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Inclusion and Multiculturalism Highlight 2014 World TA Conference

by John Heath



Connecting in San Francisco (from left): John Heath, Lis Heath, Vineeta Sood, and PK Saru

The 2014 World TA Conference certainly lived up to its theme of "TA Now: A Game Changer." If the spirit of this conference is anything to go by, the TA Game has definitely changed in the direction of inclusion and acceptance. And if we can change our own game, then maybe we can inspire others to do the same!

It is always a pleasure to attend our annual transactional analysis conferences, and this year was no exception. From the thought-provoking opening panel on games to the simple gathering at the close of the conference, the program was a delight.

Felipe Garcia did a great job carrying the keynote address on multiculturalism so soon after the sad loss of Jo Lewis, who was to deliver it with him. He bravely set us off in pairs and small groups to discuss our cultural identity with strangers. As a participant, it soon became obvious that the more heterogeneous the group, the more complex it was to complete the task or even to agree on what the task was. I had to restrain myself from "explaining" to a group of good-humored Italians what Felipe had "really" asked us to do. Thank goodness I did! With the help of their intrepid translator, we had a great encounter, which my anglocentric understandings would only have served to diminish. This was a powerful example of the medium being the message. It's not easy to pull that off as a presenter, but Felipe stayed cool and relaxed throughout, forced no outcomes, and left us with the potency of our own experiences to carry away. Congratulations, Felipe!

I also thoroughly enjoyed Jeffrey Zeig's keynote on emotional impact, which was really about the artistry of psychological intervention. He told us that if we capture the attention of our clients with the right aesthetic note, then we will significantly increase our effectiveness. I was reminded of my days as an enthusiastic member of a male voice choir. Men love to sing lustily, especially if the song lends itself to the swell of emotion, and it can get out of control. I remember a

lady conductor explaining to us that while she appreciated the passion of our performance, it must "never be louder than lovely." I'm sure there's a parallel lesson for all of us working with others to achieve change.

The notion of "TA now" can, of course, have no meaning unless there was a "TA then." In San Francisco we were treated to the wisdom and memories of those who were there at the start of it all and who knew Eric Berne personally. This event was in the form of an informal breakfast chat, which meant we stayed away from too much talk of theory and could really get a feel for the old days. But this was no gathering of old folk! It was clear to me that we were in the presence of powerful people who had all worked to change the prevailing games of their day. Their courage to challenge the status quo and their lifelong dedication to what began back in the 1960s is an enduring inspiration to us all.

Deepening our sense of the rich legacy that Berne left us, Carol Solomon and her team presented an update on the Eric Berne Archive project. This extraordinary collection, based on a huge fund-raising effort, represents an amazing act of dedication to the scholarship of Berne and will preserve his original manuscripts and notes in a controlled environment at the University of San Francisco as well as making them available online to readers in digital form. It lends a special personal touch to our theory and practice in transactional analysis to maintain such close links with our founder. Eric's daughter, Janice McGee, and her husband, Bob, made their own special effort to connect with us and traveled all the way to San Francisco from their home in Florida to lend their support.

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The conference venue was one of the best I can remember, with a particularly good hotel layout that lent itself to community and involvement without being at all claustrophobic. The staff were friendly and the drinks were pricey, which is not such a bad combination if you want people to enjoy themselves, feel at ease, and still be ready to work in the morning.

In my role as ITAA President, I am not simply there to enjoy the pleasures of the conference. I am there to progress the business of the ITAA and to liaise with colleagues from all over the world. In this respect, 2014 was a truly vintage year. I hope to unfold some of the details of what was achieved in later editions of *The Script*. For now, the headlines: The ITAA and EATA are about to begin negotiating some new interorganizational agreements, the ITAA is on the verge of reviving a policy on affiliation with other organizations, the partnership with SAGE is going well and providing us with valuable new data that will help us expand our network, and the commitment to mutually agreed worldwide standards of qualification is alive and well and is now embodied in a formally agreed document put together by ITAA, EATA, and FTAA.

I was once again struck by the strength of our great staff team: Robin, Ken, and Janet. They each brought a presence to the conference that reminded me powerfully of how they hold the identity and activity of the ITAA together year on year while the elected trustees like me come and go all too swiftly. Without them, the ITAA would be a very different organizaton. We may be spread around the world, but when we come together we somehow feel like we belong together. I have no doubt that has something to do with Robin, Ken, and Janet. My heartfelt thanks go to each of them.

