# STRUCTURED INTERVIEW FOR PERSONALITY ORGANZATION (STIPO)

# **SCORE FORM**

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Interviewee Participant #:		
Interviewee Gender:	M	<b>F</b>
Interviewee Age:		
Interviewee Marital Status:		
Interviewee's Children (# of children and Ages)		
Interviewer Name:		
Interview Date:		

#### **IDENTITY**

#### Capacity to Invest

idinv1- Work – effectiveness	1.	
idinv2- Work – stability	2.	
idinv3- Work – ambition / goals	3.	
idinv4- Work – satisfaction	4.	
idinv5- Studies – effectiveness	5.	
idinv6- Studies – stability	6.	
idinv7- Studies – satisfaction	7.	
idinv8- Studies – ambition / goals	8.	
idinv9- Recreation – presence of sustained interests	9.	
idinv10- Recreation – picks up and drops	10.	
idinv11- Recreation – satisfaction	11.	

Investments Overall
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- 1 Invests over time and consistently in work or studies, and free time activities
- 2 Invests in some areas but not others; may invest in all areas but with a greater sense of superficiality and lesser commitment than in #1
- Inconsistent, superficial investment in work/studies/free time; may have more solid investment in one area, but generally not in others
- 4 Minimal investment in work or studies or free time; severely deficient in two or more of these areas, even if solidly invested in one area
- 5 No investment in work, studies, free time

# Sense of Self – Coherence and Continuity

idcc1- Self description – superficiality vs. depth	12	Sense of Self:
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idcc3- Self description – reflective functioning	14	+ quality
idcc4- Self – consistency across time	15	
idcc5- Self – tastes / opinions	16	
idcc6- Self – consistent sense of self in present	17	
idcc7- Self – time alone	18	- quality
idcc8- Self – in intimate relationship	19	
idcc9- Self – self esteem	20	

Sense of self - Coherence and continuity \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Self experience and life goals are coherent and continuous across time and situation
- 2 Self experience and life goals are somewhat coherent and continuous across time and situation
- 3 Self experience and life goals are to some degree poorly integrated, superficial or discontinuous
- 4 Self experience is poorly integrated, unstable, superficial, discontinuous; life goals unclear, unstable, or unrealistic
- 5 Unintegrated and chaotic (incoherent) self experience with no sense of having a "self" or life goals

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#### Sense of Others

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idso7- Other– description, fam: superf. vs. depth	27	Most important person from F of Origin
idso8- Other– description, fam: ambivalence	28	
idso9- Other- description, fam: refl functioning	29	+ quality
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		- quality

Sense	of others	

- 1 Representations of others reflect a stable, integrated, realistic sense others
- 2 Representations of others characterized by a clear reflective picture of the other that is integrated and relatively stable though somewhat superficial; demonstrates defensive distortion or instability of sense of others' view of subject (e.g., failure to appreciate that others view subject as successful or admirable)
- Representations of others characterized by a clear reflective picture of the major attributes of the other; however, representations of others are unstable, vague and/or superficial, may be self-referential; distorted / unclear view of how the respondent is seen by others
- 4 Superficial and/or unstable representations of others, but with ability to give a rudimentary description of some external objects (although these descriptions may be contradictory, unstable or highly superficial)
- 5 Superficial and chaotic representations of others that is largely defined by the subject's anxieties, defenses and needs

# OVERALL RATING OF IDENTITY \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Consolidated identity
- 2 Consolidated Identity, but with some areas of slight deficit (e.g., superficiality or instability in sense of self and/or representations of others)
- 3 Mild identity pathology— superficiality, discontinuity and/or instability in sense of others with relatively stable sense of self
- 4 Moderate identity pathology—Marked instability and superficiality in sense of self and others
- 5 Severe identity pathology –Highly contradictory, chaotically shifting views of self and others, inability to invest

