to tackle with our EPF colleagues are the following:

After the mass murders of the twentieth century, what has become of the theory of psychic trauma as well as its contemporary reworkings?

The links between the patient's dissociations and the collective events force us to wonder how such links are acted out in the transference and how they can be handled and interpreted there. Before being formulated collectively, the historical event is likely to determine, in our view, a latency that will shape the modalities of transmission of the experience from one generation to the next. What would be the nature of this latency period, what is its function and which are the intrapsychic operations that occur in it?

If you would like to participate in this group please email: geber-reusch@t-online.de.
Clinical presentations and candidates are welcome.

EPF Ad hoc Group on Ageing / IPA Committee on Ageing

Friday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Martin Teising

Age, charisma and the (mis-) use of authority

The psychoanalytic community lives, acts and works in a much closer and more personal relation to its ancestors than any other science. This is due as well to the meaning of generational attachments and gratitude as well as to oedipal bindings. What is the basis for psychoanalytic

authority, its use and misuse? How does the Laios-complex affect our psychoanalytic institutions? What does psychoanalytic charisma mean in this context?

Ad hoc Group on Forensic Psychoanalysis

Friday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Carine Minne

Treating patients who have killed: The importance of diagnostic clarification

Since 2000, when Leslie Sohn first held this workshop, the long-term psychoanalytic treatments, of severely disturbed patients who have killed, have been presented. These are patients psychiatrically diagnosed as suffering from personality disorders but who manifest psychotic states, particularly at the moments of killing. It is not uncommon for the severity of the patients' disturbance to be underestimated or even missed by clinicians. In this EPF workshop, we will con-

tinue the clinical discussions around the importance of diagnostic clarification, using current cases to illustrate. This will be presented in terms of the helpfulness of considering a single diagnostic entity. The importance of this diagnostic proposal in terms of assessing risk of enactment and treatment needs will be stressed.

Presenter: Carine Minne (British Soc)

Ad hoc Group on Psychoanalysis and Muslim Backgrounds

Saturday 14:30h-16:00h

Chair: Saskia von Overbeck Ottino

Psychoanalytic authority in work with patients from a muslim background

Presenter: Aydan Özdağlar (German Assoc)

Opening discussants: Fakhry Davids (British Soc), Levas Kovarskis (Finnish Soc), Sevil Kural (PSIKE Istanbul), Geneviève Welsh (Paris Soc)

Chair: Saskia von Overbeck Ottino (Swiss Soc)

Although Turkish migrants have had a presence in Europe for several decades, most did not seek psychoanalytic treatment. In the last few years, however, this has begun to change as an increasing number of Turkish students now undertake study at European universities. Although westernised and successful in their home culture, they sometimes encounter problems at university where they receive psychotherapy at students' counselling centres. Many develop an interest in psychoanalysis, and take to it as a method of self-discovery.

Many of these young people would not explicitly identify themselves as Muslim and do not see themselves as particularly different from their western European counterparts. Yet the world they live in sees them as such, which they in turn experience as an otherness being forced onto them. To what extent does European psychoanalysis also subtly do so? If so, how might it affect our ability as a profession to respond to the needs of these young Muslims?

In this workshop we would like to investigate these themes via the presentation of clinical material from an analysis. This treatment was presented in two separate intervention encounters; in one the patient's Turkish background was fully revealed, in the other only her Turkish identity. Observations from these two presentations will be presented, and this will form the basis of an exploration of the topic initiated by members of the ad-hoc group.

Specific questions to be discussed include: Does or should the question of Islam come up in these analyses? If so, does the western psychoanalyst require knowledge about the Islam to be able to undertake treatment with these patients? Might the analysis hold more promise if the analyst was of the same cultural background? How can the feeling of otherness, which brings in an aspect of external reality, be dealt with in the analysis? Do prejudices play a role and, if so, how does one know whether it is the analyst's or patient's prejudice that is involved?

