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Dear members and friends of the Ruth Cohn Institute for TCI-international,

in the meantime, it has become summer again - a summer which, with its extremes, has so far not fulfilled the promise of being a summer "like back then". Almost daily we are reminded by negative headlines that our planet and us are massively threatened by climate change. Ruth C. Cohn's axioms are more relevant than ever in this situation: As humans, we are inseparably connected to this earth as part of it, so our respect for all fellow creatures, for nature, is bitterly necessary.

And: We are able to assume our responsibility - in part - again and again. Yes, we can make our contribution to initiate a reversal in a healing direction, however small this contribution may be. This thought gives me courage and hope - yes, we have a chance with TCI in our struggle "for a better world"!

There are many good things to report from our community: We were able to experience an inspiring general meeting in Frankfurt - finally in presence again - where we took up and deepened the topic of "resonance and TCI" again at the beginning. The term, which is derived from the Latin "resonare" (to resound), refers to the sounding and tones, not least of the human voice - which is why we "tuned in" to the topic together with a guided vocal resonance exercise. I would like it very much if self-produced sounds, of whatever kind, were to find their way into our meetings more often. Hardly anything creates such valuable common "resonance spaces" as music...

Afterwards, Felix Oberst, graduate of the Protestant University of Applied Sciences Nuremberg, presented us with an input from his master's thesis on the parallels between Hartmut Rosa's resonance theory and TCI. A quotation from the pen of Hartmut Rosa shows this connection more than clearly: "A better world is possible, and it can be recognized by the fact that its central yardstick is no longer dominating and disposing but listening and responding." Couldn't Ruth C. Cohn have said this sentence?

Beautiful initiatives are reported to us from the regional associations: In Austria there are still - unfortunately! - to commemorate 24 February 2022, when Russia invaded Ukraine in violation of international law, a Peace Talk online takes place on every 24th of the month.

Under the theme "TCI Point. Disappointed expectations and broken convictions - How can I face the world anew with courage?" the regional exchange meeting of RCI

Württemberg will take place on 18 November, for which this newsletter provides more detailed information.

A new peer group called "Peer Group South-West" has been founded - you can also read more about it in this issue. We wish the new group enriching experiences on their common path.

In this newsletter you will also find a review of Günther Hoppe's book "Liebe, das Thema unseres Lebens, das immer mitspielt" (Love, the theme of our lives that always plays along), the call for papers for issue 2/2024, which will deal with the theme "Scheitern mit TZI" (Failure with TCI), and, as always, a reference to our events overview.

On a personal note - from the science department - I am pleased to inform you that a few texts relevant to TCI that we discussed in the Scientific Advisory Board have been placed on MyDrive and can be viewed there.

Also on our homepage, under the heading "Research", from mid-September, will be the reader revised by Michaela Scharer, which the preparatory working group has produced for the symposium on the opening of Ruth C. Cohn's estate in October 2022.

And finally, we are looking forward to the submissions for the Science Award, which has been announced for the first time in 2023 for TCI-related scientific work: The deadline for submissions is 30 September 2023!

I wish you a fulfilling second half of the year with TCI, with many fruitful, touching encounters, with people and - perhaps also with texts... And much joy with the new newsletter!

Best regards



Brigitte Mazohl
(for the board
RCI-international)

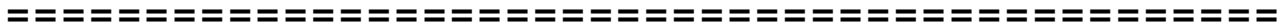


Board RCI international, from left to right: Brigitte Mazohl, Klaus-Gerd Eich, Wolfgang Schneider-Pannewick, Ute Schmitz. Fotocredit. K. Giogoli



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1. New peer group south-west is happy to be contacted

We have founded [a peer group South-West](#) and want to start peer group work as soon as possible, in the fall of 2023.

Meeting points can be anywhere between the area of Mannheim, Speyer, Karlsruhe, Freiburg, Stuttgart, etc.

