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(1) OPENING EVENT – with Véronique Voruz, (NLS, ECF, WAP)

The opening of ICLO's calendar of activities for the academic year 2023/2024 and presentation of its programme launches at the occasion of the Opening Event on **9th September 2023**. The work axis foregrounding the theme this year is:-

“LOOK NORMAL! *Psychoanalysis < > Depathologisation*”

This title reflects both the themes of the forthcoming World Association of Psychoanalysis (WAP) Conference, “*Everyone is Mad,*” to be held online on 22nd – 25th March 2024 and also the New Lacanian School (NLS) XXIII Congress, “*Clinic of the Gaze,*” to be held here in Dublin over the weekend of 11th & 12th May 2024.

ICLO's work axis centre stages our researches, studies and interrogative work weaving around both congress themes and resonating in the seminars delivered by visiting guests throughout the academic year.

Guest analyst Véronique Voruz (NLS, ECF, WAP), will present the first seminar speaking to the axis at the Opening Event. This will be followed by two clinical cases presented in the afternoon by ICLO members, which will be open to all in attendance.

The event is in person and open to all with an interest in psychoanalysis. More details at: www.iclo-nls.org.

(2) ANNUAL CLINICAL & THEORETICAL SEMINARS

East guest analyst presenting at the Annual Clinical & Theoretical Seminars will choose a title framed within ICLO's work axis. A morning seminar elucidated by theoretical concepts is presented by the guest analyst. This is frequently followed by one or more presenters in dialogue with the visiting analyst, often taking the form of an exposition and discussion of a published clinical case.

A clinical conversation open to all event participants takes place in the afternoon.

We are pleased to announce three guest analysts this year:

Clotilde Leguil (ECF, WAP) – 27th January 2024

Miquel Bassols Puig (ELP, NLS, ECF, EOL, WAP) – 9th March 2024

Domenico Cosenza (SLP, NLS, WAP) – 13th April 2024



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(3) NLS KNOTTINGS SEMINAR 2023

The NLS Knottings Seminar (based on the use of Lacan's Borromean Knot) is a clinical and epistemic encounter knotted with the transference at work in the School.

Following on from the initiative of the NLS President, Daniel Roy last year, this Seminar under the rubric "Making School," seeks to explore the formation of the analyst in the School, elaborated by a conversation based on a chapter from Jacques-Alain Miller's book *"Comment finissent les analyses - Paradoxes de la passe."*

The NLS Knottings Seminar will be facilitated this year by NLS President, Daniel Roy, with the participation of Philip Dravers (NLS, London Society of the NLS, WAP), and ICLO member Claire Hawkes on **9th December 2023**.

(4) MEMBERS' SCHOOL SEMINAR

The Members' School Seminar is a closed seminar for ICLO members, whereby the dimension of Lacan's School is worked via seminal texts. This may take the form of foundational texts regarding the concept of the School, the cartel and the pass or pass testimonies by analysts of the School.

The question of the formation of the analyst, the passage from analysand to analyst, the bond of the analyst to the School as subject, and the question of how the singularity of the subject member of the School can be maintained within a multitude of which a School is comprised, are some of the topics elaborated in this space.

This year, members will work on the recently published book *"Analysis Laid Bare"* by Jacques-Alain Miller on the dates **22nd September, 3rd November, 19th January, 1st March**.

(5) FORMATION SPACE - THE ANALYST & ITS' SCHOOL

These are evening events with guest analysts who engage in the transmission of the knotting of the political dimension of psychoanalysis - namely the end of analysis and the grouping of analysts - with its clinical and theoretical dimensions through the experience of the School.

This space not only continues the work of the Members' School Seminar but is open to all with an interest in psychoanalysis. The question of the formation of the analyst, the passage from analysand to analyst, the bond of the analyst to the School as subject, as well as the 'neurotic fundament of the desire of the analyst' - for each one - is put to work.



