

The EPF Conference in Oslo at a glance

Friday, 27th March 2026

09:00-09:30 Opening the Conference

Jan Abram (EPF President/BPAS)
Udo Hock (EPF Vice President/DPV)
Mette Hvalstad (NPF President)

09:30-11:00 First Plenary on the Main Theme

Neutrality – the essence of the psychoanalytic cure

Siri Erika Gullestad (NPF)
Discussant: Henrik Enckell (FPS)
Chair: Mette Hvalstad (NPF)

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11:30-13:00 Post Plenary Discussion Group

Moderators: Daniela Luca (SRDP);
Stefano Bolognini (SPI)

11:30-13:00 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

“I owe so much to those I don’t love.” Affects and constraints in the analyst’s thinking

Sara Boffito (SPI)
Discussant: Bruce Reis (IPTAR)
Chair: Sara Collins (BPA)

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Wilfred Bion and the question of Neutrality

Magdalini Georgiakou (HPS)
Discussant: Zehra Nergis Aküzüm (HPS)
Chair: Ioannis Vartzopoulos (HPS)

EPF IG EN

Beyond Neutrality: Psychoanalysis with Traumatized Refugees

Gertraud Schlesinger-Kipp (DPV)
Vladimir Jovic (BPS)
Discussant: Mary-Anne Smith (SAPA)
Chair: Saskia von Overbeck Ottino (SGPsa)

EPF COMM EN

PACE Assistance in catastrophes and analytical neutrality. Between pain and destructiveness

Monica Cardenal (APdeBA), Alicia Monserrat (APM)
Discussant: Silvia de Egea (APDEA)
Chair: Simona Nissim (SPI)

IPA COMM EN

What neutrality is possible in the analysis of adolescents?

Ruggero Levy (SBPdePA)
Discussant: Catalina Bronstein (BPAS)
Chair: Luis Rodriguez de la Sierra (BPAS)

EPF COMM EN

COWAP Contemporary clinical practice: femininity and masculinity dynamics, and the debate on neutrality

Luz Abatangelo Stürzenbaum (SAP)
Conceição Tavares de Almeida (SPP)
Anna Gąsiorowska-Krawczyk (PTPa)
Chair: Rotraut De Clerck (DPV)

IPA COMM EN

COCAP The concept of neutrality as seen through the eyes of two child analysts.

Maria Teresa Flores (PPS)
Discussant: Susan Baxt (CPS)
Moderator: Fernando Gomez (CPS)

IPA COMM EN

Additional Sessions

17:00–18:30 Scandinavian Psychoanalytic Review over the years:

Kari Høydahl (NPF)
Henrik Enckell (FPS)
Susanne Lunn (DPAS)
Maj-Brit Winberg (SPAF)

IPSO

11:30–13:00 Opening Session

Chrissy Wallace (IPSO President), Jan Abram (EPF President/BPAS), Udo Hock (EPF Vice-President), Nergis Güleç (EPF General Secretary), Heribert Blass (IPA President), Katy Bogliatto (IPA Vice-President), Adela Escardo (IPA Treasurer), Paola Solano (IPSO Vice-President Europe), Kateryna Alpatova (IPSO Vice-President Elect Europe), Mette Hvalstad (NPF President), Merete Selsbakk Johansen (NPF Director of Training)

European Paper Award

Paper Award ceremony: Manuel Ortega (IPSO Editor)
Chair: Håvard Austrheim (NPS)
Winner: Mariana Figueroa
Runner-up: Katya Orrell, Kristin Fjelnseth Wold

15:00-16:30 Supervision I

Konstancia Ravlo
Supervisor: Sverre Varvin (NPF)
Chair: Davide Mezzanotte

15:00-16:30 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

Two-Dimensional Neutrality vs. Three-Dimensional Neutrality: On Neutrality as Exclusion vs. Neutrality as Hospitality

Dana Amir (IPS)
Discussant: Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (DPV)
Chair: Anna Cordioli (SPI)

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Neutrality and Judgement in Literature and Psychoanalysis

