



Words From the President



Leonardo Siqueira Araújo

Dear Colleagues,

July is here, and with it the IPSO/IPA Congress! The IPSO Executive Committee has been working very hard on our program, with the theme “The Feminine: Our Frames, Fears, Focus and Fascination” which we hope will contemplate subjects of interest to all our Members: paper presentations, including our Writing Awards, supervisions, and special topics for discussion including Psychoanalysis and Politics, the Committee of Women and Psychoanalysis and the Sexual and Gender Diversity Studies Committee. We have striven to organize an event which gave special focus to this absolutely vital theme brought in by both IPSO and the IPA of The Feminine, while also providing the parts of usual IPSO Programs that we consider to be very dear to participants.

Another very important information of this last semester concerns the results of our first Elections held by Electronic Vote. We would like to thank dearly all our Members for participating in this process and, especially, all those who ran for positions. We will publish the full vote results at the end of this Newsletter. The Executive Committee is looking forward to meeting our new members, and I would personally like to wish them all very good work in the following years! We have had a sharp increase in the desire to participate in running for the Ex-Com in this vote, which I see as a very positive return of the efforts to make our Elections more open and democratic. Our interest has always been to encourage more people to be aware of the importance of this side of training, and it makes me very happy to see it starting to bear fruit. We would like to invite all our Members to be present at the IPSO Business Meeting on Thursday, where you too will have the chance to meet and hear from our new Officers.

This newsletter and the coming Congress also mark the end of this administration, which started in Buenos Aires in 2017. I can say with absolute certainty that I am honored to have worked with this group of colleagues, which enabled me to experience firsthand the amazing advantages of being in a diverse group, of such different nationalities, personalities, cultures... it is truly eye-opening. Throughout these last years I have had the opportunity of witnessing the hard work and the experiences of our Members all around the globe, and never in this path have I felt alone, having always enjoyed the company of my colleagues and friends in our discussions, whether over some clinical material or over dinner or drinks.

I can only hope to have offered a little contribution to this incredible Organization.

Coming from a relatively small Psychoanalytical Society in Brazil (which has since grown), I found in IPSO many friends and many homes away from home. One could not ask for much more than that.

Thank you all and see you in London,

Leonardo Siqueira Araújo

President Elect



Kathryn McCormick

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings!

IPSO Membership offers many incredible benefits including two very unique programs:

Visiting Candidate Program (VCP) and the Cross Regional Study Group (CRSG).

'New' Visiting Candidate Program (VCP):

Interested in visiting an analytic institute, participating in classes and experiencing a cultural exchange? Candidates that have participated in this often 'eye opening' opportunity, have often commented about what an **enriching** and **amazing** experience they had and how pleased they were to have participated in this academic and cultural opportunity!

Great news!

Currently, IPSO is partnering with the IPA to provide increased financial support and opportunity for eligible IPSO members in each of the three IPA/IPSO Regions. Details will follow once the program is ready to be unveiled late 2019.

Our website will be update with the new protocol, procedures and details once the program is ready to officially launch. In the meantime, check out our website for details regarding current VCP characteristics, participating institutes, current application form, and Candidate VCP Reports:

[Current General Characteristics \(under revision to increase membership support and scope of visit\)](#)

[List of Participating Institutes](#)

[Program and Application Form](#)

Reports: The VCP reports can be accessed with member username and password under the VCP tab.

Cross Regional Study Group - CRSG:

Motivated to engage in cross regional clinical cultural exchange?

Interested in forming enduring intercontinental fraternal links?

Check out and consider joining a CRSG [here!](#)

Great News!

IPSO is launching a new IPSO Member Data Base which will bring increased efficiency and allow us greater capacity to cross reference and network with IPSO members interested in joining a CRSG!

Active groups include:

- 4 Adult CRSGs,
- 1 Kleinian specific Adult CRSG

Groups in the process of formation:

- 3 Adult CRSGs
- 1 Child CRSG

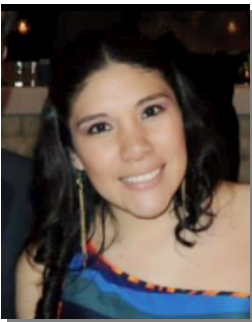
Current Openings!