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We are pleased to announce three guest analysts this year:

Clotilde Leguil (ECF, WAP) – 26th January 2024

Miquel Bassols Puig (ELP, NLS, ECF, EOL, WAP) – 8th March 2024

Domenico Cosenza (SLP, NLS, WAP) – 12th April 2024

(7) INTRODUCTORY SEMINAR SERIES: ANALYSIS, TREATMENT, CURE

ICLO will hold an open introductory seminar series on the first Wednesday of the months October and December, and the third Wednesday of November 2023 titled as above. The seminar series is open to anyone with an interest in psychoanalysis of the Lacanian Orientation and will be held in person and online via Zoom. More information at: www.iclo-nls.org.

Rik Loose & Joanne Conway - 4th October 2023

Alan Rowan & Raphael Montague – 15th November 2023

Florencia F.C. Shanahan & Linda Clarke - 6th December 2023

(8) TEACHING SEMINAR

The Teaching Seminar titled “*Psychoanalysis. A Practice of the Letter*” recommences in September 2023 and will conclude at year end 2024. In 1965 Lacan writes that “the practice of the letter converges with the usage of the unconscious.” It is perhaps the only time that Lacan uses this expression. However, the question of the letter, writing and reading, is present in Lacan’s work from early on and is at the core of his encounter with psychoanalysis and “return to Freud.”

This seminar will consist of an exploration - over three years - of Lacan’s major works on these issues in their articulation with clinical practice and the specificity of the analytic experience according to the Lacanian Orientation.

Applications will open towards the end of 2023 for the final year of the seminar series.

The Teaching Seminar is held exclusive online via Zoom on the 4th Wednesday of each calendar month and commences on *Wednesday 27th September 2023 @ 8pm.*

Conducted by: Florencia F.C. Shanahan



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(9) CARTEL WORK

The work of cartels is one of the crucial pillars grounding a formation in psychoanalysis and at the same time, a space for anyone interested in psychoanalytic thinking. Anyone with an interest in Lacanian psychoanalysis can choose this way of accessing knowledge, not without others.

There are no formal requirements other than a desire to inscribe one's singular relationship to psychoanalysis within the framework of this device invented by Lacan - where one works to follow the pathway of one's own trait in the reading of texts. If you are interested in forming or joining a cartel, contact cartels@iclo-nls.org.

Each year ICLO launches cartel work anew. On **14th October 2023** with the title "*... and slowly read ... (Yeats). True Psychoanalysis and False (Lacan)*," we invite all with an interest in psychoanalysis to join in this endeavour. The event will be in person and online via Zoom. More information at: www.iclo-nls.org.

Cartels Delegates: Ros McCarthy, Tom Ryan

(10) CLINICAL CASE DISCUSSION (CCD)

The CCD is a space offered to both members and non-members engaged in clinical practice from a Lacanian orientation, to formalise their clinical work and also interrogate psychoanalytic concepts, (diagnosis, symptom, transference, unconscious, drive, repetition, subject, object, Other, body).

The space is open to practicing clinicians resident in Ireland - students, trainees, psychotherapists, psychiatrists, psychologists - who are engaged in analysis and supervision.

The CCD is held in person on the second Wednesday of each month @ 8pm and recommences on **13th September 2023**.

Applications will open towards the end of 2023 for consideration of new participants in 2024.

Co-Ordinators: Claire Hawkes, Caroline Heanue, Sheila Power, Alan Rowan

(12) SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) Child & Adolescent Lacanian Psychoanalysis

The (SIG) is a closed working group represented by a variety of disciplines, who wish to



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investigate questions pertaining to their clinical work. Its specificity resides in the exploration of the psychoanalytic clinic of the Lacanian Orientation with children and adolescents. The working theme this year will closely trace that of the NLS Congress title in addition to Guy Poblome's paper "The Child in the Mirror and its Double."

Applications will open towards the end of 2023 for consideration of new participants in 2024.

