



**Gleda Brandão Araújo (Mato Grosso do Sul Psychoanalytical Society)**

**Why I am a candidate to IPA' Board of Representatives?**

I am Gleda Brandão Araujo, full member of the **Mato Grosso do Sul Psychoanalytical Society ("SPMS")** and of the **Rio de Janeiro Psychoanalytical Society ("SPRJ")** since 1999, and training analyst in the SPMS Training Institute since 2001.

My institutional trajectory began back in 1989, when my society (SPMS) was still a SPRJ' nucleus. Since then I have worked on many posts, first in my Society, then in the Brazilian Psychoanalytical Federation and last at FEPAL, in management, institutional, scientific and in education. I had also the opportunity to take part in some IPA's committees.

My trajectory in different institutions has broadened my view of psychoanalysis and its insertion in culture and society and of the role of IPA's support and investment in its component societies, as it has also enabled me to develop a broader vision on the nuances, challenges and needs of Brazilian and Latin-American societies.

Representing Latin America in IPA's Board means, over all, acting as a bridge between IPA, its members and affiliated societies. It means playing a truly democratic role: listening, and taking all demands, ideas and needs brought by Latin-American societies and its members to be discussed in a broader forum.

**I think in the following issues for my work:**

Strengthening of societies and regional federations through reflection and action before the challenges we face in our continent. Broadening of dialogue between IPA and societies, with mechanisms that allow societies to reach out to IPA with their issues and challenges and with more scientific interchange between IPA's regions.

Equally important are those actions that help struggling societies to settle their conflicts, through counseling and mediation to offer the society the tools to settle their disputes.

Expand and strength actions such as those led by IPA's professional committee, which have helped analysts that migrated or that plan to migrate.

Investing in the expansion and consolidation of quality transfer of psychoanalysis, for it is the key to face constant threats of regulation of psychoanalysis. Psychoanalysis can only be strong, if it represents a strong idea (Freud).

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Amplify and intensify actions for beyond the boundaries of our institutions, as we have so much to add to education, health, law and social area. The possibilities are endless.

Therefore, empowered by my professional and institutional trajectory, I truly believe that I am able to largely contribute to psychoanalysis as much in Latin America as in the world.

*List of positions:*

Mato Grosso do Sul Psychoanalytical Society – SPMS: Secretary 2004-2006; President 2006-2010; Training Director 2010-2014;

FEBRAPSI: President 2011-2013; Nucleus Committee Member since 2016

FEPAL: Scientific Coordinator 2016-2018; Nominating Committee Member of Fepal Election 2010;

IPA: 2015 - Liaison Committee Chair of Sociedade Brasileira de Psicanalise de Minas Gerais – SBPMG (Provisional Society)

2014 – 2015 – Sponsoring Committee Member of Grupo de Estudos Psicanalíticos de Minas Gerais – GEPMG

2012 – 2013 –Latin American Nominating Committee Member - 2013 IPA Elections

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**Jorge Kantor (Peru Psychoanalytic Society)**

Dear colleagues from the Latin American region:

I am writing to request your support for my nomination for a second and final term on the IPA Board in the elections for the 2019/20 period.

In this vote, around half of the 21 members of the Board will be ending their second term. In our case, four of the seven members of the Latin American representation will necessarily be newcomers, taking into account that Abel Fainstein, Sergio Lewkowicz, Álvaro Nim and Claudio Rossi are ending their second term.

For this reason, I consider it vital to maintain a degree of continuity in our representation so that we can better consolidate the initiatives, decisions and matters outstanding of the current administration.

A second term involves an even greater involvement in the tasks of the Board, given the greater experience and understanding of the IPA's structure and functioning, acquired during the phase currently underway. The IPA manages an annual current budget of around \$3 million and oversees the functioning of more than 50 committees with more than 600 members.

To avoid any conflict of interest, representatives are restricted from participating in these committees, with the exception of a small number of committees requiring that they be made up of Board Representatives from the three regions, together with other regional representatives.

I represent our region in the core Budget and Finance Committee (BFC), together with the treasurer and five colleagues from the three regions. Participating in the BFC has enabled me to clearly understand the IPA's organization and processes.

I can affirm that I have contributed to the organization and general planning, with particular attention to the needs and initiatives of our region. To cite concrete examples: regarding the payment difficulties of some of our countries, hit by economic and social crises; the ongoing proposal for an original publishing project; and the request for funds for the translation of an event into Portuguese, it not yet being one of the official IPA languages.