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Giuliana Rivera



Silvia Acosta

Latin America

From the beginning of this year, the focus of our regional activities was on our participation in the APsA congress in New York, from 6 to 10 of February, a time when our ExCom also had the annual Meeting – Feb 2 to 5 -, before the American Psychoanalytic Association Congress. Giuliana Rivera and Silvia Acosta, as IPSO VP's from Latin America, jointly with all of our IPSO Ex-Com, attended to Candidates Meeting of the NA region.

Still in Latin America, Cláudia Antonelli, our IPSO Editor, attended the regional candidate meetings in Ribeirão Preto (SBPRP), Rio de Janeiro (SPRJ) and Porto Alegre (SPPA). In these occasions she was able to present IPSO's work, let them know more about the IPSO elections that were by then taking place, and invite them to participate and vote. Many new candidates became IPSO members (SBPRP), while many others who already were members confirmed their voting participation. In Rio de Janeiro, 2 new IPSO representatives were confirmed (in the two institutes present there – SPRJ and SBPRJ), while in Ribeirão Preto (SBPRP) two new candidates confirmed their interest in taking part in our VCP.

Last April 16th, we were invited by APdeBA in Buenos Aires for an Open Conference with Virginia Ungar with the title "What is IPA?", with the hosting of Carlos Nemirovsky, new president of APdeBA. We had the opportunity to share "what is IPSO?" information and to explain our different exchange programs as our VCPs and SCRGs. We had the pleasure to share the meeting with IPSO reps from APdeBA, APA and APM (Mexico) and former IPSO reps, who supported us.

Then we had our IPSO elections, with two runners for Latina America: Erika Lepiavka from APM of Mexico and Florencia Biotti, from APdeBA, Argentina. Florencia was elected as our next VP elect and will take her position next July at the IPA-IPSO Congress, in London. We thank them both, Erika and Florencia for their interest, motivation and strong collaboration with our IPSO activities.

In April too, from 11 to 14, IPSO held the European IPSO Meeting at the EPF conference in Madrid. Our current VP, Giuliana Rivera, participated as the Latin American IPSO representative in the IPSO day and in all of the candidates activities during the meeting.

Due to the well known political and social crisis that Venezuela goes through, specially considering our colleagues in training, the IPSO Executive Committee, as a sign of solidarity and support, decided that the IPSO dues will not be applied until their situation improves minimally.

As a regional event, we will attend, as IPSO representatives, the ABC and FEBRAPSI Congress in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, between Jun 18 and 22. Leonardo Siqueira Araújo, Claudia Antonelli, Giuliana Rivera and Silvia Acosta will be a full IPSO presence in the Annual Meeting of the Federação Brasileira de Psicanálise. We will share a round-table with ABC and OCAL, two of the most representative candidates organization of Latin America. Also, we will have several meetings to plan our complementary work with OCAL, facing the next FEPAL Meeting of Montevideo, 2020.

Meanwhile, the core issue of our work during this 2019 Semester is to get ready for the 51st IPA/25th IPSO International Congress, which will be held in London from 22 to 27 of July. The Latin American participation in the IPSO Meeting promises to be invaluable and stronger than before. As IPSO representatives, we will facilitate the attendance of candidates and promote the inclusion of regional colleagues in IPSO activities as supervisions and panels. Also, we organized on behalf of the Ex-Com, the First IPSO Freud's Bar with Chiara Bille as coordinator at the Freud's Museum. The event will be about "The Psychoanalysis of the Future" and our special guests will be Virginia Ungar and Sergio Nick, current President and Vice President of the International Psychoanalytic Association.

Besides, our regional group will change. Giuliana Rivera leaves her position as IPSO VP from Latin America, after a very fruitful work of four years. Silvia Acosta will take her place as VP and Florencia Biotti will be the new VP elect, starting her work from 2019 to 2023.

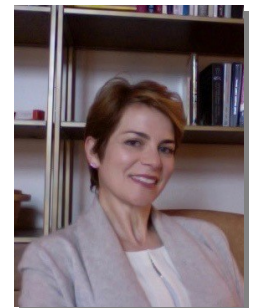
We also congratulate our Brazilian colleague Claudia Antonelli. She won the IPSO elections as Editor, and will share the office work from July 2019 until 2021. It is a pleasure to have her in our executive committee.

