

# The need of criminal profiling training for the Romanian police officers

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## ABSTRACT

The methods according to which criminals act, have evolved over time, at the same pace with the progress of criminalistics. As a result, lawbreakers have become and still are more and more skilful when trying to avoid being identified or caught. Each person has unique personality traits, developed in agreement with the psychological environment to which he or she was exposed. This personality is the vector of human behavior and it is also responsible for all the patterns displayed in the criminal activity. The criminal manifestation is probably the most sincere and useful personality sign and this is because the acts committed by the perpetrator in the criminal field often exceed the activities that are necessary to commit the deed. It is necessary for us to remark the fact that the behavioral signature of the perpetrator, because this is what we are talking about, is not manifested from his first crime, and even if it happens, the investigators cannot isolate it from the very beginning. Such a method is also represented by the elaboration of the psychological profile of the perpetrator, a major investigation being inconceivable at present without the application of this "criminal personality profiling". However, in Romania, this method has been sporadically applied over time. Nevertheless, significant progress has been made and starting with the year of 2014, a structure specialized in psycho-investigative techniques has been founded.

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