Final thanks must go to Lucy Freedman and her excellent team of USA-TAA members who hosted the conference and did all the groundwork. They did a splendid job on a shoestring budget and delivered us a wonderful context in which to share our thoughts and plan our way forward together as transactional analysts.

As I write, I am still on holiday with my wife, Lis, in beautiful Montana. The skies really are bigger here. They are beckoning me now.

Next year the conference is in Sydney, Australia, from 29 July to 1 August. Do come if you can. It's sure to be memorable!

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Reflections on the San Francisco Conference

" 'Old order changeth yielding place to new … lest one good custom should corrupt the world,' said Tennyson. This was exactly my experience at the 2014 World TA Conference in San Francisco. Members of the old guard smoothly and graciously handing over to the second and third generations while sharing their wisdom, experience, and knowledge. The workshop with Claude Steiner and Keith Tudor, "Still Radical After All These Years," manifested that spirit totally and excitingly. The globalization of TA as a model of theory and practice was another powerful experience for me. There have been conferences where I was the only Indian delegate or there were only a couple of us. This time we were 10 strong from India, and the same was true of Japan. There were even delegates from Bangladesh, China, and Singapore manifesting the blending of East and West. Cross-cultural exchanges and transactions were yet another novel and striking experience for me. I sat on an exam board in which the cultural diversity was glaring, yet I could see the similarity in what makes transactional analysts who they are. So for me, the bond that unites us is more powerful than the differences that divide us. This bears testimony to what I believe: that human beings are the same all over the world, although they are packaged differently with wrappings of culture, society, religion, and language. Meeting old gurus and paying our respects to Claude Steiner, Fanita English, and Muriel James as well as renewing bonds with stalwarts such as Richard Erskine, Jean Illsley Clarke, Charlotte Sills, Bill Cornell, Robin Fryer, and Keith Tudor were all rewarding. Connecting with beloved friends such as Adrienne Lee, Julie Hay, and George Kohlrieser was stimulating at the core. Lucy at the helm and her organizing team gave us a memorable experience to take back home and cherish. Bravo!!"

– PK Saru, India







1: *Saying "Hello" in San Francisco (from left): Chitra Ravi, PK Saru, Julie Hay, Ragini Rao, Suriyaprakash*

2: *Japanese delegates at pizza party (from left): Akiko Hori, Tomoko Abe, Masumi Aonuma, Yuka Hashimoto, Akiko Okano, Ikuko Kin*

3: *(From left): Yuka Hashimoto and Keiko Suzuki*

"Congratulations to Lucy and the USATAA team for offering a conference that provided a wholesome experience. Some of the aspects that were rewarding to me were the theater-based keynote on Saturday morning and the workshops on cocreative transactional analysis and a relational perspective on games. The venue provided enough space for various activities to meet everyone's needs for learning and leisure."

– Suriyprakash C., India



Tomoko Abe celebrates and is celebrated for becoming a new TSTA

"Three TSTA candidates, one TTA candidate, and five CTA candidates passed their exams in San Francisco just prior to the conference. Thorsten Geck and Chitra Ravi were exam coordinators and created an exam headquarters that felt so protected that I imagine it was as perfect an atmosphere for all the other candidates as it was for me. After I returned from my TSTA exam, they and Mandy Lacy were there to welcome me warmly and cheerfully, which helped me feel like I was coming back to home ground. Later, Thorsten sent us the photos he took of us signing PASSED! on the board in the headquarters, a very thoughtful gesture. Thanks to them and to everyone who helped make the San Francisco exams so successful."
– *Tomoko Abe, Japan* (see page 10 for details and photos of the examinees)

"The moments of shared celebration about my Eric Berne Memorial Award will stay with me for the rest of my life." – *Susannah Temple, United Kingdom*





1: *Current and former EBMA winners (from left): Gloria Noriega, Steve Karpman, Marco Mazzetti, Susannah Temple, Jean Clarke, Richard Erskine, Bill Cornell, Vann Joines, and Charlotte Sills*

2: *Susannah Temple celebrates her 2014 Eric Berne Memorial Award with EBMA Committee Chair Suriyaprakash*

"I loved the truly international nature of this conference. At the opening event, each time I turned around I seemed to find another old friend from some distant part of the world joining in a celebration of both what we had been and done and what we are becoming. Experiencing the enthusiasm and excitement of the younger (and newer) attendees was especially invigorating. I was thrilled to learn that only 25% of the participants in our workshop had English as their first language. Many thanks to all the people who put so much time and energy into creating such a wonderful experience." – *Laurie Weiss, USA*

