14th Annual Conference
International Association for Relational Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy

FROM THE MARGINS TO THE CENTRE
CONTEMPORARY RELATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

25 – 28 May 2017
Sydney, Australia
SMC Conference and Function Centre

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EARLY ONLINE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 13 April 2017

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If you receive more than one copy, please pass any extras along to a colleague, staff member, or student.
Dear Colleague,

Hosted by the Australian and New Zealand Chapters, IARPP’s 14th Annual Conference takes place in Sydney – a fast-growing, multicultural and exciting city ... but located very far from most of the rest of the world. It is precisely this situation that inspires the 2017 conference “From the Margins to the Centre: Contemporary Relational Perspectives”.

In this conference, in acknowledgement of the fact that Australia and New Zealand are on the margins of the world map, we expect to explore challenges to the centres of relational thought, while also seeking the interplay of ideas flowing from the centre, from the mainstream, in many directions. The conference seeks to examine dialectical tensions between the edge and the centre, between mainstream and innovative ideas from within many different contexts. The vision of the IARPP is to be open to multiple dialogues and dialectics centered in the world of psychoanalysis and psychotherapy but extending into the contemporary world.

The Sydney conference takes as its theme the enrichment of our relational sensibility by the addition of new thoughts and ideas. It is our vision that progress and creativity thrive when familiar concepts are seen from new angles. Those who live, work and think at the margins, at the edges, away from the centre, necessarily have perspectives that differ from those who look from the centre, or from the mainstream. We believe that our conference will offer the opportunity to bridge differences and accordingly, we would like to extend a warm invitation to our colleagues all over the world to join us in developing these contemporary relational perspectives.

As you will see from this program, the presentations at our conference offer new and creative ways of looking at, thinking about, and practising psychoanalysis and psychotherapy. Our presenters come from eighteen different countries around the globe, and every continent is represented. We look forward to welcoming you to this diverse and international group. We hope that you will be enriched and challenged by the new thoughts and ideas that you will encounter, that you will reconnect with old friends and make new ones, and above all, that you will encounter the spirit of acceptance and embrace that characterises the IARPP.

Cathy Hicks and Sarah Calvert
2017 Conference Co-Chairs

**LOCATION**

IARPP 2017 will be held at the SMC Conference and Function Centre, 66 Goulburn Street, Sydney, Australia.

The SMC Conference and Function Centre is regarded as one of Sydney’s most architecturally significant buildings and a prime example of the ‘Brutalist’ Style, designed by Josland Gilling. Located in Sydney’s CBD, the architecturally significant building features striking geometric angles, exposed raw concrete and warm timber textures.

Enjoy Sydney’s natural beauty, from unspoilt beaches to public gardens and, of course, the sparkling harbour, before discovering its thriving restaurants and markets. Top it off with a trip to the Blue Mountains, a popular excursion among locals.


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**Language**

The official language of the conference is English.
CONTINUING EDUCATION

Educational objectives
This conference is intended for psychoanalysts, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, psychiatric nurses, marriage and family counsellors, and clinical professional counsellors, academics, and educators. The conference is organized to facilitate maximum opportunity for questions, comments and dialogue between the audience and the presenters, allowing clinicians to engage in an extensive variety of topics relevant to the field.

At the conclusion of the conference, participants will be able to:
- Identify new directions, emerging in different cultural and social contexts, in psychoanalytic thinking, practice and research
- Evaluate current clinical practice in contemporary relational psychoanalysis and psychotherapy
- Explain how indigenous and white therapists work with first nation communities and individuals to educate and protect themselves in culturally sensitive ways
- Discuss current clinical practice in working with trauma in differing contexts and communities such as refugee communities and survivors of abuse within a religious context
- Describe different modalities to work with individuals at the margins or in conflict
- Discuss relational thinking and clinical work occurring in areas such as disability, working with sexual offenders, the environment, spirituality, aging and in the interface with technology.

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This program is sponsored by the International Association for Relational Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy (IARPP).

Continuing Education Credits
For psychologists:
IARPP is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. IARPP maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

For social workers:
Approval by the National Association of Social Workers is pending. IARPP, SW CPE #0195 has received preliminary approval from the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work to offer continuing education to licensed social workers, effective 6/23/2015.

For California mental health professionals:
You may still be able to obtain credits for this program. Check with your licensing board to confirm that they accept APA or NASW credits.

For information about learning objectives for this program, or if you have any questions about Continuing Education Credits, please contact Lucia Lezama at LLezama@iarpp.net.

