REPORT ON INSTITUTE’S ACTIVITY IN 2011

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PIEE Board and Staff Meetings in 2011
- Tallinn (Estonia), February, during the PIEE Members and Candidates’ Seminar.
- Paris (France), March.
- Budva (Montenegro), September: during the PIEE Summer Seminar.

GENERAL SITUATION

The PIEE area included in 2011:
Armenia, Belorussia, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Moldova, Slovenia, Ukraine, Russia (St.Petersburg, Rostov, Stavropol).

At the end of 2011 Estonia-Latvia and Bulgaria, becoming Study Groups, left the PIEE. So also Slovenia and Bosnia, which have been temporarily included in the Study Group of Croatia (until they reach the conditions to form their own Study Group).
So at the beginning of 2012 the PIEE IPA Members passed from 28 to 16, Candidates from 47 to 35 and Registered Analysands from 33 to 27 (62 trainees in total). Many are waiting to be selected to start their training, but in most of the areas the selection interviews are now blocked (to see what will be their training future if the PIEE will be closed). Just in Belorussia 12 interviews have been performed and 10 new trainees accepted, as there are concrete possibilities to continue and complete their training also after the PIEE end.

The PIEE GUIDELINES FOR TRAINING 2011 are available on the PIEE website: www.hgp-piee.org, where there are also the ETHICAL CODE and the PIEE ROSTER, so as other information.
OUTREACH TEACHING SECTION

The main PIEE Teaching event in 2011 was the 18th PIEE Summer Seminar held in Budva - Montenegro (lasting 6 days and financed by the EPF) with 114 participants and 22 teachers, including the PIEE Board and Staff. Among participants there are those interested in starting training (13) but more and more Members (20) and Candidates (81). The interest for the so-called “big school” is very high, as applications arrive continuously from new cities and it is overbooked for about 50%.

The aim of the PIEE Outreach Teaching Section is not anymore to initiate contacts with new groups interested in psychoanalysis, but to provide teaching to the existing ones, as the Institute activity is now focused on enriching the training of a limited number of groups. During the Seminar many Easterns (mainly from the PIEE, but also from Study Groups and Societies and also some Westerns) meet, know each other, compare their work and theoretical interest and have their yearly contact with the PIEE, EPF and IPA.

TRAINING SECTION

1. One of the main PIEE teaching events, the 12th Members and Candidates’ Seminar, (lasting 6 days and financed by the IPA) was held in February, in Tallinn - Estonia, with 82 participants: 19 Members and 63 candidates. There were 16 teachers (Training Analysts), including the PIEE Board and Staff.

2. The PIEE Candidates get their theoretical seminars:
   - In English:
     - at the PIEE Members’ and Candidates’ Seminar, (yearly 30 teaching hours),
     - at the PIEE Summer Seminar for Candidates and Members (yearly 30 teaching hours),
     - at the PIEE School for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis (yearly 30 teaching hours).
   - In Russian:
     - at the Russian Speaking Section of the PIEE Summer Seminar, (yearly 30 teaching hours),
     - at the PIEE Theoretical Training Seminars in Russian language (TSR), (60 teaching hours a year).

   The second TSR class started in June 2009 with 22 candidates: 9 Russians, 10 Ukrainians, 1 Belorussian, 1 Latvian, 1 Georgian.

   The third TSR class started in November 2011 with 23 candidates: 9 Russians, 8 Ukrainians, 1 Belorussian, 3 Latvian, 1 Georgian and 1 Slovenian.

   Each class meets for 4 years, 4 times a year for a weekend, and at the Summer Seminar for Members and Candidates,. The teachers are Russian Training Analysts, Russian speaking Westerns and Westerns with Russian translators. In total attend the TSR 45 Candidates (5 from Study Groups).

   Some other candidates attend seminars also in France, Austria, Germany, Finland.

3. During 2011 the PIEE Training Section, with the help of the training analysts of the Seminars and Schools teaching staff, has performed 20 selection interviews: 15 have been accepted, 1 delayed to next year and 4 refused. There were 6 second interviews (2 delayed). 3 candidates (Bulgaria, Russia and Latvia) applied for final evaluation and all were accepted. All interviews and evaluations have been discussed by the PIEE Training Committee.
The 13th PIEE School for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis was held in November, in Bled - Slovenia (lasting 6 days and financed by the EPF and the IPA), with 45 participants and 11 teachers. The School is now more focused on the PIEE Child Analytic Training and on giving to candidates of adult training some teaching on child analysis, less to outreach. Only 3 participants were not Members or Candidates.

During the School the PIEE Training Committee for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis, chaired by Lilo Plaschkes (Israel), started the 3rd year of training for the first class of 13 Candidates and Members.

RESEARCH SECTION

EPF-PIEE research project „Psychoanalytic Training In Different Settings: The Path (The Experience), The Outcome”

The EPF Council approved the project at its November 2010 meeting therefore 2011 was the first full year. The project runs according to the original plans.

We started right away with the preparatory phase which we have finished.
We work with questionnaires and interviews.

The following subtasks have been finished:
• Revision and finalization of research questions
• Selection, revision and finalization of questionnaires

The following questionnaires will be used:
1. Formal data questionnaire (questionnaire developed for the project);
2. Experiences in analysis (‘Bush questionnaire’ extended with specific questions on shuttle - ‘Pushkareva’);
3. Experiences in supervision (‘Columbia questionnaire’);
4. Analytic competencies self assessment and stranger assessment versions (developed by Filet and Szönyi, used also by the EPF WPE).