We cordially invite interested people to plan the first meeting and to form this group with us.

All information and our profiles are available through Heike Schreiner: heischreiner@web.de.

We looking forward to hearing from you and will get back quickly!



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2. Book-Tip: Günther Hoppe „Liebe, das Thema unseres Lebens, das immer mitspielt“- lectures and other writings, edited by Rita Horstmann

Günter Hoppe (1925-2017) worked as a depth-psychologically oriented marriage and life counsellor. TCI was an important tool for his work. In the 1970s he was involved in the founding of WILL in the Rheinland, today: RCI for TCI Rheinland-Westfalen. He has spoken out on a wide range of psychological and political issues. His broad psychological-philosophical-theological view of us humans and our world is always evident.

Rita Horstmann, former parish priest and long-standing member of the RCI Rheinland-Westfalen, has collected and edited Günter Hoppe's public lectures and journal articles.

You can order the book here: <https://www.bod.de/buchshop>



Buchcover: Liebe, das Thema unseres Lebens, das immer mitspielt

3. The new board of RCI Hamburg/Schleswig-Holstein introduces itself

It's done. Since the extraordinary general meeting at the end of April 2023, the RCI HH/SH has a new board. We are a team with 5 and actually 6 members. Namely, to our good fortune, we were able to recruit Petra Böttger for our team as a mini-jobber who takes care of finances and accounting. The other 5 of us are honorary members of the board.

The new team has replaced Katharina Lieberknecht, after she had been alone for the last time and held out. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her once again! We are currently in the process of familiarizing ourselves with the many tasks of a board of directors.

Right at the beginning, the recertification of the association with the continuing education platform "Weiterbildung Hamburg" was on the agenda and will soon be under roof again for three years.

We have planned to have the basic training seminars we offer also recognized as non-profit and thus exempt from sales tax.

In the fall, we will hold a committee meeting with the Board of Directors, the Education Committee and the Graduate College in order to develop joint strategies for our association and to reach concrete agreements on this. We also want to see what can be improved in the cooperation between the board, the education commission and the graduates can still be improved in order to make the use of volunteer work meaningful for everyone in the cooperation.

And then we are also concerned with making the association's work lively and involving other members in the process. We want to identify current topics that particularly affect young people, so that we can then plan and carry out workshops or specialist days on these topics with everyone.

The cooperation with the umbrella organization is also important for us - Olli Wendt, for example, will be our representative for RCI international and we will continue to cooperate with RCI international, e.g. in matters of public relations! Many thanks at this point also for the great support by Kathrin Giogoli.

So there is a lot to do. We have already set out with a lot of momentum and good energy.

At this point we would like to thank all those who support our association and the TZI and make this valuable, voluntary work possible.

The Executive Board Team Hamburg/Schleswig Holstein



from left to right: Madò Dreher (additional member), Gundi Eckstein (2nd chairwoman), Oliver Wendt (RCI International), Christoph Wiethold (1st chairman), Andrea Lye (secretary)

First Chairman - Christoph Wiethold

Retired police officer, freelance personnel developer, TCI graduate.

"I am involved in the board of RCI HH SH because the association and TCI have given me a lot in my life. To continue this work is a matter of my heart.

Vice chairwoman - Gundi Eckstein

Teacher for religion and biology, teacher training and consulting at the LI in Hamburg, TCI certificate.

"I am involved in the board of RCI HH SH because I want to support it with my strength that a social and meaningful togetherness can be promoted more and more with and through TCI. With my team I would like to strengthen the meeting among the association members and the committees further "

Secretary - Andrea Lye

freelance consultant for human resources, leadership development and coaching, TCI diploma

"I am involved in the board of RCI HH SH because for me TCI is a true bearer of hope in the constant struggle for democracy, human dignity and a peaceful healthy world."

