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International Perspectives from Group Relations, Psychoanalysis and Systems Theory.

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Keynote Presenters

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List of Parallel Paper Presenters

- Dale Bartle (Educational Psychologist and tutor on Educational Psychology Doctorate Programme, Cardiff University, UK) ***A split container: exploring the theoretical underpinnings of Group Relations Conferences***
- Arunta Biswas (Psychologist Sukrut, Bangalore India), Swetha Rao (Psychologist Sukrut, Bangalore India), Dr Manab Bose (Director of Sukrut, Bangalore, India) ***Study of Adolescence in India through a Psycho-social Lens so as to Design Interventions for Development of the Self in the Management of Authority, Role, and Boundaries.***
- Susanne Broeng (Organisational consultant and PhD Fellow at Aalborg University, Denmark) ***Psychodynamic forces at work: an***

action research study of a merger process in a Danish municipality

- Halina Brunning (Organisational Consultant, Author, OPUS Associate, Member ISPSO, British Psychological Society and Association for Coaching, UK) Olya Khaleelee (Organisational Consultant and OPUS member, UK) ***Danse Macabre - How Eros and Thanatos Rule the World***
- Francesca Cardona (Organisational Consultant, Associate Tavistock Consulting, Coach London Business School, Fellow Essex University, OPUS Associate, Member ISPSO), Derek Raffaelli (Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist, member of ISPSO and fellow of Bayswater Institute, UK) ***Turbulent family and organisational dynamics in the context of succession in a family business - A joint intervention to contain and work through destructive Oedipal forces***
- Annette Clancy (lecturer in Organisational Behaviour at UCD School of Management, Member ISPSO, Ireland) ***Disappointment: A Map of the Excluded Middle Ground of Emotion in Organisations***
- Rowena Davis (Organisational Consultant working with public, private and not-for-profit organisations in the UK and internationally. Board Member Systems-Centered® Training and Research Institute Inc.; Member: AMED (Association for Management & Educational Development); OPUS UK; ODin (Organisational Development Innovation Network). ***Team Development guided by Systems-Centered® Theory: Using Writing to Learn from Practice***
- Jessica Evans (Association for Psychosocial Studies, Open University, UK) ***Spin's long shadow: Iraq, Blair and the psycho-politics of the Labour Party in 2015***
- Dr Nthabi Faku-Juqula ***The many faces of forgiveness***
- Andrew Harrison (Associate Tavistock Consulting and OPUS, Faculty member University of Applied Sciences Munich, Fellow of RSA and Member of ISPSO, UK) ***Governance systems and proprioception: how organisations find their place in the world***
- Dr Rosie Ilett (Independent Consultant and Researcher, UK) ***Finding our way in the dark: How a feminist reworking of psychogeography can illuminate what's going on in organisations***
- Dr Andreas Leifooghe (Chartered Occupational Psychologist, Reader at Department of Organisational Psychology in School of Business, Economics and Informatics at Birkbeck, University of London, UK), Mark Stringer (Chartered member of CIPD, variety of management roles in Finance, Marketing and HR, UK) ***Forsaken desires and lost objects: The dark side of Employee Engagement***

- Simona Masanata, Alfredo Veneziale, Biancarosa Volpe (ALI, Italy) ***The administrative function in the Group Relations Conference: emotions, task and role***
- Anna Milashevich (Doctoral Candidate University of Essex, UK)) ***Towards a depth psychology perspective on creativity in the contemporary commercial organization***
- Sarah Miller (Director, Sarah Miller Consulting, OPUS Associate and Member of ISPSO, UK), Colin Murphy (UK) ***Laius is alive and well and planning a Group Relations Conference in Wales: an exploration of intergenerational and gender dynamics in a co-directorship of a Group Relations Conference***
- Dr Belinda Moller, Dr Maeve Houlihan (Irish Group Analytic Society) ***On tasks that don't get done and what it might mean***
- Richard Morgan-Jones (Organisational Consultant, psychoanalytic psychotherapist, OPUS Associate, ISPSO Board Member, Restorative Justice Council Associate, UK) ***Love and hatred of the pair in the group, organisation and society: New evidence, new perspectives***
- Dr Jennifer Napier (GP and Clinical Fellow, Queen Mary University of London, UK) ***Exploring the impact of changing social defence systems through General Practitioner career narratives***
- Anna Reali (OPUS Associate, INDTC, BACP, Emmanuel College, Cambridge, UK)) ***It's all a bluff - A systems-psychodynamic view on the task and meaning of interpreting at an International GRC***
- Dr Christopher Scanlon (Visiting Professor and Principal Lecturer in Psychosocial Studies, University of East London, Founder Member Association of Psychosocial Studies, ISPSO Member, non-executive Director for EMERGENCE(charity campaigning for improved services for people with personality disorders, UK) ***Relational (in)security and (de)toxication in forensic settings: opening up reflective spaces for difficult conversations in difficult places***
- Dr Burkard Sievers (Professor Emmeritus Schumpeter School of Business and Economics, Berische Universität Wuppertal, Member ISPSO, Germany) ***The Photograph of the little boy seen through the lens of the associative unconscious and collective memory***
- Dr Ed R Shapiro (Senior Consultant, Erikson Institute for Education and Research, Austen Riggs Center, Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Yale Child Study Center, USA) ***Learning from the Director's Role***
- Mike Solomon (Chartered Clinical Psychologist, Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust, OPUS Associate, UK), Kay Trainor (Principal Consultant Tavistock Consulting, OPUS Associate and ISPSO Member, UK) ***Whose Conference is it Anyway?***

- Barbara Wren (Consultant Psychologist, Mentor Point of Care Foundation, Schwartz Round Lead, Royal Free NHS Trust, UK) **Using Systems Psychodynamic theory to develop skills training for Schwartz Round Facilitators and Clinical Leads: Teaching and modelling skills in containing anxiety and harnessing creativity in tough organisational contexts**

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