



**THE 20th INTERNATIONAL
NEUROPSYCHOANALYSIS
CONGRESS, *Université Libre
de Bruxelles (ULB), Brussels***

**SATISFACTION AT LAST
NEUROPSYCHOANALYSIS ON SEX,
DRIVE, AND ENJOYMENT**

18 – 20 July 2019

Simultaneous English-French translation will be provided

EDUCATIONAL DAY

Thursday 18 July

Chair: Maggie Zellner

09:30-10:30	Registration
10:30-11:15	Ariane Bazan: <i>What is sex?</i>
11:15-11:30	Discussion from the floor
11:30-11:35	Comfort break
11:35-12:20	Oliver Turnbull: <i>The neuroscience of sexuality: Why and how</i>
12:20-12:35	Discussion from the floor
12:35-13:35	Lunch
13:35-14:20	Lisa Ouss: <i>How to revisit infantile sexuality without throwing it out with the bathwater?</i>
14:20-14:35	Discussion from the floor
14:35-14:40	Comfort break
14:40-15:25	Gertrudis Van de Vijver: <i>Sexual difference and primary versus secondary processes: A matter of logics</i>
15:25-15:40	Discussion from the floor
15:40	End of Educational Day

CONGRESS

15:40-16:40	Registration and Tea
16:40-16:45	Mark Solms and Cristina Alberini: <i>Welcome</i>
16:45-16:50	Ariane Bazan: <i>Opening Comments</i>
16:50-18:50	Plenary symposium: <i>Wherever Narcissus is, Echo had already been: Interdisciplinary perspectives on narcissism and sexuality</i> — Chair: Aikaterini Fotopoulou Presenters: Manos Tsakiris, Susan Mizen and Aikaterini Fotopoulou
18:50-19:20	Discussion from the floor
19:30	Reception at Salle Dupréel, Solbosch Campus, Université Libre de Bruxelles

Friday 19 July

Chair: Irith Barzel-Raveh

09:00-09:45	Valerie Voon: <i>Deconstructing a pathologically repetitive behaviour: Compulsive sexual behavior</i>
09:45-09:50	Passeur: Maggie Zellner
09:50-10:10	Discussion from the floor
10:10-10:15	Comfort break
10:15-11:00	Dany Nobus: <i>Traumas, threats and terrors: Psychoanalytic sex and the assaults on the nervous system</i>
11:00-11:05	Passeur: Nikolai Axmacher
11:05-11:25	Discussion from the floor
11:25-11:55	<i>Coffee and posters</i>
11:55-13:45	Parallel sessions: Symposium and Oral presentations

Room: La Salle Dupréel

Parallel session 1: Symposium – *Post traumatic sexuality as free energy*

Iftah Biran	<i>The wandering womb as a metaphor for free energy</i>
Kobi Tiberg	<i>Beyond the binding principle: Complex trauma and free energy</i>
Hadas Mor-Ofek (Leader)	<i>The traumatic consequences of sexual abuse – Implications of free energy principle</i>

Room: Sommeville

Parallel session 2: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: **Efraín Rios-Ruiz**

Yoram Yovell	<i>Molecules of pleasure and unpleasure</i>
Tali Marron	<i>Symbolizing emotion in consciousness: An fMRI study of emotional and cognitive outcomes of 5 sessions of free association</i>
Frans Schalkwijk	<i>Haunted by the past: Old emotions remain salient in insomnia disorder</i>
Paul Moore	<i>Fornix resection and the compulsion to repeat: Repetition phenomena in a long-term psychoanalytic psychotherapy with a second patient with profound amnesia</i>

13:45-14:45 *Lunch and Poster Presentations*

Chair: Lisa Ouss

- 14:45-15:30** **Aikaterini Fotopoulou:** *Beyond the pleasure principle: The nirvana principle as a necessary condition of psychological existence*
- 15:30-15:35** Passeur: **Daniela Flores Mosri**
- 15:35-15:55** Discussion from the floor
- 15:55-16:00** **Comfort break**
- 16:00-16:45** **Guy Le Gaufey:** *A perfect misunderstanding: What does “Il n’y a pas de rapport sexuel” mean?*
- 16:45-16:50** Passeur: **John Dall’Aglia**
- 16:50-17:10** Discussion from the floor
- 17:10-17:40** Tea and Posters
- 17:40-19:05** **Oxford-Style Debate:** *This house believes that psychoanalytic accounts of drives are inconsistent with current neuroscientific findings*
- Chair: Marieke van Dam**
- For the motion: Daniela Flores Mosri and Oliver Turnbull**
- Against the motion: Gertrudis Van de Vijver and Nikolai Axmacher**
- Optional Dinner at La Quincaillerie**

