'Ideology and Meaning in Group Analysis and Psychotherapy'

All observation, perception and theorising is based on an implicit or explicit framework, and all frameworks have ideological implications. All psychotherapy is necessarily an ideological praxis determined by the therapist’s culture and social unconscious.

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Outline Programme
(Workshop Style)

10.00 – 11.15 Introduction and Session 1
11.15 – 11.35 Break
11.35 – 12.45 Session 2
12.45 – 1.30 Lunch
1.30 – 3.00 Large Group

P.T.O. for recommended reading and venue details.
**Venue:** Ellen Wilkinson Building, Manchester Institute of Education, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9DL
(Block A, Ground Floor, Rooms as below - meet at the lift at the entrance to Block A next to Dever café, inside the building.)

**Rooms:**
18.3.16 - A5.5, C2.17 & A6.11 – **NOTE** C2.17 instead of B4.3
3.6.16 - A5.5, B4.3 & A6.11

**Recommended reading prior to seminar:**


**Further additional reading (optional)**
Friedman, R: 'A Soldier’s Matrix: A Group Analytic View of Societies in War' *Group Analysis* 48(3) 239-257.
