Thomas Rinne M.D., Ph.D. Founding President

Biography

Dr. Thomas Rinne is a Dutch forensic psychiatrist. He was member of the board of the Netherlands Institute for Forensic Psychiatry and Psychology (NIFP), medical director of the Pieter Baan Center (a forensic psychiatric observation clinic for pretrial assessments, with the status of a house of custody) and director of the Department of Science and Education of the NIFP. As a forensic psychiatrist, he has also worked as registered expert witness in criminal law cases.

Before he became a member of the board of the NIFP, he worked as head of the rehabilitation department of the Mental Health Institution "De Geestgronden" and later as senior consultant and associate professor of the Department of Psychiatry at the Leiden University Medical Center.

His first main research focus was the neuroendocrine sequelae of chronic traumatization and the pharmacological treatment of BPD patients. He later focused on diverse forensic psychiatric subjects.

He has received three scientific awards.

He was European Vice-President of the ISSPD and founding president of the ESSPD. In the Netherlands he was co-founder of the Dutch Center of Expertise for Personality Disorders (PD) and was member of the multidisciplinary taskforce for the guideline for Personality Disorders (pharmacotherapy and comorbidity).

He was president of the international ISSPD congress in the Hague in 2007 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Borderline congress of the ESSPD in Amsterdam in 2012.

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