The Hotel
Set in Genova’s Old Port area, this elegant, waterfront hotel is a 2-minute walk from the Acquario di Genova aquarium, a 10-minute walk from Duomo di Genova cathedral and a 12-minute walk from Palazzo Ducele.

The airy rooms and suites with en suite bathrooms feature wood floors and harbor views, plus free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs, minibars, and tea and coffee making facilities. Upgraded rooms have balconies. A contemporary restaurant with a terrace serves a complimentary breakfast buffet. There’s also a sleek bar, a gym and free parking.

The room rate per day is:
- Superior Double room single use: 125 Euros + Tax per day per person 2 Euros
- Superior Double room double use: 155 Euros + Tax per day per person 2 Euros

These special prices are available for your bookings from January to 20th June 2016.

Registration
Registration for the hotel stay is to be made directly with the hotel website.

How to get to Genova

By air
Genova Cristoforo Colombo Airport is connected to various European cities (London, Paris, Munich, Istanbul). The hotel is 7 km away from the airport.

By train
The main train station Genova Piazza Principe is not far from the hotel (1.6 km, 4 minutes by Taxi, or 10 minutes by Metro and on foot).

By car
From North and West by the tollroad A7: Exit Genova Ovest; from South by tollroad A12: exit Genova Nervi.

Welcome to Genova!

Genova has been nicknamed la Superba ("the Proud one") due to its glorious past and impressive landmarks. Part of the old town was inscribed on the World Heritage List (UNESCO) in 2006. The city's rich cultural history in notably its art, music and cuisine allowed it to become the 2004 European Capital of Culture. It is the birthplace of Christopher Columbus and Niccolo Paganini.

Genova, which forms the southern corner of the Milan-Turin-Genova industrial triangle of northwest Italy, is one of the country's major economic centres. The city has hosted massive shipyards and steelworks since the 19th century, and its solid financial sector dates back to the Middle Ages. The Bank of Saint George, founded in 1407, is among the oldest in the world and has played an important role in the city’s prosperity since the middle of the 15th century.

Genova’s historic centre is articulated in a maze of squares and narrow caruggi (typical genoese alleys). It has medieval as well as 16th-century and Baroque attractions (San Matteo square and the ancient via Aurea, now via Garibaldi). Remains of the ancient 17th-century walls are still visible near San Lorenzo cathedral, the most attended place of worship of Genova. The symbols of the city are the Lanterna (the lighthouse) (117 m high), the old lighthouse visible in the distance from the sea (beyond 30 km), and the monumental fountain of Piazza De Ferrari, recently restored, core of the city's life.
History Revived
The International Society of the Rorschach and Projective Methods maintains the tradition of this form of continuing education which is held every year in between congresses. Welcome to the Xth edition of the Summer Seminars!

About the last Summer Seminars in Montreux, Switzerland, 30th July – 1st August 2015: Impressions by Bjorn Sadilberg

Although I am a member of the Swedish Rorschach Society since 1994, this was my first Summer Seminars and it was really a rewarding experience. Odile Husain and Tevfika Ikiz organized it very well and a lot of material was sent out beforehand.

First on stage was Phebe Cramer, with a model of three main defense mechanisms: denial, projection and identification, used in a scale created for TAT and CAT. During the afternoon, we applied Dr. Cramer’s scale to the case-material. This proved really useful in enriching the perspectives on this very difficult case.

Howard Lerner started by making a distinction between the “conceptual-clinical approach” and the “empirical-sign approach” to the Rorschach test. In the afternoon, we worked on a case with the Lerner Defense Scale (LDS). I was very impressed by Dr. Lerner’s ability to emphatically get in touch with the clinical material, based on the content and sequence of the protocol, regardless of formal scoring techniques and systems. Hence, he proved his argument regarding the value of the conceptual-clinical perspective on the Rorschach.