Saturday 20 July

Chair: Maggie Zellner

- 09:00-09:45** **Mark Solms:** *Proposed revisions to Freudian drive theory*
- 09:45-09:50** Passeur: **Cristina Alberini**
- 09:50-10:10** Discussion from the floor
- 10:10-10:15** **Comfort break**
- 10:15-11:00** **Ariane Bazan & Gertrudis Van de Vijver:** *Integrating neuroscientific and psychoanalytic views on sex, drive and enjoyment*
- 11:00-11:05** Passeur: **A member of the audience**
- 11:05-11:25** Discussion from the floor
- 11:25-11:55** *Coffee and Posters*
- 11:55-13:45** Parallel sessions: Symposium and oral presentations

Room: La Salle Dupréel

Parallel session 3: Symposium – Enslaved to love, enslaved to drugs; what is the difference?

Brian Johnson	<i>Engineering neurobiological systems</i>
Daniela Flores Mosri	<i>Neurobiological and subjective cascades in addiction: Analysis of failed illusions and the death instinct concept</i>
Mark Solms (Discussant)	

Room: Sommeville

Parallel session 4: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: Gerd Waldhauser

Giulia Olyff	<i>Reading rebuses and (ordinary) psychosis</i>
Martina Wernicke	<i>A sexual approach to consciousness</i>
Lisa Ouss	<i>Infants' attachment and maternal involvement in infants' neurological disorders: revisiting the links between drive and attachment theories</i>
Fatma Gökçe Özkarar Gradwohl	<i>Gender effect in cross-cultural affective neuroscience personality comparisons: Examples from Japan, Turkey and Germany</i>

Room: Baugniet

Parallel session 5: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: **Doris Reismann-Lagrèze**

Iftah Biran	<i>Down regulations of the SEEKING system in Parkinson's disease experienced as narcissistic withdrawal</i>
Giles Yeates	<i>The intersection of attachment and desire in psychosexual therapy following acquired brain injury</i>
Leanne Rowlands	<i>Focus on feelings: A mixed-methods evaluation of an emotion-oriented brain injury treatment programme</i>
Christophe Clesse	<i>First steps of the sexualization process and neuropsychanalysis: Which connections in the current state of knowledge?</i>

13:45-15:10

Lunch and Poster Presentations and The Int'l NPSA Society AGM

15:10-17:00

Parallel Sessions: Oral presentations

Room: La Salle Dupréel

Parallel session 6: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: **Jasper Feyaerts**

Tiziano Colibazzi	<i>Splitting identified in automated speech analysis predicts character pathology</i>
Human-Friedrich Unterrainer	<i>Decreased attachment-related oxytocin reactivity in polydrug users undergoing maintenance therapy compared to healthy controls</i>
Andrea Clarici	<i>The role of oxytocin in minimizing surprise and maximizing the sense of intrapsychic safety</i>
Yuli Fradkin	<i>Comparison of personality traits in pedophiles, opioid addicts and healthy controls: Considering pedophilia as an addictive behavior</i>

Room: Sommeville

Parallel session 7: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: **Robert Scharf**

Filipe Arantes-Gonçalves	<i>Understanding the symbolic content of visual hallucinations: A patient with Charles-Bonnett syndrome in psychoanalytic psychotherapy</i>
Claudio Lourenco	<i>Presence vs. absence of post concussion syndrome and its implication in clinical formulation</i>
Joseph McFadden	<i>Alpha-1 adrenergic blocking agents in stress disorders - Impact on analytic process</i>
Davide Tomatis	<i>Deal with sexuality after brain injury. Transference, counter-transference and physical contact in psychotherapy</i>

Room: Baugniet

Parallel session 8: Oral presentations [25 min each] — Chair: **Giulia Olyff**

John Dall'Aglio	<i>Sex is prediction error: Jouissance and the free energy principle</i>
Dieter De Grave	<i>The battle of the (S)Exes: How dopamine and salience syndrome can bridge the 1911 Freud Jung Bleuler schism on the sexual nature of the drive</i>
Rami Gabriel	<i>The affective psychodynamics of pleasure: Reward associations in drug use and consumer society</i>
Joshua Kellman	<i>Play celebrates the joy of surprise for evolutionary adaptation</i>

Chair: Maria Sonia Goergen

17:00-17:20

Short Tea Break

17:20-17:50

The Poster Prize and The Sloan-Menninger-Shevrin Award Ceremony

17:50-18:20

Closing Remarks

*NB: In psychoanalytic terms, a **passeur** is someone who listens and passes on what was heard to someone else. With the function of the “passeur” we wish to make more tangible to the audience what could be heard from one perspective in listening to another. That is why we choose a psychoanalytical “passeur” for a neuroscientific paper, a neuroscientific “passeur” for a psychoanalytical paper.*

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