Continuing Education Hours will be awarded as follows:
Thursday Optional Workshops = 2 Hours
Main Conference Program (Thursday - Sunday) = Hours 25.5
Total Conference = 27.5 Hours

REGISTRATION

Online registration only will be available at www.iarppsydney2017.com from late January 2017. There will not be a hard copy registration form provided.

Early Bird registration will close 13 April 2017.
Participation in a pre-conference workshop will require additional payment. Registration for the main conference allows attendance at all sessions as well as all scheduled coffee breaks, and the Candidates and Welcome Reception. Please note that lunches are not included. There is an array of local cafes and eateries in the surrounding area.

To secure your place in your preferred Pre-Conference Workshop and Panel Sessions, early registration is strongly advised. All Panel Session placements will be made strictly on a first-come (paid), first-served basis.

Please review the program in preparation for securing your desired sessions when online registration opens. Details, including the abstracts, of each conference event will be available on the Conference website www.iarppsydney2017.com under the Program tab.

All conference registration fees are listed in AUD.

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*PLEASE NOTE: Candidate/Academic and Student registrations must be accompanied by a letter from the Training Director verifying status. Photocopies of Student IDs are also accepted. Please send documentation to IARPP Conference Headquarters via email – iarpp2017@dcconferences.com.au
Registration Refund Policy

If notification of cancellation is made in writing to the Secretariat prior to Friday 14 April 2017, a full refund will be given (less a AUD175 processing fee). After this date no refund will be given, however a substitute delegate may be accepted. Please note that accommodation cancellations must be made via the Conference Secretariat. No Party involved shall be entitled to any compensation for damages that result from cancellation.

ACCOMMODATION

Block bookings at special rates have been made with the hotels listed below.

Accommodation bookings should be made when completing your online registration to obtain the reduced rates.

A credit card number is required to secure your booking. Delegates will settle the balance of their account on departure. If sharing a room with another delegate (other than a partner) please state their name on the registration form.

Cancellations and changes should be made in writing through the IARPP Conference Secretariat only. There is no guarantee that cancellations made within 30 days of the arrival date will receive a full refund as hotels reserve the right to charge a fee equal to one (1) night’s accommodation or the full duration of the stay on any rooms cancelled within 30 days of the accommodation arrival date.

Conference Hotels

**Rydges World Square**
389 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000
Distance from conference venue: 2 minute walk
Room Type | Price
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Deluxe King | AUD 259 per night
Deluxe Twin | AUD 299 per night
Family Room | AUD 399 per night (limited number available)

**Travelodge Sydney**
27 Wentworth Avenue, Sydney NSW 2000
Distance from conference venue: 3 minute walk
Room Type | Price
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Guest Room | AUD 160 per night

CANDIDATES AND WELCOME RECEPTION

The IARPP 2017 conference Welcome Reception will be held at the SMC Conference and Function Centre on Thursday 25 May 2017. The Candidates Reception will be from 7.30pm to 8pm, and the Welcome Reception from 8pm – 9pm in the Banquet Hall. There is no additional fee for this – the cost is included in your registration package.

CONFERENCE DINNER

The conference dinner will be held at the Paddington Town Hall on Saturday 27 May 2017. The cost per person is AUD 120. Be sure to book your ticket when registering online and enjoy a night of good food, great company and wonderful live music.

ABOUT IARPP

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The International Association for Relational Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy is an international association founded in 2001. The association is conceived of as a professional and intellectual community of individuals – clinicians and non-clinicians such as academics – committed to developing relational perspectives and exploring similarities and differences with other approaches to analysis and psychotherapy.

Chana Ullman
IARPP President

IARPP MEMBER BENEFITS

- Online Member Directory
- Participation in IARPP Colloquium Series
- Participation in IARPP Web Seminar Series
- Reduced Rates for IARPP Conferences
- Access to IARPP Colloquium Archives
- Psychoanalytic Dialogues subscription (6 issues/year & includes Free Online Access to all issues of Psychoanalytic Dialogues)
- Discounts for relationally oriented journals and books: (All books from the Relational Book Series of Taylor and Francis; plus Journals such as: JAPA, Psychoanalytic Inquiry, Gender and Sexuality and Psychoanalytic Quarterly and more)
- IARPP Newsletter
- IARPP Intranet Bulletin Board and Calendar

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PROGRAM

Please visit www.iarppsydney2017.com for additional session information and to view session abstracts.

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