The group is open to members and candidates. Preregistration is not required.

Workshop on Psychoanalysis and the Web

Thursday 15:00h-18:00h

Chair: Gabriella Giustino

Speakers: Jones De Luca, Gabriella Giustino, Laura Ravaioli

With the participation of Paolo Sard, the web-master of Spiweb

Moderator: Luca Caldironi

Speakers and Moderator are all member of Italian Psychoanalytical Society.

The Italian Psychoanalytical Society Spiweb Editorial Board promotes again a workshop on Psychoanalysis and the Web.

The experience in Stockholm was very alive and rich of contributes coming from participants of several psychoanalytical societies.

The main issues on which we would like to focus in Berlin are:

- At one side **'heavy themes'** which means very serious and emergent ones. The question we would like to reflect on is: How do we treat social urgent topics (as terrorism, violence, migration, bullysm) from a psychoanalytical point of view? Those themes distinguish a psychosocial area of the website.
- At the opposite side **'light themes'** which means a sort of playing area rich of cultural, exciting and sometimes paradoxical topics.
- Last but not least **'scientific themes'** which represents an area of learning especially intended for colleagues (but not only).

Open to members, candidates and guests.

Directors of Training Meeting (DOTM)

Friday 14:00h-16:00h

Chair: Eva Schmid-Gloor

EPF wants to offer a space, where Directors of Training can discuss current questions concerning psychoanalytic training.

More information will follow.

Newly Qualified Training Analysts Meeting (NQTAM)

Friday 16:00h-18:00h

Chair: Eva Schmid-Gloor

Aim of the Newly Qualified Training Analysts Meeting of the EPF is to allow recently qualified training analysts an opportunity to discuss pertinent issues and problems concerning their new tasks with colleagues from other psychoanalytic societies.

Their specific functions within the psychoanalytic training require continuous education on behalf of the training analysts. While part of it is provided by local psychoanalytical institutes, the EPF wants to offer training analysts additional education in a surrounding which is unencumbered by the inevitable incestuous and power-related bindings of local institutes.

The participants will share their reflections on admission to training, on supervision, as well as on general aspects of psychoanalytical training.

Teamwork will take place in small groups. For reasons of confidentiality only one member of a society will be permitted per group. The number of participants is limited.

Detailed information will follow after registration.

Platform for Summerschool Organizers

Thursday afternoon

Chair: Alexander Janssen

Detailed information was not available at the time of printing.

If you would like to participate in this group please email: geber-reusch@t-online.de. Only 1 member of one society will be accepted in a group. Please copy Eva Schmid-Gloor eva.s@bluewin.ch.

Psychoanalysis and University

Friday 11:00h-12:30h

Chair: Franco Borgogno

Differentiating perspectives on 'authority' in psychoanalytic education at universities and at institutes of psychoanalytic training

Presenters: Shmuel Erlich (Israel Soc)
Patrizia Giampieri-Deutsch (Vienna Soc)
Tilmann Habermas (German Assoc)
René Roussillon (Paris Soc)

Moderator: Franco Borgogno (Italian Soc)

The 2016 Panel of the IPA-Committee "Psychoanalysis and the University" at the EPF Conference '¿Authority?' in Berlin will focus on the topic of the main Conference, relating it to academia.

Coming from different psychoanalytic cultures, the panellists Shmuel Erlich, Patrizia Giampieri-Deutsch, Tilmann Habermas, René Roussillon, and Franco Borgogno (Moderator), share the experience of their own participation in transmitting psychoanalysis - training and teaching - at both their institutes of training as well as their universities. Depending on how 'authority', 'authoritative', and 'authoritarian' are understood, quite diverging views may arise, shaping different perspectives on psychoanalytic education at universities and institutes of training. The starting point of the panellists is thus a brief outline of their own perspective on authority. Understanding psychoanalysis as a still 'authoritative' discipline in academia, conveys the belief that psychoanaly-

