



**ERIC MILLER
Annual Memorial Lecture**

on Saturday 19th March 2011

at 11.45am to 3.00pm

**Registration and Refreshments
11:45am -12:15pm**

**THE AMBASSADORS HOTEL
12 UPPER WOBURN PLACE
LONDON WC1H 9EX**

**“WHO'S AFRAID OF THE ORGANISATION — ‘ANGST’ IN ORGANISATIONAL
LIFE AND WHAT (IF ANYTHING) TO DO ABOUT IT”**

The Eric Miller Annual Memorial Lecture will be presented by **ROSS A LAZAR**

Ross is a psychoanalytic psychotherapist, consultant and supervisor in private practice in Munich, Germany. After training at the Tavi and at the Marlborough Hospital in the 1970's he moved to Munich, where he became the first child psychotherapist at the Munich Polytechnic's Biederstein Centre for Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy. Since then he has been active as a psychotherapist for children, adolescents, adults, couples and families, and as a supervisor and consultant in both profit and non-profit institutions and organisations. In addition he has been actively involved in Group Relations work, and has served as Guest Professor at the University of Vienna and at IFF, the Institute for Research and Further Education of the Alpen-Adria University, Klagenfurt.

Not a day goes by when we are not bombarded with evidence of the ever-present, ever increasing threat of 'Angst' in our lives, both at work and in private. Focussing on the sources of anxiety in our organisations and institutions, I attempt to catalogue the most important manifestations of these menacing feelings and to describe some of the ruinous effects they have on our lives. I then present various approaches to dealing with them through the eyes of prominent international coaches and organisational consultants. In particular, I will discuss the contributions of a systems-psychodynamics point of view and of the lessons learned from group relations. Furthermore I will emphasize the specific contributions which both Larry Gould and Eric Miller in particular have made to my understanding and my intervention strategies in the field. Finally, I will present my own notions of how best to deal with the ever-presence of 'Angst' in organizational

life, and illustrate them with experiences from my own work as a supervisor, consultant and coach.

The Lecture will formally end at 2.00pm. This will be followed by 'Remembering Larry Gould' until 2.30pm after which you are cordially invited to join our guests for drinks and snacks until 3.30pm. During this period there will be a Book Launch for the first volume in a new OPUS Reflective Citizen Series published by Karnac. This volume, *'The Reflective Citizen: Organisational and Social Dynamics'* marks the tenth anniversary of the OPUS International Conference and will consist of eight papers from the 2010 Conference. The Editors are Larry Gould, Aideen Lucey and Lionel Stapley; and the book is dedicated to Larry.

Fee £45 (includes wine & snacks). Book online via PayPal on the OPUS website. For information and booking please contact as follows: by post: OPUS, 26 Fernhurst Road, London SW6 7JW; by phone or fax: 020 7736 3844; by email: director@opus.org.uk