

PRAGUE, OCTOBER 21 - 23, 2016

CIVILIANS AT WAR

Losses, Recovery and the Experience of the Helpers

You are cordially invited to attend the international conference:

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Co-chairs:

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CONFERENCE FEE

100 EUR – available until August 31, 2016
130 EUR – available from September 1, 2016
Admission to Prix Irene 2016 – 400 CZK (free admission for conference participants)

REGISTRATION

www.civiliansatwar2016.com

CONTACT

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CALL FOR PAPERS OPEN UNTIL JUNE 30, 2016

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21st

- 13:15-13:30 Introduction
- 13:30-15:00 Panel no. 1: two lectures
- 15:30-17:00 Small group discussion
- 17:30-19:00 Panel no. 2: two lectures
- 19:15-20:45 Large group

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22nd

- 7:45-8:45 Social dreaming group
- 9:00-10:30 Panel no. 3: two lectures
- 11:00-12:30 Panel no. 4: two lectures
- 12:30-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-15:30 Small group discussion
- 16:00-17:30 Panel no. 5: two lectures
- 18:00-19:30 Large group

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23rd

- 7:45-8:45 Social dreaming group
- 9:00-10:30 Parallel workshops/presentations
- 11:00-12:30 Large group
- 12:30-13:00 Closing words

Ending at 13:00-13:30

STARTING POINTS OF THE CONFERENCE

The international conference will deal with the lot of the civil population that is caught up in the many wars and armed conflicts that are taking place all over the world nowadays. It will explore the ways this situation affects everyday life of people who are subjected to such continuous threatening reality as well as that of mental health professionals and para-professionals which are struggling to help them.

The wars in Ukraine, in Africa and in the Middle East, the terror attacks in numerous countries, the aftermath of civil wars in the Balkans, all these cast a heavy shadow on the optimism that has accompanied the dismantling of totalitarian regimes and on the hopes for social flourishing and prosperity.

In view of this reality, we as psychotherapists, psychoanalysts, group-analysts and other mental health workers are likely to feel especially vulnerable when witnessing the suffering of refugees, immigrants, survivors, and the countless victims of such man made violence. Many times we are faced painfully with our limited ability to offer the needed emotional support. The international conference is aimed at providing a space for sharing our experiences as persons and helpers subjected to this same reality. It enables us to process the feelings evoked, to encourage and strengthen each other in this arduous task, and turn our sharing into a mutual resource.

The international conference will also provide us with an opportunity to conceptualize our experiences in psychological, psychoanalytic and group analytic terms and enable professional dialogue among us.

VENUE:

New York University in Prague, Malé náměstí 11, Rychtrův dům, Prague 1



CALL FOR PAPERS

The program of each day will include plenary lectures, a large group, social dreaming matrix, and small/median group sessions led by group analysts from Europe and Israel.

Parallel paper presentations and 90 minutes workshops will take place on the third day.

We invite mental health professionals and para-professionals (namely, psychoanalysts, psychotherapists, group analysts, group therapists, social workers, family therapists, or religious community leaders) to submit abstracts for

40 minutes plenary paper presentations

30 minutes parallel paper presentations

90 minutes parallel workshops

An abstract of up to 250 words should be sent until June 30th, 2016 to:

callforpapers@civiliansatwar2016.com

The abstract should include a title, the presenter's name, the central themes of the presentation/workshop, and 5 key words. Abstracts should be printed in 'Word', Times New Roman, 12.
