

I take the title of our conference "Malaise, Castration Alterity" and I add in the current where the destruction of the symbolic law puts us in front of a world scene like dominated/dominant-executioner/victim and a silencing of many analysts. Malaise, signifier of the enjoyment of evil, evil of the neighbor due to the existence of the sexual in civilization, and the paradoxes of enjoyments or semiotics, or out-of-significance and violent destructions. Cf Bible and Gospels: a "love your neighbor as yourself". Hence Freud's terror with such enjoyment, enjoying the evil of the neighbor, in the depths of oneself. How then does a neurosis come into the world today in the face of the link between law and drives of analytical ethics; and therefore a sublimation towards the law and call to the being of the Other which introduces to otherness, to the lack in the other, to castration? Sublimation here is the death of the father through symbolic murder, monotheism inscribed by the repression of the founder's murder. This symbolism can cease, and here is the war against the killings, cruelty, and trauma of current Islamist terrorism through its political action of hatred of Jews, through the foreclosure of this function of the symbolic father, bearer of the law that leaves de-sublimated impulses under the aegis of the archaic matrix. And here is terrorism and a war of defense to stop it.

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