

**GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR A SCHOOL ORIENTATED BY THE
TEACHING OF SIGMUND FREUD AND JACQUES**

LACAN

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I -The IF and its School

The International of Forums, the Federation of Associations of Forums of the Lacanian Field, creates its School.

II -Name

The School will be called: School of Psychoanalysis of the Forums of the Lacanian Field (SPFLF). Its local instrumentalities, whether they are epistemic or concerned with the Guarantee the title of the whole, Forum-School, will be called according to the model: 'School of Psychoanalysis of the Forums of the Lacanian Field (SPFLF) of X'. That is SPFLF-France, SPFLF-Spain, F9, SPFLF Spain FOE-Galicia, SPFLF-Italy-FPL, SPFLF-Brazil, SPFLF LA-North, and SPFLF-LA-South.

III -Founding texts

The functions of the School are defined by Jacques Lacan's founding texts: the 'Founding Act of the *École freudienne de Paris*' of 1964; the 'Proposition of 9 October 1967 on the Psychoanalyst of the School'; the 'Discourse to the *École freudienne de Paris*' delivered in 1967 and published in 1970; the 'Note to the Italians' of 1973, the Preface to the English Edition of Seminar XI of 1976, as well as the texts of 1980 about the dissolution.

IV -The functions of the School

The School has as its functions:

1. To sustain 'the original experience' in which a psychoanalysis consists and to enable the formation of analysts;
2. To award the guarantee of that formation through the procedure of the Pass and the accreditation of analysts 'who have proved their capacity';
3. To sustain 'the ethics of psychoanalysis which is the praxis of its theory' (Jacques Lacan).

V -The status of the School

The School is not a legal association; it derives its legal status from the associations of Forums in which it is implanted. Therefore, it does not have the management structure of an association, but international and local organisational structures adjusted to its ends. In each locality, the legal statutes of association of the Forums mention their attachment to the IF, the existence of the School of Psychoanalysis, its aims, and the local instrumentalities or, in the absence of these, the instrumentalities of the School to which the Forum is attached.

VI -The members

1. Whoever wants to engage in the School must make a request to a Reception Committee and enrol in the association of the IF to which that Committee belongs.
2. The Reception Committee decides on the admission of members to the School, particularly on the basis of effective participation in the activities of the School and in 'the experience of the School' within a cartel.

VII -Method of admission

Members of the School are admitted by a local Reception Committee constituted by a National Association, a Forum or a gathering of Forums involving a minimum of 30 members of the School.

VIII -Titles

The School guarantees analysts of whose formation it has been responsible by means of the two titles of Analyst of the School (AS) and Analyst Member of the School (AMS), as defined in the 'Proposition of 9 October 1967 on the Psychoanalyst of the School'.

IX -Guarantee

The guarantee is awarded at the international level by the International College of the Guarantee.

1) Definition and functions

a) The International College of the Guarantee is composed of 16 members, elected locally within each organizational structure by candidature for two years by all the members of the School who belong to the organizational structure and who have paid their subscription fees (Forum, IF and School) for the current and the previous year.

b) The Analysts of the School (AS) are appointed for a period of three years by one of the cartels of the Pass. These cartels are pluri-national and are constituted for a duration of two years within the International College of the Guarantee according to methods established by the College and inscribed in its internal regulations.

c) The title of Analyst Member of the School (AMS) is conferred, following a local proposal by an Accreditation Committee composed of a maximum of

seven and a minimum of five members, elected by the International College of the Guarantee from within its members. The local committees may receive or solicit proposals from the members of the School in their instrumentality.

2) Election of the International College of the Guarantee.

a) The 16 members of the College are elected locally within each instrumentality of the School by its members, provided that they have paid their subscription fees (Forum, IF and School) for the current and the previous year.

The election takes place locally. 10 members are elected for France and the forums attached to France; 2 for Spain (F9 and FOE-Galicia) 1 for Italy (FPL) and 3 for South America (Brazil, Latin America North and Latin America South).

The candidates from each list who obtain the most votes are elected. In the case of an equal number of votes being obtained by two candidates, one name will be drawn by lot.

A consideration of a possible reworking of this composition of the ICG is planned. It will be concluded during the Assembly of 2018.

b) Eligible members: eligible are the AS, the AMS and the passers.

The College chooses from within its membership, for the duration of the College, two secretaries charged with holding the register of requests for the Pass, proposals for the title of Analyst Member of the School received and decisions taken by the Cartels of the Pass and the Accreditation Committee. It establishes its own internal rules.