29th September, 20th October, 24th November, 5th January, 9th February, 22nd March, 19th April, 24th May 2024

Co-Ordinators: Denise Waters & Joanne Conway

(13) WORK AXIS & YOUTH POLICY

Each year, ICLO's **Calendar** of events and work **Programme** is devised and developed within the framework of a work axis which underpins planned activities. This axis always reflects, and sometimes echoes the theme of the annual NLS congress therefore offering a focus of study, to question and interrogate throughout the academic year. This year, the axis also reflects the biennial online WAP conference.

A renewed focus in drawing up the **Programme** this year has concentrated on implementing our Youth Policy. ICLO's founding purpose of psychoanalytic formation and transmission of psychoanalysis of the Lacanian Orientation was instated at its inauguration in 2009. As ICLO celebrates 15 years of this work in June 2024, we look forward to continuing this work and to welcoming new participation at events through the auspices of our Youth Policy.

ICLO Youth Policy (IYP) is instituted in the development of its 2023/2024 **Programme** of work and activities and thereafter, and inscribes itself in what was named by Jacques- Alain Miller as the "New Youth Policy."

It is concerned with both members new to ICLO and to the School, and also participants new to psychoanalysis.

Although nominated with the signifier "Youth," the policy seeks not to be determined by age but rather directed by singular transferences and desire. Its aim is twofold:

- For new members, it offers a specific formation space for clinical and theoretical discussion and debate, accompanied by an open invitation for the products of this work to be shared at ICLO events throughout the **Programme**. This space will be informal in setting, with its regularity agreed by participants.
- The remit of the Youth Policy regarding new audiences in the City is to reach those with an interest in psychoanalysis, including but not limited to, students and clinicians of



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psychoanalysis and other disciplines by offering introductory seminars. It will concentrate on theoretical/clinical elaboration, in addition to discussion of contemporary issues.

The series of three Introductory Seminars outlined in point (7) above - to be held both in person and online and open to all with an interest in psychoanalysis - is conceived on the basis of distinguishing psychotherapy and psychoanalysis, and is structured to encourage debate and discussion.

Other tailored spaces for audiences new to psychoanalysis will be developed from January 2024.

ICLO Youth Policy team is coordinated by ***Rik Loose***.



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*The symbolic will print semantic representations onto the imaginary body,
which the speaking body then weaves and unweaves.
It is in this respect that one's debility destines the speaking body as such to delusion.
You wonder how someone who has done an analysis
can still imagine themselves to be normal.
Jacques-Alain Miller(*)*

The opposition between a "clinic of the gaze" and a "clinic of listening"¹ lies at the very heart of the constitution of the so-called "psychoanalytic clinic." From Charcot to Freud, the distinction between the normal and the pathological was forever subverted with the invention of an unheard-of partner for and of the subject's suffering: the unconscious and its psychoanalyst.

Words and images fail to account for the real that drives the subject's destiny without them knowing it. But the forms that the knotting between the three registers that Lacan proposed to formalise the experience that analytic practice constitutes are not separated from the times in which they emerge.

The current pregnancy of the imaginary, the expansion of virtuality, the short-circuiting of speech and interpretation, and their impact in the modes in which subjects inhabit (or not) the social bond, lead us to interrogate how imperatives are instituted today, what exigencies subjects are confronted by and to, what means – old and new – are available to respond and treat them.

In times of the "fundamental clinical equality between speaking-beings,"² but also of blurred boundaries between our bodies and screens, what is specific to psychoanalysis and the Lacanian understanding of "depathologising"?

Both the themes of the forthcoming WAP³ and NLS⁴ Congresses will be at the centre of the investigations proposed for this year's ICLO-NLS programme, and we look forward to the various events and spaces where this research and learning will take place. Join us in the adventure!

Florencia F.C. Shanahan
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(*) "The Unconscious and the Speaking Body", Online [here](#).

[1] Cf. for instance G. Lanteri-Laura, P. Bercherie, M. Foucault.

[2] Miller, J.-A., *op. cit.*

[3] "Everyone is Mad", XIVth [Congress of the World Association of Psychoanalysis](#). To be held online on 22nd-25th February 2024.

[4] "Clinic of the Gaze", XXIInd [Congress of the New Lacanian School](#). To be held in Dublin on 11th-12th May 2024.