



The Finnish Rorschach Association  
for the Comprehensive System r.y.

**Kutsu yhdistyksen kevätseminaariin 21. – 23.4.2016 (Oulu)**  
(yhteistyössä Persoonallisuuden arvioinnin yhdistyksen kanssa)

## **“Using R-PAS in Multimethod Clinical Assessment”**

**Gregory J. Meyer, Ph.D. & Joni L. Mihura, Ph.D.**



**Aika:** Torstaina 21.4. klo 8.00 – 16.30 / Perjantai 22.4. klo 8.30 – 17.00 / Lauantai 23.4  
klo 8.30 – 14.45,

**Paikka:** Lapland Hotel Oulu, Kirkkokatu 3, 90100 Oulu [+358 (0)8 8811110]

**Majoitus:** Lapland Hotel Oulussa tarjous yhden hengen huoneessa 135 € per yö, kahden  
hengen huoneessa 149 €

**Muita vaihtoehtoja kävelymatkan päässä:** 1. Original Sokos Hotel Oulu,  
Pakkahuoneenkatu 16 (8 min. kävelymatka), hinta (27.1.2016) 113 € per yö; 2. Hotelli  
Cumulus Oulu, Kajaaninkatu 17 (5 minuutin kävelymatka), hinta (27.1.2016) 79 €; 3.  
Best Western Hotel Apollo, Asemakatu 31 (3 minuutin kävelymatka), hinta  
(27.1.2016) 99 €.

**Osallistumismaksu: 350 €** (alv 0%), hintaan sisältyvät kahvit sekä lounas.

**Ilmoittautuminen:** taloudenhoitajalle 11.4.2016 mennessä, e-mail: [marjut.serguskin@gmail.com](mailto:marjut.serguskin@gmail.com).  
Ilmoittautumisen jälkeen saat vahvistuksena viitenumeraalla varustetun laskun.



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This three-day workshop provides a clinically focused understanding of the Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS). R-PAS is a relatively new, empirically-grounded system that uses the task as a verbal and perceptual behavior sample obtained under standardized conditions such that personality inferences are based on observed performance rather than self-description. Test scores are compared to internationally-based reference norms and graphically displayed using standard scores. R-PAS emphasizes scores where there is a clear link between the psychological processes associated with the perceptions and behaviors coded in the microcosm of the task and inferences about parallel psychological processes associated with the perceptions and behaviors that make up personality characteristics expressed in everyday behavior. After describing the rationale for using R-PAS and the problems that it corrects for relative to previous systems, we focus on its distinctive features related to administration, coding, normative reference data, and interpretation, and apply the system to three cases. The cases also consider R-PAS results in the context of multimethod assessment by drawing on data from other measures, including the Personality Assessment Inventory (PAI).

This workshop should be useful for practitioners and for people who teach or supervise psychological assessment. It should appeal to practitioners and teachers interested in learning how to more fully and accurately understand clients through multimethod clinical assessments that incorporate making careful inferences from valid, performance based R-PAS scales. The workshop is intended for professionals specialized in Rorschach-based assessment. It will be didactic on most of the first day, though interactive around the case conceptualizations.

### **Description**

#### **Program**

##### 1<sup>st</sup> Day (Thursday)

8.00 – 8.45 Registration

8.45 – 9.00 Opening: Pekka Koistinen & Emiliano Muzio.

9.00 – 10.30 Lecture 1: Introduction to and Rationale for R-PAS.

Coffee

11.00 – 12.15 Lecture 2: Coding R-PAS Variables.

Lunch

13.00 – 14.30 Lecture 3: Norms, Principles and Procedures of Interpretation.

Coffee

15.00 – 16.30 Case #1, Part 1: A Case by Joni/Greg supporting the topics of lectures 2 & 3.

Party (in downtown Oulu)



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Day (Friday)

8.30 – 10.00 Case #1, Part 2: Continuing with Case #1.

Coffee

10.30 – 12.00 Lecture 4: Integrating R-PAS with Other Assessment Methods.

Lunch

13.15 – 15.00 Case #2, part 1: A case by Joni/Greg: Multi-method Assessment including at least R-PAS and the PAI.

Coffee

15.30 – 17.00 Case #2, part 2: Continuing with Case #2.

Party (in the workshop-hotel)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Day (Saturday)

8.30 – 10.00 Case #3, part 1: A Case presented by the Oulu R-PAS-team.

Coffee

10.30 – 12.00 Case #3, part 2: Continuing with Case #3.

Lunch

13.15 – 14.30 General discussion: Topics & Cases of the Workshop.

14.30 – 14.45 Closing the Workshop: Emiliano Muzio & Pekka Koistinen.



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### **Presenters:**

**Gregory J. Meyer, Ph.D.**, is a Professor of Psychology at the University of Toledo, where he has been since 2003. Before this he was at the University of Alaska Anchorage and also the University of Chicago Medical Center, where he was the director of the inpatient and outpatient Psychological Assessment Service. He was the Editor of the Journal of Personality Assessment from 2002 to 2013. His research focuses on psychological assessment, with an emphasis on the integration of personality assessment methods. Much of his work has addressed performance-based measures of implicit processes, most notably the Rorschach. He has made seminal contributions to the published literature in this area, as well as in psychometrics and assessment more generally. On four occasions the Society for Personality Assessment has given him Distinguished Contribution Awards for articles in the published literature. He is a Fellow of Division 5 (Evaluation, Measurement, & Statistics) of the American Psychological Association and of the Society for Personality Assessment. He is currently co-editing a case book to be published by Guilford in 2016 entitled Applications of the Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS).

**Joni L. Mihura, Ph.D.**, is an associate professor in psychology at the University of Toledo, where she teaches personality assessment, an advanced assessment practicum, and psychodynamic/integrative therapy. She obtained early career awards from the American Psychoanalytic Association and the Society for Personality Assessment (SPA). In the psychological assessment domain, she has published many articles and served on SPA's Board of Trustees and on the editorial board for the Journal of Personality Assessment and Rorschachiana. She is one of the developers of a new Rorschach system – the Rorschach Performance Assessment System, on which she is editing a case book to be published by Guilford in 2016 entitled Applications of the Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS).