Enlightenment and Individuation
—— East and West

The Announcement and Invitation of
The 8th International Conference of Analytical Psychology
and Chinese Culture

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The 8th International Conference of Analytical Psychology and Chinese Culture will be held at Xi’an City, the mainland of China, at April 2-4, 2018. The theme of the conference is: Enlightenment and Individuation - East and West.

The conference is sponsored by Chang’an University, IAAP (The International Association for Analytical Psychology), ISST (The International Society for Sandplay Therapy), CFAP (The Chinese Federation for Analytical Psychology and Sandplay Therapy), ISAP Zurich (International School of Analytical Psychology Zurich), Pacifica Graduate Institute (USA), the Institute of Analytical Psychology City University (Macao), the Oriental Academy for Analytical Psychology (Guangdong, China).

C.G. Jung's exposition of the individuation process in its later stages resembles spiritual paths to enlightenment and attunement with Tao. To explore, compare and contrast these perspective on attaining wisdom, this conference will bring together speakers from analytical psychology with representatives of the schools of Confucianism, Daoism, Buddhism, and I Ching scholars for dynamic discussions. Zen Buddhism's famous "Ten Ox-Herding Pictures" will provide the backbone for the body of this conference.

Featured speakers will include well known Jungian analysts from several continents and oriental scholars from China, Japan and elsewhere, such as Murray Stein, Luigi Zoja, John Beebe, Joe Cambray, Tom Kelly, Marianne Muller, Toshio Kawai, Martin Schmidt, Misser Berg, George Hogenson, Angela Connolly, Ruth Ammann, Alex Esterhuyzen, Yasuhiro Yamanaka, Tom Singer, Linda Carter, Joan Cullert-Koehn, Brian Feldman, Allan Guggenbuel, Christa Robinson, Eva Pattis Zoja, Lauren Cunningham, Maria Chiaia,
Liza Ravitz, Steve Zemmelman, Viviane Thibaudier, Robert Bosnak, Stephen Aizenstat, Wu Yi (Confucianism), Liu Dajun (I Ching scholar), Yan Zexian (philosopher), Chen Bin (Buddhism), Hu Fuchen (Daoism), Shi Jiqun (Monk), Shi Yaozhi (Monk), Shi Dingkong (Monk), Shi Guozhen (Nun), Tong Jun (Psychoanalyst), Gao Lan (Jungian Analyst/Sandplay Therapist) and Shen Heyong (Jungian Analyst/Sandplay Therapist).

There will be 15 plenary presentations (with panels) in the three mornings, and 56 breakout sessions presentations at two afternoons (There will also be two days of pre-conference workshops, Saturday, March 31, and Sunday, April 1. Joe Cambray, Stephen Aizenstat, Luigi Zoja, Eva Pattis Zoja, Allan Guggenbuel, Yasuhiro Yamanaka……will have their workshops). There are still some select open spaces for plenary and breakout sessions speakers. We invite participants to submit proposals (with titles, abstract and biographical information of up to 300 words total) on the theme of this conference: Enlightenment and Individuation - East and West.

Conference registration fee is $210 EUR, which includes the opening reception, all presentations, coffee, tea and snacks at breaks. The conference and pre-conference workshops will be held at Chang'an University (Middle-section of Nan'er Huan Road Xi'an）、Crowne Plaza Xi'an（No.1 Middle Section, Zhuque Road, Xi'an）、and Holiday Inn Xi'an (Big Goose Pagoda, No 398 South 2nd Ring Road, Xi'an). These three places are very close (walking for a few minutes).
Xi’an (or Chang’an in ancient times, meaning “eternal peace”) is the most important historical and one of the most beautiful cities in China. It lies on the Guanzhong Plain in central China and was home to the Emperors of 13 dynasties, notably, Western Zhou (1046 BC-771 BC), Qin (221 BC – 207 BC), Han (206 BC – 220 AD), Sui (581 AD – 618 AD) and Tang (618AD –907AD) Dynasties. In recent years it has become a premier destination for the archaeological sites in the surrounding plains containing the famed Bingmayong (Terra Cotta Army), with thousands of life-size, extraordinarily crafted figures showing remarkable individuality, all buried along with China’s first emperor, Qin Shi Huang. Xi’an enjoys equal fame with Rome, Athens and Cairo as one of the great ancient capitals in size and significance. It is renowned as the cradle of ancient Chinese civilization in Yellow River Basin area, its buildings and landscapes record the great changes of the country like a living history book.

Xi’an was the eastern terminal of the Silk Road, which not only functioned as a trade route, but also bridged the gap between east and west in the exchange of science, technology, and cultures. During the Tang Dynasty Xi’an welcomed five major religions within its walls. The most influential of these today in Xi’an are Buddhism and Taoist schools represented by numerous temples. The spiritual sites of the region have left a long history and have become sacred destinations for pilgrim. Among the eight Chinese Buddhist schools, Xi’an is the birthplace of six of them; the Daoist Louguantai Temple in Xi’an, is the place where Lao Tzu, the founder of Taoism, wrote his masterpiece, the Tao Te Ching, and gave lectures on Taoism.

Spring is usually warm and pleasant in Xi’an; March to May is the best time of a year to pay a visit. Temperatures in spring are subject to fluctuations. The average temperature in March is 8°C(46°F), rising to 14°C(57°F) in April and 19°C(66°F) in May.
During the conference we will organize city tour and after we will offer a “silk-road tour.” A local travel agency is organizing a five days post-conference trip (from April 5 to 9), from Xi’an to Dunhuang (also referred to as “Sha Zhou,” beautiful desert oasis) which was the hub of middle and eastern silk routes in ancient times. The city is renowned for the Mogao Caves, with 492 grottoes adorned with Buddhist statuaries and frescoes. These were carved into the cliffs above the Dachuan River from the 4th to the 14th centuries CE.

The International Conference of Analytical Psychology and Chinese Culture

Since the first official visit of the IAAP to China in 1994, there have been 7 previous International Conferences sponsored by IAAP (1998-2015). This has been accompanied by the spectacular growth and development of Analytical Psychology in the mainland of China and the Chinese region (with six IAAP developing groups in Guangzhou, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Macao, Shanghai, and Beijing).
We invite and welcome the international Jungian community, analysts, sandplay therapists, psychologists and scholars to come Xi’an, China for this 8th International Conference of Analytical Psychology and Chinese Culture: Enlightenment and Individuation - East and West. We hope to see you there.

With the Best Regards,

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