

CSIRA/ARISA Council of Administration – Paris, August 26th-27th, 2016

Present:

Surname	Name	Country	
Mormont	Christian	Belgium	Vice-President
Hansen	Kim Gabriel	Denmark	
Neerup-Lundh	Eva	Denmark	
Andronikof	Anne	France	President
Fontan	Patrick	France	Database
KostogianniI	Nikoletta	France	Treasurer
Szepielak	Dominique	France	
Weinberger	Yifat	Israel	General Secretary
Gazale	Fiorella	Italy	
Rosso	Anna-Maria	Italy	
Carstairs	Kari	UK	
McCarthy Woods	Justine	UK	
Ritzler	Barry	USA	

Excused: Carl-Erik Mattlar, Sadegh Nashat, Daniela Nicodemo, Vera Campo, Albessa Gonzales, Albessa Mazatan, Dalila Haddadi, Noriko Nakamura, Ana Cristine Resende

August 26, 2016

Anne Andronikof has presented several issues concerning CSIRA/ARISI:

I – First, an update about the **financial report of the association.**

Capital: 517,28 € (membership dues 2015 = 700, minus domain and bank costs, coffee break)

The regular expenses of the association are about 20 euros per month (bank insurance 10 and domain for website 9,59).

All documents about CSIRA/ARISI will be put on the website, including the application form (special demand by Anna-Maria Rosso).

II – State of art:

1. CSIRA/ARISI logo is still to be created.
2. Concerning the association website: Even though there is progress, (the domain has been bought) the website is not yet functional. Daniela Nicodemo and Sadegh Nashat are working on it. Patrick Fontan suggested that updates from personal websites of members would be presented also on the CSIRA/ARISI website.

III – Databank:

Patrick Fontan presented an update of the current database.

Several issues have been raised:

1. The complexity of building an extensive database. Technical problems have now been resolved.
 2. A dilemma as to how to differentiate between different forensic databases – different countries and different referrals questions (for example, criminal vs. custody referrals).
 3. Potential uses of the database
 - a. Creating CS International norms. Might change CS guideline for interpretation.
 - b. Revising FQ Tables
 - c. Checking popular responses (the criteria: response found in at least 1/3 of the protocols)
 - d. Extending the pool of protocols for research purposes.
 4. Need to decide on policies about the use of the databank.

A possible suggestion would be:

 - a. One could put his database for analyses without sharing it.
 - b. Whoever wants to use a database from the bank should ask for the author's approval, through the database manager, Patrick Fontan.
 - c. The author of the database should be part of any publication using his database.
- A document stating the CSIRA policy for the databank will be sent out.

IV – IRS congress in Paris, 2017:

1. CSIRA/ARISI contribution is officially recognized.
2. Proposal to finance paraphernalia
3. Two symposia, at least one in the main hall.

V – Things to be done:

1. Send all articles to the Rorschach Archives.
2. Plan symposia for SPA meeting 2017, SF, and IRS congress 2017, Paris.
3. Logo suggestions
4. Advance website creation
5. Collect references list of Rorschach recent publications (Anna Maria Rosso and Yifat Weinberger)
6. Create a folder in CSIRA/ARISI dropbox for exchanges on scoring dilemmas (later a forum on the website).
7. Plan CSIRA/ARISI congress 2018.
8. CS guidelines: Kim Gabriel Hansen has suggested that CSIRA/ARISI would consider as one of its aims possible changes and updates that might be needed for CS guidelines. It was decided to create a special dropbox folder for CS guidelines questions and thinking.

Barry Ritzler has recommended his book on scoring that could be ordered at www.rorschachtraining.com

August 27th, 2016 - Planning CSIRA/ARISI symposia:

SPA congress, San Francisco, Mars 2017:

Three symposia:

I – Methodological advances in the CS

Chair: Barry Ritzler

1. Barry Ritzler: The CS : State of the Art
2. Jason Smith: Additional validity criteria for CS evidences
3. Anne Andronikof: Complexity and Rorschach : a confirmatory factor analysis
4. Patrick Fontan: Dimensionality of the Rorschach : introduction to the Rorschach Components Model

II – Cross cultural differences in the CS

Chair: Kari Carstairs

1. Patrick Fontan: The Rorschach Components Model in Cross cultural context
2. Anne Andronikof: Cross cultural differences in European CS samples
3. Kari Carstairs: A normative sample of 89 adults from UK for the CS
4. Dalila Haddadi: An Algerian Normative sample of 459 adults for the CS

III – Psychopathology and the Rorschach CS: New evidences

Chair: Giselle Hass

1. Fiorella Gazale: Rorschach of Suicidal Patients (Discriminant Analysis)
2. Louhab Fergani: Improving The Suicide Constellation (a pilot study)
3. Fiorella Gazale: Discriminating Neurosis, Psychosis and Bipolar disorders with the Rorschach
4. Jason Smith: The Rorschach of Female Psychopaths
5. Patrick Fontan: The Rorschach Component Model in clinical setting

Abstracts should be sent to the chair of the session and to Patrick Fontan Patrick Fontan. Deadline: October 5th 2016.

IRS congress, Paris, July 2017:

Two symposia:

I – Practical/Technical issues (in the main hall):

Chair: Patrick Fontan

1. Jason Smith: Meta-analysis
2. Patrick Fontan: Psychometrics
3. Anne Andronikof: Norms

II – Clinical issues

Chair: Barry Ritzler

1. Anna Maria Rosso: Mentalisation/Narcissism/Space responses

2. Fiorella Gazale: Multi methods
3. Monday Austin
4. Yifat Weinberger: Color cards

Abstracts should be sent to the chair of the session. Deadline: December 1st 2016.

Scientific work:

Several members have presented their ongoing research

- Kim Gabriel Hansen: A new index for assessing the degree of mentalization on the Rorschach
- Anna-Maria Rosso: Ongoing Rorschach researches about mentalization, narcissism and Rorschach Defense Scale
- Fiorella Gazale: - The Rorschach CS and cognitive functioning
- PCL-R and the Rorschach CS: correlation and enlargement of the Italian sample

Patrick Fontan presented 2 papers

- The R-PAS as based on pseudo-science
- The 12-component model of the Rorschach

Two protocols were scored and interpreted in common: one adult forensic case (AM Rosso) and one child with recent behaviour problems (A Andronikof).

Although the protocols were complicated and with potential scoring difficulties, there was a rapid consensus on the choice of scores (good news) and interesting debates on interpretation.

It is evident that new workbooks must be released by CSIRA/ARISI, as Kim G. Hansen has suggested:

- Some scoring rules need more precise definition and guidelines
- Several rules for interpretation need to be modified according to current reference data. An example is T=0, which is common in many countries and should not be automatically interpreted in terms of attachment problems or guardedness.

Please note that a Dropbox file is created for collecting all suggestions and questions.

Minutes established by Yifat Weinberger, secretary - reviewed by Anne Andronikof, president.