"I especially enjoyed the friendships and sharing among colleagues and friends from all over the world. It is always touching to witness how we can be attuned even if coming from such different geographical environments, a demonstration of how our common values and commitments are really part of our human nature, beyond culture. I also really enjoyed the workshop with Claude Steiner and Keith Tudor, which offered a special moment of confrontation between colleagues from different times who enriched each other and the audience with their different expressions of a common sense of belonging and commitment within our community and our profession."
– *Marco Mazzetti, Italy*



Marco Mazzetti (right) tells his story to Armand Volkas of Playback Theatre.



(From left) Suriyaprakash, Felipe Garcia, and Theo van der Heijden

"The San Francisco conference was full of exciting and interesting programs and ran smoothly. I appreciate Lucy Freedman and the program committee who did so much to make the conference work well. I enjoyed the opportunity on Thursday morning to present transactional analysis as a tool for societal applications in eliminating oppression and cocreating collaboration and inclusion as well as in shifting from competitive relationships to cooperation. The 'TA: A Game Changer' in the twenty-first century is moving from the 'me' generation to the 'we' generation. I enjoyed the informality and opportunity to visit with participants from 23 countries during the pizza party, and I thought the organizational symposium was informative and useful."
– Felipe Garcia, USA

"This was a wonderful conference, for which I want to thank Lucy Freedman and the organizing team. It was also good to see Robin Fryer and Ken Fogleman again; they are a treasure of loyalty for our association. For my trainees and me this was a stimulating conference, full of energy. We were 18 Mexicans attending for the first time a World TA Conference: Alva Ramirez (who passed her CTA exam), Tila Perez, Tila Laclette, Clara Freyre, Leticia Martínez, Patricia Miralrio, Gerardo Fernandez, Ruben Parra, Nancy Santiesteban, Gerardo Fenandez and Alejandra Esquivel, plus Charo Chavez and Rolando Barrenechea from Peru, Clarissa Ruggieri from Italy, Victor Lopez from Spain, and María Renée Gandara from Guatemala, who were part of our Mexican group. Finally, there was Patricia Rincon Gallardo, who was the translation coordinator, and me. Now, several of our trainees have been inspired to sign contracts to present for their IBOC exams. One of the most important things about the conference and one that impressed my trainees in a very positive way was the OK/OK relationships among the people attending. By this I mean relationships full of respect, recognition, and appreciation beyond cultural and individual personalities. This really honors the original idea of Berne about social psychiatry."
– Gloria Noriega, Mexico







1: *Mexican delegates at the gala banquet (from left): Alejandra Esquivel, Gloria Noriega, Patricia Miralrio, Clara Freyre, Patricia Rincon Gallardo*

2: *Patricia Rincon Gallardo and Gloria Noriega*

3: *Mexican delegates with Muriel James*

2014 World TA Conference Videos

We invite you to view videos from the conference by visiting http://goo.gl/z8KqbV . More recordings will be posted soon, and you can subscribe to receive notifications when new videos become available.

"I loved the wide representation of delegates from all over the world. For me this generated cross-cultural learning and exposure to the many languages that makes our TA community very rich. The symposia were a particular highlight for me, especially as I was part of the presenters group for the organizational symposium. Another enriching aspect of the conferences was giving specificity to transactional analysis applications. There were many highlights: the mixture of young and old, Fanita English and Muriel James, exams, keynotes, the organizers and volunteers, meeting Ken and Janet in person and reconnecting with Robin, the commitment of the ITAA and EATA and FTAA to keep working on working together, the signing of the TAWCS constitution, meeting new people, and especially reconnecting with TA friends and colleagues."
– Mandy Lacy, Australia


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1: *TAWCS working group after signing constitution (from left): Sue Eusden, Kathy Laverty, Jan Grant, Mandy Lacy, Marco Mazzetti, Elyane Alleysson, John Heath, Vladimir Goussakovski, and Vann Joines.*

