40th Annual IAPSP International Conference

"Empathic Depths and Relational Leaps: Creating Therapeutic Possibility"

Presented by the International Association for Psychoanalytic Self Psychology (IAPSP)

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Thursday, October 19 - Sunday, October 22, 2017

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CALL FOR PRE-CONFERENCE PROPOSALS

The 40th Annual IAPSP International Conference: " **Empathic Depths and Relational Leaps: Creating Therapeutic Possibility**" will be held in Chicago, IL, USA from Thursday, October 19 – Sunday, October 22, 2017.

The need to find better ways of understanding, connecting with and responding to patients, especially those for whom traditional approaches were ineffective, drove the beginnings of Self Psychology. The same need drives the evolution and expansion of Self Psychology to this day. Forty years after the publication of Kohut's The Restoration of the Self, our understanding of what patients need and what helps them heal and change continues to deepen and expand. Therapists still search for new ways of understanding, fitting together and responding to patients. At this, the 40th Annual International Conference on the Psychology of the Self, we will pose challenging questions about the therapeutic dyad's increased flexibility of expression in both implicit and explicit domains, the therapist's responsibility and freedom in forging connectedness in order to facilitate transformation, and the complexities of affective engagement for both patient and therapist as we explore openings that emerge from the back and forth between deepening empathic immersion and expanding relational possibilities.

The conference will consist of several theme-focused Panel Presentations followed by rich Post Panel Group Discussions. There will also be Workshops, Master Classes, and Original Paper Presentations.

The IAPSP invites all interested professionals to **submit proposals** to be considered for inclusion in the **Pre-Conference Workshop Sessions** at the conference. Only members of IAPSP may present at the conference. Pre-Conference Workshops must be **relevant to Self Psychology and Psychoanalysis**. These Workshops are scheduled for 2.5 to 3 hours on Thursday, October 20th. **The proposal should be an outline of the workshop.**

***** SUBMISSION PROCESS *****

The **deadline for submitting your proposal is Monday, March 6, 2017**. You may send your submission as an email attachment ONLY to: nilou@km-direct.com.

In addition to your proposal, **please submit the following materials**:

1. Call for Pre Conference Proposal **Cover Sheet** (electronic version available at http://iapsp.org/conference/). Please complete a coversheet per presenter/author.
2. One Paragraph **Abstract** AND Three **Learning Objective** for your presentation ("At the conclusion of my presentation, the participant will be able to: (*verbs to use: list, describe, recite, write, compute, discuss, explain, predict, apply, demonstrate, prepare, use, analyze, design, select, utilize, compile, create, plan, revise, assess, compare, rate, critique*). Items should be on the same page and must be typed.
3. **Curriculum Vitae** AND a one-paragraph **Biography** ***of your current professional work.***

Due to continuing education application requirements, all of these materials must be submitted in order for your proposal to be reviewed. We regret that proposals submitted ***without*** all of the above items ***cannot be considered*** for review. Pre Conference Workshop sessions are limited by space availability. Should your proposal be accepted, you will need to register for the conference and be a member of IAPSP in order to present. Conference Registration is not complimentary for pre- conference presenters.

Please submit by **MARCH 6, 2017** to:

Nilou Mostofi, Conference Manager
Email: **iapspconference@km-direct.com** **Phone: +1.858.270-3503**

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CALL FOR PRE-CONFERENCE PROPOSAL COVER SHEET

Please print or type. If more than one presenter, please provide the following information for all authors in separate cover sheets.

Name of Author(s): Degree:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Daytime Phone: ( ) Fax Number: ( )

E-mail Address:

Title of Workshop:

Title of Presentation(s):

Name of Suggested Discussant/Interlocutor (if applicable):

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I have enclosed the following items (DO NOT MAIL YOUR CALL FOR PRE CONFERENCE PROPOSAL MATERIAL):

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