In this regard, during this second term I would like to advocate for Portuguese potentially being considered an official IPA language.

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At the plenary Board meetings, the Latin American delegation has maintained a united position in response to controversial issues that have emerged. We have supported a productive schedule of projects in international psychoanalysis, without losing sight of the issues of our region, the primary reason for our participation in the IPA.

The next two years will be the last for the Latin American administration presided over by Virginia Ungar; accordingly, it is to be expected that we will see an evolution in the initiatives taken in the first stage of her administration. This period will be especially productive in terms of results and outcomes. Once again, it is essential that a part of the Latin American delegation continue the work previously undertaken on the Board.

I would like to take this opportunity to renew my commitment to representing Latin America with a regional agenda consistent with global interests.

I hope to once again count on your vote.

Cordially,  
Jorge Kantor  
Peru

*List of positions:*

IPA: Liaison, COWAP-SPP (2000-2006), Nominating Committee (2015), Committee on Prejudice (including anti-Semitism) (2013-2015), Committee on Psychoanalysis and the Mental Health Field, (2015-2017), Budget and Finance Committee (2017- date), Board of Representatives (2017- date).

FEPAL: Editor de la sección "Vórtice" de la Revista oficial de FEPAL "Calibán" (2017- date).

Sociedad Peruana de Psicoanálisis (SPP): Director del Instituto (2018-2020) & (2004-2006), Presidente (2012-2014), Secretario Científico (2006/2010), Tesorero (2000-2002).



**Anette Blaya Luz (Porto Alegre Psychoanalytical Society)**

***Towards a strong and modern psychoanalysis***

I am Anette Blaya Luz, 65 years old, a full member, since 2005, of the Psychoanalytic Society of Porto Alegre, SPPA, where I am also a training analyst. My training began in 1988. I became an IPA member in 1995.

Institutional activities were always significant and pleasurable for me. Much of the scientific exchange and socializing with colleagues happen within our societies and institutes. This enhances the development of psychoanalytic theory and practice, besides offering opportunity for productive and affective relationship amongst ourselves.

During the last ten years I have been very much involved In the Brazilian Psychoanalytic Federation, Febrapsi, where I have occupied different positions. Presently I am the President, position that I will keep until November/2019.

My psychiatric training took place in Canada, where I lived for four years. I speak English, Spanish and Portuguese fluently.

I thought my contribution to IPA Board in four main axes.

First: to work to reinforce the psychoanalytic practice. Right there in the consulting room our practice develops, and creativity may occur. The transference relationship testifies the value of the analytical method and it's understanding contributes to lessen human suffering and enhance mental health. I believe IPA must keep a constant dialogue with culture, as to guarantee that Psychoanalysis be in touch with new paradigms, such as new manifestations of human emotional suffering, the life in cyberspace, new forms of sexuality and family organizations. Our practice must adjust to these, without jeopardizing technical standards.

Second: refers to the training of new analysts, source of vitality and continuity. Transmission of good practices, which are faithful to Freud's concepts while allow for technical developments consonants with cultural evolution of societies is a challenge to face and represents a strong and modern psychoanalysis. This requires solid, consistent and airy training. Also, the stimulus to writing and publishing work by our members and candidates. Latin America has a lot to contribute Internationally. We have a plural and creative psychoanalysis, that deserves being published, not only in Portuguese or Spanish.

Third: concerns the relationship with community and culture. The possibility of an extramural psychoanalysis brings populations benefits that our tradition enjoys. Work with

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educational institutions and other areas of culture enriches psychoanalyses, while contributes to its expansion and human development. We have improved in this regard, but our influence on culture can be even more meaningful. We have a lot to offer and a lot to learn from this interaction.

Fourth: institutional activities. Investments in research and the scientific exchange within institutions of different latitudes promotes a productive, creative and collaborative psychoanalysis. The encouragement of candidates to take part in their institutes is something I believe important.

An approach through these axes could strengthen Latin American Psychoanalysis. The experience I have accumulated in these years of clinic, editorial work, participating in scientific and administrative activities through positions I have occupied, enables me and confer me confidence to represent Latin America in the central core of the IPA.

