
Intercultural Training: Connecting Across Cultures

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Date & Time:	Friday June 10th & Friday June 17th, 12-16h (UTC+2)
Instructor:	Michael Blech
Target group:	The course is for all Doctoral Candidates at ZMT. All interested ZMT staff. The course mandatory for all new doctoral candidates.
Credit:	Attending at least 90% of the sessions is required. It is not possible to attend only single sessions. You can receive a certificate of attendance for the course

Course Description: Connecting Across Cultures

Whether at home or abroad, in private or professional contexts – we all have experience with cultural differences. It is a confrontational experience of the strange, that can challenge one's own patterns of perception and understanding. This can unsettle or even shatter our self-image and our worldview. At the same time, a more and more globalized world demands a life serving and productive approach to such situations.

Instead of focusing on static cultural differences and a supposedly universal way of dealing with them, we will sensitize ourselves in this workshop to what makes the connection between people possible, even beyond alleged differences. A certain affective attitude, consisting of an emotional-motivational readiness of one's own self as well as the abilities of self-reflection, self-criticism and self-change is the key to success.

Michael Blech is a coach and an expert in the field of empathy, emotional intelligence and communication. He is driven and passionate about the question on how to connect better with ourselves and others - by using our mind, heart and the right words. www.nature-of-connection.com