sis should be acknowledged as an influential corpus of theories sustained by a highly specialized clinical science. Such perspective may enhance the efforts of psychoanalysts in academia to firmly engage themselves in fine-grained methodologies of clinical, conceptual, and empirical research. Further, according to Freud's "Group Psychology and the Analysis of the Ego", 'authority' may be regarded as a top-down relationship from the leader to the group. Freud's account may compel psychoanalysts to adopt a critical approach to 'authoritarian' forms of transmission in psychoanalytic education at universities and institutes of training, bringing about more 'anti-authoritarian' ways of teaching and training. However, following further psychoanalytic understanding of group processes, such as Bion's contributions, leadership could be conceived in a more interactional way, thus showing its constitutive role for processes of transformation and growth within the group. Comments on the short presentations will be provided by discussants, reflecting on their own experiences at different university faculties as well as at their institutes of training.

The Panel "Psychoanalysis and University" is open also for candidates, students and guests. No preregistration is necessary.

IPSO

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Chair: Sergio Anastasia

As part of the EPF Conference, IPSO offers a programme providing an important opportunity for the intercultural dialogue between candidates in the pluralistic European psychoanalytical landscape.

The – preliminary – IPSO Programme will include:

- IPSO Workshop on Haydée Faimberg's 'Listening to listening' discussing method (chaired by Haydée Faimberg), that will be open for candidates and recently graduated members, on Wednesday afternoon 16th March 2016.
- An opening event with welcoming words by our hosts and the IPSO Representatives followed by a plenary session with a paper presentation and discussion on Thursday afternoon, 17th March 2016.
- During the EPF Conference we will have 4 supervisions with training analysts from different countries.
- As a traditional part of the IPSO programme, there will be an IPSO Dinner Party on Friday evening, 18th March 2016 for people to meet, dine, dance, discuss and exchange about psychoanalytical training and practice in the different psychoanalytic traditions and cultures.

IMPORTANT:

Participation at the IPSO Programme requires registration for the EPF Conference, which you can do online: www.epf-fep.eu
There you also can find the EPF programme.

We look forward to meeting you in Berlin!

If you want to participate in the workshop on Haydée Faimberg' discussion method 'Listening to listening', please send an email to ipso-europe@ipso-candidates.org.uk.

Please note that participation in the IPSO Workshop on 'Listening to listening' requires pre-registration (although no additional fee will be charged), which you can do with your online registration. In case you already have registered without preregistering for the IPSO Workshop and you wish to participate, please contact us.

We would appreciate if some colleagues would agree either to have their own case supervised or to present a case (French or English) in one of the IPSO workshops.

For submitting case presentation or any other questions concerning the IPSO programme please contact Sergio Anastasia or Nergis Güleç at this address: ipso-europe@ipso-candidates.org.uk

To attend the IPSO dinner party on Friday night, March 18, 2016 pre-registration is required because the number of places is limited. After registration you will receive Partyflyer and detailed information.

Registration information

Registration fees	before 16.02.2016	from 17.02.2016
Member of an EPF-Society / IPA member	395,- EUR	495,- EUR
Participating Guest – no participation in the clinical workshops and sponsored by an EPF member	475,- EUR	575,- EUR
Candidate	195,- EUR	295,- EUR
EPI member/ EPI candidate	50,- EUR	50,- EUR

What is included in the registration fee?

- Participation in the scientific meetings
- Note: some groups require pre-registration.
- Welcome reception with drinks and snacks in the Maritim Hotel, Stauffenbergstr. 26 in Berlin on 17.03.2016
- Farewell cocktail in the Maritim Hotel, Stauffenbergstr. 26 in Berlin on 20.03.2016.
- Refreshments during the coffee breaks.

Certification (professional development points) has been applied for.
Details to follow on the EPF website at www.epf-fep.eu

How to participate in a small group workshop?

A number of pre-registered workshops and discussions on various themes have been described in this leaflet and more details can be seen regularly updated on the EPF website. Those registering online will have the opportunity to select one or more groups during the registration process.