2: *Muriel James with Lucy Freedman*

3: *Chitra Ravi with Fanita English*

"This was my first TA conference, and I arrived not knowing what to expect. I was fortunate enough to observe the inner workings of the ITAA Board of Trustees and was quite energized by how wholesomely the process was conducted. The conference itself was somewhat of an eye-opener, and I was particularly thrilled by the various panel conversations. An additional highlight was the Playback Theatre performance with director Armand Volkas, which quite touched me. This was also the first time that Karen Pratt and I copresented a workshop, and the postconference session feedback from the wonderful group of participants we worked with was truly encouraging! Capturing the essence of coaching in one day is quite a challenge, correlating it with transactional analysis is quite another, and going by the energy and interaction we had from the group, it seems like some powerful and valuable work was done. This workshop was a great starting point, and I look forward to developing it further to benefit both coaches and transactional analysts alike."
– Alex van Oostveen, South Africa



Postconference workshop with Karen Pratt (left front) and Alex van Oosteen (right front)



ITAA President John Heath thanks outgoing ITAA Secretary Steff Oates for her outstanding service

"This was my last conference as a member of the ITAA Board of Trustees, which is going to take some getting used to. Having served on the board for five-and-a-half years, I had anticipated that I might want to take a welcome break from my summer holiday being organized around ITAA conferences, but guess what: I've come away wondering how I can make suitable budget changes to afford to go to Sydney! This opportunity, once a year, to meet old friends and make new ones from so many different countries and disciplines is such a privilege. To meet and chat with those who share values based on our TA principles and to find the willingness to disagree, share differences of opinion, and push boundaries is so stimulating and exciting. A particular joy for me was that ITAA staff members Robin Fryer, Ken Fogleman, and Janet Chin could all be there; between them they must bring nigh on 100 years of loyalty and experience to the ITAA and have been so important and supportive to me over my time as secretary. Similarly, the slide show provided by Carol Solomon on Thursday morning was very stirring. I was moved to tears of joy seeing how we've aged over the continents and over the last 50 years. It was touching also to see photos of Eric Berne and to meet his daughter, Janice, and her husband. Many others, I'm sure, will comment on the Playback Theatre and the moving dramatic presentations they offered of our colleagues' stories. Again, I found myself shedding tears and being incredibly moved by the stories of how particular people in TA have touched so many lives so deeply." *– Steff Oates, United Kingdom*

"This conference was beautifully organized and turned over to us to fill with good cheer, camaraderie, and the elegant dance of teachers and learners. One highlight for me was taking the opportunity to spend a day sitting at the table with the ITAA Board of Trustees. As an observer, I soaked in the details of the wonderful and difficult work that they do and witnessed an intelligent, caring, hard-working, fully collaborative, and inclusive group of individuals. I felt grateful and inspired and so glad to be a 43-year member of the ITAA."
– Carol Solomon, USA



ITAA Board of Trustees with guests (from left, bottom row): Carol Solomon, Robin Fryer, Alex van Oostveen, Ken Fogleman, Janet Chin, Suriyaprakash; (middle row): Tatiana Sizikova, Marco Mazzetti, Susan George, Steff Oates, John Heath, Milly De Micheli, Chitra Ravi; (back row): Mandy Lacy, Vann Joines, A. Geethan, Karen Pratt, Diane Salters, Vladimir Goussakovski, and Emily Keller (not shown but present by Skype: Mohanraj, Bill Holloway)



"The women's caucus was the most memorable highlight of the conference for me. We assembled around 10 tables, in large circles of women, with fresh salads and sandwiches. The caucus moderator team, Lucie King and Lucy Freedman, facilitated the process, ensuring that women elders Muriel James and Viola Litt Callaghan were recognized and respected, and that each woman in the room had a turn to speak. Women new to transactional analysis were welcomed, and we spoke of our lives and work in our home country as well as our memories of the beginnings of the caucus many years ago and of earlier gatherings. We met women friends from the past and welcomed new women friends from around the world: educators, psychologists, medical doctors, nurses, counselors, organizational consultants, and psychotherapists, among others. We also paid our respects and debt of gratitude to Josephine Bowens Lewis, who passed away suddenly a few weeks before the conference. For as long as I can recall, Jo's voice has been heard at the caucus, raising thoughtful questions, inviting us to look closely at our incongruities as women in this organization, to consider issues of multiple forms of marginalization affecting women who are absent or excluded from our organization, and demonstrating the principles of caring Carol Gilligan identified in her work on women's moral development. However, as well as reflecting inwardly on Jo's contributions, I noticed that this women's caucus exemplified a high degree of inclusiveness and an advanced level of care and concern for self, others, and the community. I invite you all to attend the women's caucus at future conferences and to continue the practice of inclusion and care pioneered by women who insisted on having this space for women in transactional analysis conferences so many years ago."

