At the second conference on the history of psychoanalysis in the German-Polish-Jewish context, we are going to consider a range of differing perspectives. First of all, we would like to speak about the fate of Polish-Jewish psychoanalysts, psychiatrists and their patients during the war, the Holocaust, their escape and emigration. Our intention is to consider the individual and collective forms of coping and coming to terms with these experiences from a psychoanalytical perspective, especially their impact on psychoanalysis and psychiatry. Lastly, we intend to discuss the role of psychoanalysis in the development of forms of collective memory in the postwar period and in the present. The central issue in the research project that forms the basis for this conference is the work of the Polish psychiatrists and psychoanalysts, as well as Polish discussions about coping and coming to terms with these traumatic experiences. The Polish society is still facing the task of confronting the past and undertaking the work of mourning; mourning the extermination of Jews and their consequent disappearance from Poland, but also the marginalization of national minorities, the decimation of the intelligentsia, the victims of the civil war in Poland after World War II and the victims of Stalinism, and the mass resettlements. Increasing nationalism and the spreading attitudes of exclusion towards all forms of otherness in Poland today proves that this traumatic past has not been worked through.

For decades, the extent and consequences of totalitarianism in the 20th century was also not a topic of discussion in the Western world – neither in the social discourse nor on the psychoanalyst’s couch.

Questions about the return of the repressed and about the potential of humanity in psychoanalysis vis a vis the challenges of the newly disturbed balance of the world form the unspoken horizon of our wandering conference series, which began in 2017 in Krakow, is coming to Berlin in 2018 and then moves on to Warsaw next year. Many of speakers have chosen their approach here intuitively through the materiality of the places and the singularity of individual fates. In that sense, when a young Korean was asked why he made the long journey to Auschwitz, he answered: “In order to understand Europe”.

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Thursday, September 6, 2018

18.00  Opening
Ewa Kobylinska-Dehe, International Psychoanalytic University, Berlin

Welcoming Addresses
Martin Teising, President of the International Psychoanalytic University, Berlin
Paweł Dybel, Pedagogical University of Krakow

Public Lectures
Historizing the Holocaust – How to Make Meaning of a Special Historical Experience
Jörn Rüsen (Bochum)

Psychoanalysis as a Critical Theory of History. The Case of Poland
Andrzej Leder (Warsaw)

Reception

Friday, September 7, 2018

The Fate of Polish Psychoanalysts during Wartime and in the Postwar Period (I)

09.00  Chair: L. M. Hermanns
A Miraculous Escape. The Diaries of Roman Markuszewicz 1941-1944
Paweł Dybel (Krakow, Warsaw)

(No) Memory of the Extermination of the mentally ill in Poland
Mira Marcinow (Warsaw), Filip Marcinowski (Warsaw)

Daniel Fajsztejn – Between Psychoanalysis and Ethnography in the Vilnius Ghetto
Karolina Szymaniak (Krakow, Warsaw)

11.00  Coffee Break

The Fate of Polish Psychoanalysts during Wartime and in the Postwar Period (II)

11.30  Chair: Paweł Dybel
Salomea Kempner (1880-1943): From Plock to Warsaw via Zurich, Vienna and Berlin – A Psychoanalyst’s Career in the Shadow of the Holocaust
Ludger M. Hermanns (Berlin)

Rudolf M. Loewenstein and the Psychoanalytic Theory of Antisemitism
Bernhard Bolech (Berlin)

„It’s not the time to celebrate”. Freud’s Letters to his Sisters
Arkadi Blatow (Berlin)

13.30  Lunch Break

Psychiatry and Psychotherapy after the Holocaust

15.30  Chair: Anna Leszczynska-Koenen
The KZ Auschwitz-Birkenau Survivors Study at the Krakow University Department of Psychiatry
Jacek Bomba (Krakow), Krzysztof Szwajca (Krakow)

Empathy vs. "Scientific Research". Considerations on the Examination of Survivors of the Nazi Terror in Krakow and the Federal Republic of Germany
Siegfried Schröder (Berlin)

The Force of Destiny. Alberta Szalita – A Jewish Psychoanalyst from Warsaw in America
Ewa Kobylińska-Dehe (Frankfurt, Berlin)

Psychotherapy of Holocaust Survivors in Poland
Katarzyna Prot-Klinger (Warsaw), Krzysztof Szwajca (Krakow)

The Granddaughter. Psychoanalytic Work with a Patient of the Third Generation
Anna Leszczyńska-Koenen (Frankfurt)

Dreams as the source of historical research on the Holocaust
Barbara Engelking (Warsaw)

Chair: Martin Teising

The Legacy of “Bloodlands.” What connects Jewish, Polish, Ukrainian and German Children born after World War II?
Małgorzata Ojrzynska (Warsaw)

Who owns the Holocaust? The Transformation of the Holocaust Memory in Polish Society
Agnieszka Makowiecka-Pastusiak (Warsaw)

Chair: Lilli Gast

"You may live here." The Resettlement Trauma from two Perspectives: German and Polish
Ewa Sobczak (Opole)

The Anatomy of a Gesture. Considerations about Willy Brandt’s Genuflection in Warsaw
Lilli Gast (Berlin)

Foreign Heritage in my Suitcase? A Reading Tour through Germany with Memories of a Polish Survivor
Katarina Bader (Stuttgart)

Chair: Arkadi Blatow

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