

**Attachment and Trauma: State of the Art
A Homage to the Inspiration of Mary Main**

13 – 14 May 2023

Venue: UCL and Online

Saturday 13 May 2023

- 0830-0900** **In-Person Registration**
0855-0900 **Opening of Waiting Room for Online Participants**
(please note that Online Participants will be admitted to the conference from 0900)
- 0900-0930** **Introduction**
Patrick Luyten (UCL and KU Leuven, Belgium)

Part 1: Attachments beyond the traditional nuclear family

- 0930-1100** **The multiple caretaker paradox – a buffer for attachment trauma**
Haatembo Mooya (University of Zambia)
Chaired by Pasco Fearon (University of Cambridge, UK)
- 1100-1130** **Coffee and Tea Break**
- 1130-1300** **‘Papi is really, really kind. Daddy loves me too’: The adoption of children in care into gay father families**
Susan Golombok (Centre for Family Research, University of Cambridge)
Chaired by Pasco Fearon (University of Cambridge, UK)

- 1300-1400** **Lunch Break**

Part 2: Working therapeutically with attachment trauma

- 1400-1500** **Interpersonal trauma and betrayal**
David Trickey (UK Trauma Council, UK)
Chaired by Chloe Campbell (University College London, UK)
- 1500-1600** **A compassion-focused approach to trauma**
Paul Gilbert (University of Derby, the Compassionate Mind Foundation, UK and University of Queensland, Australia)
Chaired by Peter Fonagy (UCL and Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, UK)
- 1600-1630** **Coffee and Tea Break**

1630-1730

Focusing mentalizing on trauma: An extension of the MBT approach

Eva Rufenacht (University Hospitals of Geneva, Switzerland)

(co-authored with Anthony Bateman)

Chaired by Peter Fonagy (UCL and Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, UK)

Sunday 14 May 2023

Part 3: Understanding the biology of attachment trauma

0930-1030

The neuroscience of relationships and trauma through a transactional lens

Eamon McCrory (UCL and Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, UK)

Chaired by Patrick Luyten (UCL and KU Leuven, Belgium)

1030-1100

Coffee and Tea Break

1100-1200

Biomarkers of attachment difficulties

Ruth Feldman and Karen Yirmiya (Centre for Developmental Social Neuroscience, Reichman University, Israel)

Chaired by Peter Fonagy (UCL and Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families, UK)

1200-1245

Plenary Symposium

Chaired by Liz Allison (British Psychoanalytical Society, University College London, UK)