



NEWSLETTER - FALL 2007

I. Introduction by the President

Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to invite you to read the IPSO Newsletter for the fall of 2007. Our new Executive Committee began its work this past summer in Berlin. The current elected officers are: Barbara Strack van Schijndel-Garofoli, European Vice President; Corinne Meylan, European Vice President-Elect; Gabi Psczcol, Latin American Vice President; Adela Escardó, Latin American Vice President-Elect; Kate Schechter, North American Vice President; Drew Tillotson, North American Vice President-Elect; Eric Bierens de Haan, Treasurer; Paula Oliveira, Communication Officer; and Israel Katz, Editor. Every one of them has brought considerable energy, thoughtfulness and skill to our organization. Josh Cohen, our former President-Elect, resigned from his position in early November 2007. We will hold an Extraordinary IPSO Business Meeting for the election of our new IPSO President-Elect in New York on January 17, 2008, during the Affiliates' Council Meeting of the American Psychoanalytic Association.

IPSO is changing: it used to be a biennially blooming flower less than seven years ago and held a Congress at the same time and location as the IPA Congress but was not a part of IPA Programming. Nowadays IPSO's Congress has been included with IPA Congress Programming. In addition to the IPSO European Meeting, a longstanding weekend for European IPSO members, IPSO has a program that takes place during the European Psychoanalytic Federation (EPF) meetings and a discussion group at the Winter Meeting in New York of the American Psychoanalytic Association. IPSO also recently hosted its first-ever North American meeting in San Francisco, which was partially funded by the IPA's CAPSA Program.

IPSO became a special body of the IPA this past summer in Berlin. IPSO remains an independent organization but becomes a legal entity for the first time ever during its forty-four years of existence by becoming a special body of the IPA. This change is as basic and crucial as allowing IPSO to open a checking account, something that we had never been able to do before. As recently as the 2001 IPSO Congress in Nice, the IPSO President and Treasurer paid for the IPSO Congress out of their own pockets hoping they would get repaid. Our inclusion as a special body of the IPA is an important recognition of the role that candidates play in psychoanalysis. Analysts-in-training now have equal voice on three important IPA committees: the IPSO-IPA Relations Committee, the Congress Planning Committee, and CAPSA. Candidates may also now apply without sponsorship requirements for research funding through the DPPT Program of the IPA. They will also be included on the IPA database, which is only available to IPA members and candidates.

Why belong to IPSO? Because IPSO is the international organization for analysts-in-training at Psychoanalytic Institutes affiliated with the IPA. There are approximately five thousand psychoanalytic candidates throughout the world. IPSO has a rich history: it was established in 1973 to provide candidates with an opportunity to come together to discuss issues related to training, theory and practice, as well as to provide a social context for the cross-cultural engagement of candidates. We are committed to the belief that exposure to the pluralism and diversity of psychoanalytic traditions is an important part of our education as candidates. IPSO helps candidates appreciate the richness of psychoanalysis by offering opportunities to explore our similarities and differences. We also believe that the formation of strong professional and personal ties during the early part of a psychoanalytic career helps in the development of an analytic identity. IPSO has worked on behalf of candidates to cement our relationship with the IPA and gain an ever-growing recognition of our importance and commitment to psychoanalysis.

IPSO continues to offer many professional development opportunities to our members. Analysts-in-training have the opportunity to present scientific papers in international and regional Congresses and to submit papers to the IPSO journal for publication. Through IPSO's relationship with the IPA, candidates may submit papers for the Tyson prize. Candidate papers are also eligible for consideration for the IPA's Sacerdoti Prize. If your paper is accepted for the IPSO Congress, the IPA offers IPSO members the opportunity to post these papers on the IPA website (we will also post it on our website.) Since January 2007 planning has been underway for the 20th IPSO Congress to be held in conjunction with the 46th IPA Congress in Chicago in July 2009. IPSO will issue a call for papers in March 2008. The IPSO Executive Committee encourages all interested candidates to submit a paper for inclusion in the Congress. Watch your email for the announcements. We look forward to welcoming you to our Congress in Chicago.

