

PLAY:
The Social Mind and Brain
6-8 July 2023

EDUCATION DAY

Thursday 6 July

Venue: Tel Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, Ichilov

Chairs: Irith Raveh-Barzel and Najla Asmar

- 09:00-10:00** **Registration and Coffee**
- 10:00-11:00** **Stephen Sivy:** *Brains motivated to PLAY: A brief introduction to the neuroscience of mammalian playfulness*
- 11:00-11:15** Discussion from the floor
- 11:15-11:45** *Comfort break*
- 11:45- 12:45** **Itai Berger:** *The Neuro-Developmental Importance of PLAY*
- 12:45-13:00** Discussion from the floor
- 13:00-14:00** *Lunch*
- 14:00-15:00** **Boaz Shalgi:** *Play and its vicissitudes in psychoanalysis*
- 15:00-15:15** Discussion from the floor

CONGRESS

- 15:15-16:00** **Registration and Tea**
- 16:00-16:30** *Welcome by Dr Andrea Clarici and opening comments by Professor Ronni Gamzu (CEO of Ichilov Hospital) and Professor Abdussalam Azem (Dean of Life Sciences)*
- 16:30-17:30** **Stephen Sivy:** *Deciphering the neurobiology of mammalian playfulness: What the less playful Fischer 344 rat can tell us about play*
- 17:30-18:00** Discussion from the floor
- 18:00-18:30** **A short film of Jaak Panksepp:** *Rough & Tumble: Taking Play Seriously*
(Produced and directed by Yuri Makino)

Get-together on the roof of the Ichilov Hospital

Friday 7 July

Venue: ZOA House

Chair: Udi Oren

- 08:30-09:00** **Mark Solms:** *Play: Bridging from Neuroscience to Psychoanalysis*
- 09:00-10:40** **Plenary symposium:** *Memory meets PLAY: Three perspectives from neuroscience*
Presenters: Mouna Maroun, Simone Shamay-Tsoory and Nikolai Axmacher
- 10:40-10:55** Discussion from the floor
- 10:55-11:20** *Coffee and Posters*
- 11:20-13:00** Parallel sessions: Symposium and Oral presentations

Main auditorium: Martha

Parallel session 1: Symposium and oral presentation [25 min for oral presentation] - Chair: Sharon Ziv Beiman

Najla Asmar (Leader) Safaa Ghnadre-Naser Inas Assi-Armaly	<i>The Precious Stones: Witnesses to the Past; Defenders of the Present and Guardians of the Future</i>
Idit Shalev	<i>The Theory of Motivated-Cue-Integration: A New Look on Self-Regulation, Failure and Reparation Through Creativity</i>

Room A: Gallery

Parallel session 2: Oral presentations [25 min each] - Chair: Osnat Cohen Ganor

Maria Sonia Goergen	<i>Neurodevelopment – A Clinical Case: The Importance of the Follow-up and the Understanding of the Quality of Functional PLAY throughout the Bottom up / top down Maturational Acquisitions</i>
Dana Belle Vilker	<i>Work Hard, Play Harder</i>
Joshua Weiss	<i>Dominance, Empathy and PLAY – Understanding and Treating Psychopathy Through Comprehensive Theoretical Models and Clinical Observations</i>
Sarah Clark	<i>Putting yourself in the dock: Difficulty of working with a melancholic patient</i>

Room B: Salon

Parallel session 3: Oral presentations [25 min each] - Chair: Oria Tishbi

Iftah Biran	<i>Neuropsychanalytic Formulation of Dora's Case through the Lens of the PLAY System</i>
Ilana Ben Haim	<i>Using musical dialog to release a stuck "play" button - Play therapy with a 5 years old child</i>
Hadas Mor-Ofek	<i>Making the expected unexpected – PLAY, transitional space and precision in psychotherapy</i>
Kobi Tiberg	<i>Repetition disruption: Surprise, between trauma and humour</i>

13:00-14:00 *Lunch and Poster Presentations*

14:00-15:40 Parallel sessions: Symposia and Oral presentations

Main auditorium: Martha

Parallel session 4: Oral presentations [50 min, then 25 min for remaining 2] - Chair: Irith Raveh-Barzel

Eli Wertman	<i>Neural Basis of Communicative Drive in Social Play and Speech</i>
Avshalom Elitzur	<i>Reafference – The Neural Mechanism Underlying Therapeutic Insight?</i>
Elena Massardi	<i>Fighting and "play fighting": When play helps the parent/child relationship</i>

Room A: Gallery

Parallel session 5: Symposium - Chair: Dor Roitman

Dor Roitman (Leader) Liat Goldenberg Racheli Ben David Maya First	<i>All creatures, great and small: PLAY in Psychotherapy in the Presence of Animals (AAP)</i>
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Room B: Salon

Parallel session 6: Symposium - Chair: Yossi Salz

Lois Oppenheim (Leader) Dorit Noy Sharav Alina Danevych Susan Sherkow	<i>Play, Creativity and the Artistic Experience</i>
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15:40-16:05 *Tea and Posters*

