

European Perpetrators and Victims Then and Now

An Experiential Working Conference in the Series "The Past in the Present"
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Europe today is still in the grip of its past, a victim of its history. The shadows and painful residues of World War II deeply affect people and nations across Europe and elsewhere. We invite you to attend a conference aimed at uncovering the impact of this historical trauma.

The injuries inflicted by Europe's shared history derive from the traumas of Nazi Germany and the Holocaust, Soviet Communism and national oppression, and the impact of ethnic tensions and World War II, leading to the recent rise of Neo-Nazism. The pain and suffering fed by the horrors of war, occupation, massacres and betrayals are still alive, if hidden, in individuals and subgroups. The impact of this anguish is transmitted from one generation to the next and shapes contemporary struggles within European society.

This conference will examine the impact of historical trauma as it appears in the way Europeans and others attempt to work together.

The conference uses a variant of the Tavistock Group Relations model, and builds on the work begun with Germans and Israelis and expanded to include Jews, Palestinians and others. The conference focus is on the exploration of experience in a variety of group learning opportunities. The task is to discover the links between personal experience, current tensions and historical trauma.

Further information: <http://p-cca.org/2012>
Registration: geber-reusch@t-online.de

Membership:

This residential conference invites people from the nations of Europe and elsewhere -- from all walks of life and all ages - who recognize the painful residues of war and historical trauma and are puzzled by their impact on them. No previous experience of this kind of conference is necessary. Up to 60 members can be accommodated.

Venue: Kliczków Castle, Poland,
<http://kliczkow.com.pl/kliczkow/enkliczkow/home.xml>

Staff: Conference Director: Shmuel Erlich (Israel Psychoanalytic Society, PCCA, OFEK).
The conference staff is an international group with extensive experience in this way of working.

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