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The Psychoanalysis in Psychiatry (PIP) Section comprises 75 members from 24 countries across all four WPA regions. During the 2023–2026 triennium, its officers are Chair Saman Tavakoli (Iran), Co-Chair Paola Mieli (USA), and Secretary Mario Eduardo Costa Pereira (Brazil). Committee members are Fabian Guénolé (France), Dušica Lečić-Toševski (Serbia), Petrin Redayani Lukman (Indonesia), Silvia Olarte (USA), and Hachem Tyal (Morocco). Ex officio members are Chairs Emeriti and Consultants Michel Botbol and Hervé Granier (France), and Advisors César Alfonso (USA), Maria Ammon (Germany), and Graciela Onofrio (Argentina).

PIP affirms psychoanalysis's contribution to psychiatry beyond psychotherapy, as an indispensable framework for psychopathology, clinical ethics, psychiatric education, the psychiatrist–patient relationship, and understanding subjectivity in clinical practice. It advances this position through participation in World Congresses of Psychiatry, its International Meetings, and collaboration within the WPA and with international partner organizations.

PIP has been active at the World Congresses of Psychiatry, the WPA's flagship events. At the 25th World Congress (Prague, October 2025), members organized the symposium "From Infancy to Adolescence in Psychodynamic Psychiatry," chaired by Fabian Guénolé and Inge Seiffge-Krenke. At the 26th World Congress (Stockholm, September 2026), the PIP's intersectional symposium with the Psychotherapy Section, "Psychodynamic Psychotherapy and Clinical Change," chaired by Dušica Lečić-Toševski and Timothy Sullivan, has been accepted. PIP members will also deliver the pre-congress course "Psychodynamic Approaches to Team-Based Clinical Practice in Psychiatry," directed by Fabian Guénolé.

PIP convened two International Meetings. The first (University of Campinas, UNICAMP, Brazil, February 2024), chaired by Mario Eduardo Costa Pereira and co-chaired by Hervé Granier, was held under WPA auspices. Its theme was "New Foundations for the Relationship between Psychiatry and Psychoanalysis." The second (Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, June 2026), chaired by Paola Mieli and organized with the Après-Coup Psychoanalytic Association, examined psychoanalysis's contribution to psychopathology, clinical training, diagnostic processes, and new technologies. Both Meetings, with speakers from their respective host countries and abroad, were honored by the participation of WPA President-Elect Thomas Schulze and former WPA President Juan Mezzich (<https://www.apres-coup.org/202526/pip2026>).

PIP's productive partnership with the World Association for Dynamic Psychiatry (WADP) spans two WPA co-sponsored World Congresses. At the 20th (Marrakech, April 2024), PIP organized the symposium "Violence in Young People: Collective Trauma and Challenge for Public Mental Health," chaired by Dušica Lečić-Toševski and co-chaired by Michel Botbol, and held its Section Meeting. The partnership continues at the 21st WADP World Congress (Vienna, March 2027), which is likewise co-sponsored by WPA and co-organized by PIP.

Outside the WPA, PIP worked with the World Federation for Psychotherapy and WADP; within the WPA, with the Psychotherapy; Classification, Diagnostic Assessment and Nomenclature; Perinatal and Infant Psychiatry; and Early Career Psychiatrists Sections. It also deepened dialogue with the International College of Person-Centered Medicine.

Under the WPA's three-year cycle, Committee terms are established at the World Congress of Psychiatry. Elected on 19 May 2023, the current Committee and officers took office at the 2023 Congress; elections for the next term will precede the 2026 Congress.

Looking ahead, PIP will regularize its International Meetings, develop educational and webinar programs with partners, and continue advocating psychoanalytic thinking in psychiatric research and training.