The last day was steered by Filippo Aschieri from Milano, who talked about defenses seen from the perspective of Therapeutic Assessment (TA). This was also a highly interesting approach. TA is a very pedagogical and clear way of collaborating with the client in the assessment.

Besides these three excellent contributions, combining theoretical sophistication with good clinical sense, there was a fine climate for discussion. It was nice to meet professionals and hold discussions in an open atmosphere, with contributions coming from a wide range of international perspectives.

Recent Times

Today, we are pleased to welcome members from all over the world and with different languages. We have found English to be a language common enough for us all to present the lectures only in English. There will, however, be colleagues who can translate on a more informal basis into other major languages when needed, during the lectures/workshops in order to facilitate dialogue.

We usually have 30-40 participants (maximum) plus the Faculty. The small format gives everybody a chance to take active part in the discussions and to get to know each other.

We are offering lectures, workshops on case studies and lots of informal discussions on different Rorschach matters around the dinner tables and on the terrace. Since we stay at the same hotel, the chance of making new friends is obvious.

About our theme: Neuropsychology and Projective Tests

The neuropsychology of personality has been enriched with significant research achievements in the last decades. In particular, Rorschach and Adult Attachment Projective tests have been intensely explored with neuroimaging tools. The advent of specific diagnostic procedures (e.g. fMRI, PET, CT and EEG mu waves analysis) have opened doors in the understanding of brain functioning and damage, demonstrating neural connections and interactions between emotional and cognitive functioning. In particular, the methods provide evidence of neural basis of attachment theory and social cognition, allowing a more in-depth examination of interpersonal relationship. Moreover, early traumas in attachment relationships have been shown to affect brain development. Most important for personality assessors, these cutting edge neuroimaging studies have found clear evidence about how projective methods access brain functioning areas critical to attachment and object relations functioning. The result is increased substantiation for the unique role of projectives in personality assessment as well as important implications for clinical work (Fiorella Gazale & Barton Evans).

We have put together an exciting program with leading specialists in the field.

The Faculty
We are proud to present the invited Faculty and the topics they will cover at this XIth Summer Seminars:

- Tomoki Asari: “Neuroimaging and Projective Tests”
- Anne Buchheim: “Adult Attachment Projective Picture System and Attachment “in action” in an fMRI Environment”
- Emiliano Muzio: “Projective Tests and Brain Disease”
- Discussant: Barton Evans

Our Faculty will provide the case material which will be available to you before the Seminars. As usual, we expect different schools and traditions to be represented among our participants. This diversity promotes interesting discussions and dialogues.

We are looking forward to meeting you in Genova this summer!

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Summer Seminars Program
The Seminars will run for 3 days, from 23rd July to 25th July 2016. Mornings are dedicated to lectures and theoretical presentations. The case material will be presented in the afternoon, after our lunch break. The case material is first analyzed in smaller groups of participants, then commented in roundtable discussions between Faculty and all participants. Participants have the opportunity to interact directly with the Faculty. Both formats of discussion are appreciated by our participants.

Daily schedule:
Morning session: 9 am to 12 pm
Lunch period: 12 pm to 2 pm
Afternoon session:
Small group discussion: 2 pm to 4 pm
Large group roundtable discussion: 4 pm to 5.30 pm

Evening
24th July 2016 at 7.30 pm
Social Dinner in old district Boccadasse

Since the program is being set so much ahead of the event, slight changes may occur. We will, in any event, try to make it an enjoyable and interesting opportunity for sharing the knowledge of researchers and clinicians from different schools and traditions who hold a vast experience of the Rorschach. This is also an opportunity to make new friends and meet with colleagues from all over the world.

The Summer Seminars are taking place at the NH MARINA COLLECTION GENOVA. All participants are expected to register separately for their stay.

A number of rooms have been reserved for the occasion. Please note that the maximum number of participants at the Seminars is 40. First come, first serve!

Important: Please note that the hotel registration has to be done directly with the hotel.
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