Finally, we had a strong exchange of candidates during this period. Several VCPs were done: Erika Lepiavka, from APM (Mexico) to Buenos Aires (APA); Giuliana Rivera from APA to Lisbon (Portugal) and to the British Society (London), Gabriela Rouillon Acosta, from APdeBA (Buenos Aires) had a great experience with her VCP in Madrid and in Brazil, the GEP Campinas, received Ana Paula Rocha from SPP Lisbon, Portugal. Thanks for all the IPSO reps, members and IPA members who collaborated with these great opportunities to share with us their experiences.



Hanna Ratjen

North America



Kristi Whiteside-Salameh

In North America, particularly in the United States, IPSO is continuing to develop a complementary place amongst local institute culture and the American Psychoanalytic Association. In February, the IPSO ExCom convened our annual business meeting in New York City, in the days prior to the APsaA Annual Meeting. Being in New York provided multiple opportunities to meet with APsaA leaders including officers of the Candidates' Council and to connect with candidates interested in IPSO. For the second consecutive year, IPSO co-sponsored the Candidates' Winter Party with the APsaA Candidates' Council. It was a huge success and the large turnout of candidates experienced the "IPSO Spirit" firsthand.

While the increasing interest in IPSO in the U.S. has been a positive development, the surge in new members unfortunately revealed problems in our membership procedures. Several candidates who were new members of IPSO experienced delays in their membership activation and problems accessing the reduced registration fee for the IPA Congress. It did require some time to locate the problem and to devise a solution. The VP-elect for our region is working with individuals of the APsaA Membership Department and will hold a meeting in San Diego to develop new procedures as well as improved communication about membership issues. When the next IPA Congress is held in Vancouver, Canada in 2021, we plan to have clearer and simpler membership processes in place.

Our IPSO Executive Committee elections held this spring represented a historic change, as they were our first electronic elections. There was a noticeable swell of North American candidates running for positions, evidence of IPSO's increasing visibility in North America. We would like to congratulate Angela Vuotto, MD (New York City) for her election to VP-elect for North America. Angela will take her position in July at the IPA Congress.

We continue to develop our network of IPSO Representatives from all areas of the North America region. We have reps in China, Japan, Canada, and now several in the U.S. The reps are an important bridge between candidates and the regional VPs. We are planning to build a system of communication with reps to support the organization of IPSO programming in our region.

Finally, we are eagerly anticipating the IPA Congress in London in July. The IPSO Planning Committee has organized an interesting array of programs around the congress theme, "The Feminine." We are expecting a high number of North American candidates. For those of you who attend the IPA Congress, we hope that you will continue your commitment to seek knowledge and experience beyond your own home and region of North America. Your curiosity will lead to opportunities to combine learning with pleasure and to make new friends who share in your interest and pursuit of psychoanalysis.

We encourage North American candidates to continue thinking "outside of the box" and to consider visiting a psychoanalytic institute in a foreign country through our Visiting Candidate Program, or plan to attend an IPSO event such as IPSO Day in Europe, or propose to your local IPSO Representative or VP ideas for inviting analysts and thinkers from other regions. With IPSO, your psychoanalytic home is all around the world. See you in London!

Hanna Ratjen, M.D.

VP for North America

Kristin Whiteside, Ph.D.

VP-elect for North America



Nergis Güleç

Europe



Artur Sousa

Dear Colleagues,

The whole year has been quite busy in terms of IPSO activities and now we are all looking forward to seeing most of you at the IPA 51st International Congress and IPSO 25th Conference in London this month. I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that my position as the IPSO Vice President for Europe will be ending in London and my dear friend and colleague Artur Sousa will be taking over. It has really been a pleasure being with you all in this journey and being part of an incredible psychoanalytical community. I am sure our long lasting friendships and professional collaboration will continue in many different ways.

Now since our December IPSO Newsletter we had our IPSO Programme at the EPF conference in Madrid which took place between 10-13 April 2019. The conference was very well attended and we had many interesting papers and case presentations with IPSO pre-congress workshops. Not to mention the fabulous IPSO Party! Thanks to everyone involved.

Future Events

25th Ipsos European Meeting will take place in Lisbon/Portugal in November between 22-24 2019 and the theme of the meeting will be "Invisible Psychoanalytical Identities". It will be a pleasure to meet you all at this meeting in this beautiful city. IPSO party will also take place in an ancient small palace in the heart of the city which will give us the opportunity to socialize, dine and dance together. We are grateful to the local organizing committee for this interesting meeting.