Those who register by post or fax should mark their choices on the registration form.

You can select one option for each day that you will be at the conference. If you wish to take part it is essential that you apply within the deadline given in the registration form.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU CAN ONLY SELECT ONE OPTION PER DAY

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Information and an online conference timetable can be found at www.epf-fep.eu. Details can also be obtained from the Honorary Secretary of your local EPF member Society.

For registrations, hotels, transfer, and Saturday evening options please contact Geber + Reusch at geber-reusch@t-online.de.

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Further Information

Geber+Reusch has reserved a room allotment in the Maritim Hotel: **Maritim Hotel, Stauffenbergstrasse 26, D-10785 Berlin**

The Maritim Hotel Berlin occupies a prime spot on the city's Tiergarten Park in the tranquil diplomatic quarter, close to the "Kurfürstendamm" and the "Potsdamer Platz". The luxury hotel recaptures the glamorous flair of the roaring '20s and offers all of the modern comforts one can expect from a four star superior hotel.

Events Saturday evening (19.03.)

Dinner and Dance in the historic dance hall

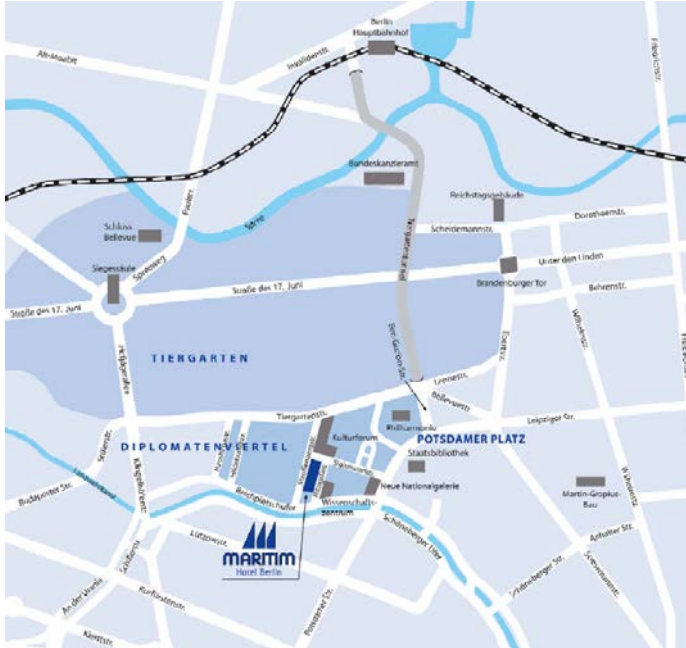
The **Ballhaus Berlin** is unique in its kind as a Berlin dance hall with an old tradition and built in 1905. A buffet with a wide range of European specialities and live music with the ladies combo "Inflagranti" await you in Ballhaus Berlin, Chaus-sée-strasse 102. Price per person EUR 130.

Dinner over the rooftops

The 17th-floor **Restaurant Solar** is near the ruins of Anhalter Bahnhof. Take the glass lift up the side of the building to the restaurant and enjoy the excellent food and breathtaking view of Berlin in Restaurant Solar, Stresemannstrasse 76. Price per person EUR 120.

For Friday, 18.03. the local organisation committee will offer various **performances shown in Berlin theatres** – detailed information was not available at the time of printing.

Furthermore there are some **thematic guided city tours scheduled** – detailed information was not available at the time of printing.



Route to Maritim Hotel Berlin

Travel by plane:

- from Tegel airport
Bus X9 to “Bahnhof Zoo”, from there take bus 200 to stop “Philharmonie” (approx. 30-40 minutes)
- from Schönefeld airport
by train to main station, from there take bus M85 to stop “Kulturforum” (approx. 45-60 minutes)

Travel by train

- from Berlin main station
Bus M85 direction Lichterfelde West to stop “Kulturforum”