

# INTERNATIONAL LACAN SEMINAR PRESENTED BY DR LUIS IZCOVICH

## The analyst's know-how and what is a case in psychoanalysis

SATURDAY 12TH AND SUNDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2022

8.00-10.00 PARIS TIME

18.00-20.00 AEDT TIME VIA ZOOM

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I. THE ANALYST'S KNOW-HOW

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II. WHAT IS A CASE IN PSYCHOANALYSIS?

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### The analyst's know-how

This seminar is about the practice of psychoanalysis, about what a subject can know and how he or she can make use of it. It demonstrates that the experience of analysis is not the application of a technical protocol. Nevertheless, it is possible to gain access to what for each subject constitutes his or her most opaque core. What can we require of an analyst, what must he or she know, what do we mean by informed desire concerning the psychoanalyst, what is the contribution of the psychoanalyst to the subject's know-how? We will try to answer these questions, which ultimately concern the use of symptoms after analysis and the behaviours that a subject forges from the transference. Know-how after analysis concerns the way in which each one deals with his or her symptom. But then, what about the psychoanalyst's know-how? We will argue at this point what we mean by the analyst's know-how as a know-how with difference. In addressing these questions, we will necessarily have to account for the formation of the analyst.

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### What is a case in psychoanalysis?

What is meant by the psychoanalytic clinic? What is its specificity? What distinguishes it from the medical and psychiatric clinic from which it originates? In psychoanalysis there are what, after Lacan, we call clinical structures. Is a diagnosis of structure equivalent to what in medicine and psychiatry is called a clinical case? We start from this: the clinic of a case in psychoanalysis puts pre-existing knowledge in check. This presupposes an aim that goes one step beyond the structure. The question arises as to what a case is for psychoanalysis. There is what Lacan designates as the trait of the case. This is the real, to be understood as the irreducible of the symptom at the end of the analytic experience. But the case is constructed from the moment of entry into analysis because of the analyst's involvement in the analysand's symptom.

We will show what distinguishes the analytic clinic, centred solely in the clinical structure of a practice based on the clinic of the case, which supposes a beyond of the structure, that is to say what exists singularly for each subject. In other words, we rely on the virtues of the exception, rather than the virtues of the norm. This will raise the question of the transmission of psychoanalysis: how is a singularity transmitted and what is the use of this? What is the epistemic benefit of reporting a case?

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