16:05-17:45 Parallel sessions: Symposia

Main auditorium: Martha

Parallel session 7: Symposium - Chair: Avi Berman

Emil-Gabriel Enache (Leader) Dor Roitman Andrea Valente Elena Markova Alina Danevych	<i>Play, Developmental Processes, FREP and Resilience in Individuals and Exploring Group Dynamics from a Neuropsychanalytic Perspective</i>
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Room A: Gallery

Parallel session 8: Symposium - Chair: Jane Abrams

Joshua Kellman (Leader) Kristin Rosseau Tracey Simon Mark Solms (Discussant)	<i>Consideration of a Developmentally Early Form of PLAY that Engages Pre-Verbal, Affect-Based Work with Patients</i>
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Room B: Salon

Parallel session 9: Symposia - Chair: Alicia Golijov

Itzhak Benyamini (Leader) Hovav Rashelbach Efrat Kaplan Marina Risin Sa'ar Karp Gershon Shirli Sela Levavi	<i>The One and the Group - A psycho-mathematic discussion: A Symposium concerning a seminar written by Itzhak Benyamini and annotated by Joshua Lavie</i>
Ynon Weisman	<i>Unlocking the Self: Perspectives on Psilocybin-Assisted Psychotherapy</i>

18:30-20:00 Oxford–style Debate in a Bar in TLV

‘This house believes that PLAY is not a drive.’

Moderator: **Nikolai Axmacher**

For the motion: **Lisa Ouss** and **Paul Moore**

Against the motion: **Jane Abrams** and **Yossi Salz**

Optional Dinner

Saturday 8 July

Venue: ZOA House

Chair: Sharon Ziv Beiman

08:30-09:00 Yoram Yovell: *Endogenous Opioid Modulation of PLAY, Pain, and Placebo*

09:00-10:40 Plenary discussion between Shlomo Mendlovic and Mark Solms: *Dimensions of psychotherapy: Concepts and neural structures*
(Discussant: **Boaz Shalgi**, Chair: **Irith Raveh-Barzel**)

10:40-10:55 Discussion from the floor

10:55-11:25 *Coffee and Posters*

11:25-13:05 Plenary symposium: *Disturbance in the sense of what belongs to whom in narcissistic patients and the neural correlates of somatization*

Presenters: Susan Mizen (Chair), Elizabeth Weightman, Michal Tanzer and Aikaterini Fotopoulou (Discussant)

13:05-13:20 Discussion from the floor

13:20-14:35 *Lunch and Poster Presentations and The Int’l NPSA Society AGM*

14:35-16:15 Parallel sessions: Symposium and Oral presentations

Main auditorium: Martha

Parallel session 10: Symposium - Chair: Irith Raveh-Barzel

Ofer Peled (Leader) Ilana Laor Orly Gat Mark Solms (Discussant)	<i>Bridging the World of Brain Systems and Psychotherapies of Different Theoretical Orientations</i>
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Room A: Gallery

Parallel session 11: Oral presentations [25 min each] - Chair: Rivka Davidovits Epstein

Danièle Lapointe	<i>The qualitative results of the social support search strategies with a group of 33 Quebec women victims of incest</i>
Patrizia Rosso	<i>Play, attachment and the emergence of consciousness</i>
Gry Osnes	<i>Proactive CARE and Sustainability in Organizations: The Emotional Brain and Ecopsychology</i>
Alicia Golijov	<i>Microtrauma, (Mal)adjustment, and Cellular Memory – Games that Sicken and Games That Heal</i>

Room B: Salon

Parallel session 12: Oral presentations [25 min each] - Chair: Paul Moore

Stefano Bembich	<i>The Human Brain Responds Very Early to a Caring Relationship: Functional Activation of the Frontal Cortex during Kangaroo Mother Care in Very Preterm Newborns</i>
Giovanna Tatti	<i>How to Gain Deep Freedom by Learning to Play within the Limits</i>
Naum Itkin	<i>Vicissitudes of the Social Brain and Mind</i>
Dori Rubinstein	<i>Fantastic Reality: The Role of Imagination, Playfulness and Creativity in Healing Trauma</i>

Chairs: Irith Raveh-Barzel and Najla Asmar

16:15-16:45 *Short Tea Break*

16:45-17:00 *The Poster Prize and The Sloan-Menninger-Shevrin Award Ceremony*

17:00-17:45 **Mark Solms:** *Closing Remarks*

Reflections on the rooftop of the Cinema Hotel

Local Organizing Committee, Israel: Yoram Yovell, Najla Asmar and Irith Raveh-Barzel (co-chairs) *working with* Yossi Salz, Sharon Ziv Beiman, Aner Govrin, Ofer Peled, Oria Tishbi, Danny Kafri, Iftah Biran, Rivka Davidovits Epstein and Target Conferences.

The International NPSA Congress Committee: Cristina Alberini, Nikolai Axmacher, Irith Raveh-Barzel, Anna Chapman, Daniela Flores Mosri, Lisa Ouss, Mark Solms and Oliver Turnbull.

The Executive Committee of the International Neuropsychoanalysis Society: Mark Solms, Cristina Alberini, Nikolai Axmacher, Irith Raveh-Barzel, Daniela Flores Mosri, Richard Kessler, Andrea Clarici and Maria Sonia Goergen.