*List of positions:*

In my Society – Sociedade Psicanalítica de Porto Alegre – SPPA -, I had many positions: Coordinator of SPPA Library 2002-2005, Editor of SPPA Psychoanalytic Journal 2006, Scientific Director 2007-2008, President 2014-2015.

In the last ten years I have been involved with the Brazilian Psychoanalytic Federation – FEBRAPSI: Scientific Director 2009-2011, International Relationships Director 2012-2013, General Secretary 2016-2017 and presently I am President (2018); a position I will keep up to November 2019.

International Journal of Psychoanalysis Board editorial since 2013.

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**Jani Santamaria (Mexican Psychoanalytic Association)**

Dear colleagues

When I think about why I am active in the IPA and wish to serve on the Board, “gratitude” is the word that comes to mind. I grew up in a world of psychoanalysis. The changes it could bring about in patients and in the community were the ‘daily bread’ my analyst father brought home from his clinic. Our dinner table, lovingly tended by my mother, welcomed many of the pioneers of Latin American psychoanalysis when they visited Mexico.

Now, as a psychoanalyst, I have devoted myself to clinical activity, teaching and international scientific dialogue and production. I have served in many executive positions at my Society: Vice President, Library Director, President of Candidates and Coordinator of the Training Institute Committee and the Psychoanalyst Children and Adolescents Course. I’ve been working for six years as a Fepal member of Children and Adolescents Committee; this rich experience led me to accept the leadership of APM’s Integrated Training Track.

In 2016-2018, I was FEPAL’s Community and Culture Committee Director. This experience allowed me to know even more closely the extraordinary theoretical - clinical vitality of Latin American psychoanalysis and to recognize the importance of inter-regional discourse and exchange. Diversity, respect for different traditions and pluralism should be the flag that represents us all throughout the IPA.

Ours is a time of political, social and economic upheaval, where violence against women and prejudice against immigrants risk becoming the norms. These trends must be recognized, understood and opposed. Today, more than ever, we must support IPA’s engagement with the Community, and the creation of new initiatives, such as Latin “America’s Street Diaries “ and “Psychoanalytic Observatory”.

My home is in Latin America’s northern región (Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela, Panama), where we are working to offer strong support to our Venezuelan colleagues, the emerging Panamanian Society and the new groups that ILAP is helping to develop.

Overall, my goals are to create opportunities for scientific, clinical and transdisciplinary exchanges, and inter-federative links, within and between the regions using various modalities and communication channels and new technologies. I will support relevant research, specially the research into severe pathologies at an early age, I will search to extend our engagement with the universities to promote and maintain an open dialogue with other disciplines. I will also work to increase resources to expand the universe of publications and

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will support psychoanalysis to continue being leader in dialogue and issues of sexual and gender diversity.

Last, but not least, I propose to seek opportunities and ways to bring IPA closer to its general membership, we need to feel that our relationship with IPA isn't reduced to just a yearly fee payment. We all are IPA and the IPA is all of us.

*List of positions:*

Training Analyst and Supervisor of Child and Adolescent Analysis, Mexican Psychoanalytic Association (APM); Chair: Integrated Training IPA at the APM Institute. Director: Community and Culture for FEPAL (2016-2018); President of Candidates at APM (1997-1999); Chair: Latin- American Encounter Winnicott/Mexico 2017; Chair: Andre Green, México 2019; Chair: International Bion Conference 2022, International Advisory Committee: Routledge Bion Studies Book Series; Latin American Book Reviewer JAPA (Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association); Member of the International Committee of Spanish Language Psychoanalysts.



**Silvia Resnizky (Buenos Aires Psychoanalytic Association)**

Dear colleagues

I feel honoured to have been once again nominated as a candidate for the position of Latin American Representative of the IPA Board for the next election. I wish to set out certain central issues that I would like to continue to work on in the light of the experience I have gained over the last two years:

- ✓ Continue to support the current Latin American Administration in strengthening the current spirit of democracy. I consider this not only a necessary condition for effective administration but also a way of fostering a spirit of solidarity. This will deepen and broaden the theoretical and clinical exchange of ideas among the three regions.
- ✓ Continue to promote the interests of the Latin American region by supporting the Latin American Psychoanalytical Federation (FEPAL), and to ensure the fair representation of this region in the decision-making process and in the participation in different IPA committees.
- ✓ Contribute to the setting up of new psychoanalytical groups in Latin America and provide support to those already in existence.
- ✓ To continue to fulfil the link function between the Board and the Latin American Associations with the purpose of strengthening the relationship between the IPA and the Component Societies.
- ✓ Increase the participation in Universities to have a greater presence in degree and postgraduate courses. My work as a teacher and the four years (2013 -2017) spent as a Director of the M.A. Program in Family and Couple Therapy at the University Mental Health Institute of the Buenos Aires Psychoanalytical Association have enabled me to gain a greater insight into the relationship between Psychoanalysis and the University as an Institution.
- ✓ Continue promoting congresses that allow space to debate the challenges which arise in current clinical practice in small discussion groups.
- ✓ Promote the translation of scientific papers. This will foster interaction and will promote the development of psychoanalytical ideas.
- ✓ Support the development, training and research into the psychoanalysis of children and adolescents, together with the psychoanalytic study of families and couples. We need to acquire the tools to deal with the challenges that arise from the new ways in which family and couple bonds are constructed in the twenty-first century.

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- ✓ Continue promoting the integration of analysts-in-training in the different IPA committees. Given my experience in the IPA/IPSO Relation Committee, I am fully aware that this active participation strengthens the sense of belonging and the transference to the IPA community. Analysts-in-training are our present, our future, and a valued resource for outreach.

Warm regards

Silvia Resnizky

*List of Positions:*

**Resnizky Silvia:** IPA Board Member (2017/2019). IPA/IPSO Relation Committee 2009-2017. Administrative Affairs Committee 2013-2015. Outreach Committee 2009-2013. Liaison between IPA/IPSO Relation Committee and IPA Outreach Committee 2009-2013. Liaison between Buenos Aires Psychoanalytical Association and COWAP 2005-2007. IPSO Executive Committee 1991-1993. President of 11th IPSO Congress Buenos Aires 1991.

Positions in Buenos Aires Psychoanalytical Association: Outreach Secretary 2013. Vice President 2007-2008. Board Secretary 2003-2004. Member of the Publishing Committee 2000-2003.

Director of the M.A. Program in Family and Couple Mental Health University Institute (IUSAM-APdeBA) 2013-2017.

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**Maria Alejandra Rey (Argentine Psychoanalytic Society)**

Dear colleagues,

I would like to tell you how my desire to run as a candidate to the Board of Representatives emerged.

I carried out my training at a small society with impeccable academic and psychoanalytic credentials.

Being part of the Argentine Psychoanalytic Society (SAP) provided me with the opportunity to work from the beginning as a candidate in diverse areas in an atmosphere of intellectual freedom and inclusiveness, sharing an ethos that places democratic representation, pluralism and participation to the fore.

My work in the field of Communications (SAP, FEPAL and IPA) has always gone hand-in-hand with the idea of making the institutions more visible with the aid of communication both inside and outside the entity. As Chair of the IPA Wiki Committee, I am involved in an innovative project that seeks to improve the psychoanalytic entries on Wikipedia by providing quality content.

My participation on the FEPAL Executive Committee gave me the opportunity to be present at the Latin American Presidents' Meetings and the Assembly of Delegates, enabling a more complete knowledge of Latin American socio-political issues, together with the complexities, differences and institutional needs of the association and its members.

My collaboration in COWAP enabled me to gain increased awareness of current themes and to propose a joint effort with the Wiki Committee, via the *Psicoanalistas Pioneras (Pioneering Female Psychoanalysts)* project.

Based on this experience, I would like to have the opportunity to contribute towards the IPA being perceived as a more approachable and vital institution - in line with technological changes and the virtual world - by encouraging the development of activities that respond with fairness to the needs of different communities thus broadening horizons, and sharing our Latin American experience with the European and North American Regions, as well as the future Fourth Region.

Furthermore, it is my aim to continue building, in the words of Virginia Ungar and Sergio Nick, "an IPA for all".