Dimitris Kavallieros (HPAS)
Carlos Tamm Lessa (BPAS)
Discussant: Aleksandra Novakovic (BPA)
Chair: Rotraut De Clerck (DPV)

EPF COMM EN

Psychoanalytic Training Today - Neutrality, Authority, Trust and Structure in the Dialogues of European Societies

(PPS)
Ellen Sparer, Alain Gibeault, Kalyane Fejto,
Mirella de Piccotto
(NPS)
Mette Hvalstad, Kristin Fjelnseth Wold
Chair: Angelika Staehle (DPV)

IPA COMM EN

L'équation personnelle de l'analyste, une modulation de la neutralité

Jérôme Glas (SPP)
Discussant: Conceição Tavares de Almeida (PPS)
Chair: Jeanne Wolff Bernstein (WPV)

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Violence, Femininity, Neutrality: A Psychoanalytic Reflection on the Analyst's Position.

Silvia R. Acosta (PPS), Yara Debbas Tabet (ALDeP)
Discussant: Michael Van Veen (DPS)
Chair: Emanuela Quagliata (SPI)

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When the “remote” clinician is welcomed into the adolescent’s places...

Talat Parman (1stPA)
Discussant: Valérie Bouville (DPV)
Chair: Maria Teresa Flores (PPS)

EPF COMM EN

Neutrality as “undecidable” between mind and body: The Role and Vicissitudes of Sublimation in a Clinical Case

Marinella Linardos (SPI)
Discussants: Fotis Bobos (HPS); Paloma Araoz (APM)
Chair: Diana Tabacof (PPS)

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17:00-18:30 Individual Paper Presentations

17:00-18:30 Large Group Passions, Diversity and Fear – Is Neutrality still Possible

Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (DPV)
Julian Lousada (BPA)
Joseph Triest (IPS)

17:00-20:00 Film Presentation

Adolescence, Dreams and Neutrality:

“Dreams (Sex Love)” (2024)
by Dag Johan Haugerud

The film presentation will follow a discussion with the film director Dag John Haugerud, organised by Tonya Madsen, Anne Patterson, Davide Rosso, Roland Havas and Andreas Hamburger.

Venue:

“Cinamateket”
Dronningens gate 16
0105 Oslo
~5 minute walk from conference venue

Pre-booking essential via Conference registration

Abstracts are available now on:

<https://www.epf-fep.eu/en/collection-of-articles>

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Saturday, 28th March 2026

09:00-11:00 Second Plenary on the Main Theme

The Psychoanalyst and Their Patient Facing the Ecological Crisis – trying to remain neutral.

Adela Abella (SSP) ST
Chair: Sølvi Kristiansen (NPF)

Acting out, testing neutrality

Thomas Jung (VPS) ST
Chair: Sølvi Kristiansen (NPF)

11:30-13:00 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

Neutrality in relation to atrocities and dehumanisation

Sverre Varvin (NPS) ST
Discussant: Vladimir Jovic (BPS)
Chair: Bent Rosenbaum (DPS)

#Analyst - Neutrality and the Public Presence of Psychoanalysis in the Age of Social Media

Monica Bomba (SPI) EN
Valerie Burnet (SGPsa)
Discussant: Antonella Trotta (BPAS)
Chair: Ashis Roy (IPS) EPF COMM EN

Neutrality, Violence and Law: A Clinical Conundrum

Ronald Doctor (BPAS) EN
Yuliia Leites (UPS)
Discussant: Massimo De Mari (SPI)
Chair: Carine Minne (BPAS) EPF COMM EN

Experiences from the 3-LM: Moderating, Participating, and Sharing Knowledge

Andrea Rodriguez-Quiroga Parks (APdeBA) EN
Bruno Salésio da Silva Francisco (SBPRJ)
Laura Ravioli (SPI)
Luisa Perez (APdeBA)

The Illusion of Neutrality: Findings from a Video-Recorded Parent-Infant Psychotherapy

