



The School of Psychotherapy at St. Vincent's University Hospital in conjunction with
UCD School of Medicine Psychotherapy Programmes
present

Two Lectures + discussion

Saturday 12th September 2020

1. Kant: 10 am – 12 pm

2. Jacques Lacan's reference to Kant - in *Seminar Book VII
The Ethics of Psychoanalysis* and in *Kant with Sade*:

2 pm – 4 pm

by

Dr. Christian Fierens (Brussels)

Venue: Zoom

Kant's *Critique of Practical Reason* [1788] is a central reference in Jacques Lacan's *Seminar Book VII The Ethics of Psychoanalysis* 1959 - 1960. Lacan would go on to write *Kant avec Sade* in 1962 where he uses the work of the Marquis de Sade as a tool to extract the truth of the Kantian ethics in order to articulate psychoanalytic ethics. Kant and Sade, therefore, stand as essential references for the appreciation of Lacan's ethics of psychoanalysis.

Basing his lectures on his recently published book *Le principe de jouissance - Critique de la raison pratique (Kant) Kant avec Sade (Lacan)* [2020], Dr. Fierens will begin in the first lecture situating the thought of Kant and then in the second lecture delineating Lacan's argument.

This event is a unique opportunity for insight and discussion on material that is fundamental to Jacques Lacan's articulation of the ethics of psychoanalysis. It is essential for an understanding of the problem of enjoyment, of duty and of ethics; and of its implication for clinical practice in our time.

To request the link to attend the lectures via Zoom please e-mail: psychotherapy@ucd.ie

Dr Christian Fierens practices psychoanalysis in Belgium. He is a psychiatrist and a doctor of psychology; He has published a number of books including *Lecture de l'Étourdit* (2002) and *Le discours psychanalytique* [both translated by Cormac Gallagher on www.lacaninireland.com as *Reading L'Étourdit* and *The Psychoanalytic Discourse* respectively]. *Lecture du sinthome* was published in 2018 and *The soul of narcissism* in 2019 by Routledge. *Le principe de jouissance - Critique de la raison pratique (Kant) Kant avec Sade (Lacan)* was published in 2020. His latest book *Tenir pour vrai* will be published by Hermann in 2020.

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