



2015 World Family Therapy Congress — March 11-14, 2015

IFTA's 23rd World Family Therapy Congress: First Time in Asia

Highly experienced systemic therapists familiar with therapeutic needs around the world will keynote many of the sessions at the 2015 World Family Congress in Kuala Lumpur. Meeting at the JW Marriott Hotel in Kuala Lumpur March 11-14, 2015, hundreds of systemic therapists from over 30 countries will be attending the Congress. There is still time to register for the Congress right now.



New at this year's World Congress will be a live interview demonstration. Dr. John Banmen will interview a Chinese individual using the Satir Model. The demonstration will be in both English and Mandarin Chinese using a translator on stage. This may be the first time an IFTA Congress has included a live demonstration of therapy in the program.

KEY DATES FOR 2016 CONGRESS

- Open Now - Call for Proposals
- August 30 - Deadline for Proposals
- November 30 - Early Registration Ends



Banmen

The keynote presenters for the 23rd World Congress include leaders from both the East and the West. Dr. Wai-Yung Lee from Hong Kong will lead off the plenary addresses on Thursday focusing on Working with Asian Families. Dr. Judith Landau from the USA will present the Arise Model during the Friday plenary. The Essence of Therapeutic Change will be the closing the plenary address by Kathlyne Maki-Banmen (Canada) from the Satir Institute of the Pacific.

Two panels on the state of systemic training in Asia will be moderated by Dr. Johnben Loy. The panel on the State of Systemic Training in Asia: The Perspective of Trainers Who Live and Work Outside of Asia will take place on Friday. The panel on the State of Systemic Training in Asia: The Perspective of Trainers Who Live and Work in Asia will take place on Saturday.

IFTA & Social Networking

The use of social networking sites, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter are part of the world and IFTA has group pages on them. For IFTA members on Facebook (Facebook) there is an IFTA Group. To join, search "International Family Therapy Association." Once you are on the IFTA group page, click on the link to join. The list is moderated so once you make a request; the group moderator will approve you.

IFTA also has a LinkedIn (LinkedIn) group. Similarly, search for the "International Family Therapy Association" group and request to become a member. As a member of the IFTA groups you can send messages to other IFTA members and network with people from around the world.

If you have any questions about the site or the program contact the IFTA Secretariat (iftasecretariat@aol.com).



PLAY AT IFTA CONFERENCES!

Photographs of IFTA's World Family Therapy Congresses are available for viewing. There is an easy way to access the photographs on the web.

Go to the IFTA Congress website at: www.ifta-congress.org and go to the About on the menu bar. Click on About and then scroll down and select Congresses Photos. Select from among the choices under Congress Photos. Clicking on any of the years will take you directly to the conference photo site at: smugmug

Enjoy seeing images from the past conferences in Panama City, Panama (2014), Orlando, Florida (2013); Vancouver, Canada (2012); Holland (2011); Buenos Aires, Argentina (2010), Portoroz, Slovenia (2009); Porto, Portugal (2008); Iceland (2006); Washington, D.C. (2005); Istanbul, Turkey (2004); Bled, Slovenia (2003); Porto Alegre, Brazil (2001). Copies of many of the images are also available through our IFTA photographer, Pamela R. L. Lessing (e-mail: Pam Lessing)

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Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
March 11-14, 2015**



**Official Venue of the 2015
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The JW Marriott Hotel
183 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Bukit Bintang,
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 55100

More Information: www.ifta-congress.org

**Changing Traditions and Systemic Therapy:
Dangers and Opportunities for Families**

We invite you to join colleagues from around the world at the Congress Hotel, the JW Marriott in the heart of Kuala Lumpur, for the 23rd World Family Therapy Congress, 11-14 March 2015.



SYSTEMIC THERAPY TRAINING IN ASIA:

Nine Presenters who live in or train in Asia will discuss the state of systemic therapy training in Asia

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Membership Information

2015 Intensive Institute Website is Open

You can find IFTA's first Intensive Institute website at: <http://www.ifta-institute.org/>. The website contains all of the information necessary for registration and other details for Congress planning.

Journal of Family Psychotherapy Online

Taylor and Francis' online site houses IFTA's Journal of Family Psychotherapy. The new site can be accessed at www.tandfonline.com. Please contact Taylor and Francis for any difficulties in accessing the JFP: onlineaccesshelp@taylorandfrancis.com.

2016 Congress Proposal Site Opens March 15

The deadline for the 2016 World Family Therapy Congress is earlier than ever in order to evaluate and respond to presenters earlier than in the past. If you are in an academic context, please be mindful that the deadline may occur before you have returned to school.

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1st IFTA Intensive Institute Izmir, Turkey October 2-3, 2015



The 1st IFTA Intensive Institute will be held October 2 -3 of 2015 in Izmir, Turkey. We invite you to join colleagues from around the world at the Swissotel Grand Efes, a five-star hotel in the heart of Izmir by the Aegean Sea.

The Intensive Institute is designed to allow practitioners the opportunity to spend an entire day with a master presenter and clinician. For this first Institute, the presenters will be:



Peter Fraenkel

Peter Fraenkel, Ph.D., is Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology, The City College of New York; Director, Ackerman Institute's Center for Work and Family; and is in private practice in New York City, specializing in couple and family therapy. Dr. Fraenkel is the author of *Sync Your Relationship*,

Save Your Marriage: Four Steps to Getting Back on Track (2011, Palgrave-Macmillan), co-author of *The Relational Trauma of Incest: A Family-Based Approach to Treatment* (2001, Guilford Press), and author of numerous publications on time, technology, work and family; collaborative community-based programs for homeless families and families that have survived domestic violence; integrative approaches to couple and family therapy; and child sexual abuse. Dr. Fraenkel received AFTA's 2012 award for Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy.



Monica McGoldrick

Monica McGoldrick, MA, MSW, PhD (Hon), is Director of the Multicultural Family Institute in Highland Park, NJ and on the Psychiatric Faculty at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. She has a BA from Brown University, an MA in Russian Studies from Yale University, and an MSW and an Honorary

Doctorate from Smith College. A fourth generation Irish American, married to a Greek immigrant, her closest emotional connection while growing up was to her African American caretaker, Margaret Bush. Knowing little about her roots while growing up, Dr. McGoldrick through her family therapy work came to believe deeply in the importance of connections to family and cultural history. She is internationally known for her writings and teachings on topics including culture, class, gender, the family life cycle, loss, family patterns (genograms), remarried families, and sibling relationships. Her books include—*The Changing Family Life Cycle*, 4th ed. in press; *Ethnicity and Family Therapy*, 3rd ed; *Genograms: Assessment and Intervention*, 3rd ed; *Living Beyond Loss*, 2nd ed; *Re-visioning Family Therapy: Therapy, Race, Culture and Gender in Family Practice*, 2nd ed; and *The Genogram Journey: Reconnecting with Your Family*, to be published by WW Norton, Fall, 2010.

How to Register for IFTA Intensive

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