

## CONTRIBUTION OF JUNGIAN THEORY TO SOCIAL AND HUMANITARIAN WORK

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In this paper we are going to discuss the experience of a group of psychoanalysts and candidate analysts, members of the C.I.P.A. in Rome, together with a group of social work assistants of the Roman Municipality. The social workers being endemically active in problem areas of the city ( i.e. poverty, marginalization, immigration etc. ) and because of the long lasting economical crisis , have requested to be able to master further knowledge, competences and professional consciousness so to obtain efficient and solid results in lack of concrete instruments.

We are , herewith, describing through examples of common research methodology, in occasion of study and research sessions on Jung's theories ( e.g. archetypes and collective unconsciousness, psychological types, individualization, dialectic process etc. ) and through debates and supervision, how both of the professional groups reached the aimed results of interest. The social workers have modified their working strategies and techniques. As for the psychoanalysts, they have understood how the changing social conditions of living might cause " identity oscillations " which generate psychological discomfort and they have projected a free Clinical Advisor Centre to combat it.