The Visiting Candidate Program was launched this year. It is an opportunity for candidates to participate in the life and culture of another psychoanalytic institute, either within the same region or in another region. For up to two weeks, the visiting candidate will attend classes, seminars, receive supervision, and present a case to stimulate international exposure to our rich analytic world. During the time the candidate is in the Visiting Candidate Program, he/she will be hosted by local candidates. Sixteen institutes have agreed to receive a Visiting Candidate, and the first two candidate visits are in the works for the first semester of 2008. Susana Paciaroni from Rosario, Argentina, will visit the Asociación Psicoanalítica Mexicana in Mexico City in February 2008, and Chrysi Giannoulaki, of the Hellenic Society, will attend the New York University Psychoanalytic Institute in the spring of 2008.

Israel Katz, our new editor, is in the process of updating our website. He is developing an editorial policy for submission of papers for publication on the website and is also updating the editorial policies for the IPSO Journal. As an IPSO member, you can subscribe to the electronic lists in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish. Through the E-Lists, you can communicate easily with colleagues as well as receive important membership notices about programming. IPSO is also building for the first time a database of all our members, which will make communication much easier with one another. Our database will be shared with the IPA and PEPWEB.

IPSO has become a remarkable referral network. I have been amazed at the number of people who move from one side of the world to the other and who wish to continue their psychoanalytic treatment in their new communities.

IPSO has exponentially grown over the past few years and offers extraordinary opportunities to candidates throughout the world to attend numerous meetings, take advantage of the Visiting Candidate Program, present at meetings, get supervision with world renowned analysts, and publish in our journal and on our webpage. Our organizational changes have led to a change in our dues structure, which was approved at the Berlin Business Meeting. The dues are now 20 dollars per year in North America, 15 dollars per year in Latin America, 20 Euro per year in Europe, and 15 Euro per year in Eastern Europe. Membership will run from January 1 through December 31 of each year. Participation in IPSO programs will be open only to IPSO members. I am very much looking forward to further development of the programming, both formal and informal, that IPSO brings to its members. I hope that all of you take advantage of the rich culture that IPSO has to offer. I wish you and your families the best for this Holiday Season and in the New Year.

Warmly,

Robin Deutsch
IPSO President

II. Europe

1. Report on the joint IPSO/IPA Congress in Berlin-July 2007

Berlin was a fascinating setting for a Congress that was steeped in psychoanalytic history. The last time an IPA Congress was held in Berlin was 1922, and for many IPA members this Congress was their first return to Berlin since World War II. The meetings were lively and exciting for the over 300 candidates who attended.

IPSO's Pre-Congress took place on Tuesday, July 24, 2007. In the morning, six plenary papers were presented, two from each of the official Congress regions, Europe, Latin America, and North America. Heike Bill (Germany) kicked things off with her "What belongs together will now grow together: Separation vs. integration in the reunited Germany, 17 years after the Wende." This was followed by Britt-Marie Schiller's (USA) "An Analytic Miscarriage" and Pierina Traverso Koroleff's (Peru) "Two adolescent mothers, two ways of 'being with' baby: a case study." The second plenary included Karolina Solojed (Russia) "Psychic traumatization in the families of Stalin's victims and its repercussions in Russian society," Susan Donner (USA) "Looking back: Somatic representation of affect and memory," and Adriana Lira Ramirez (Mexico) and Ana Salazar (Argentina) presenting "Passion vs. Passion." The discussion of each of the papers was active and collegial and continued over a delicious lunch organized by Berlin candidates. Lunch was followed by our afternoon IPSO Forum, "Psychoanalysis is what I do; what you do isn't," a lively discussion of commonalities and differences in analytic training and practice. The day concluded with introductions from each of the major international candidate organizations: OCAL, the Affiliates of the American Psychoanalytic Association, and IPSO. The new IPSO Journal was made available in printed format at the Pre-Congress. You may read the journal on line at our website, www.ipsocandidates.org

