

# Echos, Echoes, Ecos, Echi n°9

## THE LETTER

On November 27, 2016, the old and the new IGC met for the transmission of current issues, the exchange of different points of view concerning the effectiveness of the Pass for the next two years.

The Pass and its activity stand in opposition to the opacity, we have immediately taken up the *Echoes* newsletter that has been inaugurated by the previous IGC, which communicates the activities, reflections and initiatives of the IGC to the members of the School.

We will later reflect on the needs of this functioning.

The IGC will begin its work in January, with a careful study of the theoretical works and the rules of operation, elaborated by the previous IGC.

Our two secretaries are Anne LOPEZ for Europe and Marcelo MAZZUCA for America.

We also continue the novelty of the simultaneous operation of two types of cartels:

1 - cartels of the ICG with a theme and a +1. They are three. Each cartel will work, during the next two years, on the subject that they have chosen over a Skype conversation and will take advantage of the possible meetings during the School activities.

Here is the list of the cartels and their members.

Cartel 1 : Patricia DAHAN, Carme DUENAS, Marie-Noëlle JACOB-DUVERNET, Elisabeth LETURGIE, Anne LOPEZ, Marcelo MAZZUCA. Plus (+) 1: Marie-Noëlle JACOB-DUVERNET. Chosen theme: Satisfaction and real.

It is from the real that satisfaction comes, from that which is not yet known, from that which will remain forever unknown. A pacific and impatient satisfaction. A tranquil urgency. A positivity that marks the end of the cure and still leaves a trace, always, in the debate of our cartel. Marie-Noëlle JACOB-DUVERNET.

Cartel 2 : Patrick BARILLOT, Roser CASALPRIM, Jean-Pierre DRAPIER, Clara Cecilia MESA, Agnès METTON. Plus (+) 1: Patrick BARILLOT. Chosen theme: To sustain the act: the passant, the passeur, the pass.

The chosen theme sprung, in the prior CIG, from the unsettledness regarding the function of passeurs, its designation, its choice and their way of articulating in

the dispositif of the pass. This somehow has consequences on what can be transmitted in the experience if we recall that apparently simple statement of Lacan: "the passeur is the pass". From our very first dialogues as a cartel, questions came up regarding this crucial moment of the dispositif, a moment which implies the passant as much as the passeur, but also the function of the AMS, whose designation is as well fundamental to be able to articulate the transmission and the end of the analysis- specifically understood as that logical moment which allows to account for the passage, pass, from analyzand to analyst. Patrick BARILLOT.

Cartel 3 : Sidi ASKOFARÉ, Sandra BERTA, Frédéric PELLION, Marina SEVERINI, Marc STRAUSS. Plus (+) 1: Sandra BERTA. Chosen theme: Nomination.

What is that which operates in the analyst? Lacan posed this question at the heart of the School proposing the dispositif of the Pass and the functioning of the Cartels. With the pass, he placed nomination at the center of the debate, which links the clinic and the School. What is being nominated, for whom and who? This central question can be projected through the different axes of the cartel: transference before the analyst, the pass and the end, the act and the contingency, the hierarchy and gradus, the openness to the novelty in the functioning, the wager of the School and the Cartel. Sandra BERTA.

2 - cartels of the Pass, which will have the flexibility to adapt to the times and the need for languages (each passant must be able to be heard in « their » language), and taking into account the restrictions of different impossibilities. These Cartels will meet to hear the passeurs and will also be able to meet via Skype to elaborate on their response together.

In addition to the cartels, the IGC will bring together all its members to work together for two full days, three times a year, and more if necessary.

We will thus give ourselves the time and means necessary to work and discuss together, listen to the different points of view, make the decisions about AS and AMS nominations that may satisfy each one and allow all the desired developments for psychoanalysis.

Next you will find the opening statements of each of the members of the IGC.

*Sidi ASKOFARE (Toulouse)*

AMS

My adherence to the Forums of the Lacanian Field and to the School of the Forums from its constitution, lead me quickly to participate in its different Colleges and Commissions: initially College of Orientation and Epistemic Commission and, later the choice of the ICG where I acted as Secretary for Europe during the 2013-2014 period.