X. Symposium on the functioning of the instrument of the Pass

Every two years, on the occasion of an international Rendezvous, a symposium on the Pass will take place, with the participation of all the members of the International College of the Guarantee of the two preceding periods, the passers who have exercised their function and the corresponding secretariats of the Pass.

X -The epistemic dimension

1) Composition:

The epistemic dimension of the School is sustained by a College of Initiatives and Orientation of the School (CIOS).

The College is composed of four members: the two secretaries of the International College of the Guarantee, plus two members chosen from among the members of the International College of the Guarantee who belong in zones other than their own. Each instrumentality of the School will elect a member, who will work in association with the four members of the CIOS in order to implement the tasks of liaison and collaboration with the CIOS necessary for the planning of activities.

2) Functions:

The aim of the College is to facilitate the debate of the School at the international level. It will coordinate the activities and/or themes of the Seminars of the School; it will organize these Seminars in the places where they do not still exist; it will plan conferences and workshops, and in a general way, it will ensure the work of the School at the international level.

The College will produce electronically the international Bulletin of the School, *Wunsch*. This publication has the aim of presenting the program of the activities of the School and specially of regularly disseminating the work produced in the seminars of the School.

The Preparatory Volume of the International Rendezvous will be replaced by the preliminary papers on the theme of the Rendezvous, which will be distributed electronically during the two years preceding each Rendezvous by the relevant organizing committee.

The College contributes to the choice of theme of the Rendezvous in consultation with the CRIF and the ICG.

XI – The Assembly of the School

The Assembly takes place on the occasion of the International Meetings of the School. All members of the School may participate, but only members of the Assembly of voters may vote.

The Assembly of voters is composed of the College of Representatives (CRIF), the College of Delegates (CD), the preceding three International Colleges of the Guarantee (ICG), and the College of Initiatives and Orientation of the School (CIOS), and the Secretariats of the Pass corresponding to these three ICG.

If in a Forum or Division, there is no Delegate who is a Member of the School, this Forum or Division may designate a Member of the School to represent them at the Assembly of Voters. Each member will have no more than the power of two proxy votes.

The Assembly gives an opinion on the reports of the ICG and the CIOS, on the financial report of the School (notably, the sum and management of the School's international subscriptions), and takes all the decisions required by

the International Meetings of the School and by the general policies of the School.

XII -The organisation of the School at the local level

The tasks required by the functions of the School—the committee for the admission of new members, the Secretariat of the Pass (reception of the requests for the Pass and establishment of the list of passers), the committee in charge of the proposal of AMS and the epistemic body responsible for the work of cartels and the coordination of the work on doctrine — must be carried out in each place by ad hoc mechanisms.

The conditions for the admission of members by the Reception Committee are defined in Article VI of these Principles.

As regards the Committee of the Guarantee (Secretariat of the Pass and the committee in charge of the proposal of AMS) and the epistemic dimension, the mode of functioning will be defined at the local level as a function of the context, provided that its application involves a community of at least 50 members of the School in the case of the procedures concerning the guarantee and 30 members of the School in the case of the activities of the epistemic dimension.

If these minimum numbers are not reached, several Forums may associate in order to set in motion the structures of the School, and isolated Forums may opt for attaching themselves to a zone of reference.

The delegates of IF who are members of the School ensure that the presence of the School is effective locally, by seminars or other activities of the school appropriate to the local situation. In cities where there are already committees of the School, the delegates can become associates to these in order to put in place the activities of the School; in cities where there are no committees of the School, it is the delegates' responsibility to sustain such activities. The situations being very different in different places, the modalities should be decided after discussion and agreement with the members of the International Colleges of the Zone concerned.

XIII -Permutation and non-accumulation of mandates

All the positions must permutate, are not immediately renewable and are not cumulative. In particular, positions cannot be held concurrently with one of the international bodies (International Committee of the Guarantee, College of Initiatives and Orientation of the School or International Mediation Committee) and with the management of a local Forum or Association of

Forums. Equally incompatible are positions with the College of Representatives and with the organs of the School at the international level.

In cases in which the strict application of this rule makes the functioning of the School impossible at the local level, the matter will be considered and decided upon by a committee of delegates of the IF according to regulations to be established by the Assembly of the IF.

XIV -Rule on periodical review

There will be periodic revisions of the “Principles” after the Assemblies of the School.