During the following four days IPSO sponsored programs were intertwined with IPA sponsored programs. IPSO's program included multiple peer reviewed scientific paper panels in all four Congress languages as well as peer supervisions and supervisions of candidates by internationally renowned senior analysts Adrienne Harris (USA), Franziska Henningsen (Germany), Fred Busch (USA), Stefano Bolognini (Italy), Claudio Eizirik (Brazil), Mariam Alizade (Argentina), and Virginia Ungar (Argentina). The program also included "Meet the Analyst" sessions where senior analysts Henry Smith (USA) and Egle Laufer (UK) introduced their ideas in well-attended discussion panels.

Social events were, as ever, a highlight as we explored Berlin's ample culinary and cultural offerings. Our Berlin hosts planned a delightful social program that included a dance party aboard a yacht on the river Spree. IPSO dance parties have become rightfully renowned, and this one was no exception.

For the second time, the IPA awarded the Tyson prize, which was established in 2005 and which is a financial award presented by the IPA for the best paper written by a candidate during the previous two years. The selection committee for the Tyson prize received over 25 submissions and commented that the overall quality of the papers was excellent. This year's award went to Martha Bragin for her paper "Knowing Terrible Things: Engaging Survivors of Extreme Situations in Treatment." The runners up for the prize were Lila Hoiyman (France) and Pilar Galivano (Peru). The IPA will be selecting three papers for the Chicago Congress, so please think about submitting a paper for consideration. We will be posting more details about the Tyson award as time gets closer. (Kate Schechter, IPSO North American Vice President.)

2. Announcements

KazIPSO: The 2008 European IPSO meeting, "Learning from our mistakes and difficulties," will be held in Almaty, Kazakhstan and is being organized by our colleague Anna Kudiyarova. The meeting consists of two parts: the scientific program between February 22nd-24th and a very attractive tourist program between February 25th-27th, 2008. The scientific program will include several plenary papers and workshops. Several activities at the end of each day aimed at getting acquainted with the local customs are being organized. And last but not least: a gala dinner and dance!

For those interested in participating, please contact Anna Kudiyarova

(anna.kudiyarova@yahoo.com.) We would like to remind you that a visa is needed to enter Kazakhstan and that it takes three to four weeks to obtain it.

European Psychoanalytic Federation (EPF): The 21st Annual Conference of the EPF: “The Shadow of the Heritage” will be held in Vienna between March 13th-16th, 2008. The IPSO Program in Vienna will include a plenary session with paper presentations, international supervisions and a social program. Any colleagues interested in presenting a paper on the topic of the conference should contact Barbara Strack van Schijndel-Garofoli, IPSO Vice President for Europe, at b.garofoli@xs4all.nl. Candidates interested in presenting a psychoanalytic case for supervision with a Training Analyst in a small group format should contact corinne Meylan, IPSO Vice President-Elect for Europe, at corinne.meylan@bluewin.ch. The deadline for submissions is February 1st, 2008. We would also like to call your attention to the Registration Fees:

-Candidates: before January 31, 2008: 295 Euro; from February 1, 2008: 430 Euro

-Members of EPF Societies in Eastern Europe and individuals affiliated with the Han Groen-Prakken Psychoanalytic Institute: before January 31, 2008: 240 Euro; from February 1, 2008: 310 Euro

For further information including the on-line conference timetable and enrolment in the conference please go to www.epf-fep.eu (Barbara Strack van Schijndel-Garofoli, IPSO European Vice President.)