– Janice Dowson, Canada





"I especially enjoyed the amazing performance by Playback Theatre, directed by Armand Volkas, on Saturday morning. After hearing about the Eric Berne Archive and being reminded of his creativity, having our emotions and stories depicted with such creativity, grace, and energy by this improvisational troupe seemed like the perfect addition to the conference. As an audience, we were all deeply involved in their process and gave them a well-deserved standing ovation at the end. Plus, it was fun! I had no idea how they would act out emotions, including excitement, sadness, anxiety, and loss, but there it was, brought to life with movement, minimal vocalizations, and beautiful colored scarfs. How wonderful it was!"

– Gaylon Palmer, USA







"The ITAA Annual General Membership meeting (AGM) gave us a chance to show support for our board of trustees and, in turn, to ask questions. I want to thank our trustees for their positive relationships and hard work on behalf of the organization. In his comments, President John Heath highlighted the excellent news we have received from SAGE Publications about the growing reach and use of the *TAJ*, and he thanked those who worked so hard on that project, especially Bill Cornell and Robin Fryer. During the AGM Vittorio Soana received the 2014 Hedges Capers Humanitarian Award, and our admiration for such a devoted, generous man was demonstrated by the standing ovation he received. As for workshops, since I was part of one, I will mention the panel about and launching of the new book about cocreative transactional analysis, edited and mostly written by Graeme Summers and Keith Tudor. The launching was festive and joyous, and the panel offered an opportunity for interesting exchanges about what 'cocreative' means. At the official opening of the Eric Berne Archive, Carol Solomon gracefully and enthusiastically told the story of this important project, which will enable all of us to access so many materials about Eric Berne's life and work. Even though much has already been achieved, funds are still needed to complete the task (donate at EricBerneArchives.org). Among the treasures in the archive are audio recordings, films, photos, correspondence, diaries, manuscripts, flyers, lecture transcripts, and books. Finally, the conference ended, as usual, with the gala banquet. This one was my favorite yet! The music only started after we had dinner and chatted with our neighbors, and the DJ's selections then had many of us dancing. It was an apt ending to a conference about which many people spontaneously exclaimed to me, 'What a good conference this was!' Bravo to conference chair Lucy Freedman and the many volunteers who worked with her!" – *Laurie Hawkes, France*

1: *Launching of the Eric Berne Archive (from left): Project founder Carol Solomon, Berne's daughter Janice McGee, UCSF archivist Kate Tasker, UCSF staff Margaret Hughs, and archive committee members Marco Mazzetti, Ann Heathcote, and Gloria Noriega*

2: *Laurie Hawkes and Finn Boyle (Jo Stuthridge's son) at the gala dinner*

3: *Nominator Milly De Micheli with 2014 Hedges Capers Award winner Vittorio Soana*

"For the first time, I attended a postconference workshop after the conference. It was titled 'How Can We Change Our Transgenerational Scripts?' and was presented by Gloria Noriega. I had read Gloria's *TAJ* articles on transgenerational scripts and was in Johannesburg when she accepted her Eric Berne Memorial Award, but I had never seen her work with a group. I thought I knew roughly what to expect, but I was not prepared for the power of the work and the way Gloria offered protection to individuals in the group as they got in touch with various script issues, hot potatoes, and family secrets. In the quick round of introductions, I counted 16 nationalities in the group. The atmosphere built from a quiet start to one of warmth and compassion that leapt across cultural boundaries. I felt really moved as I saw Gloria help individuals deal with issues and encourage healing using a variety of techniques, the most powerful of which was two-chair work. She worked with the parent of the volunteer (through the volunteer) and enabled that person to do some significant work. The shift in the volunteer's demeanor was obvious to see. I enjoyed the day very much and appreciated the opportunity to gain further insight into my own transgenerational script. Thank you, Gloria!" – *Lynda Tongue, United Kingdom*

Congratulations to Successful Examinees

San Francisco—5-6 August 2014

We are happy to report that at the IBOC exams in San Francisco, every candidate passed! We congratulate them and all our colleagues who are part of the international transactional analysis training and certification community, whatever their level of involvement.

