Table 3. Questionnaire – Key areas

Key	French School	German	Russian
area		School	School
Technique	Digital approach (jeu perle), large variety of physical approaches, dexterity and technical development emphasized, flatter hand, accuracy, clarity, lightness of touch	Good deal of rota- tion, Czerny-based technique	Low wrist, hours of practice, injuries, harsh or forced technique, freedom of the whole arm
Sound	Large variety of touches, more superficial tonal qualities, tonesensitive playing, sonority	Orchestral, tone production	Sound, deep so- norities, thicker sound, bold sound, intensive singing
Aesthetics	Jeu perle, many kinds of non-legato playing, emphasis on articulation, poetry, lightness, humour, intellectual, too formal, impressionism, clarity, balance and taste in interpretation	Structural in- tegrity of music, structured, 'innig' [heartfelt, pro- found], serious, not showy, sub- stantial, phras- ing, emotions and intellect, classic-form-con- sciousness, more reserved	When they play Scriabin: poetic lyrical, emotion more "on the sleeve", very ro- mantic approach to musical expres- sion, emotion, not too big stress on style, sometimes too much emotion, very passionate