II. Latin America

The "Undécimo Encuentro de Institutos de Psicoanálisis de América Latina" (Eleventh Meeting of Latin American Psychoanalytic Institutes) took place in São Paulo on October 6th and 7th, 2007. The meeting was sponsored by the hosting institute, the Sociedade Brasileira de Psicanálise de São Paulo (SBPSP), as well as FEPAL and OCAL. The theme of the meeting was “The Analyst’s Analysis.” Candidates from the SBPSP hosted a meeting for analysts-in-training the evening before the official meeting. There were candidates from Brazil, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay, Chile and other countries. IPSO was present at the meeting and candidates got to know a little more about our latest developments and our Visiting Program.

The official meeting's opening was followed by small discussion groups on “The Analyst's Analysis.” There were analysts and candidates in every group and the general consent was that the discussions were pluralistic and fruitful. In the afternoon there were two sessions during which a candidate presented a case at the same time to two supervisors from different countries. We also watched a beautiful Brazilian documentary by João Moreira Salles called "Santiago," which was a very touching and poignant film. Afterwards we discussed the film's main character, Santiago, and how the documentary might have been a way for the filmmaker to work through his personal issues (the film took thirteen years to be completed!)

IPSO welcomes the new Executive Committee of the Brazilian Candidates' Association: Eduardo Méndez, President (SPPel), Léia Klochner, Vice President (SBP de PA), Denise Bystronski, Secretary (SPPA), and Catherine Lapoli, Treasurer (SPPel). (Gabriela Pszczol, IPSO Vice President for Latin America.)

III. North America

1. Report from the IPSO Vice President for North America

As I write this report, IPSO is about to hold its annual Discussion Group on the Wednesday

afternoon of the January APsaA meetings, with Barbara Strack von Schijndel-Garofoli from Amsterdam presenting her paper “My Screaming Body,” and with discussions by advanced candidates Gabriela Pszczol (Rio de Janeiro), Corinne Meylan (Geneva), and Jason Greenberg (New York). The IPSO DG promises to be a lively cross-cultural exchange, and to stimulate a rich dialogue about our similarities and differences across psychoanalytic cultures. We look forward to seeing everybody there!

In other IPSO news, my colleague Drew Tillotson, IPSO’s North America VP-Elect reports that on October 14th the first North American IPSO Conference, “The Impasse: An International Perspective,” was convened in San Francisco at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis. “The Impasse” gave attendees an intimate look at moment-to-moment analytic interactions in our most difficult clinical situations. The program was partially supported by the IPA’s CAPSA initiative; CAPSA (Committee on Analytic Practice and Scientific Activities) emphasizes the need for inter-regional exchange on clinical issues, and is committed to the development of analytic theory and technique derived directly from the clinical process. IPSO President Robin Deutsch moderated the event, where our international discussants were Drs. Virginia Ungar and Jorge Canestri. Case presenters for the day were Drew Tillotson (Psychoanalytic Institute of Northern California, San Francisco) and Lilia Feinberg (Psychoanalytic Institute of New England, Boston). The conference was attended by candidates from around the country, including Seattle, Chicago, Boston and San Diego, and Drs. Ungar and Canestri generated a lively discussion. Attendees remarked upon what an enjoyable day it was, and by all accounts this first IPSO North America event was a great success. Of course “The Impasse” will now be a tough act to follow, but we are looking for another U.S. city to step up and host our next North America conference. Please contact me if you are interested; hosting offers a great opportunity to bring international psychoanalysis home, to be involved in our larger professional community, and to meet and dialogue with colleagues from around the U.S. and Canada. As part of this expanding dialogue, IPSO is pleased to welcome four new North America representatives: Deisy Boscan (San Diego), Lilia Feinberg (Boston), Vaia Tsolas (Columbia), and Debbie Zatz (NY Freudian, Washington DC).

