

THE LEICESTER CONFERENCE 2026

3-16 AUGUST 2026 | CIM MOOR HALL



STILL **AUTHORITY LEADERSHIP AND ORGANISATION** LIFE

learning in fragmented environments

Welcome



In this 80th Leicester Conference, we will be studying, transforming, interrogating, loving and learning (STILL) about Authority, Leadership and Organisation in Fragmented Environments (LIFE).

We are still experiencing learning about the dynamics of role and authority through, or despite of, the organisational, societal, and ecological fragmentation around us.

We will also be exploring stillness as the opposite of Movement; moments of pausing, taking stock, reflecting, and reviewing.

With **80** representing a rich tapestry of life, an age of reflection and (possible) wisdom and strength, and with the combination of **eight** as representing abundance and authority – with **zero** representing infinite potential, we hope and trust this conference will manifest all this rich and complex potential, and that you will join us on this journey.

“For me, it was like zooming in and out of my personality, life journey and the world around me. The feeling of individuality – participants (ambassadors) from different corners of world with diverse values, faith, interests, choices, goals, expectations...and at the same time ONENESS, that we experienced sometimes.”

TAMAR ARCHVADZE, Brand Manager,
Georgia. Member at LC25

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The Primary Task of the Conference is:
To study the exercise of authority in the taking up of roles through the interpersonal, inter-group and institutional relations that develop within the conference as an organisation within its wider context.



STILL LIFE

Still Life refers also to the body of work of our artist colleague Juliet Scott, who will be accompanying the conference through an artistic installation using image and language that will respond to key organisational design concepts and principles which inform the Leicester Conference design:

Time:

Still life as ongoing, the slow accumulation and shifts in meaning, objects holding time within.

Task:

The arrangement of objects implies ritual and routine, purpose, tools and the residue of human activity.

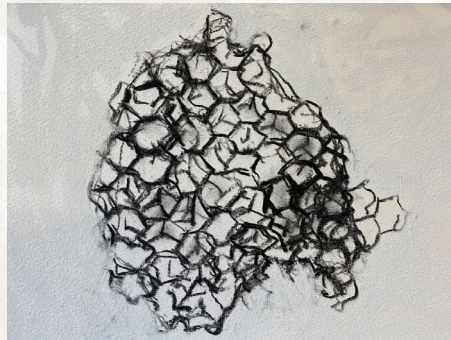
Territory:

Still life as (about) space, placement, boundaries, what belongs where and how objects claim or share space.

*"I left LC with a clear message of
"I am enough", looking at valuing
my knowledge, my efforts, my
conquers, myself."*

**ANA PAULA VITELLI, OBE PhD MSc, Director,
Columbia Global Centers, Brazil. Member at LC25**

PLEASE NOTE: We suggest that if you are living through particular personal difficulties that you consider postponing your attendance to next year as the conference is designed as a learning environment and is not a substitute for personal psychotherapy.



CONFERENCE STAFF

The Directorate:

Conference Director:

Eliat Aram CEO,
The Tavistock Institute of Human Relations.

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Milda Autukaitė Principal Consultant,
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Dr. Abigail Johnson Organizational Development
Consultant and Executive Coach.

“One thing that stayed with me from the beginning is ... the benevolent containment that the conference leadership provided which helped me feel that I belong, despite being very new to Tavistock Institute and the concept of group relations...It encouraged exploration and play.”

TATYANA STEPANOVA,
Independent Consultant and Coach
The Netherlands. Member at LC25

The Consultants:

Dr. Lennox E. Joseph International Educator, Executive Coach, and OD Strategist.

Saleem Khliefi Group Therapist, Organisational Development Consultant, Social Worker.

Prof. Michelle S May Professor in the Department of Industrial & Organisational Psychology in UNISA and a Systems Psychodynamics practitioner.

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Gunjan Zutshi Psychotherapist, Executive Coach, Organisation Development and Change Practitioner.





FEE: £6,700

Representing outstanding value, the fee includes:

13 nights' accommodation, all meals and refreshments and the consultancy of world leaders in the field of systems psychodynamics, organisational consultancy and coaching.

We offer several Early Bird discounts – please refer to the website for more information. Further discounts and bursaries are available, eligibility includes:

Those eligible for a discounted fee include:

- Friends of the Institute and members of our partner organisations
- Alumni of this conference and our modular programmes
- Joint Applicants from the same organisation
- Third sector organisations' staff and full-time students

Bursaries are available to those with low wealth and income – you may be required to provide accompanying evidence. Please note we have limited bursary spaces.



**[More information here](#)
or scan the QR code**

HOW DO I APPLY?

For more information and the application form:
www.tavinstitute.org/LEI26

or contact: Hafija Bibi Pre-Conference Administrator
E: **LCAdmin@tavinstitute.org**

Applications:

To reserve your conference place, fill in the application form and pay the booking fee of £750. Acceptance to the conference is not automatic and places are limited.

Closing date for applications:



To apply or find out more about availability, please visit our website.

VENUE

CIM Moor Hall Royal borough of Windsor, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 9QH (near Heathrow airport)



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