INTERNAL RULES OF THE ICG

Modified in February 2017

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1. ICG
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3. CIOS
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III. Appendix: The admission of members of the School

THE ORGANS OF THE PROCEDURE OF THE PASS 2016/2018

ICG (composition by instrumentality)

10 members for France and those attached to France:

Sidi Askofaré, Patrick Barillot, Patricia Dahan, Jean-Pierre Drapier, Marie-Noëlle Jacob-Duvernet, Elisabeth Léturgie, Anne Lopez, Agnès Metton, Frédéric Pellion, Marc Strauss.

2 members for Spain:

Roser Casalprim, Carmen Dueñas

1 member for Italy:

Marina Severini.

3 members pour South America

Sandra Berta (Brazil), Marcelo Mazzuca (ALS), Clara Mesa (ALN).

SECRETARIAT of the ICG

Anne LOPEZ (Europe) Marcelo MAZZUCA(South America)

THE COLLEGE OF INITIATIVES AND ORIENTATION OF THE SCHOOL (CIOS)

Marcelo MAZZUCA (America), Anne LOPEZ (Europe), Roser CASALPRIM (Spain), Marina SEVERINI (Italy)

THE CARTELS

There are two types of cartels, but both obey the same principle of composition: each is composed of a member from Spain or Italy, a member from South America, and three members from France.

1. The Cartels of the Pass. They give a ruling on the Passes and are composed within the ICG, case by case, according to the Passes that are completed, and based on linguistic compatibility and analytic incompatibility (see section 2 below).
2. The three Cartels of the ICG. They are composed within the ICG for the duration of the mandate of this ICG, by mutual agreement between all members of the ICG, and they will work on certain crucial psychoanalytic questions raised in the procedure. The theme or themes chosen by each of them will be communicated when they begin their function.

Cartel 1. Patricia Dahan, Carme Dueñas, Marie-Noëlle Jacob-Duvernet (plus-one), Elisabeth Léturgie, Anne Lopez, Marcelo Mazzuca.

Cartel 2. Patrick Barillot (plus-one), Roser Casalprim, Jean-Pierre Drapier, Clara Mesa, Agnès Metton.

Cartel 3. Sidi Askofaré, Sandra Berta (plus-one), Frédéric Pellion, Marina Severini, Marc Strauss.

THE LOCAL INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE SCHOOL:

FRANCE AND ATTACHED FORUMS

Committee for Reception and the Guarantee (CRG) for the admission of members and the guarantee (Pass and AMS): Annie-Claude Sortant-Delanoë (secretary), Françoise Lespinasse, Mireille Scemama-Erdős.

SPAIN

Committee for Admission and the Guarantee (CAG-DEL-F9) : Cora Aguerre (secretary), Ana Martinez (admission), Luisa de La Oliva (guarantee).

Local Epistemic Dispositif (DEL) Association FOE-FPG: Rosa Escapa (FOE), Maria Jesús Pedido (FPG).

ITALY

Local Committee for Admission, Reception and the Guarantee (CLAG) of the Forum Psicoanalitico Lacaniano: Antonia Imperato, Carmine Marrazzo, Patrizia Gilli (secretary).

Local Epistemic Committee (CLE) : Francesco Stoppa, Vittoria Muciaccia (contact person)

SOUTH AMERICA

CLGAL (Local Committee for the Guarantee for Latin America): Ida Freitas (Brazil), Elizabeth da Rocha Miranda (Brazil) Fernando Martinez (AL-S), Ricardo Rojas (AL-N).

2 – THE FUNCTIONING OF THE PROCEDURE OF THE PASS

2.1 The list of passers

The list is established in each instrumentality by the secretaries of the Pass (see section 2 below) following proposals by the AMS of the instrumentality. The secretaries send it to the ICG, which holds the list for all the instrumentalities, noting the analyst and the date of the proposals.

2.2. Steps in the functioning of the procedure

The demands for the Pass are received locally by the Secretariats of the Pass that establish the list of passers. This list is revised and updated each year by these same Secretariats.

The candidate is received by a member of the secretariat of the local Pass who refers the candidate to its Secretariat, which then approves or declines the request. The Secretary transmits the response of its Secretariat to the candidate who will then, where applicable, draw the names of his *passers*. He informs the passand that when his testimony is completed, he must let the Secretary know. If he so wishes, a passand can refuse a passer and draw another name.

