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What made the twentieth century so characteristic was the speed at which change took place; likewise, speed's acceleration is doing the same for the twenty first century.

Today we face complex social problems, among which are great migrations, unemployment, drug trafficking, terrorism and the radicalization of ideologies. The reigning economic model favors the pre-eminence of capital interests above human values. The consequence of this is the lack of social reciprocity and estrangement of self. The emphasis on immediate gratification of either primary or secondary needs, promotes the exacerbation of narcissism and the deterioration in the meaning of human relationships. The "other" is no longer my fellow man, but only an instrument for my pleasure or as exploitable work force. This is a critical moment, a moment of choice between biophilia and necrophilia, in the words of Fromm.

Inhibition, symptom, and depression: is this the psychopathological road of our days, *vis a vis* inner emptiness; *vis a vis* the dissatisfaction of fulfilled wishes; *vis a vis* our inability to find ourselves in our own selves; *vis a vis* the lack of our authentic ego? Is the route blocked toward transcendence in our life?

In the current context revolutionized by mass media, what is the role of virtual reality? What is our present role as psychoanalysts? Has this social development invaded what we do?

These are the topics that are addressed in our practice and in our Forums.

What the Mexican Institute of Psychoanalysis invites us to reflect upon during the XVII INTERNATIONAL FORUM in Mexico City is:

- Psychoanalysis and Neurosciences
- Object relationships
- Contemporary problems: migration, kidnapping, drug trafficking, terrorism, and fundamentalism
- The psychodynamics of violence
- Development of the ego
- Depression as a challenge
- Constructive and destructive tendencies
- Etiology and psychodynamics of bullying
- The tyrant: power, politics, madness
- The self and virtual reality
- Psychoanalysis on line.com

Mexico City is filled with a multiplicity of interesting places and activities, with many sites of historical, cultural and entertainment value. Among **Mexico City's** main attractions we find the Zocalo, at the heart of the city, the National Anthropology Museum, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the Rufino Tamayo Museum of Modern Art along with many other museums and stunning monuments. There are various archaeological sites that include "The Main Temple" and Cuicuilco within the city, and Teotihuacan located within an easy drive of 48 km.

The Mexican Institute of Psychoanalysis has been in operation for 48 years, since its founding in 1963. It is an institution that keeps up-to-date, such that its educational, investigative, and communication functions match the current culturally identified needs present in Mexican society.

INVITATION TO PRESENT INDIVIDUAL PAPERS. We invite interested parties to present individual papers, limited each to 20 minutes. Please send abstracts (250-word) before Jan. 30, 2012 to IMPAC by e-mail forum17impacmexico@gmail.com, with the following format: Times New Roman font size 12, either in Word 2003 or Word 2007.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES FOR FORUM XVII: Spanish and English (translation will be also in Portuguese).

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