#### **OBJECT RELATIONS**

## Interpersonal relationships

Interpersonal relationships \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Has at least one or more good friendships with depth of involvement, stability over time, and regular contact; absence of significant conflict across most relationships
- 2 Some investment in one or more friendships; good relationship quality in at least one relationship, but may be more variable, superficial, and less invested than as described in #1; may be some variability in contact or disclosure with closest friends; minimal conflict in friendships
- 3 Friendships are superficial, characterized by shorter duration, diminished intimacy, and/or lack of reciprocal disclosure; relationships may be stable but infused with aggression and conflict
- 4 Some acquaintances, few if any friends; relationships are impoverished and superficial or perhaps ridden with significant conflict
- 5 Absence of friends; description of friendships is entirely superficial; chaotic, conflict ridden relationships across multiple settings

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Intimate and Sexual Relationships \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 Presence of satisfying, intimate relations involving interdependence; able to combine love and sexuality in relationships of significant duration
- 2 Presence of intimate relationships, but flawed / conflicted (e.g., inhibited, stormy, may be limited in terms of disclosure and intimacy); may report having loving attachments while being sexually inhibited with relationship partners; may report difficulty integrating sex and love
- Intimacy limited by conflicts (e.g., dependency and vulnerability), trouble sustaining intimate relationships; relationships are conflicted, relatively brief, and/or highly superficial; may report stable, longer term relationships characterized by severe inhibitions of sexuality and intimacy
- 4 Superficial, non-invested, brief attempts at intimacy and/or the inability to experience sensual aspects of sexuality; may have little sensual pleasure and/or pervasive invasion of aggression
- 5 Absence of intimate relations and no sexual activity

#### **OBJECT RELATIONS (continued)**

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Internal working model of relationships	Internal	working	model o	f relati	ionships	
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- 1. Does not view relationships in terms of need fulfillment; easily and consistently empathizes with the other's needs independent of those of the subject; easily sustains enduring interest in others over time; able to sustain enduring interest in others over time; no sense of entitlement
- 2. Does not generally think of the relationship in terms of need fulfillment, i.e., may think about what he/she is getting out of a relationship but this is not the central motivator for most relationships; empathizes with the other's needs independent of those of the subject, but inconsistently; able to sustain enduring interest in others over time; slight, if any, sense of entitlement
- 3. Tends to view relationships in terms of need-fulfillment; limited capacity for empathy with the other's needs independent of those of the subject and/or some impairment in capacity to sustain enduring interest over time; feels entitled to special care / attention from others
- 4. Sees relationships largely in terms of need fulfillment; capacity to empathize with the other's needs independent of the subject is severely impaired; has little capacity to sustain interest in others over time; strong sense of entitlement
- 5. Sees relationships entirely in terms of need fulfillment; no capacity to empathize with the other's needs independent of the subject; no capacity for interest in others; entitlement is a dominant motif in interpersonal relationships

#### OVERALL RATING OF QUALITY OF OBJECT RELATIONS \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. Strong, durable, realistic, nuanced, satisfying object relations; relationships not seen in terms of need fulfillment, able to combine sexuality and intimacy
- 2. Attachments are generally strong and durable, but may be less so than in #1 above; some degree of impairment in intimate / sexual relationships
- 3. Attachments are present, but increasingly superficial, brittle, and flawed; increasing tendency to view relationships in terms of need fulfillment; limited capacity for empathy with the other's needs independent of those of the subject
- 4. Attachments are few and flawed; may see relationships largely in terms of need fulfillment; relationships may be highly superficial, with little capacity for empathy with the other's needs independent of those of the subject
- 5. Severe paucity of attachments; sees relationships entirely in terms of need fulfillment; no capacity for empathy; no capacity to sustain interest in others

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- 1. No evidence that primitive defenses are employed
- 2. Some endorsement of primitive defenses, with clearly elaborated examples in at least some cases; clearly NOT the predominant defensive style of the respondent
- 3. Mixed pattern of endorsement of primitive defenses; shifts in perception of self and others are not pronounced, limited impairment in functioning due to use of primitive defenses
- 4. Consistent endorsement of primitive defenses, shifts in perception of self and others are relatively severe and pervasive; clear evidence of impairment in respondent's life due to these defense patterns; well-elaborated examples
- 5. Pervasive use of primitive defenses across situations; severe, radical shifts in perception of self and others to a degree that grossly interferes with functioning, richly-elaborated examples

