

Peter Rober. Family Secrecy and Selective Disclosure: About what is said in families, what is not yet said and hesitations to speak.

In families there is always a tension between speaking and keeping silent. What ever is said is a selection of what could have been said. This dialectic of openness and closeness, sharing and not sharing, revealing and concealing has many forms and guises. This workshop is practice oriented. We will reflect on the way the family therapist can deal with the dialectic what is said, what is not yet said and the hesitations to speak. We will reflect on the complexity of family secrets as dialectic of stories told, covering up the gap left by stories untold.