

Medical Section at the Goetheanum

# **Teach The Teachers**

## Freedom and Destiny: Exploring them through Clinical Cases and Biographical Questions

## September 5-8, 2025

Medical Section at the Goetheanum Dornach, Switzerland

Dornach, in May 2025

The *Teach the Teachers* conference offers a space to meet and exchange about how to creatively teach today's new learners. This year's meeting continues a three-year focus on essential spiritual topics. All colleagues who teach about anthroposophic therapies, nursing and medicine, in big or little ways, are invited to participate. You are warmly invited, whether you are an experienced trainer or have just started teaching.

What happens at a TTT conference? The meeting focuses on lively exchange with each other and on learning new perspectives. A major emphasis is on small group work and other activities that help engage adult learners.

Over the past two years we explored ways to teach about reincarnation, then karma. This year we will look at questions of Freedom and Destiny. We have learned that researching these topics, is not only a support for our teaching but also a support for our own personal development and our sense of community.

What will happen this year? We will share preparatory readings on freedom, destiny and biography ahead of the conference. You can join us to read them in a group (on Friday evening, the 5. September) or you can study them on your own. Then, when we all come together for our three-day meeting (starting on Saturday, the 6. September) we will go quickly into group work and exchange. We will explore **Dynamic Judgment Formation** as a learning and therapeutic tool, hear about how Steiner approached Freedom and Destiny, and practice teaching through clinical cases and biographical questions.

For the preparation group, Judit Kedves and Adam Blanning

#### **OPTIONAL:**

- 19.15 **Welcome**
- 19.30 **Readings from Steiner on Destiny and Freedom** (materials will be send out ahead of the conference)

Adam Blanning, Judit Kedves, preparation group

20.30 End

## Saturday, September 6

| 14.00 | Start of the Conference – Introduction and welcome   |  |  |  |
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| 15.15 | Break  |  |  |  |
| 15.45 | Presentation 1: Dynamic Judgment Formation – a Methodical Introduction and Teaching<br>Samples<br>Esther Vis, Judit Kedves, Adam Blanning              |  |  |  |
| 16.30 | Small Group Work – Session 1:<br>Dynamic Judgment Formation as a Teaching Tool, Exploring a Biographical Case  |  |  |  |
| 17.30 | Dialogue Walk  |  |  |  |
| 18.00 | Evening Break (optional dinner can be ordered during registration)   |  |  |  |
| 19.15 | Singing - Esther Vis   |  |  |  |
| 19.30 | Presentation 2: Clinical aspects of Freedom and Responsibility, based on The Philosophy<br>of Freedom<br>Mariela Gatica Valdes, Kan-Anek Kaewthaweesab |  |  |  |
| 20.30 | End  |  |  |  |

- 08.30 **Movement** (Eurythmy and Spacial Dynamics)
- 09.00 **Come-together**, Transition into workshops
- 09.15 Workshop A (Spanish) and Workshop B (English)
- 10.30 Break
- 11.15 Workshop A (English) and Workshop B (with Spanish Translation)
- 12.30 Lunch in the Speisehaus (included in the ticket price)
- **14.00 Presentation 3: Deepening Aspects about Freedom in Rudolf Steiners work** *Christina van Tellingen*

| 19.15 | Singing - Esther Vis  |
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| 18.00 | Evening break (shared picknick-dinner together)   |
| 17.30 | Dialogue Walk   |
| 16:05 | Small Group Work - Session 2:<br>Dynamic Judgment Formation as a Teaching Tool, Exploring a Biographical Case |
| 15.45 | Juggling  |
| 15.15 | Break   |

- 19.30 Social Evening: Juggling, Sharing poems, songs, inspirations
- 20.30 End

### Monday, September 8

- 08.30 **Movement** (Eurythmy and Spacial Dynamics)
- 09.00 **Come-together**, Transition into Small Group Work
- 09.15 Small Group Work–Session 3: Peer teaching of Short Biographical Case Presentations

| 11.15 | Feedback and Closing Sharing |  |
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| 10.30 | Break                        |  |
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12.30 Adjourn

Workshop A: Exploring Aspects of Your Own Biography, based on Dynamic Judgement Formation (Mariela Gatica Valdes, Henry Beattie, Tiffany Russey)

#### Workshop B:

**Reflections on Processes of Groups and Organisations, based on Dynamic Judgement Formation** *(Adam Blanning, Esther Vis, Sonja van Hees)* 

### **Preparation Team**

Henry Beattie, physician, Paracelsus Krankenhaus Unterlengenhardt, Germany

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#### Languages and limited places at the conference:

The main presentations will be in English, with Spanish translation. Small group work can be done in English, Spanish or German (or other languages, as well, if you bring enough colleagues with you).

#### The group is limited to 70 participants.

#### Conference fee:

To make the conference affordable for persons from all over the world, there are three price categories offered. Please consider which one you can afford.

Regular price: CHF 295

Reduced price: CHF 220

#### Support price: from CHF 295

(Should you be in a position to pay an additional amount, this will help to cover the costs of the conference for others and support the work of the Medical Section)

Further reductions may be available by individual request sent to Adam Blanning adam.blanning@medsektion-goetheanum.ch

All prices Include morning and afternoon coffee breaks as well as Sunday lunch.

Online-Registration: https://goetheanum.ch/de/veranstaltungen/TTT2025

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