• Transformation of questionnaires into online-fill-in version

Preparation of interviews
• Russian translation of questionnaires
• Interview guide (with analysts 0-7 years after qualification)
• Interview guide (with training analysts)
• Pilot interviews (with analysts; with training analysts)

End of 2011: we have started the first step of data collection: recruitment of participants for the study. This part goes slower than expected.

We had two research team meetings, one in April, another in November 2011, both in Budapest. Personal meetings are extremely important to carry out debates and develop creative solutions. At the meetings the team members meet also the expert consultants (statistician, IT expert – for economic reasons the major part is done via internet, including data collection and working up).
We prepared the panel on the project at the Paris EPF conference as well.
Some items of the budget stretches across to 2012 (translations and statistical work).

(Gabor Szonyi- Associate Director for Research)
COMMENTS ON 2011 AND PERSPECTIVES FOR 2012

The PIEE Board and Staff are rather satisfied with the PIEE results in 2011: the quality of the training is still improving and the selection of Candidates is very careful. The evaluations of the new Members have confirmed the positive picture of their training. The aim of the PIEE is to train “IPA Psychoanalysts”, whose main characteristic is their “quality”. The main goal is to form Study Groups, which will start autonomous scientific activity and training, keeping the IPA clinical, theoretical and training standards on the best possible level.

The PIEE is now taking special care of the local groups in their Pre-Study Group phase (Bulgaria, Estonia-Latvia, Ukraine, St.Petersburg, Rostov-Stavropol), paying attention to how the groups work, trying to solve conflicts and support regular local group meetings. So at the end Bulgarians solved some problems and were able to apply and be accepted as Study Group. The common Study Group Estonia-Latvia was formed and accepted without any special difficulty.

The Ukrainians (5 Members and 20 Candidates) have founded a common national psychoanalytic group, which is now fostering its structure to be able to apply for IPA Study Group status in next future. In December 2011 they held their 1st National Conference. Their main difficulty is that they live in 5 different cities.

The PIEE Seminars-Schools are attended mainly by PIEE Members and Candidates, but a 30% of participants belong to already established Study Groups and 5% to Western Societies. It is very important that Members and Candidates from Study Groups may continue to have an additional teaching at the PIEE Seminars.

The PIEE is now planned to end its activity in 2014. Except for Belorussia, there is no plan to extend training to any new area, but to support and reinforce the existing groups. So in Russia the PIEE activity is now limited only to the two areas, where in a relatively short time a Study Group may be formed: St.Petersburg and Rostov-Stavropol.

In 2012 will start the second class of the two years Program “Training for Trainers”, a Post Graduate Education organized by a group of Dutch analysts (led by Thijs de Wolf) and self financed. Such a Program, only for East European IPA Members, helps to bridge the gap between finishing the training and becoming a full functioning group. It consists of 6 meetings/weekends over two years. It is not connected with a graduation to Training Analyst status. After the first class (Members from Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Slovenia) the second is starting in 2012 (Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Bulgaria). It is not a PIEE activity, but warmly recommended by PIEE.
Summary of the PIEE  FINANCIAL REPORT 2011

A. The IPA 2011 allocation $65000 (€ 48000) has been mainly used for:
- 12th Members and Candidates Seminar in Vilnius (Lithuania)..... 31500 €
- 13th Child Analytic School in Bled (Slovenia)............................ 14300 €
- Travel to St.Petersburg (Pre-Study Group assistance).............. 1917 €

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B. The EPF 2011 allocation € 50000 has been mainly used for:
- Board Meeting ................................................................. 4870 €
- 18th Summer School – Budva (Montenegro)........................... 25280 €
- 13th Child Analytic School – Bled (Slovenia) ....................... 8800 €
- TSR Seminars................................................................. 1202 €
- Child Analytic Seminar ..................................................... 1416 €
- PEP subscription for all Members and Candidates.................. 1358 €
- Travels to Minsk, St.Petersburg and Dnepropetrovsk ............. 3056 €
- Administration and bank expenses..................................... 2867 €
- Website (www.hgp-piee.org )............................................... 1151 €

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3000 € donated by the German DPV have been used for the Summer School.
2500 € donated by the Italian SPI have been used for the Child Analytic School.
3000 $ donated by the Ass. For Child Analysis have been used for the Child Analytic School.

TOTAL 2011 PIEE INCOME (IPA + EPF budgets): 160624 Euro (208000 USD)

Sources:
IPA 29.9 %
EPF 31.2 %
East Europeans 32.9 %
German Association (DPV) 1.8 %
Italian Society (SPI) 1.5 %
Ass. for Child Psychoanalysis 1.4 %
Sponsors 0.8 %

GENERAL EVALUATION OF THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

The different parts of the PIEE budget, the IPA and the EPF one, are a useful flexible way of finance managing. Some activities are partially overlapped and are financed by the two budgets (e.g. 2 of the 4 Teaching Seminars in Russian for Candidates - TSR are held as two added days to existing schools, so costs of flights and accommodation are spared; PIEE Meetings are mainly held at the Seminars-Schools, where the PIEE Board and Staff Members work also as teachers). In this way the Seminars are financially more stable, also because the fluctuation of the change rate USD-Euro may be partially compensated.

In 2011 the financial participation of the Easterns has still slightly increased to 32.9% of the PIEE Budget, though the world financial crisis has struck the weak Eastern economies harder than the Western ones and Eastern colleagues have lost patients or should have lowered their fees.

With the same allocations for 2012, as the PIEE got in the 2011, we think that we may realize our plans (mainly the 3 Seminars-Schools, the TSR, the Child Analytic Training).

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PIEE Director 21.4.2012