

GUEST PANELLIST

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EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
cut off date: **March 11, 2015**

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CANCELLATION POLICY

Refunds (less \$50.00 administration fee) will only be given for cancellations received by Friday 1st May, 2015. No refunds after this date.



The 2015 conference will also showcase the work of Martin Leuders, conflict photographer, who died in 2014. A fearless and talented photojournalist, Marty documented the trauma of global conflict for over twenty years, and gave the world real insight into the consequences and aftermath of human conflict in war zones.

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RELIGION FANATICISM & TRAUMA

Roots, Impact & Aftermath



a day with

Drs Marianne Leuzinger-Bohleber & Werner Bohleber

8.30 – 17.00 Saturday 16th May
The Melbourne Brain Centre
Kenneth Myer Building
30 Royal Parade, Parkville

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08.30 Registration & Coffee
 09.00 Welcome: Dr Christine Hill

09.10 – 10.45 Chair: Mrs Helga Coulter

DR WERNER BOHLEBER
RADICALIZED RELIGIOUS FUNDAMENTALISM
– IDENTIFICATION WITH AN IDEAL OBJECT
AND DESTRUCTIVENESS

Radicalisation of fundamentalistic thinking can be found in several cultures and religions. The dark and destructive side of this phenomenon challenges psychoanalysis to explain how religious certainty, as a narcissistic fantasy of an identification with an ideal object/ideal state, leads to violent acts and states of mind that intermingle and mutually reinforce one another on the psychological plane. These significant relations will be discussed.

10.45 – 11.15 Morning tea

11.15 – 12.45 Chair: Dr Christine Hill

DRS MARIANNE LEUZINGER-BOHLEBER
& WERNER BOHLEBER
PROCESSES OF POLITICAL RADICALIZATION
IN LATE ADOLESCENCE – SOME CASE SAMPLES

Many of the Islamic suicide bombers went through a process of self-radicalization in late adolescence leading to an identification with radical political ideologies. It is a destructive solution of a deep crisis in late adolescent development. We will describe these processes and provide some case examples.

12.45 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Chair: Dr Timothy Keogh

PROF DR MARIANNE LEUZINGER-BOHLEBER
PSYCHOANALYTIC PROJECTS ON PREVENTION
– WORKING WITH MIGRANT FAMILIES

Psychoanalytic conceptualizations have pronounced the role of unconscious fantasies for the radicalization of fundamentalistic thinking. Therefore early parenting and the development of good object relations is relevant in preventing the development of fundamentalist thinking.

In this presentation two large empirical prevention studies for ‘children at risk’ in the Kindergarden (the so-called EVA project) and during the first three years of life (First Steps) will be discussed. The presentation will focus on children from traumatized migrant and refugee families.

15.30 – 16.00 Afternoon break

16.00 – 17.00 Chair: Eve Steel

PANEL DISCUSSION

with Drs Marianne Leuzinger-Bohleber, Werner Bohleber, and Ron Spielman.

17.00 – 18.00 Drinks & nibbles

Readings Bookstore available at the Conference

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

PROF DR MARIANNE LEUZINGER-BOHLEBER



is a training analyst in the German Psychoanalytical Association (DPV) and a member of the Swiss Psychoanalytical Society. She is a Professor of Psychoanalysis at the University of Kassel and Director of the Sigmund Freud Institute, Frankfurt/Main. Marianne has published widely in her main research fields, amongst them methods of clinical and empirical research in psychoanalysis, educational science and modern German literature.

DR WERNER BOHLEBER



is a former President of the DPV and is a training analyst and editor of the German psychoanalytical Journal *Psyche*. In 2007 he received the prestigious **Mary S. Sigourney Award** which recognizes distinguished contributions to psychoanalysis. He has published widely and is the author of several books. His main area of interest is trauma, both in the individual and wider social sense: terrorism, xenophobia, racism and anti-Semitism, right-wing extremism, and the trans-generational consequences of the Nazi period in Germany.

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