



A.P.R.A.G.I. is a no profit association founded in 1985 by a group of psychotherapists with different approaches to group work: group analysis, analytic psychodrama, institutional analysis, systemic therapy. Among the aims of APRAGI statute there are training activities, research, cooperation with national and international Association, network activities with the Local Administration, the NHS, University and School.

A.P.R.A.G.I. is I.A.G.P. member (International Association of Group Psychotherapy) [www.iagp.com](http://www.iagp.com) and C.O.I.R.A.G. member (Confederation of Italian Organizations of Research and Group Analysis).

Since 1985 A.P.R.A.G.I. offers training and supervision activities addressed to professionals of different branches and to work groups. Since 1996 it offers training and updating courses for teachers and school heads acknowledged by Turin CSA (Ministry for University and Scientific Research). Since 2001 APRAGI workshops, courses and seminars are part of the ECM programme of the National Health Department and they are acknowledged for all health professions.

Within the frame of the law 56/89, which established the National Professional Association of Psychologists and the list of psychotherapists, COIRAG got acknowledgement - with D.M 1.12.'93 - as Psychoanalytical Psychotherapy Training Institute. A.P.R.A.G.I. is part of COIRAG Turin branch as well as of COIRAG National Teaching Board.

Among APRAGI main initiatives there are:

**East-West Congress**, Saint Vincent, 18-21 March 1990, in cooperation with the University of

Turin, Psychiatric Department. An important meeting between Eastern and Western psychotherapists in a meaningful historical moment. Main aim: a comparison among different approaches - namely psychotherapy, psychiatry, and psychopharmacology - to mental suffering according to the taking on of therapeutic responsibility in the different social contexts of belonging. Scientific and organization board: F. Bogetto, G. Gasca, A. Meluzzi, P. Nepoti, L. Ravizza, A. M. Traveni.

Through the “**Permanent Dream Academy**” founded in 1991 within APRAGI., in agreement with the University of Turin and of Genoa and with the support of Turin district and Piedmontese Region, took place a multidisciplinary research project with the organization of the following workshops:

“**The dream in the mental economy**”. *Lecturers:* M. Mancina, M. Bertini, M. Bosinelli, G. P. Caprettini.

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**“The Dream in the cinema and the cinema as a Dream”**. The workshop has been introduced by a cycle of movies chosen together with Turin National Museum of Cinema. *Lecturers:* G. Rondolino, G. P. Caprettini, S. Argentieri.

**“Dream and Poetry”**. The meeting was held in Chiavari, organized in partnership with the Genoa University Department of Science of Behaviour Cognitive Processes and Communication. *Lecturers:* E. Bono, A. Dentone, F. Rossi. In the afternoon a workshop took place run by A. M. Traveni, J. Ondarza Linares.

**“Dream and Theatre”**. *Lecturers:* S. Dalla Palma, B. De Maria. In the afternoon the students of Turin Teatro Stabile, managed by L. Ronconi, acted two performances from Schnitzler works, directed by M. Avogadro.

**“Dream and Politics”**. *Lecturers:* G. Lo Verso, P. Nepoti. In the afternoon an experience in Large Group took place, convenors A. M. Traveni and G. Trentini.

**“The Milky Way Dream”**, during Felice Casorati exhibition. *Lecturers:* E. Bonasia, F. Poli, B. Rosso. Music and theatre contribution: O. Alessi, L. Valentino. G. Carnisio, E. Grasso, F. Sibilla.

**“Space, Time and Memory in dream in a psychoanalytic and narrative perspective”**. *Lecturers and chairpersons:* G. Jung, A. M. Traveni, D. Napolitani, G. Gasca, G. P. Caprettini, P. Roccato.

**“Theatre and Dream”**, for Sigmund Freud “Dream Interpretation” centenary. *Lecturers:* B. Rosso, D. Napolitani; *chairperson:* A. M. Traveni; *convenors of the work-shop in large group:* M. Avogadro, D. Napolitani, A. M. Traveni. Theatre representation: “The dream of Irma’s injection”, by Sigmund Freud, directed by M. Avogadro, with the students of Turin Teatro Stabile.

