

## PRACTICALS INFORMATIONS

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**Cost for the 2 days:** price includes aperitif on Friday and coffee breaks on Saturday

Students : 20€

Members EATGA - DIVERSA/MENTE : 60€

Professionals : 80 €

Possibility to participate only in the Friday conferences, in person or remotely (please specify when registering). Cost: €20.

### Registration:

<https://www.helloasso.com/associations/european-association-of-transcultural-group-analysis/evenements/journee-d-etude>

The number of places is limited to 60 people: registrations will be recorded in chronological order.

**Registration deadline:** 30.04.26

**Location:** Casa di Quartiere Giorgio Costa (via Azzo Gardino 48)

**Target group:** psychologists, psychotherapists, groupanalysts, psychoanalysts, psychiatrists, socio-cultural animators, educators, psycho-social workers, cultural mediators.

### Scientific and organising committee:

Pietro Alfano (Italy), Patrizia Brunori (Italy), Filomena Cillo (Italy), Renata Alexandre Lins (Brasil/Italy), Sara Loffredo (Italy), Giuseppe Lo Piccolo (Italy/Switzerland), Ruth Waldvogel (Switzerland) Christoph Rosenberger (Germany).

## THEME

In an increasingly precarious international context, marked by wars and uncertainty and fuelling a widespread sense of fear, there is a strong temptation to give up freedoms and renounce a European identity in favour of retreating into closed communities and nations that are hostile towards others.

The issue of welcoming others seems more relevant than ever and is part of a broader social vision of the present and the future, from an inter- and transcultural perspective. It reflects the precariousness of the bonds and spaces in which we all live. How can we embrace diversity, taking into account the conflicts that arise from it? How can we accept that we are unable to understand and overcome these conflicts easily? How can we think about the work of culture in constantly changing social systems?

Recognising the Other means reaching out to them. Being in a group means recognising that we are fundamentally similar and at the same time different.

The relationship between welcoming and being welcomed refers to a dialectic of reciprocity: how to welcome/be welcomed, and under what conditions? Why welcome, and in the name of what?

The diversity of languages, a fundamental characteristic of our intercultural and transcultural experiences, not only invites us to relativise our own mother tongue in relation to that of others, but above all to discover linguistic hospitality, where the pleasure of inhabiting the language of the other is combined with the pleasure of recognising the speech of the stranger in our own inter- and trans-subjective space. The “stranger” can then play the role of mediator and cultural bridge, but above all enable us to learn and discover something about ourselves and the world. Within our systems, our effort therefore consists in maintaining the link of the Self with the Other.

The aim of these study days is to address the theme of hospitality in its social and transcultural dimensions. Is hospitality a cross-cutting dimension of our living together and our relationship with the Other? What experiences can encourage (or discourage) encounters with otherness? At the risk of experiencing strangeness, but also of sharing the opportunity to create a space for common and stimulating reveries, EATGA and Diversa/mente invite you to continue exploring these fascinating questions together.



## Study Days EATGA

*in partnership with*

diversa  
la  
mente

*Welcoming into a  
constantly changing world*



## Programme Day 1

**Friday 22 May**

18h00

*Opening ceremony and welcome address*

Giuseppe Lo Piccolo, President EATGA  
Sara Loffredo, President Diversa/mente

18h30 - 20h00

Conferences

*How would you like to be welcomed when you arrive in an unfamiliar or unknown environment?*

André Sirota (CEMEA, SFPPG)

*Welcoming in a constantly changing world: two theoretical clinical models in dialogue*

Pietro Alfano (EATGA)

Patrizia Brunori (Diversa/mente)

Moderation

The lectures will be followed by a discussion with the audience and a convivial aperitif.

### Speakers:

**André Sirota:** Professor at Paris Nanterre University, psychoanalyst, group analyst, former president of the SFPPG (French Society of Psychoanalysis and Group Psychoanalysis).

**Pietro Alfano:** Group analyst, scientific secretary EATGA.

**Patrizia Brunori:** Group psychoanalyst, lecturer at the IIPG (Italian Institute of Group Psychoanalysis), coordinator of the Supervisione Diversa/mente group.

## Programme Day 2

**Saturday 23 May**

9h30 - 11h00

**Smalls group**

*Break*

11h30 - 13h00

**Large Group**

*Lunch Break*

14h30 - 16h00

**Psychosocial Drama**

*Break*

16h30 - 18h00

**Large Group**

18h05 - 18h50

**Group discussions**

**Sunday 24 May**

10h00 - 12h30

**EATGA General Meeting**

**Reserved for members and candidates**

## EATGA - DIVERSA/MENTE

For forty years, the European Association of Transcultural Group Analysis has been exploring the cultural foundations of persons and groups, with the aim of contributing to the understanding of inter- and transcultural relations in society:

The Diversa/mente association has been operating for twenty-six years in the metropolitan area of Bologna, offering support and assistance to people of different linguistic and cultural backgrounds through intercultural clinical consultations, training, supervision and community interventions. It is characterised as a multidisciplinary laboratory for study and research on the migratory experience and how we conceive and treat its suffering, based on a psychoanalytic matrix inspired by the contributions of ethnopsychiatry and ethnopsychanalysis.

[www.eatga.net](http://www.eatga.net)

[www.diversamente-bologna.it](http://www.diversamente-bologna.it)

## SETTING

On Fridays, we invite you to reflect, share ideas and exchange views during the round table discussion. On Saturday, we offer experiential inter/transcultural analytical work alternating between small and large groups, as well as small psychodrama groups. These different approaches offer opportunities to experiment and, at the same time, explore the psychological, transferential and group processes at work in the inter/transcultural space, with a view to personal and professional enrichment. During group work, each participant chooses the language(s) they speak or wish to speak to communicate with others. This choice is part of the working method and experiential nature of the study days specific to EATGA. The groups will take place without organised translation. The group sessions are led by group analysts who are members of EATGA and Diversa/mente.

*Credits: Umberto Boccioni - La Strada Entra Nella Casa*

*Dim. Originale: 100x100. Anno Opera: 1911.*