

IPSO webinar "Meet the Analyst" with Florence Guignard: *The Infantile in the Analytic Work*

In the past Saturday, 23rd January we had another special IPSO Webinar "Meet the Analyst" aimed to meet our guest analyst Florence Guignard.

We were very happy she accepted our invitation and we are thankful for Florence's openness and generosity towards candidates. When we first invited and told Florence that this webinar was to candidates from all over the world, she promptly accepted and said: "Of course yes, because you candidates are the future of psychoanalysis." And it was very moving to see the trust and confidence she has in our generation of candidates.

We were glad to welcome in the Webinar candidates coming from 26 different countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, India, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States.

Jeremy Freeman gave a warm welcome in name of IPSO Europe to all the participants and Liliana Castro chaired the session and presented our special guest Florence Guignard. Michael Mormanis and Mary MacGowan took care of the technical details, informatics and video. In the first part of the Webinar, Luisa Marin-Avellan joined Florence Guignard in a brief interview jointly prepared with the Organization Team. In the second part we had the opportunity to listen to the lecture by Florence on the topic of "The Infantile in the Analytic Work". After we had plenty of time for answers and questions by the world candidates. We thank to Florence for giving us so much to think and discuss together and to take home with us. Finally, Monica Bomba closed our session and thanked all the world candidates for their company in more this IPSO journey. You all made our day! ☺

A special thanks to Florence Guignard for this wonderful meeting, to the Organizing Team and to all the world candidates that joined this encounter.

Here in our website you can find parts of the video of our Webinar.

We also share with you some biographical data from Florence Guignard.

Liliana Castro (IPSO Porto)

Biography of Florence Guignard

Florence Guignard was born in Geneva, where she completed her studies in clinical psychology, then her psychoanalytical studies at the Swiss Psychoanalytical Society, while directing research for the Swiss National Science Foundation. She settled in Paris in 1970, became a Training Member of the Paris Society of Psychoanalysis, of which she was two times the Vice-President.

During her career, she has worked alongside Jean Piaget, André Rey, Julian de Ajuriaguerra and Gaston Garrone. Based in Paris in 1970, she worked there for 43 years

as a psychoanalyst for children, adolescents and adults, before retiring to Switzerland in 2013 in the Mountains of Valais.

Actively involved in the teaching and training of psychoanalysts across the world, Florence Guignard is a direct member of the International Psychoanalytical Association for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Training. She is a member – and former Chair - of the Committee On Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis (COCAP). With Annie Anzieu, she created, in 1984, the Association pour la psychanalyse de l'enfant (APE), and, in 1994, the Société européenne pour la psychanalyse de l'enfant et de l'adolescent (SEPEA), which she chaired on several occasions. She was the chair of the editorial board of the Review *L'Année psychanalytique internationale* during 6 years. With numerous books written in collaboration and more than 250 published articles, she is also the author of three books : *Au vif de l'Infantile. Épître à l'objet* (1997) and “Quelle psychanalyse pour le XXIe siècle?”.

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