This will be the fourth time that I will be part of the extremely rich and stimulating work of the ICG, which constitutes at the same time a clinical precise observatory and a place of collective elaborations of the topics of the School and of « the crucial problems for psychoanalysis ».

I am glad to be here once again, for the next two years, and thus be able to bring my contribution to our work in the School.

*Patrick BARILLOT (Paris)*

AMS

The experience of the ICG and the dispositif of the pass is not new to me. I initially experienced it as passant at the beginning of our School, my nomination as AS led me to question the modalities of the end of analysis, if they produce or not an analyst. Later, a few years ago, as a member of ICG I was able to confront collectively the fruits of my own experience with that of my colleagues members of the Cartel of the pass. What is said in a testimony of the pass rarely is disconnected from the discourses of our School about the end of analysis. What is expected and heard of the testimonies by the cartels is nothing other than the oddness of the disperse ones which gives us the experience each time new and opened to the surprise. It is this elaboration work inside the international cartels what is necessary for the analyst to be able to sustain his act, which I like to renew.

*Sandra Leticia BERTA (Sao Paulo)*

AMS

The unsayable of the transmission and that which passes live in the dispositif of the pass. The transmission of the production of a function - the analyst function - what of it operates like the contingency of the nomination. The effects of the end are not efimeral. What is transmitted in an analysis for the end to be produced? What is the desire of the analyst and the act which decides for an end that is actualized in the direction of the cure? Which are the impasses in the transmission: of the passant, of the passeur and of the production of each cartel? These are the questions that I will share with the colleagues of the ICG wishing to contribute to the School. Having gone through the « passant » experience (2010) and having been in the Secretary of the pass (2012-2014) was crucial in my decision to participate in the ICG.

My wager for the School of Lacan is old and renewed. The IF-SPFLF is the place I found, not by chance, when I knew that reading Freud and Lacan happens with others, not for others. Participating in the local, national and international, instances speaks of that which for me became cause for psychoanalysis.

*Roser CASALPRIM (Barcelone)*

AMS

My first encounter with Lacanian analysis was many years ago.

Since then I have continued, until today. Member of the School of the WPA and later of the SPFLF. I wasn't in the first stage of constitution of the Forums - I needed time to comprehend and conclude, epistemically and politically -, I was present since the foundation of our School.

This is the first time that participate in the ICG, although I have participated in the CAG of the DEL-F9, until recently. Why did I go for the ICG?

The analytic clinic has always been of much interest to me, and in these recent years that has also been the case for the clinic of the pass. I have had two experiences in this dispositif: as passeur and as passant, without having been nominated. Now I hope to go on learning and elaborating, through the testimonies, the individual and the collective work, about the articulation of the clinical experience and the textual knowledge.

*Patricia DAHAN (Paris)*

AMS

I stayed at the threshold of psychoanalysis for a long time without daring to pass it. It was only at the beginning of the nineties that I took that step and since then my commitment never hesitated. I am a member of the Forums of the Lacanian Field since their creation. I have always had as a center, side to side with my clinical practice, being involved in the work of our School and participating in the collective work, carrying on various functions in the different instances. Having been nominated AS in 2009 my commitment was redoubled by the increased contributions in Journées, working groups, and individual exchanges with my colleagues. What interests me above all this - and the International School gives me this opportunity - is to participate in the elaborations oriented to the articulation of the clinical experience and the theory.

I was a member of the ICG during the 2010-2011. I would very much like to go through this experience once again and hear new passes.

*Jean-Pierre DRAPIER (Corbeil-Essonnes)*

AMS

Fundamental. Funda-mental: the question of the formation of the analysts and, through it, that of the direction of cures. What we can expect has always been the « touchstone » of the psychoanalytic institutions... and cause of their division. So, it is on this question (and on the respect to subjects) that, being still young, member of the ECF, I was lead to choose the Forums in 1998. As a psychiatrist and psychoanalyst, I

think that psychiatry without the dimension of the subject and of the unconscious is similar to veterinary medicine or ethology.

From here my interest on the pass and its dispositif: member of the ICG during the 2008-2009 and of the CAG during the 2010-2011, I left the permutation for some time after for many other endeavors which allow me to promote, and in any case, re-present our field in other places.

