### **Quest programme 2024**

A lecture/meeting series given by Dr. Alan Mulhern, Jungian analyst, author and podcaster.
All meetings have the new time of 10am-12.00 noon

**April 27**<sup>th</sup> **2024. Saturday 10am. The climate crisis has proceeded to red alert. What to do?** What is the world doing about it? Is there a death wish in the human race? Why are we paralysed? What are the metaphysical and mythical dimensions of this.

#### May 25th 2024. Saturday 10am. Is transhumanism the destiny of Homo sapiens?

Is human nature fundamentally altering under the impact of business civilization, artificial intelligence, and deep computerization? The trans-human is a hybrid beyond and very different from anything thought of as human in the past. It is beyond our present cognitive abilities and it will not be mortal in the sense that organic life is. Are we already in this transition?

June 29<sup>th</sup> 2024. Saturday 10am. Is there an archetypal foundation to the human psyche? And can archetypes be a useful tool for growth and development of individuals and organizations? Can psychedelics get past the repressive apparatus of the ego as indicated by Stanislav Grof? And what does it find? Does this connect to McGilchrist's distinction of the left and right hemispheres of the brain? Is the evidence for this convincing? Can archetypes be *practically* used as a development tool.

# September 28<sup>th</sup> 2024. Saturday 10am. What is Globalization and has it come to a halt? What are the consequences of this?

Globalization has been a major force in the history of capitalism. It has been especially powerful from 1991 to 2020, that is from the collapse of USSR to the emergence of the Covid 19 pandemic. Has this now gone into reverse with decoupling of China, Russia and its allies from the West; the rise of protectionism; increased tariffs; limited East-West migration; national protection of high level technologies; national chauvinisms; and potential warfare between blocks that have previously traded? If globalisation is now in serious decline does this mark the end of the world as we knew it?

#### October 26th Saturday 10am. What might death be a transition to?

Does the *Tibetan Book of the Dead* twitch the veil of mortality and peer to the other side – as Jung suggested? Does this remarkable book offer insight into the Near Death Experience literature?

# November 30<sup>th</sup> 2024. Saturday 10am. Can Depth Psychology and the Eastern spiritual traditions combine?

Can the spiritual wisdom of the Orient be combined with the depth psychology (Freudian, Jungian, Transpersonal) of the West? Could this combination be effective in our times?