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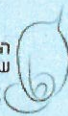


Eilat, Israel, January 12-14, 2016



PROGRAM

המרכז הבינלאומי לחקר אובדן,
שכול וחוסן נפשי
International Center for the study of Loss,
Bereavement and Human Resilience



ORGANIZATION OF THE BEREAVED FAMILIES FROM ISRAEL'S WARS



עמותת "יד הנקטמים" גיבוש
הורים ומשפחות שכולות נגזרי האונס ודריס

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אילת, 14-12 בינואר, 2016



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הכנס הבינלאומי השני בנושא
אובדן, שכול וחוסן נפשי בחברה הישראלית ובעולם:
עובדות, תובנות והשלכות

PROGRAM OF SESSIONS IN ENGLISH

Monday, January 11, 2016

08:00 *Registration desk opens at the Isrotel King Solomon Hotel*

10:00 - 19:00 **Pre-Conference Workshop - Plenary** **Avshalom Hall**

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Ruth Malkinson, Israel

TECHNIQUES OF GRIEF THERAPY: CREATIVE PRACTICES FOR COUNSELING
THE BEREAVED

Robert Neimeyer, USA

12:30 *Light lunch*



13:30 Pre-Conference Workshop - Continued

16:00 *Coffee break*



16:30 Pre-Conference Workshop – Continued

19:00 End of Sessions

Tuesday January 12, 2016

08:00 - 12:30 **Pre-Conference Workshop (cont.)** **Avshalom Hall**

TECHNIQUES OF GRIEF THERAPY: CREATIVE PRACTICES FOR COUNSELING THE
BEREAVED (Continued)

Robert Neimeyer, USA

12:30 End of Pre-Conference Workshop

Tuesday January 12, 2016

10:00 *Registration for Conference opens*

12:30 *Light lunch*



13:30 - 15:45

Welcome Ceremony - Plenary

King Solomon Hall

Simultaneous Translation

OPENING REMARKS

Chairs: **Bennie Leezer, Simon Shimshon Rubin**, Israel

Simon Shimshon Rubin, Director, International Center for the Study of Loss, Bereavement and Human Resilience, University of Haifa, Israel.

Arie Mualem, Assistant Director-General, Director Families and commemoration Department, Israel

Bennie Leezer, Co-CEO of Elah, the Center for Mental Coping with Loss, Israel

Shlomo Mor Yossef, Director General of National Insurance Institute of Israel

Iris Florentin, Deputy Director General, Director, The Division of Social and Personal Affairs, Ministry of Social Affairs and Social Services of Israel

OPENING PLENARY LECTURE

Chair: **Simon Shimshon Rubin**, Israel

INTERVENING IN MEANING: NEW DIRECTIONS IN GRIEF THERAPY

Robert Neimeyer, USA

15:45 *Coffee break and view e-posters*



Tuesday January 12, 2016 (Continued)

16:15 - 17:45 **Parallel Session I** **Meeting Room**

TREATMENT

Chairs: **Eddy Pakes**, Canada
 Ofri Bar-Nadav, Israel

TWO-TRACK TREATMENT OF TRAUMATIC SPOUSAL LOSS

Ofri Bar-Nadav, Israel

PSYCHIATRIC ASPECTS OF BEREAVEMENT AND TRAUMA; BUILDING RESILIENCE
VIA INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, EMPATHIC GROUPS AND MEDICATION

Eddy Pakes, Canada

ENHANCING EMPATHY THROUGH REFLECTIVE GROUP PRACTICE

Sandra Carolyn Cohen, Australia

MOURNING THROUGH THE BODY

Batya Ruth Monder, USA

SEAM: REPAIRING THE FABRIC OF LIFE AFTER TRAUMATIC LOSS

Phyllis Kosminsky, USA

TO LOSE AN UNBORN CHILD: PTSD, DEPRESSION AND RELATIONSHIP QUALITY
FOLLOWING PREGNANCY LOSS

Danny Horesh, **Malka Nukrian**, **Yael Bialik**, Israel

17:45 *Short break*

18:00 - 19:15 **Parallel Session II - Workshop** **Meeting Room**

A TRADITIONAL FORMULAIC PRACTICE IN PSYCHOTHERAPY:
ON THE (OVERLOOKED) HEALING VIRTUES OF WOMEN'S WAILING
IN MOURNING EVENTS

Tova Gamliel, Israel

20:30 **Evening Program** **King Solomon Hall**

A performance by Ilana Yahav - "Sand Art"

Wednesday January 13, 2016

08:30 - 10:00 Parallel Session III Meeting Room

RESEARCH

Chairs: **Irwin Sandler, USA**
 Chaya Possick, Israel

REMINISCENCE AND THE HEALTH OF ISRAELI HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS
Norm O'Rourke, Yaacov Bachner, Sara Carmel, Israel

EMBODIED LOSS OF WOMEN CARRIERS OF BRCA MUTATIONS FOLLOWING RISK
REDUCING SURGERY
Chaya Possick, Michal Mahat-Shamir, Israel

