

## 6<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Symptom Validity Assessment (SVA)

### PROGRAM

Thursday, July 4

- 08:00h**      **Registration (including registration for the pre-conference workshop)**
- 09:00h**      **Pre-conference workshop**  
*Thomas Merten, Vivantes Clinic Friedrichshain, Berlin, Germany*  
Problems and pitfalls in SVT/PVT use: Methodological and conceptual problems
- 12:00h**      **Lunch**
- 13:00h**      **Conference opening**
- 13:15h**      **Symposium 1: Symptom validity in the psychoeducational setting**  
*David Baker, Childrens's Hospital Colorado, USA*  
Performance and Symptom Validity Assessment of Children and Teens: Emerging Research to Clinical Practice  
*Hanna Christiansen, University of Marburg, Germany*  
Assessment of symptom and performance validity in ADHD - results of different tools over a life-time perspective  
*Anselm Fuermaier, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
Performance validity testing in adults with ADHD  
*Julie Suhr, Ohio University, USA*  
Detecting noncredible presentation in self-report measures in clinical and educational settings
- 15:15h**      **Coffee and poster exhibition**
- 16:00h**      **Keynote**  
Speaker: **Laszlo Erdodi, University of Windsor, Canada**  
A critical review of different approaches to performance validity assessment – The relative contribution of alternative detection methods

- 17:00h**      **Data blitz presentations**
- 18:00h**      **Welcome reception on the canals of Amsterdam**

**Friday, July 5**

- 09:00h**      **Symposium 2: SVT and PVT use across Europe**
- Jens Egeland**, *University of Oslo, Norway*  
Types or Modes of Malingering? The importance of differentiating between symptom and performance validity
- Iris Dam**, *Vejle fjord Rehabilitation, Denmark*  
Personality as a confounding factor – 2 cases of complex validity assessment
- Claire McGuire**, *NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, Scotland*  
Effort testing in dementia assessment – A systematic review
- Alexandra Kaminski<sup>1,2</sup>, Wolfgang Pfeiffer<sup>1</sup>, Thomas Merten<sup>3</sup>, & Markus Bassler<sup>1,2</sup>**; <sup>1</sup> *Rehabilitation Center Oberharz, Germany*; <sup>2</sup> *Hochschule Nordhausen, Germany*; <sup>3</sup> *Vivantes Clinic Friedrichshain, Germany*  
Symptom claims in patients of a psychosomatic rehabilitation center: Measurement problems and prevalence of over-reporting.
- 11:00h**      **Coffee and poster exhibition**
- 11:30h**      **Keynote**
- Speaker: **Thomas Merten**, *Vivantes Clinic Friedrichshain, Berlin, Germany*  
Foreign-language adaptations of SVTs/PVTs and intercultural problems
- 12:30h**      **Lunch**
- 13:30h**      **Symposium 3: Feedback and information**
- Harald Merckelbach**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*  
Iatrogenic interventions and symptom escalation
- Daniel van Helvoort**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*  
Symptom self-reports are susceptible to misinformation

**Rudolf Ponds**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Residual effects of feigning on symptom over-reporting and underperformance

**Jeroen Roor**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Feedback on underperformance in clinical assessment, a randomized controlled trial

**15:30h**      **Coffee and poster exhibition**

**16:00h**      **Mini-Symposium: Clinical and forensic cases**

**Marko Jelicic**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Detection of feigned amnesia in a homicide case using SVTs

**Harald Merckelbach**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Feigning hand preference in criminal trials

**Brechje Dandachi-FitzGerald**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Feigning in clinical assessments; a blind spot for incentives?

**Maarten Peters**, *University of Maastricht, the Netherlands*

Fitness to be detained: Could psychogenic non-epileptic seizures be feigned?

**17:00h**      **Closing remarks**

**17:15h**      **Farewell drinks**