Campus News

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Dear subscribers,

Here you will find the latest news from the IPU Berlin, information on upcoming events as well as the monthly column by IPU President Prof. Jan-Hendrik Olbertz.

The IPU Berlin and the KKC Bochum are currently offering a **postdoctoral fellowship** in social and cultural psychology and psychoanalysis. The application deadline is 30 June 2024. Further information can be found **on our website**.

Prof. Andreas Hamburger will soon be publishing a new book on film psychoanalysis with Routledge (use the code EFLY01 by 30 June 2024 for a special discount.). The IPU Berlin is represented on the **MS Wissenschaft**, which is on tour in Germany and Austria throughout the year. Find out more **in our spotlight**.

passed away at the age of 85. Read more about Kakar in our spotlight.

The IPU Berlin mourns the loss of Sudhir Kakar. The renowned Indian psychoanalyst recently

at the IPU Berlin

Long Night of the Sciences 2024

Joint program with Berlin psychoanalytic institutes

22 June 2024



Events

23 May 2024 | 7 pm

Library Talk: Jacques Lacan - The BasicsWith Leon S. Brenner and Calum Neill

Register on our website.

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28 May 2024 | 8 pm The Banalization of Antisemitism

Lecture by Rosine Jozef Perelberg as part of the summer lecture series organized by the initiative krIPU and funded by the StuRa and the IPU Sponsors and Fundraisers Association. Register on our website.

Negative Hallucinations, Dreams and Hallucinations - The Framing Structure and Its

29 May 2024 | 9 am

Representation in the Analytic Setting
Clinical Workshop with Rosine Jozef Perelberg.

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11 June 2024 | 5 pm IPU information event for prospective students

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Long Night of the Sciences at the IPU Berlin

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Nemo Mettler. Nemo is nonbinary, and the song "The Code" – an artistic mixture of rap, drum and bass, and opera – tells the story of a journey of self-awareness (and emancipation). This

rotating shell-like platform that is neither a sphere nor a disk.

The May column by IPU President Prof. Jan-Hendrik Olbertz

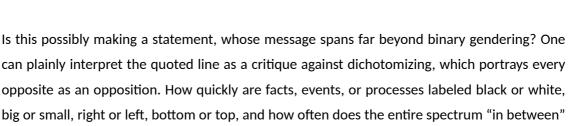
was the first time a nonbinary person has won the ESC.

My satirical side wanted to yell, "finally!", but its more reflected parts of me recommended I look more closely, especially at the lyric, "Somewhere between the Os and 1s, that's where I found my kingdom come". Nemo sings this in plumage reminiscent of Papageno with passages

similar in coloratura to Mozart's The Magic Flute, and performs it with wild dance moves on a

First place in the Eurovision Song Contest (ESC) in Malmö was recently awarded to Swiss artist

Prof. Jan-Hendrik Olbertz has been President of the International Psychoanalytic University Berlin since July 2021. Once a month, he provides commentary here on contemporary, timeless, psychoanalytic and political issues.



fall out of sight? Breaking away from this is not without cause – gender included – even if it certainly doesn't always promise happiness or success. It is questionable whether it's even possible to escape these categorizations by simply picking new ones, which then just as quickly set one apart. However, if we could do without them completely, this would –perhaps – be possible. A criticism of digital structures, which represents everything with only two digits, can also be seen in these song lyrics. Recently, a young computer scientist opened my eyes to the infinite variations between even 0 and 1: Just within this small span, there are more numbers that cannot be expressed as fractions (such as periodic numbers) than there are natural numbers.

For nonbinary people, there is no pronoun yet identified in German – in contrast to the English singular "they". Among a wide range of suggestions, "pi" came into discussion, the mathematical symbol π , which represents the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Its value is approximately 3.14, but in reality, it's an unending fraction, as there are an infinite number of digits to the right of the decimal. Squaring the circle can be approached in theory,

If the song were indeed that broadly defined, I would join the nonbinary community (if they would take me), as the unending scale between digital codes, and really behind almost every dichotomy, is surely negotiable from person to person and only in a society open to it. 0 and 1 do not allow for this.



but not in practice.