But, I must confess that the clinic of the unconscious that is offered in the testimonies and its elaboration in the cartels and in the ICG, along with the sustained encounters with the foreign colleagues were lacking, since, for me, that is the institutional task of most interest.

It is because of egoism, then, that I put myself at the service of the School and of psychoanalysis.

*Carme DUEÑAS (Barcelone)*

AMS

With enthusiasm and responsibility I was here since the creation of the Forums and the School. My commitment with psychoanalysis, initiated years before, was renewed and reinforced with my determined participation locally and internationally. With the same old enthusiasm and responsibility, I begin now my participation in the ICG, and with it the possibility of participating in the cartels of the pass, « heart » of our School.

I start with illusion this new experience that renews my commitment with the School, of which I hope to extract a knowledge that will enrich not only me, but also the community of work. This is, after all, the finality of the cartel of the pass, to communicate to the School the results of its experience and what the latter yielded at the epistemic level. I hope to be at the level of the task at hand, desire will not be lacking.

*Marie-Noëlle JACOB-DUVERNET (Angers)*

AS (2016-2019)

Ever since I knew Lacanian psychoanalysis, I was interested in the pass. I felt quite close to the idea of the testimony. It is true that kids imagine when they will grow up and that was for me a tribune to advocate for the cause of others.

Finally, that search for the truth turned into the laborious learning of the psychiatric and psychoanalytic clinic. Through the trajectory the testimony loses the pathetic dimension of the subjective drama, but it doesn't lose its existence nor its value of the instant of a saying.

Nominated AS this year, I unite to the ICG with the same interest. To listen to the cause of each one, singular and unprecedented. And then, that same astonishment, always exciting, of the effects of the international dimension of our School, reinforcing the heterogeneous.

Each one will hear in their tongue, which is not the same, the diverse testimonies, to talk together and advance on what orients us.

*Elisabeth LETURGIE (Le Havre)*

AMS

My pass isn't so recent and the idea to participate in the ICG have occupied me since the time of my nomination but always there was some personal or local engagement that held me back.

A certain inhibition about foreign language delayed my decision.

Medellin this summer, the wind that blowing there, freed my desire for engagement.

The time has come to be in the device of the pass in a different way, in the heart of the School, to accept that the language of my daily life as an analyst (also listening to it in the little ones) is the signifier that permits me to approach, in the pass, the experience that makes a knot. And to authorize myself, with a number of others, to confront the question of the a-guarantee.

*Anne LOPEZ (Paris)*

AMS

For a long time, I was in a school of psychoanalysis, where I worked in and for the pass; a school I left without regret in the face of what was becoming an inexorable doxa. Next I participated in the first steps of our School, the first ICG, then the CAG, and once again in the ICG of 2010-2012. This will be my third experience in our School in the place where we try "to fish for" analysts of the School that are capable of renewing, moving forward, resolving the crucial questions for psychoanalysis. A dynamic process to think the unconscious and to find the thin edge to become an analyst.

Along with other colleagues, I will remain, throughout the process, alert to our echoes so that they do not become the same old songs, but stay open to what is new. I thank those who are passing for their confidence and their generosity, whether or not they are nominated, and for their participation in this experience, never without consequences.

*Marcelo MAZZUCA (Buenos Aires)*

AMS

I have been a member of the IF since the beginning of 2008, currently an AME and teacher in the Clinical College. What characterized the end of my analysis and my engagement with the Forums of the Lacanian Field went hand in hand, a coincidence that marked and continues to mark the way for advancing this collective bet. In part, this was the fruit of chance. But also the consequence of an effect of enthusiasm that I

perceived as the common denominator of the most solitary practice of analysis and the most social cadre of the Forums of the School. From the beginning, I have been interested in making reverberate what I found in the resolution of my analysis. To do this, I decided to present myself for the pass that very year (2008) without having any acquaintance with the totality of the functioning of the device or reference to the theory that sustains it. Ultimately, this was my most enriching experience. In 2009, I was named an AE and, in the following years, I performed the task of trying to transmit psychoanalysis through consideration of this transformative experience.

I was the coordinator of the School space of the analytic forum of Rio de la Plata (Buenos Aires) 2011-2012; then I was a member of the CRIF in 2013-2014. Now I am renewing the bet, in which I believe, that we can do even more, on condition that the paths of transmission continue to be those of wit (*witz*) and that these results are elaborated in a serious manner (that is to say, constituting a series).

