

ERIC MILLER Annual Memorial Lecture

on Saturday 17th March 2012

at 11.45am to 3.00pm

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

THE AMBASSADORS HOTEL
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"TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT: LOOKING BACKWARDS AND FORWARDS AT THE TAVISTOCK ENTERPRISE"

The Eric Miller Annual Memorial Lecture will be presented by **DAVID ARMSTRONG.**

David is an organizational psychologist and an Associate Consultant at the Tavistock Consultancy Service. Trained on the job as a Junior Project Officer at the Tavistock Institute of Human Relations from 1959 - 1967, he worked subsequently in action research and organizational consultancy at the University of London and The Grubb Institute of Behavioural Studies, before returning to a newly founded Consultancy Service at the Tavistock Clinic in 1994, from which he formally retired last year. He has worked extensively as a consultant in the private, public and voluntary sectors, both in the UK and overseas and has been actively involved in the development of Group Relations over many years. He is the author of Organization in the Mind: Psychoanalysis, Group Relations and Organizational Consultancy, edited by Robert French, Karnac 2005.

"Whether our country, of all countries, and our group, of all other groups in the country, are capable of meeting the challenge of our times will only be determined by what we ourselves do" (Bion 1948).

This Lecture provides an opportunity to look back at the founding spirit of the Tavistock enterprise, as this evolved in the aftermath of the Second World War, to trace its trajectory, as I have experienced it and to speculate on its possible future. A child of the second half of the last century, I argue for a recovery of the social and political radicalism implicit in its origins, focused now around new and unfamiliar challenges, both organizational and societal.

The Lecture will formally end at 2:00pm, after which you are cordially invited to join our guests for drinks and snacks until 3:00pm.

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