# **COPING / RIGIDITY**

Coping / rigidity \_\_\_\_\_

Primitive Defenses \_\_\_\_\_

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cop6- control I	66
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- 1 Flexible, adaptive coping; stress resilience in most areas; consistent use of a variety of adaptive coping strategies
- 2 Evidence of adaptive coping strategies; strategies are used, however, with less consistency or efficacy, or in some areas but not others; largely resilient to stress
- 3 Inconsistent use of adaptive coping strategies, with subsequent vulnerability to stress; rigid coping
- 4 Few examples in which adaptive coping strategies are used; rigid, maladaptive coping
- *Pervasively inflexible, maladaptive coping, with severe consequences in terms of respondent's functioning in response to stress*

#### AGGRESSION

## Self-directed Aggression

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Salf di	neeted Agamagian		
sey-ai	rected Aggression		
l	Little to no self-directed aggression		
2	Neglect of own health, but concerning relative	y minor issues and with little to no consequence	
	or minor self-directed aggression, e.g., regular	cuticle biting	
3	Neglect of own health with potentially serious consequences; more consistent or severe self-		
	directed aggression, e.g., picking at skin and le	eaving marks, drawing blood	
4	Non-lethal attacks on own body		
5	One or more lethal attacks on own body		

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# Other-directed Aggression

- 1 Control, modulation, and integration of anger and aggression
- 2 Loss of control with verbal aggression; followed by guilt and reparation of relationship
- 3 Loss of control with verbal aggression; some pleasure in controlling and intimidating others; preoccupation with revenge fantasies
- 4 Vicious verbal attacks; sadistic control of others, e.g., through intimidation, threats to self; preoccupation with elaborate revenge fantasies that are sometimes acted upon; some pleasure in other-directed aggression with little remorse
- Verbal and physical attacks on others, which may involve intent to harm; sadistic control of other through intimidation, with conscious pleasure; sadistic enjoyment of suffering of others

#### OVERALL RATING OF AGGRESSION \_\_\_\_

- 1 Control, modulation and integration of anger and aggression; may include episodes of anger and verbal aggression but these appear to be appropriate to the situation
- 2 Aggression expressed through self-neglect, minor self-destructive behaviors, controlling interpersonal style
- Aggressive behaviors may be predominantly self-directed; more hostile verbal aggression; more episodic and less chronic and less severe and dangerous than in 4 and 5, below
- Aggressive behaviors directed against others with or without aggression towards self; frequent episodes of hostile verbal aggression; may be characterized by self-directed aggression that is severe to lethal; increasing tendency to control object through intimidation, with some associated pleasure, little guilt / remorse; aggression is somewhat less pervasive, chronic (i.e., more episodic) and less life-threatening than in #5

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Aggressive behaviors pose a serious danger to the safety of others and/or self; pervasive tendencies towards severe, dangerous aggression with pleasure in hurting and/or controlling others; no guilt / remorse

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# OVERALL RATING OF MORAL VALUES \_\_\_\_\_

- No evidence of amoral or immoral behavior; mature and appropriate sense of concern and responsibility for potentially hurtful or unethical behavior; experiences guilt; internal moral compass is autonomous, consistent and flexible; no exploitation of others for personal gain
- No antisocial behavior; some evidence of immoral behavioral (e.g., lying, cheating) with no consequence to others; internal moral compass is autonomous and consistent, with some conflict/ambiguity involving questionable opportunities for personal gain but not at the expense of others; experiences guilt, but in such a way that ruminative self-recrimination is more prevalent than proactive efforts to make amends
- 3 Some unethical/immoral behavior, e.g., plagiarism, cheating, lying, white collar crime, minor shoplifting, no confrontation of victim; difficulty taking full responsibility for behaviors that are hurtful to others; some sense of internal moral standards, but difficulty using these standards to guide behaviors
- 4 Presence of violent, aggressive antisocial behavior such as stealing from others; may involve, confrontation of victims, but absence of assault and generally absent of premeditation; moral orientation is towards not getting caught; little conflict around making use of questionable opportunities for personal gain at the expense of others; moral values and internal standards are inconsistent and corrupt; little sense of guilt / remorse
- 5 Presence of violent, aggressive antisocial behavior (assault, battery, premeditation); no comprehension of the notion of moral values; no sense of guilt / remorse; psychopathy