**“CROSSING THE SCREEN – Psychoanalysis and cinema facing conflicts”**– Turin, 7-9 April 2011. Four days of movies, round tables, group work. Within the frame of “Italy 150”, with the support of the city of Turin, of Turin administration, of the University of Turin, of Piedmont Region, of the Piedmont Psychologists Association, in partnership with The Cinema National Museum and with COIRAG, with the financial support of Compagnia di San Paolo and CRT Foundation. *Lecturers and chairpersons:* S. Fornero, A. Barbera, U. Gregoretto, G. Blandino, R. de Polo, C. Merlo, A. Corti, G. Rondolino, S. Boni, A. Gentinetta, G. Diritti, M. Ferraris, P. Guarino, A. Favole, C. Agostoni, R. Carnevali, U. Perone, S. Fava, Anna Maria Traveni.

**“POWER AND BOUNDARIES. From the intrapsychic to the social: workshop about theories and experiences with groups in an analytic frame”**. Turin, September-October 2012, a three day event with lectures, median groups, large group with A. M. Burlini and P. Magatti (ARIELE), “Psychoanalysis, boundaries and power in organizations”, G. Blandino (Turin University), L. Spadarotto (APRAGI), “Paranoid power and depressive power”, E. Calandri (Turin University), “From heteroregulation to autoregulation: a parents’ and children’s effort”. *Chairpersons:* A. Gentinetta, A. Corti, S. Fornero (APRAGI); with the support of the city of Turin, of Turin administration, of Piedmont Region, of the Turin University, of the Piedmont Psychologists Association, of COIRAG “E. Ronchi” Study and Research Centre.

**“POWER AND BOUNDARIES. Crisis of resources and resources in time of crisis.”**. Turin, May - October 2013, two days with lectures, round tables, median groups, large group with Roberto Burlando (Turin University), “Human Sciences and economy: an epistemological consideration”, “The crisis: current perspectives, its origins and possible developments”, S. Fornero (APRAGI), “Economic crisis, individuals, groups and relations: a group analytic point of view”; round table **“Crisis of resources and resources in time of crisis.”**, with contributions of R. Burlando (University of Turin), M. Chiantore (APRAGI, Arcipelago Practice of Group Analysis), M. Gentile

(Turin administration), P. Mondo (APRAGI, Zenith social enterprise), A. Mulasso (APRAGI, Arcipelago Practice of Group Analysis); Chairpersons: S. Fornero, A. Pellegrino (APRAGI); with the support of of the city of Turin, of Turin administration, of Piedmont Region, of the Turin University, of the Piedmont Psychologists Association, of COIRAG “E. Ronchi” Study and Research Centre.

**“CROSSING THE SCREEN – Psychoanalysis and cinema in front of the future”**– Turin, 11-13 April 2014. Three days of movies, round tables, groups, exchange among different branches of knowledge about the topic of the future with the support of of the city of Turin, of Turin administration, of Piedmont Region, of Turin University, of the Piedmont Psychologists Association, of COIRAG. Lecturers and chairpersons: S. Fornero, G. Paganelli, S. Boni, M. Braccialarghe, R. de Polo, M. Gregoretto, L. Spadarotto, G. Carluccio, A. Fasolo, S. Fava, A. Mulasso, A. Corti, M. Verna, C. Grazioli, N. De Piccoli, G. Gallicchio, M. Gianaria, E. Calandri, J. Alonge, A. Simonetto, C. Novero, R. Burlando, A. Burlini, A. Gentinetta, N. Benedetto, I. De Fazio, E. Gasparini, N. Perella, L. Pianarosa, M. Serra.

**“PATHOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIPS. TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE. Treatment devices”**, Turin 13 September and 25 October 2014, two days dealing with the topic of intrafamilial traumatic situations. In partnership with Arcipelago - Practice of Group Analysis. Lecturers and chairpersons: M. Gianaria, L. Pianarosa, C. Carnino, S. Fornero, F. Rossi, A. Pellegrino, D. Mosso, E. Gasparini, F. Boccardo, G. Gallicchio.

