



THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR PSYCHOANALYTIC &  
PSYCHODYNAMIC SUPERVISION

SPRING CONFERENCE

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018

10.00 – 4.00 [Registration 9.30] The Tavistock Clinic, London

Psychoanalysis, Politics, Class & Transference  
Supervisory Perspective  
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Let's face it many of us are middle class (or at least aspiring), often white and probably perceived as relatively comfortable. I have often been interested in my colleagues analysing envy and other aggressive qualities in their patients, whilst not recognising the inequality in the analytic relationship. Added to this many of us belong to a European history that has at its core the colonisation of great swathes of the world often for the West's own economic gain, at the expense of the occupied countries.

I will explore these issues, including our religion/socio/political heritage and how they might arise in analytic psychotherapy and supervision, alluding to experience of working with whistleblowers, political refugees, asylum seekers and other people from my analytic practice in the NHS and a NW London consulting room, who either present with socio-political issues or they are ever present in the setting. Is it possible to work in the full transference whilst acknowledging our blind spots and differences including our own complicity real or perceived in an unfair world? This might also include the hierarchical nature of training.

**Patient: 'Freud invented psychoanalysis, he was a Jew, you must be Jewish or love the Jews!'**

**Analyst: 'There may be people and thoughts that I love that are Jewish but this seems to suggest that I have no room for other people or their ideas. It has to be one or the other?'**

Thus was a patient's opening salvo in his first session - and my riposte. This was ethnic difference and anti-semitism, but it could equally have been about class or inequality. **This conference will centre on the application to supervision.**

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**Cost including hot lunch and refreshments: Non Members: £85 / Early Bird: £75;**

**Members: £75 / Early Bird: £60; Retired BAPPS members; £45**

**Early Bird deadline bookings made by 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

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**Venue: The Tavistock Centre, 5th floor Lecture Theatre, 120 Belsize Lane, London NW3 5BA**

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