Speaking of bringing international psychoanalysis home, the IPSO Visiting Candidate program is up and running, and offers candidates the opportunity to do mini “study-abroad” programs in cities virtually all over the (psychoanalytic) world, with participating institutes in cities like Lisbon, Athens, Rio de Janeiro, and Mexico City. If you’re interested in finding out more, Drew Tillotson is the person to contact. His email is cogster@earthlink.net.

Warm regards from Chicago,
Kate Schechter, IPSO North America Vice President

2. Announcements

IPSO 2009 Congress in Chicago: I’m happy to tell you that plans are underway for IPSO’s next Congress, to be held just prior to the 2009 IPA Congress in Chicago. The theme of the IPA Congress is Psychoanalytic Practice: Convergence and Divergence, with a multitude of offerings focusing directly on clinical practice around the world; as the IPSO representative on the Congress Planning Committee, I have been eager to help shape a Congress that would reflect candidates’ concerns and interests in issues of direct clinical relevance, such as the variety of ways that transference is conceptualized and worked with in various clinical communities around the world. The IPSO Congress, of course, always centers on precisely such comparative questions, offering candidates wonderful opportunities to present cases, theoretical papers, works in the various areas of applied psychoanalysis, and papers on aspects of training that are important to us all. Since the IPA Congress and the IPSO Congress will next be in Chicago, we are very excited that lots more North American candidates will get the chance to be bitten by the IPSO bug. Stay tuned for upcoming announcements for the Congress, and please start thinking about the paper you want to present. IPSO Congresses are hothouses of theoretical and clinical innovation (well, we aspire to that anyway!), as well as being uniquely warm and fun collegial gatherings. I hope to see you in Chicago in July of 2009, if not before. (Kate

Schechter, IPSO Vice President for North America.)

American Psychoanalytic Association Candidate Assistance Fund: The Candidate Assistance Fund of the American Psychoanalytic Association provides loans up to \$5,000 dollars to candidates training to be psychoanalysts who are affiliates of the American Psychoanalytic Association. Guidelines and applications are available in the Members Section of the APsaA website (www.apsa.org) or e-mail Dean Stein, APsaA's Executive Director, for an application form at deankstein@apsa.org. The applications must be received at the APsaA offices by Thursday May 1st, 2008. (Dean Stein, APsaA.)

IV. Treasurer's Report

As with any membership organization, IPSO relies primarily on dues payments to fund its programming. At the IPSO Business Meeting in Berlin, IPSO members voted for a small increase in IPSO dues with a budgetary review at the next business meeting in Chicago in July 2009. As of January 2008, yearly dues for IPSO members will be 20 dollars in North America, 15 dollars in Latin America, 20 Euro in Europe, and 15 Euro in Eastern Europe. In addition, the IPA gives IPSO a \$10,000 grant each year. Dues collection dropped from \$33,000 in 2006 to \$18,000 in 2007.

What does IPSO do with its budget? Our highest priority is paying for the IPSO Congress. While the IPA provides us with space at the Congress and a booth in the Exhibit Hall with no charge to IPSO, our budget covers all other expenses: coffee breaks, simultaneous interpretation and interpretation booths, the IPSO lunch, the IPSO Journal, and the staff person at the IPSO table in the Exhibit Hall. These expenses were roughly \$30,000 last year. The IPSO website is another expense of highest priority. We have, for 2008, changed to a new webmaster, but website expenses have recently averaged about \$300 per month or \$3,600 per year.

IPSO financial procedures are concordant with IPA financial procedures. Members of the Executive Committee may be reimbursed a limited amount for their expenses for the IPSO Executive meeting in New York in January. This reimbursement occurs if the budget allows for this expenditure after all other expenses have been met. (Eric Bierens de Haan, IPSO Treasurer.)