Representative for RCI international - Olli Wendt

Teacher at the Schleusen Community School in Brunsbüttel, TCI certificate on the way to TCI diploma

"I am involved in RCI because I think the spread of TCI is important and I want to work on making the association fit for the present and the future."

Other member - Madò Dreher (I do not use pronouns)

educational specialist for the strengthening of queer self-help, TCI certificate

"I am involved in RCI because TCI has been with me for several years and has been such a great enrichment to my life. I want to help shape and integrate current discourses."



*Petra Böttger,
(finances and accounting)*

4. New basic trainings for young adults, FÖVE

The Association for Young Adults e.V. (FÖVE) offers new basic trainings.

In 2024, three will begin: in Walberberg, Rheurdt and Klein Nienhagen.
 In 2025, two will start: in Freiburg and Mönchengladbach.

From 22.8.2023 registrations are possible via the platform www.tci-living-learning.org
 You can find the current flyer (in german) here:
[Flyer für Junge Erwachsene](#)

We are grateful if you support our work by advertising the courses and, if you have the opportunity, by displaying or distributing flyers.

These can be ordered now from Shirley Reinhaus:
shirley.reinhaus@t-online.de

Friedemann Küppers, FöVe Board



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5. Online seminar on 28 September 2023: Get a taste of TCI, get oriented and informed, RCI Rheinland-Westfalen

Task-oriented and respectful in groups work, learn, live ... professionally, privately or wherever.

You are curious about how you can work (with) groups even more effectively. Then it is worthwhile to get in touch with the themecentred interaction according to Ruth C. Cohn.

Meet us in the next online semiar.

Date: Thursday, 28 September 2023, 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Online at ZOOM

Participants: max. 20

Steffi Adam-Bott, Karin Gante and Dorit Keese (team of facilitators) will make TCI an online experience to whet your appetite for more.

No previous knowledge is necessary. Curiosity and the desire to invest two hours of your life as well as functioning technology (video and microphone) are sufficient.

Participation is free of charge.

Forwarding this invitation is expressly encouraged!



Please register by 26 September 2023

to Steffi.Adam-Bott@online.de

The ZOOM access link will be sent shortly. You are welcome to visit the TZI exchange forum beforehand.
www.tzi-forum.com

6. Regular online meetings of the Fachgruppe Schule from October 2023

After the summer holidays, the Fachgruppe Schule will again offer the regularly scheduled online appointments via Zoom.

- Collegial counselling on Tuesday, 10 October and 12 December 2023, from 7.00 - 9.15 p.m., led by Ulrike Rietz.
- Jour fixe to exchange on topics related to school and TCI on Thursdays, 21 September and 16 November, from 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.
We will inform you about the main focus when you register.

Non-members of the Fachgruppe Schule are also very welcome.
Please register by e-mail via fg-schule@ruth-cohn-institute.org

7. A peephole to the iLEAD Questionnaire® - or did you already know him? INVITATION TO GETTING ACQUAINTED

This is an invitation for joining a meeting in a zoom-session – see further the date, where you may be informed about the possibilities and the power of the iLead Questionnaire®.

The iLead Questionnaire® is a tool helping to mirror your and others TCI-leadership awareness and mastery - and the potential which can be developed. It is an assessment tool without judging – and without any labeling.