*Clara Cecilia MESA (Medellin)*

AMS

Member of the International of the Forums and the School of Psychoanalysis since their creation. I am a member of the Forum of Medellin from its creation in 1998. Member of the Forum of Bogota created at the Assembly in Medellin (2016), an initiative I supported for several years.

In the ICG, I represent the zone Latin America North (ALN), which is composed as follows: Colombia (4 Forums: Medellin, Bogota, Pereira, Pasto), Puerto Rico, Panama, and Venezuela (2 Forums in Venezuela: Caracas et Valencia).

I participated in the device of the guarantee as a passer for one passing, who was nominated as an AS.

Now, with enthusiasm, I have joined the work of the ICG. I am sure this experience will allow the renewal of my desire for the analytic cause.

*Agnès METTON (Paris)*

AMS

When the Forums were constituted, it was an easy decision to participate. The transference to the work, the rejection of « unique thought », the subjective moment concerning engagement: these converged. Thus the Clinical College of Paris, the Forum, and the School.

My initial participation in the ICG in 2012-2014 was a rich and joyful experience. To share with other analysts about the passe; to have an exchange about the irreducible singularities of those passing who come to us through an indirect discourse; to take the measure of the experience of the determinative place of those passing; to seek to

perceive or verify something about the passage to the analyst. These were, for me, among the most stimulating epistemic moments and the most precious in terms of the pleasure of links. But this did not exhaust the questions about either that rather strange thing, the desire of the analyst, or about the wish to approach these again. I am happy to engage once more with this work, with the questions about the decision to present oneself for the pass and the consequences for the subject, beyond the answer from the cartels... but especially to remain curious about the reflections to which the group will give birth.

*Frédéric PELLION (Paris)*

AMS

The sort of methodical suspension of objectivity which, in my opinion, the pass is, has interested me for long time - undoubtedly also because it rubs the wrong way my initial scientific and medical formation. But this suspension does carry its risks - for example, chance or intimatio.

Engaged in the movement of the Forums from its beginning, Barcelona 1998, it seems to me that the « counter experience » of the School has so far permitted containment of these risks. Hence my wish to be part of the collective subject in which the device is realized, from one ICG to the next. I will be particularly curious about the transference that is already there before an analysis, and the reasons why some people, but not all, decide on this particular trajectory which, as Lacan said of the voice object, « goes toward the Other ».

*Marina SEVERINI (Macerata)*

AMS

I live and work in Macerata (central Italy). I am a member of the Lacanian Psychoanalytic Forum and of the EPFCL since its creation. This is my first time to participate in the ICG, and I approach this experience with a certain emotion because I will have the opportunity to work on some central points, issues that are at the heart of psychoanalysis. I am aware that this is an intense and delicate work, on which depends the possibility of advancement for each one of us and for all of us together. I am very happy to share in this commitment of building new links, in the multiplicity of places and languages that already at the first meeting made me very vividly feel our international dimension. I am very grateful to our School for this possibility.

*Marc STRAUSS (Paris)*

AMS

Founding member, this is not my first participation in the ICG and, I hope, not my last. ... As I know from experience that no pass resembles another, I am assured of being surprised and of finding new elements to add to the question which underlies the discourse in which we are caught: that of its very definition.

How has psychoanalysis been able to « insinuate » itself in the life of a subject to the point of making itself the object of his most sustained attention? How has it inflected the trajectory of this life? And in what direction? Finally, and above all, what in this inflection is not related to the transference as suggestion, but has to do with a means of access to the affirmation of self? Each pass that is heard, each nomination of an AS, adds, not so much an example, as a case for our discourse, and extends it. It is therefore up to the ICG to resist the temptation to make the field of *jouissance* into an entrenched camp of which we would be the guardians...

## AGENDA

The next plenary meeting of the ICG will take place in Paris on March 4-5, 2017. The next scheduled meetings are: July 1st and 2nd; and two days in conjunction with the Journées Nationales de France.

We hope that the upcoming *Echoes n° 10* will be nourished by our experiences of the pass and by our exchanges.