



**The ITALIAN INSTITUTE OF WARTEGG**  
**in collaboration with**  
**TERAPIATALO SOINTU**  
**presents:**

**A Practical Overview of the Wartegg Test**  
**According to the Crisi Wartegg System (CWS)**

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**Seminar Overview:**

This seminar introduces the CWS, a new, highly reliable and evidence-based system for scoring and interpreting the Wartegg. The CWS has in recent years been the object of increased interest, research and use in the US and several other countries. By the end of the seminar, participants will be able to: list the steps required for proper administration and the major scoring categories; correctly score specific scoring domains; and understand basic principles of interpretation according to the CWS. No previous use of the test is required, although thorough grounding in psychological assessment and theory is recommended.

**Presenter:**

**Alessandro Crisi, Psy.D. (Rome, Italy)**, SPA Fellow, is a licensed psychologist and psychotherapist in Rome, Italy. He is the founder and president of the Italian Institute of Wartegg and an Adjunct Professor in the Clinical Psychology Program at the Sapienza University in Rome. Dr. Crisi is a consultant to the Rome Institute of Speech Therapy, to the Armed Forces of Italy and to the criminal and civil courts in Rome. He also served on the executive committee of the Italian Association for Forensic Psychology. Dr. Crisi is the author of many publications concerning psychological assessment and psychodiagnosis. He presents frequently around the world on psychological assessment and the Wartegg. As in 2016, in 2018 Alessandro Crisi will teach as adjunct professor at GSPP of the Denver University, Colorado.

**Registration and further information:**

248 € (incl. VAT 24%)

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# **The Crisi Wartegg System (CWS) and its complete training plan**

Created in 1926 by the German psychologist Ehrig Wartegg (1897-1983), the Wartegg Drawing Completion Test (WDCT) consists of eight boxes, each containing an ambiguous mark. The client completes each panel by making a meaningful drawing that incorporates the mark in that panel.

A meta-analysis (Gronnerod & Gronnerod, 2012) attests to its validity in assessing personality and psychopathology, and reliability and validity data of the WDCT is commensurate with both self-report (MMPI-2) and performance-based (Rorschach) personality measures.

The resulting drawings can be now rigorously scored and interpreted according to a system developed by Dr. Alessandro Crisi (1998, 2007), the CWS (Crisi Wartegg System).

The CWS is a new methodology for the clinical use of the Wartegg test, appropriate for children, adolescents, and adults. Worked out by Alessandro Crisi it is easy to administer and not overwhelming for clients to complete.

The CWS was also recently recognized as a valid performance-based personality method that can be used for certification in Therapeutic Assessment, given the measure's ease of use, resonance with clients, and non-threatening nature.

Psychologists in Italy, Japan, Sweden, USA and South America frequently use the CWS in psychological assessments.

Since 2002, the CWS is also a selection tool in the Italian Navy, Army and Airforce.

## **CWS TRAINING SEQUENCE**

Like any performance-based measure (i.e., Rorschach, Adult Attachment Projective) learning the CWS is training intensive.

The process to become certified in the CWS consists of 4 steps:

1. Level 1: INTRODUCTION, ADMINISTRATION, and SCORING
2. Level 2: BASIC INTERPRETATION
3. Level 3: INTERMEDIATE INTERPRETATION and CASE CONCEPTUALIZATION
4. Level 4: (OPTIONAL) ADVANCED INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION

A brief description of each level is provided below.

Level 1  
**INTRODUCTION, ADMINISTRATION, and SCORING**  
**3 days (=18 hours)**

Summarize the empirical and conceptual foundations of the CWS and its potential applications in clinical research and practice; List the steps required for proper administration of the CWS according to standardized administration procedures; Score the major variables of the CWS.

Level 2  
**BASIC INTERPRETATION**  
**4 days (=24 hours)**

The Level 2 workshop focuses on basic interpretation and diagnostic meaning of the various indices, percentages, and ratios reviewed and scored during Level 1 workshops. Case studies are utilized to apply knowledge throughout the training sequence.

Level 3  
**INTERMEDIATE INTERPRETATION and CASE CONCEPTUALIZATION**  
**3 days and 1/2 (=22 hours)**

The Level 3 focuses on intermediate interpretation and diagnostic meaning of the various indices, percentages, and ratios reviewed and scored during Level 1 and 2. Interpretation focuses on integration of indices into a client-centered interpretive report, detailing the client's functioning in the domains of cognitive abilities, reality testing, available energy, affect regulation, and interpersonal skills.

Following level 3, clinicians may become certified\* in use of the CWS, and are subsequently able to use the test independently.

*\*Certification is attained when one passes a certification exam, showing competence in the measure, and has two completed clinical cases reviewed by the Istituto Italiano Wartegg.*

Level 4  
**(OPTIONAL)**  
**ADVANCED INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION**  
**5 days (20 hours, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm each day)**

This level is in Rome and it is optional but is a good way to improve competence and prepare for the certification exam.

The Level 4 workshop focuses on advanced interpretation and applied case conceptualization of the various indices, percentages, and ratios reviewed and scored during Level 1-3 workshops. Cases are selected from participants' clinical practices, with test results from other relevant measures (i.e., MMPI-2, Rorschach, AAP, etc.) integrated into case discussions.

Specific attention is paid to the incremental validity of the CWS. Use of the CWS as it relates to the Collaborative/Therapeutic Assessment practice of *Extended Inquiry* is further examined.