The Secretaries of the Pass transmit the following to the Secretaries of the ICG, as they are received:

- The list of demands for the Pass.
- The list of Passes that have commenced after the candidates have been interviewed by a member of the Secretariat, along with the names of the two *passers*, and all the necessary information required for a cartel of the Pass.
- The ICG is responsible for directing the Passes towards one of the Cartels of the Pass, taking languages and incompatibilities into account. They are to be evaluated in each case by the ICG. In a Cartel, it would be appropriate to avoid the presence of: the analyst of the *passand*, his current supervisor, possibly a current *analysand* of the same analyst, and also sometimes people who are too close to the *passand*.

2.3. Transmission of the responses of the Cartels of the Pass

-The cartel will write its response to the *passand* in the simplest form and without justifying it. Depending on the case, this will be: “the cartel has nominated you AS” or “the cartel has not nominated you AS”. It will also include the composition of the Cartel that has ruled on this Pass. On this basis, each Cartel will obviously have to evaluate whether it wishes to add something more in relation to particular cases.

The response will be transmitted without delay.

-A member of the Cartel, chosen by the Cartel, will transmit the response to the *passand* orally, in person when possible or by phone when distance does not allow that to happen. Following this, the *passand* can ask to meet another member of the Cartel if he so wishes.

-The response, nomination or non-nomination, is communicated for filing to the two Secretaries of the ICG and the Secretariat of the Pass concerned.

The Secretariat of the ICG (composed of the two Secretaries of the ICG) holds the Notebook with all these steps. The paper version of this Notebook is passed from ICG to ICG. It decides, along with the members of the ICG, the composition of the Cartels for various Passes, and transmits, at the appropriate moment, the answer of the Cartel of the Pass and its composition to the Secretary of the instrumentality concerned.

- The ICG sends all of these rules regarding functioning to the various local Secretariats.

2.4. The passers

The Analyst Members of the School of the SPFLF can propose *passers* as is stipulated in the “Principles”. At an opportune moment, they make their proposal to their local Secretariat of the Pass or to the instrumentality of the School to which they are attached. Each Secretariat can also speak to Analyst Members of the School belonging to that instrumentality.

The Secretariats of the Pass draw their passers for the passands from a list of passers comprising those passers who have not yet taken up their function in the procedure of the Pass or, alternatively, who have been involved in the lowest number.

The passers must necessarily speak the same language as the passand, or speak a language that the passand speaks, but they need not necessarily be from the same place.

The mandate of the passer is limited to three passes. If two years after his designation a passer has not been drawn by lot, the AMS who designated him can either renew or not renew the designation.

It would also be necessary for that the Secretariats of the Pass ensure that the passand who draws his passers by lot is ready to commence his testimony immediately, and to see that the testimony does not go on indefinitely.

2.5. The International Committee of Accreditation of AMS

The composition of the Committee

In the second year of its mandate the International College of the Guarantee constitutes from within it the International Committee of Accreditation of AMS. Its composition is proportional to the number of members of the School in each zone. The list of the new AMS is published in June/July of this second year.

At the start of its taking office, the ICG reminds the local committees of the tasks that are incumbent upon them with regard to the criteria and the gathering of information about potential AMS, particularly in zones attached to an instrumentality.

The Local Committees of the Guarantee send their proposals for Analyst Members of the School at their convenience.

3 – APPENDIX: THE ADMISSION OF MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL

A) The articulation between the admission to the Forum and to the School

The rule that consists in first entering the Forum and then the School, must be maintained. However, it should be applied with tact and, in some exceptional cases, a simultaneous entry into the Forum and the School could be envisaged.

B) The question of criteria has been taken up and has led to the following suggestions:

- Two interviews or one interview with two people does not appear excessive.

- Regular participation in the activities of the Forum or the division, particularly in cartels, and possibly in the Clinical College to which the candidate belongs, is to be taken into account.

But the question of greater participation in the national activities, for example, the *Journées* [Study Days], must be taken into account.

Since our School has international instrumentalities, the international dimension cannot be ignored. This dimension must be presented to the candidate at the first interview so that he is fully aware of where he is intending to enter before his second interview.

- The works published following the *Journées*, inter-cartels etc., are an objective indicator of the involvement of a candidate and are to be taken into account.
- Consultation with the analyst or supervisor cannot be obligatory. It is for the Committee to judge if, in such and such a case, it could be opportune.

C) Condition of admission as Member of the School for members of forums attached to the French instrumentality:

The general condition for admitting a Member of the School belonging to an attached instrumentality is that enough is known about his analytic training. On that basis, the Committee for Reception and the Guarantee (CRG) will give the response suitable for each case.

Moreover, if one of the candidates made the Pass and was not nominated AS, the Cartel that listened to his testimony could possibly propose his admission as Member of the School.