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International Conference Contextual Therapy

The need for connection. Relationship challenges in today's world.

COMPLETE PROGRAM

Time	Formula		Presenter: Title (Language)	Location
Day 1		27/10/2025		
08:00		Registration and coffee		
09:00	Plenary	Welcome and opening	President of the conference	
09:30	Plenary	Keynote 1	Catherine Ducommun-Nagy: The theory of change in contextual therapy and the place of the approach in the world of postmodern therapies. (E)	
10:45	Break			
11:15	Workshop	Session 1a	Tatiana Glebova & Suzanne Bartle Haring: The Study of Intergenerational Effects of Sociocultural Trauma and Its Implications for Contextual Therapy. (E)	
		Session 1b	Heather Warren & Thomas Stone Carlson: Narrative Means to Contextual Ends: Using Narrative Therapy Practices to Invite Due Consideration in Contextual Therapy. (E)	
		Session 1c	Joke van Ballegooijen, Karin Jonker & Chantal van Wijngaarden-Timmermans: Contextueel werken in de huisartsenpraktijk. (NL)	
		Session 1d	Catherine Lebrun & Natacha Boxus: Attaque du Corps et dépression chez un jeune adulte: quand les mots ne sortent pas, les symptômes auto destructeurs forcent à briser le silence et à ouvrir la porte difficile du dialogue sur les injustices du passé. (F)	

12:30	Lunch Break			
13:30	Workshop	Session 2a	Heather Warren & Tatiana Glebova: Living Childfree. (E)	
		Session 2b	Greteke De Vries & Hanneke Meulink-Korf: Experiences from Contextual Pastoral Care-and-Counselling and Interfaith Encounters, inspired by Contextual Therapy. (Eng/NL)	
		Session 2c	Ard Nieuwenbroek: Elviskinderen, Living in the shadow of your passed sibling. (NL)	
		Session 2d	Rudy Gavage en Christophe Gabriel: La partialité multidirectionnelle à l'épreuve de la co-intervention : réflexions sur l'équilibre relationnel et la justice dans le sous-système thérapeutique. (F)	
14:45	Break			
15:15	Workshop	Session 3a	Cymone Damon Sams & Tatiana Glebova: The Intergenerational Balance of Give and Take: Destructive Entitlement and Relational Dynamics in Black Families – An Autoethnographic Study. (E)	
		Session 3b	Tanya Defferary: Understanding Dissociation through a Contextual Therapy Perspective. (E)	
		Session 3c	An Van Herck: Vastgeschroefd: tussen taal, theorie en ontmoeting. (NL)	
		Session 3d	Cathy Van Gorp & Kelly Vercaigne: Wat als de enige weg naar veilige connectie disconnectie is? (NL)	
16:15	Plenary	Closing day 1		

Day 2		28/10/2025		
09:00	Plenary	Opening	President of the conference	
09:15	Plenary	Keynote 2	Peter Adriaenssens: Intergenerational Trauma & Resilience integrated in Contextual Family Therapy. (E)	
10:15	Workshop	Session 4a	Mayumi Y. Douglass & Heather Warren: Conflicting loyalties and legacies in multicultural families and communities. (E)	
		Session 4b	Peter Rober: The Person of the Therapist in Family Therapy Practice: about the therapeutic process, and the therapist's experiences in the session. (E)	
		Session 4c	Pieterjan van den Akker: It's all about reading the balance Hoe de relationele ethiek ons helpt om onze relaties te verstevigen in een complexe wereld en zo preventief in families te werken aan een netwerk waarbinnen vertrouwen hersteld en onderhouden kan worden. (NL)	
		Session 4d	Catherine Lebrun: Souffrance psychique et retard de développement chez l'enfant: réhumaniser les liens grâce à l'approche contextuelle. (F)	
11:30	Break			
12:00	Workshop	Session 5a	Thea Bombeek (E) Family ties at work: how loyalty towards your family or origin shapes your work relationships and career path.	
		Session 5b	Emoke Tarjan, Dia Czipor, Erika Putnoki, Patrik Pál Wächter & Tamás Wittmann: From the Past to the Future. (E)	
		Session 5c	Jan Permentier: 'The medium is the message' (M.Mc Luhan).(NL)	
		Session 5d	Natacha Boxus Apport de la théorie contextuelle et responsabilité du thérapeute contextuel face au défi écologique. (F)	
13:00	Lunch			

	Break			
14:00	Workshop	Session 6a	Grant Morales, Gabrielle Malloney, Rikki Patton & Phyllis Swint: Using Contextual Therapy in Couple Therapy with Partners who have a History of Intimate Partner Violence in Previous Relationships. (E)	
		Session 6b	Kees Verduijn & Danielle van de Koot: Loyalty and family ties in kinship foster care (E)	
		Session 6c	René Knip: Ring the bells that still can ring. Op weg met tekst en muziek van Leonard Cohen. (NL)	
		Session 6d	Sophie Houben: La responsabilité à l'adolescence dans le monde d'aujourd'hui : quels apports de l'approche contextuelle? (F)	
15:15	Break			
15:45	Workshop	Session 7a	Mayumi Y. Douglass & Tatiana Glebova: Contextual Therapy's Five-Dimensional Framework on Trustworthiness in Online-Only Relationships. (E)	
		Session 7b	Catherine Ducommun-Nagy: The Dialectic Theory of the Personality in the Area of Virtual Relationships. (E)	
		Session 7c	Yvette Desmet (NL) Connection and parentification in a digital era. New challenges, everlasting needs.	
		Session 7d	Oscar Westra van Holthe (NL) Mentalizing, embodying, and visualizing multidirectional partiality when working with perpetrator-victim dynamics in the contextual therapy room	
16:45	Plenary	Closing day 2		

Day 3		29/10/2025		
08:30		Registration and coffee		
09:00	Plenary	Opening en welcome participants	President of the conference	
09:30	Plenary	Keynote 3	Manijeh Daneshpour: Restoring Balance: Building Love Through Fairness, Justice, and Trust. (E)	
10:30	Break			
11:00	Plenary	Keynote 4	Peter Rober: Family Secrecy and Selective Disclosure: About what is said in families, and what is not yet said (E)	
12:00	Lunch break			
13:00	Plenary	Keynote 5	Stéphanie Haxhe: Prendre soin du lien fraternel/adelphique: un challenge pour la thérapie contextuelle d'aujourd'hui. (F)	
14:00	Break			
14:30	Plenary	Keynote 6	Albert van Dieren: From Personal Conversation to Professional Practice: The Many Facets of Dialogue and Relational Ethics.	
15:30	Plenary	Closing of the conference		
16:15		Reception		
18:00		Closing doors		