V. General News

Website and Journal: As our Treasurer mentioned above, we are in the process of updating our website (www.ipsocandidates.org) in both its Spanish and English incarnations. We have a new webmaster and are diligently working on the restructuring of our presence on the internet. I am working on revising the editorial policy for both our Journal, which is available on our website and published every two years coinciding with the IPSO/IPA Congress, and our website, where I envision the creation of a forum for publication and discussion of clinical and theoretical work in psychoanalysis. I look forward to the blossoming of IPSO on the web and for the continuation of lively psychoanalytical discourse through the written and spoken word. (Israel Katz, IPSO Editor.)

E-Lists: IPSO has several electronic discussion lists, in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish. Discussion on these lists is open and not moderated, and ranges from the dissemination of information, comparative discussions about training around the world, the exchange of references, ideas and local training problems, to referrals of patients. They serve as a convivial sharing of friendship with colleagues from around the world. We urge all our colleagues to use them to promote discussion and communality. (Paula Oliveira, IPSO

Communication Officer.)

IPSO Representatives: IPSO representatives (Reps) have been acquiring a growing importance as our liaison to candidates. The Executive Committee relies to a great extent on the Reps to promote IPSO in their societies and institutes and among their colleagues. The worldwide network of IPSO representatives still has to be increased and the communication between the Executive Committee and Reps needs to be tightened. We can predict that in the future the Reps will have more responsibilities and better defined tasks.

If your Institute does not yet have a representative or you wish to be one, please contact your regional Vice Presidents through their e-mail addresses and we will be glad to add you to our list of representatives. IPSO Reps should be at ease with English and the use of the internet.

(Paula Oliveira, IPSO Communication Officer)

Visiting Candidate Program: You may have heard the rumors, but now it is true: the Visiting Candidate program has been launched! As you read earlier in the newsletter, the first two visits have been organized. The IPSO Visiting Candidate Program hopes to extend and develop linkages and dialogues within the wider international psychoanalytic community.

As part of the IPSO Visiting Candidate Program, a candidate is invited into the local psychoanalytic culture through attendance and participation in classes, supervision and case conferences. Visiting Candidate projects can be carried out in the same country, the same region or between different regions. Candidates must speak the language of the Society/Institute they wish to attend or English, if classes are conducted in English. In addition, the Institute/Society who sends a candidate must be willing to accept a visiting candidate.

Latin America is very well represented in the Societies/Institutes that will accept a Visiting Candidate: Asociación Psicoanalítica del Uruguay (Montevideo, Uruguay); SBPRJ - Sociedade Brasileira de Psicanálise do Rio de Janeiro (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil); Sociedade Psicanalítica de Porto Alegre (Porto Alegre, Brazil); Instituto de Psicanálise da SBPSP (Brasília, Brazil); Sociedade Brasileira de Psicanálise de São Paulo (São Paulo, Brazil); Asociación de Psicoanálisis de Rosario (Rosario, Argentina); Asociación Venezolana de Psicoanálisis (Caracas, Venezuela); Instituto de Psicoanálisis de la Sociedad Peruana de Psicoanálisis (Lima, Peru); Instituto de Psicoanálisis de la Sociedad Chilena de Psicoanálisis (Santiago, Chile); and Instituto de Psicoanálisis de la Asociación Psicoanalítica Mexicana (Mexico City, Mexico).

In North America, the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis (San Francisco, USA), the Northwestern Psychoanalytic Society (Seattle, USA), the New York University Psychoanalytic Institute (NYC, USA), the Psychoanalytic Institute of Northern California (San Francisco, USA) and in Europe, the Instituto Português de Psicanálise (Lisbon, Portugal) and the Hellenic Society (Athens, Greece) are participating in the IPSO Visiting Candidate Program.

IPSO members who are interested in participating in the Visiting Candidate Program can get more details and an application by contacting their regional Vice President-Elect: Adela Escardó in Latin America, Corinne Meylan in Europe, and Drew Tillotson in North America. (Robin Deutsch, IPSO President.)

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“After ten years in therapy, my psychologist told me something very touching, he said, ‘No hablo inglés.’” Dennis Wolfberg, actor and comedian (1946-1994).

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