

XXI International Congress for Analytical Psychology
August 25 - 30, 2019, Vienna, Austria

Call for Participation

The Program Committee for the XXI International Congress for Analytical Psychology is pleased to invite proposals for presentation at the IAAP Congress in Vienna, Austria, to be held from August 25 to 30, 2019. The theme of the Congress will be:

**Encountering the Other:
Within us, between us and in the world**

In 2019 the International Association for Analytical Psychology will convene its 21st Congress in Vienna, Austria, where Sigmund Freud, Alfred Adler and C. G. Jung all played their roles in the founding of psychoanalysis. Originally joined in what they considered to be a defining moment for the coming 20th Century, they soon found that conflict would define their movement as much as their shared interest in the forces that shaped the human mind. For Freud and Jung, the conflicts that arose between them also demanded an exploration of their own psychological depths. As they increasingly defined one another as “the other” in the world of psychoanalysis, they also had to face the other within themselves. This process took various forms, and the call for participation in this congress encourages an encounter with the other within us, between us, and in the world.

In the years immediately before the First World War C. G. Jung experienced the terror of those coming events within his own psyche through dreams and visions that he could neither explain nor ignore and that he feared foreshadowed his own mental breakdown. The outbreak of the war allowed Jung to understand his own psyche as intimately connected to transformations taking place within the culture. While we may now see darkness in many areas of the world, Jung teaches us that understanding our own darkness is the first step in understanding the darkness in others. The fragility of our own psyche speaks to the fragility of the institutions we have come to rely on in our daily life. If we are entering another period of transition where conflict between religions, nations and individuals threatens the fabric of societies throughout the world, forcing psyche to once again examine that which is within, and its expression in the objective world, then Jung’s example stands as a guide to our process. Analytical psychology itself is part of this transition as older established structures are challenged by the emergence of new programs of training in parts of the world that had not been in contact with Jung’s thought as little as 20 years ago. The character of the transition now takes the form of seeing the other within our own communities, whether in nations that are turning inward against their own citizens, or in the analytic world where the ideal of individuation would hold out the promise of accepting the other as part of oneself.

While discussions of the other have become common place in many areas of cultural analysis, the theme of this congress looks first of all to the other within our selves, where, like Jung, we may both see the outlines of larger cultural movements, but at the cost of the stability of our own sense of self. The challenge that the congress places before the analytic community is to examine the manifestations of the fear of the other within, as a guide to understanding the experience of otherness that threatens the world we inhabit. Questions that arise as we begin this process of self-examination include the future development of analytical psychology as it becomes a more global movement, the training of analysts to work in a global community that faces a rapidly changing scientific, political and cultural environment, and the role of analytical psychology in the larger world of political and cultural activity.

In addition to presentations in the traditional plenary and breakout format, it is the intention of the program committee to encourage presentations that explore alternative approaches to the theme of the congress. While all presentations will necessarily have to fall within the technical and logistical limitations of the congress, the committee will consider presentations involving the use of media such as film, hypertext, performance or other modes of presentation, or involving group experiences or other experiential contributions. Any extraordinary costs for a presentation including specialized equipment must be born by the presenter.

We intend to continue the tradition of poster sessions, which may be presented by trainees as well as analysts. As was the case in Kyoto, posters will be exhibited and the authors will have the opportunity to give a short oral presentation of 5-10 minutes in a breakout session. The poster sessions will be included in the Congress proceedings.

Feedback from the questionnaire following the Kyoto Congress indicated the desire for more clinical presentations and for more discussion of the presentations. In response to this feedback, we would like to continue to offer a category of “clinical case presentation”. Those wishing to present a case study are invited to send a proposal in this category.

In past congresses, pre-congress workshops and master classes have played an important role in the overall congress experience. The program committee expects that workshops and possibly master classes will be part of the Vienna congress, and will be accepting proposals for pre-congress events.

The Program Committee is also looking into other ways to foster discussion in both the plenary and breakout sessions.

Proposals should be no more than 500 words, including a title, and should be submitted no later than October 1st, 2017. Please submit proposals by email using the form at the end of this letter to:

Vienna2019@iaap.org

A cover sheet should include the following information:

1. Names of presenter(s),
2. Academic or other affiliations,

3. Country,
4. Group Member,
5. Language of presentation,
6. Format of presentation, (oral, media, pre-congress workshop, experiential, etc.)
7. Category of presentation, (theory, case presentation, etc.)
8. Title of presentation,
9. Presentations in previous Congresses.
10. Summary of proposal (500 words or less)

A confirmation of each proposal will be sent upon receipt. If you do not receive a confirmation within a few days of submitting a proposal, please contact the program chair at:

Hogenson@mac.com

Program decisions will be announced before the end of June in late spring to early summer 2018.

Please note that should your proposal be accepted no honorariums or expenses can be paid to presenters. Submission of a proposal will be understood to indicate a willingness to attend the entire Congress if the proposal is accepted. Presenters must then pre-register for the Congress, and may take advantage of the early registration discount. Presenters may also be asked to act as moderators for other presentations during the congress.

Inquiries about the program should be sent to:

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The Organizing Committee, chaired by Asa Liljenroth-Denk from OGAP, has already started its preparation. The site for the congress with is The University of Vienna (<https://www.univie.ac.at/en/>). Additional information on accommodations, registration and related matters will be available shortly.

We look forward to receiving your proposals.

With very best wishes from the Program Committee of the XXI International Congress for Analytical Psychology

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