

We have in our archives the handwritten presentation of Grup d'Anàlisi Barcelona which our colleague and friend of many years, Susana Jover, made in 1990, the moment this cooperative association of services addressed to scientific professionals of the fields of Psychoanalysis, Group Analysis, Analytic Social Psychology and other related Human Sciences, was made public. We include here this historic testimony in memory of Susana and her untiring collaboration, as it expresses many of the ideas which have accompanied us along the way.

Hanne Campos, Susana Jover y Juan Campos (Merida, 1992)

At that time, Susana wrote:

"I will be very <u>brief</u>. I shall only refer to <u>one of the activities</u> which we propose to ourselves and to you, as a project and task of investigation, and which is particularly dear to me: <u>The impossible professions</u>.

When in 1973 I asked Juan Campos to direct my master's thesis, I think it was then that I started my initiation in this field, although I then did not know it. He was in charge of the Office of Medical Education of the Faculty of Medicine of the Autonomous University of Barcelona, where I worked, and I knew him for some years. My thesis was an investigation of attitudes of students of Medicine, which I presented in 1974.

Since then I have worked one way or another in the field of training of health professionals, specially of <u>nurses</u>, in the heavens of <u>pre and postgraduates</u>, in the ambit of what is more <u>strictly teaching</u> as well as of <u>continuous training</u> of health care professionals and the <u>teachers of nurses</u> themselves. It has been very stimulating work but also very complex and full of ups and downs. The <u>analysis</u> of the <u>difficulties</u> which presented themselves has been for me and my colleagues with whom I always shared these tasks, a constant motive of reflection. Some of them are here today: Isabel Admetlla, Xavier Campamà, Hanne Campos.

The professionals and groups which come to consult us bring with them almost always a <u>critical or chronic situation</u> which has become <u>untenable</u>. Most of the time the <u>demand is concrete:</u> a "what to do", a methodology which could resolve the situation, a program of training, what to change in a curriculum. In the last instance, an answer... before having formulated the questions.

The task in this field, in front of these demands, puts into evidence two questions which are particularly difficult. On one hand, the introduction of the analytic function in the very same

task and in the way of thinking of the health professionals, overcoming magical thinking and suggestion, or almost blind faith in science; and on the other hand, the introduction of a group approach, extremely difficult when the task is interdisciplinary, overcoming individualism, omnipotence and loneliness.

All the ones we work in institutions, we know about these difficulties and also about the lack of spaces where we can share, reflect, investigate our experiences.

This is because I think it is particularly important that we could construct these spaces where we can give ourselves the opportunity of investigating and processing with other colleagues our experiences and reflections, as well as to question ourselves about our praxis and theoretical formulations.

It is our wish that Grup d'Anàlisi Barcelona be the space where we could carry out this task.