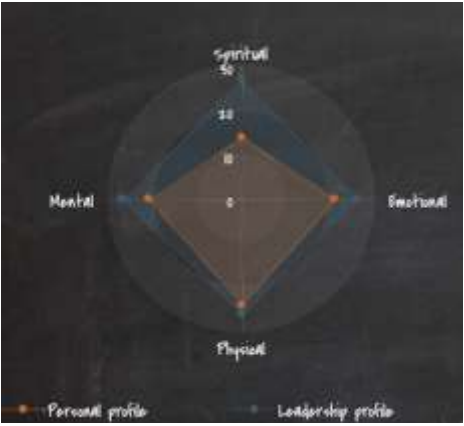
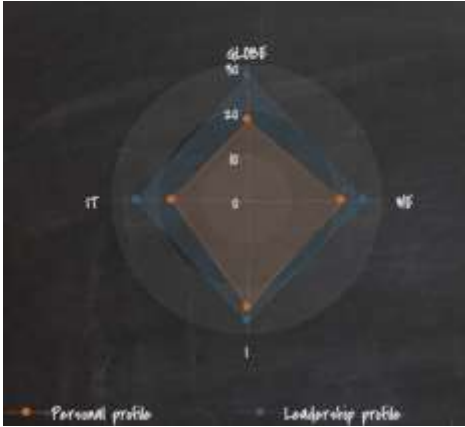
The 'iLead', in short, has shown to be unprecedented helpful for gauging development goals in training routes or organizational leading team processes - and afterwards, estimating the intended effects of this learning path. It is a personal gift for all who are learning TCI, facilitators and leaders outside the 'TCI Community', and especially TCI-teachers and Graduates to experience the power of the 'instrument' as a helpful mirror on where the attention goes by perceiving and intervening on I, WE, IT and GLOBE. The quality of the Art of Leadership, as Ruth developed, gets language on the intentional and the behavioral level.

The iLead Questionnaire® is a gauging tool toward understanding how I perceive the pore and the portee of the wholeness of the TCI system. Nearer: it gauges what and how a "TCI leader" perceives and how he/she then respond to it - in the breadth and depth of Ruth's extraordinarily rich leadership compass. Below you find an example of a picture of the focus on the four components ('factors') (spider web) built from - what we call - the 'parental home', - and you see a particularization by physical, emotional, mental and spiritual awareness. After that you find in the rapportage how you are aware and act nowadays. There are much more visuals and information questioned in the rapportage. The interactional mirror dialogue, facing the rapportage, has an amazing impact.

All ins and outs and the benefits of the iLead Questionnaire® will be the theme of the zoom-session on Friday, 27th of October in the morning.

In 2024 a license workshop for understanding in depth the iLead and leading the important mirror-conversation will be organized. The date will be finalized in interaction with those who are interested to learn more. First of all now the zoom session to get informed. I invite you friendly to join the session.

Friday
27. October:
10.30 – 12.00 hrs
Zoom-session –
Inscribe just by
bringing in your
name and e-mail



address to ivo.callens@centreforgenerativeleadership. You receive then a link so you may participate in the on-line session. Yours, Ivo Callens

8. TZI-Punkt on 18 November 2023 in Böblingen, RCI Württemberg

TZI-Punkt is the regional exchange meeting of the RCI Württemberg. On Saturday, 18 November 2023, this year's TZI-Punkt/Symposium on the topic: "Broken convictions - challenges in these crisis-ridden times" will take place in Böblingen at Treff am See. SAVE THE DATE!

More info: <https://www.rci-wuerttemberg.de/termine.html>

9. From December 2023 again "Saturday Seminars", RCI Dreyeckland

The series " Saturday Seminars ", which started in 2013 and was extended over time by the "Samstagswerkstätten" especially for teachers, will be resumed this year.

From December 2023 to summer 2024, we will hold "Five Saturday Seminars on Theme-Centered Interaction" in Karlsruhe and Freiburg.

We will give interested people the opportunity to get to know TCI, to pick it up again and to deal with a topic.

More information will be available from September on our website:

www.rci-dreyeckland.de and on the seminar platform: [TZI-Events](#)

10. Future LAB: 2 - 4 February 2024 in Frankfurt am Main

The Future Lab takes place once a year and provides a framework for TCI certified, graduate and postgraduate students to discuss theme-centred interaction in the light of recent theories and current applications.

It is intended to scrutinise what is taken for granted, to examine fundamentals and to further develop TCI in theory and practice.

