

After eighty years, war has returned to the public consciousness.

Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine is increasingly being perceived as a European war and an attack on European values.

But violent conflicts are also breaking out repeatedly in numerous other places around the world.

Since the change of regime in the USA, calls for rearmament have become increasingly loud.

Ruth C. Cohn developed theme-centred interaction out of a desire to prevent the recurrence of the Holocaust.

We ask ourselves what prospects for peace TCI can develop today.

- How can we succeed in gaining political support for non-violent "education for all"?
- How can working with TCI be effectively applied at the macro level of politics and society?
- What gave Ruth C. Cohn hope, and what gives us hope today?
- And what contribution can scientific insights make to peace work?

In exchange with experts in conflict and peace research, we want to take up individual perspectives and explore these questions together in greater depth.

Organising team:

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Conference language: German

All texts will be provided in English translation.

Participation fee: €200 / reduced rate €80

(limited number of participants)

Students and people on low incomes are eligible for a discount upon presentation of appropriate proof.

Registration for Conference:

booking portal RCI-international



Venue:

Bauernschule Bad Waldsee
Frauenbergstraße 15
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Accommodation and meals must be booked by participants themselves through the Bauernschule.

Registration for accommodation/meals:

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(Developing)
**Perspectives for Peace
in Times of Conflict**
What can Science and TCI
Contribute to This?

Symposium
by RCI-international

19–21 June 2026



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The art of leading

Conference programme

Day 1: Friday, 19 June

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Welcome and introductory words

2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Stefan Kroll

(Leibniz Institute for Peace and Conflict Research):
On the current situation – Peace Report 2026.

Sophia Stanger

(Austria Centre for Peace):

Everyone is talking about war, but no one is talking about the climate?! – Why ecology and peace work belong together. (connected online)

Andreas Oberprantacher

(University of Innsbruck, Unit for Peace and Conflict Studies):

Ecologies of peace: A plea for a trans-specific peace ethic.

From approx. 7:30 p.m.

Free evening for meeting and exchange.

Knowing we count
with our life
with our beloved
against the cold

For me, for you, for our world.

Ruth C. Cohn

Day 2: Saturday, 20 June

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Norbert Frieters-Reermann

(Catholic University of North Rhine-Westphalia):

Peace education in times of crisis? The importance of professional reflexivity in peace education learning processes.

Alexander Trost

(Catholic University of North Rhine-Westphalia, RCI):

"I cooperate, therefore I am... human!"

Matthias Scharer

(University of Innsbruck, RCI):

**From the 'Turning Point' to the 'Zeitenwende'.
Ruth C. Cohn's holistic perspective on peace today.**

3:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Workshops

- **Anja Werner**

(University of Koblenz, RCI):

Tender and resilient – developing, strengthening and shaping inner peace.

- **Norbert Frieters-Reermann**

(Catholic University of North Rhine-Westphalia):

Capacitar and peace education – Workshop accompanying the lecture (see above)

- **Alexander Trost**

(Catholic University of North Rhine-Westphalia, RCI):

Attachment Theory and Peace – Workshop accompanying the lecture (see above)

- **Helmut Reichert und
Wolfgang Schneider-Pannewick**

(RCI):

How does communication succeed? We would like to share experiences of communication in everyday life and examine experiences of successful and unsuccessful communication.

- **Susanne Stein (RCI):**

**"Whoever saves one soul saves the world."
(Talmud) How we can alleviate the suffering of traumatised children and thereby also contribute to peace.**

- **Martina Fach-Overhoff**

(German Association for Supervision, RCI):

Resolving conflicts – working together with TCI: Between I, WE and IT – we understand conflicts and transform them.

- **Brigitte Mazohl and Matthias Scharer**

(University of Innsbruck, RCI):

**I would (never) fight for my country
– two opposing positions from young authors (Ole Nymoen and Artur Weigandt).**

8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Music and poetry for peace

(including works by Ruth C. Cohn)

recited by **Ute Schmitz (RCI)** and

Shirley Reinhaus (RCI)

Musical accompaniment: **Ernst Schrade (RCI)**

Day 3: Sunday, 21 June

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Heinrich Schmidinger

(University of Innsbruck):

Peace and tolerance.

Brigitte Mazohl

(University of Innsbruck, RCI) and

Luise Schorn-Schütte

(University of Frankfurt a. M.):

**A comparison of European peace treaties
– when does peace last?**

Wolfgang Palaver

(University of Innsbruck):

Why a just peace must be fought for.

Wolfgang Schneider-Pannewick (RCI):

Review and outlook