PSYCHOANALYSIS AND STATE REGULATION

The drive to state regulation has powerful implications for psychoanalytic ethics, academic thought and the space for speech outside the domain of psychiatric control. By addressing the historically-contested relationship between psychoanalysis and the state, the implications of regulation will be explored through the psychoanalytic understanding of identity, ethics and adaptation. The conference will focus on theoretical and practical issues that concern the development of psychoanalysis as clinical practice, social theory, and the politics of personal life. Its aim is to bring together colleagues from psychoanalysis and from the proposed regulatory bodies, and to include those speaking from other positions. It is open to psychoanalytic practitioners and others in professional training, academic study and mental health politics.

Conference participants include: René Major (France), Christian Dunker (Brazil), Robert Levy (France), Carol Owens (Ireland), Anna Barracco (Italy), Anthony Molino (Italy), Mauro Santacatterina (Italy), Shingu Kazushige (Japan), Jalil Bennani (Morocco), Lorenzo Chiesa (Netherlands), Jan Haaken (USA), Dick Blackwell (UK), Tony Brown (UK), Leslie Chapman (UK), Jacques China (UK), Gillian Clayton (UK), Richard House (UK), Darian Leader (UK), Roger Litten (UK), Del Loewenthal (UK), John Miller (UK), Dany Nobus (UK), Chris Oakley (UK), Haya Oakley (UK), Denis Postle (UK) and Carole Smith (UK).

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Registration - Before 31st January 2006: full fee £105; reduced fee for students and group-bookings (minimum five people) £85 per person. After that date: full fee £135; reduced fee for students and group-bookings £110 per person. CPD credit may be claimed. Cheques (made payable to: London School of Economics and Political Science) and registration inquiries to Daniel Linehan, Institute Manager, Institute of Social Psychology, LSE, St. Clements Building, Houghton Street, London, WC2 2AE, email: D.P.Linehan@lse.ac.uk
Further details on the context for the debate over psychoanalysis and state regulation and a registration form for the conference program are available on the website of the College of Psychoanalysts – UK (www.psychoanalysts.org.uk). The College of Psychoanalysts – UK is a professional body for psychoanalytic practitioners in the United Kingdom.