Björn Salomonsson (SPA) EN
Chair: Beate Schumacher (BPAS) EPF COMM EN

Neutrality as Reverie: A Social Dreaming Matrix

Carlos Remotti-Breton (BPA) EN
Maria Pia Conte (SPI)

European Psychoanalytical Conference for University Students EPCUS

Martin Teising (DPV) EN
Andreas Hamburger (DPG)
Discussants: Stephan Döring (VPS); Ambresin Gilles (SGPsa)
Chair: Charlotta Björklind (SPA) EPF COMM EN

Neutrality in action or on the subjective contribution of the analyst

Andrea Gaddini (SPI) EN
Luigi Ippedico (AIPsi)
Giuseppe Riefolo (SPI)
Discussant: Paola Acquarone (DPG)
Chair: Maia Kirckheli (BPAS)

Additional Sessions

11:30-13:00 Meet the Society

Mette Hvalstad (NPF President) EN
Tormod Knutsen (NPF)
Siri Erike Gullestad (NPF)

14:00-16:00 ROUND TABLE

Vidgis Hjorth in conversation with Jan Abram
"There is nothing like a neutral view. We start to read each other from the moment we meet. Fiction reveals that" (Vidgis Hjorth)

Vidgis Hjorth, a Norwegian award-winning author, will be discussing writing novels, psychoanalysis and the Norwegian appetite for auto-fiction.

14:00-16:30 Join the Conversation: International Journal of Psychoanalysis Writing Workshop

Catherine Humble
Francis Grier (IJP)

IPSO

11:30-13:30 Supervision II

Marta Russo
Supervisor: Sølvi Kristiansen (NPF)
Chair: Sonia Chindamo

15:00-16:30 Meet the Analyst

Interviewer 1: Konstantinos Taliouridis (APsA)
Interviewer 2: Corne Wentzel
Guest: Björn Salomonsson (SPA)
Chair: Alexandras Kulak

15:00-16:30 Parallel Panels on the Main Theme

Tracing the origins of neutrality: An investigation of the concept never formulated by Freud through its English and French translations

Jeanne Wolff Bernstein (VPA) ST
Discussant: Susan Godsil (BPAS)
Chair: Stefanie Sedlacek (DPG)

Bystanders and the Refusal to Witness: Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Gaza, Climate Collapse, and Grenfell.

David Morgan (BPAS) EN
Discussant: Igor Romanov (UPS)
Discussant/Chair: Claudia Frank (DPV)

KEEP YOUR FRIENDS CLOSE AND YOUR ENEMIES CLOSER: Leadership and Neutrality

Maria Pia Conte (SPI), Gloria Demby (APsA) EN
Maya Mladenova (BPO), Susan Kolod (APsa)
Joseph Wise (APsA)
Chair: Dorothee von Tippelskirch-Eissing (DPV)

From gibberish to kicking: A challenge for the analytical attitude

Anna Gaetjen (DPV) EN
Chair: Thomas Jung (VPA) EPF COMM EN

Ethics, the psychoanalytic institution, and the third party

Marie France Dispaux (BPS) EN
Discussant: Angelika Staehle (DPV)
Chair: Yeşim Korkut (PSIKE) EPF COMM EN

Neutrality in the Inter-Regional Encyclopaedic Dictionary (IRED)

Antonio Pérez-Sánchez (SPS) EN
Eva Papiasvili (APA)
Sandra Maestro (SPI)
Chair: Dimitris J. Jackson (HPS)

Psychoanalyst as Analyst/Psychoanalyst as Citizen

David Bell (BPAS) EN
Discussant: Marianne Leuzinger-Bohleber (DPV)
Chair: Gustaw Sikora (BPAS)

Power vs Otherness. How Neutrality protects the relationship from desires for domination.

Anna Cordioli (SPI) EN
Discussants: Dana Amir (IPS); Ester Hutfless (VPA) EPF COMM EN

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18:30-19:00 Closing ceremony

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Mette Hvalstad (NPF President)

Short film on the EPF Conference 2027 in Seville on Seduction

Montserrat Pol Segarra (SEP President)
Alberto Carrión Garcia de Parada (MPA President)