

**Benedetta D'Intino Foundation and Centre
International Conference
Friday, October 2nd 2020, Milan
Centro Congressi FAST, Piazzale Rodolfo Morandi 2, 20121 Milano**



Ryan Spring Dooley, *In the nursery*, 2018, private collection

**DEPRESSION AND THE DEPRESSIVE POSITION IN EARLY
CHILDHOOD: THEORETICAL AND CLINICAL DEVELOPMENTS**

Provisional Program

Morning

8.30 Registration and distribution of headsets for the simultaneous interpretation service

Chair
Francesco Barale

9.15
Welcome and Introduction by Sara Micotti

9.30-10.30
Depression in neuropsychanalysis
Presenter: **Mark Solms**

10.30-11.15

Depression before speech

Presenter: Chiara Cattelan

11.15-12.00

Negative Capability and the capacity to play

Presenter: Antonino Ferro

12.00-13.00

Roundtable and audience discussion, introduction by Francesco Barale

13.00-13.45

Light lunch

Afternoon

13.45 – 15.00

Parallel case presentations and discussions

15.00-15.30

Coffee-tea break

Chair

Rosa Spagnolo

15.30 – 16.30

Primary depression and movements towards the depressive position (Video-presentation)

Presenter: Serge Sanchez

16.30 – 17.15

From schizoid withdrawal to the capacity to “dream”. An analytic journey through the Jurassic of the mind

Presenter: Massimo Vigna Taglianti

17.15-18.00

Roundtable and audience discussion, introduction by Rosa Spagnolo

18.00

Conference Closing

18.00–18.30

ECM test (Italian participants only)

Parallel Workshops

13.45-15.00 Parallel-track case presentations and discussions:

1) *Feelings of depression in migrant mothers and children*

Presenters: **Ida Finzi; Federica Stortoni**

Chair: **Barbara Valli**

2) *Beyond the techniques of medically-assisted procreation (MAP). Silent suffering and early psychotherapeutic intervention*

Presenters: **Giovanni Marchitelli; Ausilia Sparano,**

Chair: **Diana Norsa**

3) *The structuring of psychosomatic disorders: traumatic events experienced by child and parents*

Presenters: **Rosa D'Agostino; Valeria Ladino Corina**

Chair: **Fiamma Buranelli**

4) *Feelings of depression in children and young teens with SLD*

Presenters: **Andrea Clarici; Ilaria Dufour**

Chair: **Emanuela Maggioni**

5) *When a secure base has been missing. The Resurgence of child depression during adolescence*

Presenters: **Antonella Anichini and Pia Massaglia; Monica Bomba**

Chair: **Anna Scansani**

Workshop format:

Each workshop will comprise of

- **Two case presentations of 20 minutes each**
- **An Introduction and discussion of 35 minutes**

Introduction to the meeting by Sara Micotti

The conference aims to explore depression in young children by bringing two different disciplines into conversation: affective neuroscience and psychoanalysis. Internationally experienced researchers and clinicians will discuss what occurs when "the secure base" suffers upsets, disruptions and tensions from the beginning of life and how the tools of research, observation, listening, play and words can help children and parents.

During our plenary sessions and parallel clinical workshops, we will discuss the following questions: Can "*le mal de vivre*" affect us from earliest childhood? Can young children experience *de-pression*, namely, the collapse of their vital instincts, particularly of the *seeking system* which is integral to the human urge to explore the unknown?

Integrating sadness and vitality is a crucial phase of psychic maturation. In psychoanalytic terms, we refer to it as the movement towards the "depressive position". How can unprocessed, shapeless and nameless terrors experienced at sensory level be transformed through the therapeutic relationship? What role is played by therapists at work with patients and carers in capturing the phenomena of the field that come to life in the meeting of minds during the session? Let us think of a way of working that arises from the idea (or what Keats and Bion called *negative capability*) that much of both the external and internal world escapes our immediate understanding. Today, we will focus on therapeutic work that expands the psychic container and develops the capacity to play and dream as well as a feeling of aliveness.

Doctors, psychologists, psychoanalysts, psychotherapists, pediatricians and other childcare professionals will have the opportunity to meet and discuss treatment tools and explore a radically intersubjective vision of how the psyche is born and how psychoanalysis works.

Scientific Committee

Federica Bono, Fiamma Buranelli, Ilaria Dufour, Rita Giorgiutti, Valeria Ladino, Emanuela Maggioni, Sara Micotti, Sandra Piperno, Rosa Spagnolo

Organizing Committee

Alice Cannone, Marta Falsirollo, Rosamaria Ferrante, Roberta Pozzi

Participation

Participation in the Study Day is open to educators, speech therapists, doctors, psychoanalysts, psychologists, psychomotor therapists, and psychotherapists. 200 places are available.

Cost: € 120 (including Italian VAT) until 1st July, 2020

Cost: € 160 (including Italian VAT) after 1st July, 2020

Undergraduate and postgraduate students under 30 years: € 40.00 (including Italian VAT)

Registration and payment methods

Send the registration form together with the copy of the bank transfer receipt by email to info@benedettadintino.it. The payment must be made by bank transfer to Banca Prossima 05000 Milan branch Beneficiary: Fondazione Benedetta D'Intino IBAN code: IT86 C033 5901 600 10000 0019 714 Reason: name + surname * day study 02/10/2020 (*indicate name and surname of the member)

Cancellation/Refund Policy:

50% of the registration fee will be refunded if notice of withdrawal is received from registrant on or before August 31, 2020. Please send notice of withdrawal via email to: Marta Falsirollo:

formazione@benedettadintino.it

No refunds after 1st September, 2020

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