

# IARPP-SPAIN MEMORY OF ACTIVITIES 2006-2010

The Spain Chapter of IARPP joints 32 members established in Spain as professional psychotherapists that uses Spanish as one of their main languages. There is two main district areas: Barcelona and Madrid. In Barcelona works Ramón Riera (Honour President of the Chapter), the promoter of Relational Perspectives in Spain, with Rosa Velasco and others. In Madrid, there is a variety of professionals the more of them joined in a professional and training association (Institute of Relational Psychotherapy), with clinical centers (e.g. Ágora Relacional), and other structures (e.g. GTI-POP). Finally, some colleagues works in other areas of Spain (Sevilla, Cáceres, Salamanca, Pamplona, Bilbao, León, Girona and many others).

### **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

- IARPP-Spain have developed conjointly with ÁGORA RELACIONAL center a **web page** on the site <psicoterapiarelacional.es> that includes a lot of information on our activities, links with IARPP homepage, and specific pages devoted to some central figures such as Sándor Ferenczi, Enrique Pichon-Rivière, Stephen Mitchell, Donald Winnicott, Ronald Fairbairn, Joseph Lichtenberg, and other key figures in Europe and Spain (Borjn Killingmo, Horst Kächele, Paula Heimann, Margaret Little, Jorge Tizón, Joan Coderch); Other are now in progress. See the web: <a href="http://www.psicoterapiarelacional.es/">http://www.psicoterapiarelacional.es/</a>
- An e-journal: Clínica e Investigación Relacional. Editors: Alejandro Ávila, Ramón Riera and Margaret Crastnopol. Editor in chief: Carlos Rodríguez-Sutil. <a href="http://www.psicoterapiarelacional.es/CeIRREVISTAOnline/CEIRPortada/tabid/216/Default.aspx">http://www.psicoterapiarelacional.es/CeIRREVISTAOnline/CEIRPortada/tabid/216/Default.aspx</a>
- The first of a series of **Annual Meetings of IARPP-Spain** have been place in Palacio Magalia, Las Navas del Marqués, Spain, February 2009 with Hazel Ipp as Key-Figure and Invited Address.
- The second is in Barcelone (Catalunya, Spain, April 2010, with Karlen Lyons-Ruth as Key-Figure and Invited Address.
- A collection of publications on relational psychoanalysis in Spanish: "PENSAMIENTO RELACIONAL".
   The first volume of the collection is devoted to the life and work of R.D.Fairbairn (author: C.Rodriguez Sutil); Other volumes are planned on S.A. Mitchell, D.W. Winnicott, H.S. Sullivan & E. Pichon-Rivière, between others key figures, and other monographs on theoretical and clinical issues.
- Alejandro Ávila & Ramón Riera have been designated co-chairs of IARPP 2011 annual Conference in Madrid (June 29 to July 2, 2011). IARPP-Spain is deeply involved supporting the organization of this main event.

#### MAIN PAPERS AND LECTURES PRESENTED

- GRITA group, integrated by 9 IARPP-Spain members have presented papers in Athens, Tel-Aviv and San Francisco Conferences (2007, 2009, 2010).
- Some members have presented individual contributions to IARPP Meetings: R. Riera (Boston, Athens); J.M. Pinto (Rome, Athens); A. Liberman (Baltimore, Athens); A. Ávila (Athens, Tel-Aviv).

#### TRAINING ACTIVITIES AND SEMINARS SPONSORED

Training program on Relational Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy. Developed in Spanish language
and directed by Alejandro Ávila (Organized by Ágora Relacional-Madrid): Three levels, 220 hours of
activities each level, devoted to main theoretical perspectives on Relational Psychoanalysis; theory and
technique of Intersubjective Psychotherapy; and Clinical applications. With a variety of contributors:
Alejandro Ávila, Carlos R. Sutil, Manuel Aburto, Pilar Vivar, Ramon Riera, Rosa Velasco, Augusto Abello,
Ariel Liberman, José Jiménez-Avello, J.M. Pinto and others. This program includes lectures, case
presentations, group supervision and group discussions.



- Other main seminars in Ágora Relacional Madrid: (1) Relational Clinic (conducted by Alejandro Ávila; 120 hours); (2) Key Figures for Relational Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (During 2006-07 we're studying the contributions of Sándor Ferenczi [by J.J. Avello], Ronald Fairbairn [by C.R. Sutil], Stephen Mitchell and other contemporaries [by Ariel Liberman], Heinz Kohut [by A. Ávila]; R.D. Stolorow & J.D. Lichtenberg [by A. Ávila & C.R. Sutil]; (3) Clinical applications: Severe Personality Disorders | Clinical & Forensic Diagnosis (both conducted by Carlos R. Sutil; 60 hours); Trauma Intervention (conducted by M. Aburto; 60 hours); Psychosomatics (conducted by M. Aburto; 60 hours), and other proposals that change each year.
- **Seminar: Conflicts Negotiation and contemporary Relational Psychotherapy.** Conducted by J.M. Pinto.
- **Key invited figures:** Robert D. Stolorow (Barcelone, Almagro); Gianni Nebbiosi (Almagro); Donna Orange (Barcelone); Margaret Crastnopol (Madrid); Malcolm Slavin (Barcelone); Andrew Morrison (Madrid); Franco Borgogno (Madrid); Hazel Ipp (Las Navas del Marqués); Joseph D. Lichtenberg (Madrid); Roberto Arendar (Madrid); Joan Coderch (Madrid), among others.

#### WHO IS WHO IN THE PRESENT BOARD OF SPAIN CHAPTER

- **Alejandro Ávila**, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and President of IARPP-Spain Chapter, focuses on technical and research advancements on psychotherapy process. Organizer of the 1<sup>st</sup> congres on Intersubjectivity in Spain (Almagro, 2002) has promoted the interventions in Madrid and surroundings of Robert Stolorow, Gianni Nebiossi, Margaret Crastnopol, Andrew Morrison, Hazel Ipp, Joseph Lichtenberg. Editor of the journal *Intersubjetivo* (1999-2006), and the new e-journal: *Clínica e Investigación Relacional* (from 2007 to present).
- **José-Manuel Pinto**, Clinical Psychologist & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and Treasurer of IARPP-Spain Chapter is one of the pioneers of relational training seminars in Madrid, focuses on management of Therapeutic Alliance, Impasse and Conflicts Negotiation.
- **Ramón Riera**, Psychiatrist & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and Vice-President of IARPP-Spain Chapter has been the promotor and conducter of the Relational Psychoanalysis Seminar in Barcelone during years, and promoted a wide variety of training activities of IARPP members in Spain, such as Robert Stolorow, Joseph Lichtemberg, Malcolm Slavin, Donna Orange, Gianni Nebiossi, Margaret Crastnopol and many others.
- **Carlos R. Sutil**, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist, Member of the IARPP-Spain Chapter Board, focuses on psychopathology, assessment, psychoanalytical psychotherapy and philosophy of psychology. Awarded with the Prize "Dámaso Alonso" for an Essay in Philosophy on the Wittgenstein's work.
- **Rosa Velasco**, Physician & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and Member of the IARPP-Spain Chapter Board, focuses on clínical aspects of Shame and Transference, giving lectures and contributions to a variety of seminars.
- **Pilar Vivar**, Clinical Psychologist & Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist and Secretary of IARPP-Spain Chapter, focuses on psychotherapy of children and adolescents, and interventions with adoptive parents.

By December 2010 a new board will be elected.

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