

Epistemic Trust in Psychotherapy: The First Decade

Location: Sir Ambrose Fleming LT, Roberts Building UCL, and online via Zoom

Saturday 22 – Sunday 23 March 2025

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0900-0930 Welcome and Introductions

Patrick Luyten (University College London, UK, and KU Leuven, Belgium), Chloe Campbell (University College London, UK), and Peter Fonagy (University College London, UK)

First Session

Chair: Patrick Luyten (University College London, UK, and KU Leuven, Belgium)

0930–1030 “Nobody trusts me” - changes in epistemic trust in adolescents with Conduct Disorder

Svenja Taubner (University of Heidelberg, Germany)

1030-1100 Refreshments

1100-1200 Antisocial personality in adulthood: engaging a distrusting mind in treatment and change

Anthony Bateman (University College London, UK)

1200-1300 Social trust and the epistemic crisis of the early 21st century

Peter Fonagy (University College London, UK)

1300-1400 Lunch Break

Second Session

Chair: Peter Fonagy (University College London, UK)

1400-1600 Early Career Panel

1600-1625 Refreshments

1625-1725 Research on Epistemic Trust in Clinical Areas: Lessons Learnt and Future Directions

Tobias Nolte (University College London, UK)

1725-1825 Mentalization, Communication and Epistemic Trust: Cognitive Developmental and Psychotherapeutic Approaches

George Gergely (Central European University - Private University, Austria)

Sunday 23 March

Third Session

Chair: Liz Allison (University College London, UK)

0930-1030 Epistemic Trust Injustices: where multiple needs intersect

Dickon Bevington (Anna Freud, London, Cambridge and Peterborough Foundation Trust, Cambridge Children's Hospital, UK), and Liz Cracknell (Anna Freud, UK)

1030-1130 “Tenderness and absolute trust and communication and truth matter more and more...” Iris Murdoch, from *The Sea, The Sea*

Exploring *epistemic trust*, *empathic attunement** and *attentive love*** in work with high risk families. (*Una McCluskey) (**Sara Ruddick)
Gerry Byrne (University of Oxford, UK)

1130-1200 Refreshments

1200-1300 Why epistemic? How the epistemic trust framework builds on existing models of developmental psychopathology

Chloe Campbell (University College London, UK)

1300-1345 Plenary panel with summary by Liz Allison (University College London, UK) and closing remarks