We are offering two topics to choose from and are curious to see which topic will meet with greater response:

- **Theme 1: How can we develop both individual and social resilience with TCI?**
- **Theme 2: What does individuality mean today?**

Please give us your feedback on which topic you would like to work on in the Future LAB.

We can hold the Future LAB either in digital presence or in analogue presence in Frankfurt am Main.

If we run the Future LAB online, it is free of charge and we ask for a donation of 100 EUR to the RCI.

If we hold the Future LAB in the "Hoffmannshöfe" in Frankfurt am Main, the costs for two overnight stays with VP and room rental would cost approx. 380 EUR.

Please give us your feedback if you prefer to work **online or** analogue in Frankfurt.

Please send your message on both questions **till October 1** to:
jochen-spielmann.berlin@t-online.de

Best regards
Sigrid Ophoff, Pirjo Schack and Jochen Spielmann

11. Scientific TCI texts on MyDrive

At the board meeting in Nürnberg on 14-16 July 2023, it was decided that members of the individual RCI regions would have the opportunity to view texts relevant to TCI that were discussed in the Scientific Advisory Board on MyDrive.

The login data should be known to every member association, otherwise you can also contact the office: office@ruth-cohn-institute.org

12. The first certificate workshop in Latvia, report by Reingard Lange

Balanss! - not a spelling mistake

The first ZWS certificate workshop with Latvian and German graduates took place.

High in the mountains of Tirol, five women from Riga, two from Germany and the two leaders: Reingard Lange and Sr. Hannah Rita Laue experienced a very special process together:

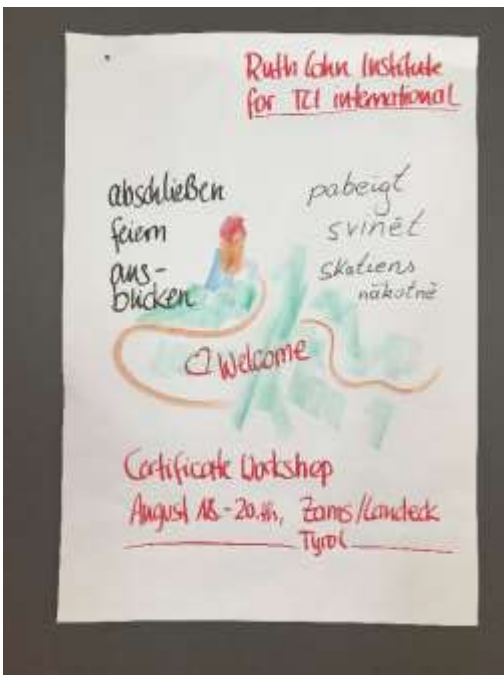
Consistently translated, they were all able to adjust to each other despite the language barrier and finally meet warmly.

In the "Klösterle", a picturesquely situated house above Landeck, we told each other about our paths with TCI and how we integrate TCI into our living and working globes. It took patience to translate and listening with all possible antennas to understand each other.



In the mountains of Tirol. Fotocredit: Reingard Lange

The Latvian participants were used to this, they have only known TCI with German speaking leaders. For the German speakers, however, it was new - and also "uncomfortable". So we experienced that diversity and development also demand openness to new and, for the time being, foreign things.



Welcome! Fotocredit: Reingard Lange

Of course, at some point we sang together under the August starry sky. In Latvia, where the "singing revolution" was a non-violent resistance against the communist regime, singing has a living tradition.

Finally, we ended the CWS in a dignified way, singing, playing language games and giving personal and touching feedback to each individual.

The German speakers learned how to spell balance in Latvian. And while the Latvians got to eat many unfamiliar things, we learned new names: Sira Klimpas are cheese dumplings - „Käsespätzle“.

The basic TCI training in the modular system in Latvia was initiated by Sr Hannah Rita Laue. She organised funding and offered the first seminars at the House of the Dominican Sisters

of Bethany in 2019. At that time, eight women from Riga decided to do the basic training. Why? "Our country needs this way of dealing with each other," was the prevailing motivation.