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- Disseminating all forms of interregional scientific exchange, encouraging the participation of Latin American voices.
- Deploying communicational efforts in the spirit of the IPA in these times, discussing the impact of new technologies in the psychoanalytic context.
- Promoting seminars, supervisions, webinars and the e-Journal to connect colleagues from remote and varying regions (CAPSA), taking into account questions of translation and confidentiality.
- Supporting the IPA New Groups.
- Facilitating exchange with the community and culture, responding to current historical circumstances (migration, violence, intolerance)
- Fostering local research, scientific production and contact with universities.
- Working in the Training Institutes, being mindful of regional specificities, respecting a work ethic and the role of candidates, underpinning the exchange efforts between IPSO/OCAL.
- Supporting the joint work of IPA/FEPAL/FEBRAPSI, of ILAP, the Working Parties, the e-publication *Psychoanalysis.Today*, the Interregional Encyclopaedic Dictionary; disseminating new models of inter-federation events.
- Collaborating to improve communication between the IPA Board and the Constituent Organizations, encouraging a greater sense of belonging among IPA members (for example, via an increased and more diverse membership on the different Committees).
- Helping to consider Psychoanalysis in the changing worldwide political context.
- Placing gender and sexual diversity issues to the fore; making the work of women in the psychoanalytic community more visible, joining forces with COWAP.

*List of positions:*

**María Alejandra Rey. IPA:** Chair Wiki Committee (2016); Member MCSC, Members Communications Service Committee (2014/16). **FEPAL:** Director, Communications and Publications (2016/18); Deputy Director, Publications (2015/16); Scientific Committee, San Pablo Congress 2012; Local Committee, Buenos Aires Congress 2014. **SAP:** Full Member, Training Analyst, Associate Professor and Supervisor; Cultural Coordinator (2015/16); Media Coordinator (2010/13); Editorial Committee, Journal (2014/15); COWAP Liaison (2010); Co-organizer, Candidates' Forum; Organizer IV and V Argentine Candidate Conferences. Specialist in Education and New Technologies. Postgraduate in Management and Politics in Culture and Communication. (Flacso)



**Laura Verissimo de Posadas (Uruguayan Psychoanalytical Association)**

It would be an honor and a responsibility to represent my Latin American colleagues at the Board of the Association created by Freud, constituted by subjects in conflict moved by desire, confronted at all times for more than a century to the changes and turbulence of History.

IPA brings together psychoanalytic cultures as diverse as those in the north and south of the planet, and those in the east and west. I believe that the “demands of work” is a stimulating challenge in the fraternal exercise of disagreeing, and in the inevitable tensions this disagreement might bring. This unrest can be a source of new ideas and new answers to old debates, since we are united by the bond of fidelity to the Freudian legacy, setting a strong emphasis on the liberating and transforming action of Psychoanalysis.

This concept applies not only to our practice in the uniqueness of the encounter with each patient. What I mean is that the tools acquired through our personal analysis, and the sustained and critical study of supervised theory and practice should be used in mental health institutions. In this way we would intensify our presence there, and we would raise our voice when basic human rights are overwhelmed, considering the enormous scientific, cultural and technological changes that are under way.

- If I were elected I would commit myself in creating the best conditions in our Institutes, for young people in training to become analysts capable of sustaining the listening of the unprecedented in the transfer, which constitutes our specificity.
- At the same time, I would encourage the psychologists’ work in hospitals and institutions in charge of children and adolescents, contributing in this way to the creation of spaces of psycho-social rehabilitation where the psychoanalyst could work side by side with those who face the pain of uprooting, and the suffering resulting from violence and discrimination.
- I consider it necessary to deepen the discussions regarding the training models and their flexibility, taking into account the intra-institutional reflections on meta-psychological criteria, giving continuity to the efforts of the regional delegates that preceded us.
- No discipline is enriched without sustained research. This implies the support as well as the exploration of the models of research in psychoanalysis, and the evaluation of the results to avoid investing in unproductive inertias.

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- I find it imperative and stimulating to listen to those whom I would represent, their experiences, their concerns and their proposals to the psychoanalytic community and its decision-making Boards.
- Finally my effort would be directed to strengthen regional associations with special emphasis on the Psychoanalytic Federation of Latin America.

*List of positions:*

**APU:** Member of the Board, 2000-2002 ;2010-2012. Director of the Editorial Board of Uruguayan Journal; Editor of the Uruguayan Library of Psychoanalysis. **FEPAL:** 2014-2016: Headquarters Director. 2010-2016: Deputy Editor in Chief of the Official Publication of Fepal, Latin American Journal of Psychoanalysis. Calibán. **IPA FEPAL** Evaluator FEPAL Awards. Evaluator for International Journal of Psychoanalysis and Latin American Journal of Psychoanalysis. Calibán.