



PSYCHOANALYSIS AND POLITICS

OPPRESSION AND WELCOMING STRANGERS A conference to celebrate 10 years of Psychoanalysis and Politics

September 19th 2020, 9.00-18.00, Litteraturhuset, Amalie Skram, Wergelandsveien 29, 0167 Oslo

*"Also you shall not oppress a stranger, for you know the heart of a stranger, because you were strangers in the land of Egypt."
Exodus 23:9, New King James Version*

*"The ethical force of the public sacrificial meal rested upon very ancient ideas of the significance of eating and drinking together. Eating and drinking with a man was a symbol and a confirmation of fellowship and mutual social obligations. [...] whenever food is eaten in common, the participation in the same substance establishes a sacred bond between those who consume it when it has entered their bodies."
Freud, Totem and Taboo, 1913*



This conference marks the 10th anniversary of the international and interdisciplinary conference series Psychoanalysis and Politics. A central aspect of this ongoing community of thought is reflecting on the nature of inclusion, and specifically the unconscious and preconscious aspects of inclusion and its opposites in social settings. Thinking of how power and oppression is expressed and experienced in contemporary social and political spaces is key to understanding the workings of welcoming, or excluding, people who are conceived of as strangers. The conference will include contributions from some of the people who have supported our work throughout the years, and will provide ample space for dialogue between the participants.

A programme and further information will be forthcoming.

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