IPSO Study-Day entitled "[Experiences of Analysts in Training](#)", will take place in Berlin on Friday, 7th of February 2020.

There will also be an IPSO Study-Day in Milano on 6-7 March, 2020, with the presence of Prof. Nancy McWilliams.

Details will be announced soon!

We are looking forward to seeing you all in these future meetings.

Also, once again **Thank You** for distributing information regarding IPSO programmes, for presenting, chairing, organizing, paying dues, in short for all your support and participation in IPSO.

Wishing you all a Wonderful Summer!

Nergis Güleç, IPSO Vice President for Europe and Artur Sousa, IPSO Vice President Elect for Europe

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Davide Rosso

Treasurer's Report



Karoline Parth

Dear IPSO members,

In our section of the newsletter we first like to inform you about the position changes in the treasury. After 4 years In London Davide Rosso will finish his role as Treasurer from Italy and Karoline Parth from Vienna will be the new Treasurer for the next two years.

Furthermore, we are very happy to announce that during our most recent vote for the next treasurer elect we had two candidates running, and it is a great pleasure for us that there was such a great interest in the position in this election cycle. We are happy to introduce Grete Waelbers from the Belgian Psychoanalytic Society as our coming treasurer elect, who will begin her official term in July 2019 at the IPA conference in London.

Furthermore, we are happy to be able to inform that our new project, the delocalization initiative, has started and brought forth several impressive projects in several of our regions.

Especially for Latin-American ipso members, various novel projects have been initiated:

We are financially supporting candidates travelling to the first Latin-American Meeting of the IPA Sexual and Gender Diversity Studies Committee of IPA (S&GDCo) next Nov 1-2 in Buenos Aires in order to help represent the candidate's perspectives and to further the participation of candidate voices in this conference bringing together important speakers from countries such as Argentina, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay and Brasil.

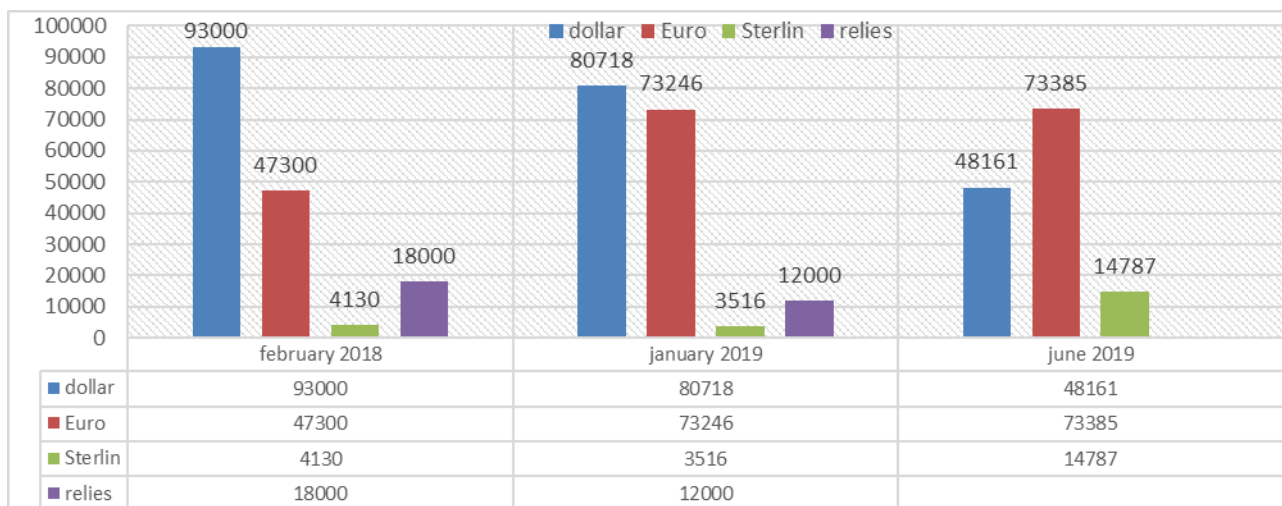
We will provide economic support for the 4th edition of the Mens Sana in Corpore Sano Mendoza, Argentina. We support this IPA/IPSO initiative with 1000\$ in order to pay the local guide, the party and the lunches.