THE EFFECTS OF THE FAMILY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM TO REDUCE SUICIDAL
BEHAVIOR OF PARENTALLY BEREAVED CHILDREN SIX AND FIFTEEN YEARS LATER
Irwin Sandler, Jenn-Yun Tein, Sharlene Wolchik, Tim Ayers, USA

MILITARY TRAUMA AND RESOURCE LOSS IN BEDOUIN MEMBERS OF THE
ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCE
Ortal Slobodin, Yael Caspi, Israel

THE RIGHT TO MOURN OF PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA ATTENDING ADULT DAY CARE
Rakel Berenbaum, Chariklia Tziraki, Jiska Cohen-Mansfield, Israel

10:00 *Coffee break and view e-posters*



10:30 - 11:30 Plenary Lecture Bat Sheva Hall

Chairs: **Eti Ablin, Israel**
 Ronit Shalev, Israel

WHEN LIVING HURTS: THE USE OF IMAGINATION IN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATIONS
Mooli Lahad, Israel

Wednesday January 13, 2016 (Continued)

11:30 - 12:30 **Plenary Lecture** **Bat Sheva Hall**

Chairs: **Eti Ablin**, Israel
 Ronit Shalev, Israel

TRAUMATIC LOSS IN THE NEWS AND IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF THE PUBLIC
Ruth Malkinson, **Simon Shimshon Rubin**, **Eliezer Witztum**, Israel

12:30 *Light lunch*



13:30 - 15:00 **Parallel Session IV - Workshop** **Meeting Room**

TWO PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE RESILIENCE OF BEREAVED PARENTS
Irwin N. Sandler, **Robin Goodman**, USA

15:00 *Coffee break and view e-posters*



15:30 - 17:00 **Parallel Session V** **Meeting Room**

CULTURE AND RELIGION

Chairs: **Thomas Geldmacher**, Austria
 Hamutal Bar-Yosef, Israel

THE POLITICS OF GRIEF – MAKING LOSS AN ISSUE
Thomas Geldmacher, **Daniela Musiol**, Austria

LIVING IN MANDATORY PALESTINE: PERSONAL NARRATIVES OF THE GALILEE
FROM THE 1940S TO 1967
Roberta Rubin Greene, **Shira Hantman**, USA

MEMORY, TRAUMA, AND THE FUNCTIONS OF REMINISCENCE AMONG
HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS
Norm O'Rourke, **Sara Carmel**, **Yaacov Bachner**, Israel

THE PROCESS OF OVERCOMING TRAUMAS
Hamutal Bar-Yosef, Israel

WEAVING BIBLICAL TEXTS AND PERSONAL POEMS - A JEWISH SPIRITUAL HEALING
GROUP FOR WIDOWS
Lessa Roskin, Israel

17:00 *Short break*

Wednesday January 13, 2016 (Continued)

17:15 - 18:00 **Plenary Lecture** **King Solomon Hall**

Chair: **Mooli Lahad**, Israel
 Ofri Bar-Nadav, Israel

“AM I NORMAL OR MENTALLY ILL?": MOVING ON WITH THE BEREAVEMENT EXPERIENCE

Amy Chow, SAR China

21:00 **Evening Program** **Entertainment Lobby**

A "moving" experience by Zahara Elias-Cohen

Thursday January 14, 2016

08:00 - 09:45 **Parallel Session** **Meeting Room**

RELATIONSHIPS

Chairs: **Phyllis Kosminsky**, USA
 Kobi Tourgeman, Israel

THE EXPERIENCE OF LOSING A GRANDCHILD AND MEANING IN LIFE AFTER THE LOSS

Kobi Tourgeman, Israel

EARLY ATTACHMENT TRAUMA: IMPACT ON ADULT GRIEF AND IMPLICATIONS FOR TREATMENT

Phyllis Kosminsky, USA

WALKING THE GRIEF JOURNEY WITH SENIOR SIBLINGS

Deborah Deeter, Canada

IF YOU WRITE MY STORY: HELPING CHILDREN IN GRIEF

Gil Reich, Israel

SAY YES TO LIFE IN SPITE OF...

LOGOTHERAPY AS A FUNDAMENT TO MENTAL RESILIENCE IN FACE OF HOSTILITY AND DEATH

Gideon Millul, Israel

Thursday, 14 January, 2016 (Continued)

08:00 - 09:45 **Parallel Session - Workshop** **Angelina**

RESPONDING TO GRIEF: BUILDING RESILIENCE - THE SEVEN SPIRITUAL STEPS
Sherri Mandell, Israel

09:45 *Coffee break and view e-posters*



10:30 - 12:15 **Closing Ceremony - Plenary** **King Solomon Hall**

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Chair: **Ilan Sharif**, Israel

Ruth Malkinson, Israel

Colin Parkes, UK

Gila Silverman on behalf of Prof Phyllis Silverman, USA

CLOSING PLENARY LECTURE

Chair: **Ruth Malkinson**, Israel

LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

Colin Parkes, UK

CLOSING REMARKS

Simon Shimshon Rubin, Israel

12:15 *Conclusion of the conference*