

XIX World Family Therapy Congress

The 19th World Family Therapy Congress will be held **March 30 - April 2, 2011** in The Netherlands. We invite you to join colleagues from around the world at the NH Conference Centre in Noordwijkerhout.

The 2011 Congress has as its theme: **Family Therapy: Coming Together for Peace, Justice, and Healing.** The Congress will focus on presenting approaches to problems and ways of coping with them and helping to heal hurting families, couples and children in various cultures.

The Congress goal is the same as it has been since IFTA was founded in 1987: **Advancing family therapy worldwide by promoting research, education, and sound practice while promoting international cooperation and the exchange of knowledge and ideas that support the health and well-being of families and persons around the world.**



COME ENRICH YOUR KNOWLEDGE ON:

Abuse/Violence

Couples

Divorce

Death/Loss

Infidelity

Legal/Courts/Collaborative Care

HIV/AIDS

Mental Illness/Health

Research

Spirituality

Substance Abuse/Addiction

Training/Supervision

Trauma



IFTA 2011 WORLD CONGRESS PLENARY SPEAKERS



Thomas L. Sexton, PhD, Professor, Department of Counseling Psychology at Indiana University, directs the Center for Adolescent and Family Studies, a national center for the study and dissemination of research based practices for the treatment of at-risk adolescents and their families. A practitioner, social scientist, and family therapy model developer, he has presented more than 300 workshops on Functional Family Therapy, consulted nationally and internationally with systems of care helping to integrate evidence-based practices, implementing FFT in the Netherlands and Ireland. He is co-author of the FFT clinical manual (Sexton & Alexander 2004), author/co-author of the most recent theoretical chapters on FFT, designed the most recent training and implementation procedures for moving FFT into community based clinical

settings, and written extensively on family therapy and psychotherapy research, including a major reference, the Handbook of Family Therapy. Sexton and Turner (Journal of Family Psychology, 2010) is the first FFT outcome study in more than 20 years and Functional Family Therapy in Clinical Practice the first book on FFT in over 30 years. He is a licensed psychologist, board certified Family Psychologist (ABPP), Fellow of the American Psychological Association, past president of the APA's Society of Family Psychology.



John Shotter, currently a tutor on the Professional Doctorate in Systemic Practice (PDSP) in the University of Bedfordshire, in Luton, England, is Emeritus Professor of Communication, University of New Hampshire. His long term interest has been, and still is, in the social conditions conducive to people having a voice in determining the conditions of their own lives, in the development of participatory democracies and civil societies. He is the author of Social Accountability and Selfhood (Blackwell, 1984), Cultural Politics of Everyday Life: Social Constructionism, Rhetoric, and Knowing of the Third Kind (Open

University, 1993), Conversational Realities: the Construction of Life through Language (Sage, 1993), and Conversational Realities Revisited: Life, Language, Body, and Word (Taos Publications). He has two new books in press: Getting It: Witness-Thinking and the Dialogical... in Practice (Hampton Press), and Social Construction on the Edge: Witness-Thinking and Embodiment (Taos Publications). He calls his current approach to social theory a social ecological approach.



Monica McGoldrick, M.A., LCSW, Ph.D. (h.c.), is the Director of the Multicultural Family Institute in Highland Park, New Jersey, and on the faculty of UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Medical school. She has a BA from Brown University, a MA in Russian Studies from Yale University, an M.S.W. and Honorary Doctorate from Smith College School for Social Work. Fourth generation Irish American, married to a Greek immigrant, she was raised in a family in which her closest emotional connection was to her African American caretaker, Margaret Bush. She grew up knowing very little about her roots, but coming through her family therapy work

to believe deeply in the importance of connections to family and cultural history. Dr. McGoldrick is known internationally for her writings and teaching on topics including culture, class, gender, the family life cycle, loss, family patterns (genograms), remarried families, and sibling relationships. Her videotape of clinical work with a multicultural family around issues of loss is one of the most widely respected in the field. Several of her books have become best selling classics of their publishers: Ethnicity and Family Therapy, now in its 3rd edition, co-edited with Joe Giordano and Nydia Garcia Preto; The Expanded Family Life Cycle, 2005, soon going into a 4th edition, co-edited with Betty Carter and Nydia Garcia Preto; Genograms: Assessment and Intervention, in a 3rd edition, co-edited with Sueli Petry; Women in Families, Living Beyond Loss: Death in the Family, 2nd edition, co-edited with Froma Walsh and Revisioning Family Therapy: Race, Culture, and Gender in Clinical Practice, recently published in a 2nd edition, co-edited with Ken Hardy. Her book You Can Go Home Again: Understanding Family Relationships translates her ideas about family relationships for a popular audience, using examples such as Beethoven, Groucho Marx, Sigmund Freud and the Kennedys.