At present, besides the cultural meetings addressed to APRAGI members, the APRAGI cultural and training activities consist of:

**Training activities following the group analytic model** (Managed by dott. M. Chiantore):

Courses “*Working with relationship*”

Workshop on *School Psychology*

*Couching for the State certification exam*

*Clinical Supervision*, addressed to psychologists and doctors with licence for psychotherapy

Rorschach Beginners Course

*Master in group conduction*

**Workshop in Large Group:** it takes place twice a year (March and November) and addresses to professionals of different branches interested to experience the training a large group can provide with.

**Institute of Psychotherapy, C.O.I.R.A.G., brance of Turin.** Workshops with Italian and foreign professionals, supervisions, workshops in small, medium and large group; experiences of group conduction with supervision; theoretical and clinical meetings.

**Arcipelago** — Groupanalytic Practice - Via, Beaumont, 2 - Turin ([www.centroarcipelago.org](http://www.centroarcipelago.org)). Arcipelago is a small social enterprise (cooperativa sociale ONLUS) founded in 2008 by some APRAGI members and with the financial support of two foundations: Oltre Venture and Paideia. It offers psychological assessment and treatment – group and individual - at affordable prices. At present there are about 150 patients in treatment or assessment and about 400 sessions a month .

Arcipelago addresses people in different stages of their life cycle, from childhood to elderly since its staff members have heterogeneous work experiences in NHS, private psychotherapy practices or organizations dealing with mental health issues. Arcipelago's professionals are gathered by a common training, that is group analysis.

**Specific training events** for organizations and institutions.

**Publishing activity:**

since 1994 “**Quaderni di Gruppoanalisi**”, Ananke Publisher, Turin,

(Editor: I. De Fazio)

As member of C.O.I.R.A.G. APRAGI is part of the editorial committee of the review “**Gruppi**”, Franco Angeli Publisher, Milano.

**L’A.P.R.A.G.I. has a web site:** [www.apragi.it](http://www.apragi.it) (Managed by M. Chiantore)

As guest lecturers took part to APRAGI workshops and seminars:

J. Alonge, C. Agustoni, F. Alfieri, S. Argentieri, M. Avogadro, E. Barz, H. Barz, D. Baumann, A. Barbera, M. Bertini, P. Bion, G. Blandino, P. Bogetto, E. Bonasia, G. Bonansea, S. Boni, E. Bono, G. Boria, M. Braccialarghe, P. Buffa, M. Bosinelli, O. Busana, R. Burlando, A. M. Burlini, E. Calandri, C. Carnino, G. P. Caprettini, G. Carluccio, R. Carnevali, A. Ceretti, L. Cofano, S. Corbella, A. Correale, G. Cravero, M. Credidio, G. Cuomo, S. Dalla Palma, R. De Inocencio, P. De Maré, N. De Piccoli, R. de Polo, A. Dentone, S. De Risio, E. Di Bella, F. Fasolo, S. Fava, A. Favole, M. Ferraris, A. Ferro, A. Fasolo, R. Friedman, G. Gasca, U. Galimberti, M. Gentile, C. Gilardi, C. Grasso, M. Gregoretti, U. Gregoretti, P. Guarino, G. F. Gubetti, E. Hopper, G. Jung, W. Knauss, G. Lo Verso, M. Malacrea, P. Magatti, M. Mancina, A. Meluzzi, C. Merlo, C. Montagna, D. Mosso, D. Napolitani, P. Nepoti, G. Pagliarani, J. Ondarza Linares, G. Paganelli, U. Perone, G. Pietropolli Charmet, M. Pines, E. Pirfo, F. Poli, C. Pontalti, M. Portigliatti, Barbos, L. Ravizza, A. Romano, P. Roccato, G. Rondolino, F. Rossi, B. Rosso, G. Rovera, P. C. Saottini, P. Schellenbaum, G. Trentini, I. Urlic, F. Vanni, M. Verna, R. Visintini, D. Wardi, E. Welldon.

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