

# BEING STRANGERS TO OURSELVES

**JUNGIAN SUMMER CAMP 2017 July 27<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Haapsalu, Estonia**

**ORGANISED BY FEGAP (Finnish Estonian Group for Analytical Psychology)**

*"In all cases of dissociation it is therefore necessary to integrate the unconscious into consciousness. This is a synthetic process which I have termed the individuation process." C. G. Jung*

We invite you to participate at a gathering on the Baltic shores aimed at a deeper exploration of C.G. Jung's conceptualization of dissociation, seen not only as a pathological phenomenon but as a function of the normal psyche and a way to individuation. The dissociation between the conscious and the unconscious mind is a central theme in C. G. Jung's work. According to Jung the main therapeutic issue is how to integrate the dissociation both on personal and on a collective level. Those parts of us that are dissociated and/or projected out, often find their target in other individuals different from us. How we relate to the strange or to the stranger, outside of us and inside of us, both individually and collectively, is one of the focuses of the Summer Camp 2017. We also seek to discuss topics, such as immigration, nationalism and hatred in Scandinavia, post-Soviet trauma in Baltic countries, and clinical questions concerning "being a strangers to ourselves" (Julia Kristeva) and dissociation in relation to trauma (Donald Kalsched), to depression, to climate change, and so on.

The Summer Camp is intended to Jungian analysts, trainees, students, psychotherapists, and for everyone interested.

In addition to academic papers, we invite participants to offer workshops.

The tradition of summer camps in Estonia dates back to year 2001. During the first 13 years it has been a small and rather private event for the Estonian Society for Analytical Psychology. In 2014 the first summer seminar organized together with Finnish Jungian Analysts took place, with the suggestive title of Meeting in the forest. During the IAAP World Congress hosted in Kyoto in 2016, the Finnish-Estonian Group of Analytical Psychology FEGAP has been officially recognized as a group member. And in 2017, FEGAP members are looking forward to meeting with colleagues and students from the Baltic States, from Scandinavia and from all over the world, at a cozy and international event on the Baltic shores!

Haapsalu is a seaside resort town located on the west coast of Estonia. The town dates back to 1279 and has been well known for centuries for its warm seawater, curative mud and peaceful atmosphere. Salt mud spas frequented by the Russian Romanov family still operate nowadays. Haapsalu, sometimes called the "Venice of the Baltics", with its narrow streets of early 20th century wooden houses leading to the sea, waits for us!

## **SUBMISSION**

We invite contributors to submit proposals of not more than 400 words, for workshop presentations and papers by **30 January 2017** in English to Harri Virtanen [havirtain@gmail.com](mailto:havirtain@gmail.com), including

- full name, title, address, and email;
- institutional or professional affiliation, and
- a short biography.

Papers will be given in English.

**Date and Time:** Thursday July 27, 2017 at 7:00 PM (reception) to Sunday July 30 at 3:00 PM

**Location:** Hotel Promenaadi in Old Town of Haapsalu, on the coast of the Bay of Tagalahe. More information at <http://promenaadi.ee/?lang=en>

**Address:** Sadama 22, Haapsalu, Estonia

**Distances:** Intercity bus terminal – 2km Closest international airport (Tallinn) – 100 km (about 1.5 hours by car). Closest swimming beach – 400m

*Picture: Olev Mihkelmaa – Sunset on the Promenade*