Finally, we want to update you on our finances, our accounts are displaying stable balances:

The IPSO Euro Account stands at 73,385 €

The ISPO Sterling Account in the UK stands at 14,787 Pounds

The IPSO US Account stands at 48,161\$



If there are any other ideas to ask the IPSO team for economic support please do not hesitate to contact me at karolineparth@hotmail.com



Cláudia Antonelli

The Editor's Word

Dear IPSO friends:

I am thrilled to be sharing with you our July Newsletter.

As you probably read in my Executive Committee's colleagues statements, a lot has been happening since last December – hence our very first electronic elections – while the so waited London IPA-IPSO congress comes knocking on our doors!

So without further ado, alongside the Ex-com I wish from the bottom of my heart to thank you all for your participation in the IPSO elections that took place this year – either as a voter or as a postulant. Personally, I thank you who voted for me, therefore choosing that I continue doing the work that I started a year and a half ago, when replacing the previous editor who had to leave for personal reasons.

Since then I have learned quite a bit about this function, which was all new to me. Being an editor at the IPSO Executive committee is a very specific, particular and peculiar place. It meets my personal taste for communication in all its forms – unconscious, written, spoken. But it also goes way beyond this.

Personally now that I have 'seen' during this time what the work takes – and it takes! a few hours everyday of mails, texts, requests, doubts, internal communication, etc – I feel that I can go on more daring projects. The first and very dear to me, the intention to arise the writing contribution of our candidates from across the world. The idea of creating more local writing contests (in each region), and creating local teams for that purpose, seems like a first initial kick for discussion and idea exchange in our next term's executive committee meetings. For this I'll need to count on the collaboration of dear IPSO colleagues and friends who have already offered to be a part of the "Editor's team", as IPSO members that they are, for projects together. Stay tuned for more on this.

Meanwhile, the IPSO Congress approaches fast and there we will have a strong structure change in our Ex-com, as it happens every four years. Part of it will leave – once they have fulfilled their time as IPSO officers – part will remain, part will be new.

So I take a moment here to officially thank at first the part that will leave, from and with whom I've learned and lived a lot of fruitful and fun moments during these last couple of years: Leonardo, Hanna, Giuliana, Nergis and Davide. The Ex-com and I will miss you sorely, while bearing the certitude of meeting you all along life out there!

Secondly, I bid my warm welcoming to Florencia Biotti, Angela Vuotto, Monica Bomba and Grete Waelbers; I and my Ex-com colleagues welcome you aboard our enthusiastic team of IPSO Officers!

While I reinforce my satisfaction in continue working with the ones who remain: Silvia, Kristin, Kathryn, Artur and Karoline.

Last but not least, my gratitude to our support team in London, especially in these frantic pre-congress times!

And finally, I'd like to convey to you all a feeling that has grown in me from the experience of working in this team ever more broad: that either as an IPSO officer or as a representative, or even as a member at your institute, I feel it doesn't really matter too much where we are: as we are all part of one team and we all must do the job, whatever position we find ourselves in, whatever country, city, or institute. We are all together building the Psychoanalysis (theory and team) that we'll find out there in a moment.

So, let's go there together! I too look so forward to seeing you in London!

Cláudia

Cláudia Antonelli

IPSO Editor

Finally, we are happy to share with you again the results from our first Electronic Ballot for the IPSO Executive Committee Elections that took place this year. The IPSO Executive-committee will be joined by **Charles E. Baekeland**, for the position of **President-Elect**, and **Karoline Parth**, for the position of **Treasurer**, who had no contestants for the respective positions; while **Grete WAELBERS** was elected **Assistant-Treasurer**; **María Florencia BIOTTI Vice-President Elect for Latin America**; **Angela VUOTTO Vice-President Elect for North America**; **Monica BOMBA Vice-President Elect for Europe**, and **Cláudia Antonelli** will officially assume the post of **Editor**.

We would also like to invite all our Members to our **IPSO Business Meeting which will be held at the Mountbatten Room of the QEII Convention Center, on July 25 at 17:00, where the Election Results will be officially confirmed and winners will take office together with our IPSO Members**. This will be a very important occasion to discuss and vote on IPSO matters, and to celebrate our results!

We would like to offer our congratulations to the winners and share our excitement to work with them and with all our colleagues in the growth and development of IPSO and the candidates movement!

With our best regards,

Leonardo Siqueira Araújo

IPSO President – on behalf of the IPSO Executive Committee