New CTAs

Manon Bongers (counseling), Noordwijk, Netherlands

Akiko Hori (psychotherapy), Kanagawa, Japan

Maja Pavlov (psychotherapy), Novi Sad, Serbia

Alva A. Ramirez Villatorro (psychotherapy), Mexico City, Mexico

Joanna Yardley (psychotherapy), Berkshire, UK

New TTA

Karen Pratt (education), Cape Town, South Africa



New CTAs (from left): Joanna Yardley, Alva Ramirez Villatorro, Maja Pavlov, Akiko Hori, Manon Bongers

New TSTAs

Tomoko Abe (educational), Osaka, Japan

Ugo Danilo De Ambrogio (organizational), Milan, Italy

Amaia Mauriz-Extabe (psychotherapy), Bilbao, Spain

These successful exams would not have been possible without the support of the exam supervisors, examiners, process facilitators, volunteer supervisees, and audience members:

CTA Exam Supervisor: Chitra Ravi

TSTA Exam Supervisor: Thorsten Geck



Successful examinees in San Francisco (from left): TSTA exam coordinator Thorsten Geck, Karen Pratt, Amaia Mauriz-Extabe, Ugo Danilo De Ambrogio, Tomoko Abe, Joanna Yardley, Alva Ramirez Villatorro, Maja Pavlov, Akiko Hori, Manon Bongers



Gloria Noriega celebrates with her supervisee Alva Ramirez Villatorro, who is now a new CTA

Examiners: Fusun Akkoyun, Annika Björk, Sue Brady, Colin Brett, Aleksandra Bubera, Anna Chandy, Keith Chinnock, Bill Cornell, Charlotte Daellenbach, Janice Dowson, Richard Erskine, Sue Eusden, Susan George, Vladimir Goussakovski, Jan Grant, Julie Hay, Lis Heath, Gordon Hewitt, Roland Johnsson, Lorna Johnston, Anne Kohlhaas-Reith, Naoko Konakayama, Mandy Lacy, Kathy Laverty, Jessica Leong, Aleksandra Meško, Zoran Milivojevic, Karen Minikin, Sylvie Monin, Alastair Moodie, Gloria Noriega, Aleksandra Mesko, P. K. Saru, Marina Rajan Joseph, Simona Ramella Paia, Donna Marie Perry, Ragini Rao, Chitra Ravi, Richard Reith, Diane Salters, Raffaella Sasso, Chie Shigeta, Charlotte Sills, Tatiana Sizikova, Jo Stuthridge, Wataru Suematsu, Yoshiko Suzuki, Moniek Thunnissen, Lynda Tongue, Keith Tudor, Theo van der Heijden

Process facilitators: Adrienne Lee, Marco Mazzetti, Suriyaprakash C

Thanks also to Mandy Lacy (Australia) for her constant support during the exam process.

Many thanks to the following individuals for sharing their photos from the 2014 World TA Conference: Lucy Freedman, Felipe Garcia, Laurie Hawkes, Steve Karpman, Emily Keller, Milly De Micheli, Tom Nissley, Gloria Noriega, PK Saru, Ravi Sethi, and Suriyaprakash C. Watch upcoming *Scripts* for more photos!

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Deadline Extended to 1 October for *TAJ* on Games and Enactments

by Diana Deaconu and Jo Stuthridge



Diana Deaconu and Jo Stuthridge

This year's TA World Conference generated a reflective space in which participants engaged in rich discussions about game theory and the way in which it has developed since Berne's book *Games People Play* was published in 1964. Panels and workshops addressed questions such as:

- Do TA practitioners still use the concept of games, and if so, how?
- Has the understanding and application of game theory changed over time?
- How do more recent developments in theory and practice differ from, or help deepen, Berne's understanding?

Participants engaged in lively conversations, comparing various aspects of game theory, including enactments, unconscious communication, and intrapsychic and interpersonal dynamics. Do the terms "game" and "enactment" describe the same reality, or do they capture differences?

The upcoming theme issue of the *Transactional Analysis Journal* on "Games and Enactment," scheduled for April 2015, invites practitioners from all four fields to keep this dialogue alive. We welcome your contributions to elaborating a contemporary understanding of these phenomena in a way that is truthful to your current thinking and practical experience.

Deadline for submissions has been extended to 1 October 2014. If you have questions about this theme issue, feel free to contact us, the coeditors: Jo Stuthridge (jstuthridge@xtra.co.nz) and Diana Deaconu (dianardeaconu@gmail.com).

TAJ Theme Issues

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Editors: Bill Cornell and Sylvie Monin
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Deadline: 1 January 2016

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