Now five have graduated, more are on their way, five graduates have taught TCI in Latvia, many materials have been translated and the certificate could also be presented in Latvian. Gratefully, we at the CWS thought of all those who made this possible!



Happy participants with Latvian certificate. Fotocredit: Reingard Lange

To the great joy of the leaders, the will and confidence of the five Latvian graduates have also grown stronger to continue on the path to the diploma. Let's see when we will have the first German-Latvian concept workshop!

However, attending seminars in Germany is almost always prohibitively expensive and also a hurdle in terms of language. The insights into the differences of how to learn TCI with and without a "self-evident" infrastructure also affected us very much. Solidarity building work is needed, which needs attention and support and full respect for self-determination.

TCI courses in Riga will continue to be offered in German and Latvian and are open to everyone!

For all graduates, the path with TCI continues, with or without further TCI education. This CWS will probably remain an unforgettable "summit" in the truest sense of the word.

Reingard Lange

13. Call for papers: Issue 2/2024 - Failing with TCI? Exploring the limits of TCI

TCI helps - very often, very much! But sometimes 'TCI' can get in the way. It can obstruct our view, as do unsuitable glasses, it can hinder action. At time I simply can't achieve what I had intended to as a leader or participant, my ideas fail to resonate with the partners I wish to cooperate with, or I feel as if lead weights were attached to my feet.

We are interested in these moments of failure with TCI. We hope to explore blind spots, to appreciate productive additions to TCI drawn from other cooperative concepts, to broaden our perspectives. Only boundaries make a shape recognizable. This is true of TCI, too.

We look forward to theories steeped in experience, theoretical reflections, field-specific descriptions of competences, practical reports, ironic enlightenment.

Please send your drafts to agnes.christ-fiala@t-online.de by **01.02.2024**.

14. TCI events overview on the RCI website

On the RCI website there is an event overview with many interesting dates and regulars' meetings from all regions. The overview is updated regularly. The English version is in progress.

<https://www.ruth-cohn-institute.org/veranstaltungsuebersicht.html>



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15. The latest program of the TCI seminars 2024 is now available

The new TCI seminars by our lecturers and external cooperation partners have been posted on the platform and can be booked now:

<https://www.tci-living-learning.org/angebotsplattform/seminare>

16. Congratulations...

With this sunflower
we send heartfelt congratulations
to all members,
who have or had a birthday
in the summer
(June, July, August).

All the best and good health! 🎁 🌻



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17. Event calendar – Upcoming dates 2023

From September 2023

TZI virtual regulars' table, RCI Rhineland/Westphalia

Dates and registration via the TZI Forum: <https://www.tzi-forum.com>

28 September 2023, 6-8 p.m.

Online seminar: Get to know, orientate and inform yourself about TCI

27 October 2023, 10:30 – 12:00 a.m.

Informational event iLEAD Questionnaire® – online

27 - 29 October 2023

Public conference in Meißen, [RBDO + EEB](#)

18 November 2023

TZI point/expert day. Exchange meeting of the RCI Württemberg, in Böblingen

2 - 4 February 2024

RCI Future LAB 2024, Frankfurt am Main

18. Call for Papers & Release Date RCI-NEWS 4/2023

The next issue of the RCI-NEWS (4/2023) will be published on **December 15, 2023**. As always, we welcome your submissions of dates, events and meetings in the member associations.

The **deadline** for contributions is **1 December 2023**.

Please note when sending the texts:

- 1,500 characters maximum incl. spaces, Microsoft Word format, font Verdana 11
- Write in mother tongue **and in English** please
- Images only as jpg files

The RCI-NEWS 4/2023 will be published on **15 December 2023**.



With kind regards from Berlin
Katrin Giogoli und Jasmin Lütz

Berlin from above. Fotocredit: Jasmin Lütz

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