



## Dear Friends,

From this month we request all associations to send any key activity that should be covered on official social media handles of Round Table International. I request all associations to send the same on pro@round-table.org. We will try to cover as many pictures and articles as possible.

We welcome articles and events pictures from all associations, we will try our best to cover it on Round Table International social media accounts and newsletter.

Feel free to contact me for any clarifications on email or WhatsApp or call on +919229231111

## Vinay Agarwal

Public Relations Officer Round Table International





"Ultimately, The Greatest Lesson that Covid-19 Can Teach Humanity is that We are All in this Together." - KIRAN MAZUMDAR-SHAW

Brothers,

Greetings from the RTI board of 2020-21. This pandemic has made us realise that we all need each other more than we think. We feel utterly privileged to be a part of RTI, a family of brothers who extend unconditional support to one another; be it in the form of a help, advice, effort or time. It is priceless to know that someone is there to hear you out in these times of distress, which makes a world of a difference. Every now and then we hear examples of such notable incidents which make us feel proud. These tales deserve to be heard by all members across the globe, hence as part of RTI University we are coming up with a compilation called "Scent of Change". This newsletter includes one such story from our own PRO Vinay Agarwal. If you also have an amazing experience to share, we will be glad to put it in the exclusive edition. With the article you will find details to make the submission.





It is indeed overwhelming to see tabling centres across the globe beaming with optimism. Tabling activities are resuming in most of the places, of course considering local scenario and circumstances. On behalf of the entire RTI Board, I congratulate and thank my brothers for actively taking part in "Voice of a Tabler" survey, which gives us clear direction as to where RTI is headed. It is one of the biggest strengths of RTI that it is spread across the world making us a strong network, which has the power to make a difference. This RTI day on 14th March 2021 is an ideal date to leverage this strength by coming together for a common cause — Blood Donation. Blood donation is considered equivalent to saving a life. While we are blessed to have a healthy life, we can make a massive difference to many deserving people by sparing few minutes and making our donation count. It's truly a noble cause and once we all contribute together, we show our true strength to the world. Not only it gives us a sense of satisfaction, but we also make RTI proud globally. I request all tablers from all associations to take active part in the blood donation drive and share pictures on social media the same day.

Your Friend

#### **DKSINGH**

President,
Round Table International





RTI VICE-PRESIDENT
Half Year meeting – March 2021
Report for the six months ended 31st December 2020

This report is divided into the following sections:

- 1. Membership overview
- 2. Expansionand growth of RTI
- 3. Structure / professionalization
- 4. Diversity
- 5. Board composition and roles for 2021/2022

## 1. Membership overview

As per the summary below, we note a slight decrease in membership than the same period in the prior year. Comparing HYM to WM numbers does not reflect our global membership's seasonality and leads to incorrect trends and analysis.

Over the last 12 months, we have seen a decline in most of our regions, with a slight increase in the SEM region. Globally we see a reduction of new member inductions caused by the effects and restrictions on meetings due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.





Compared to the 2017/2018 year, we note an overall increase of just under 2%, driven by growth mainly in the APSA region.

Suppose the membership numbers continue to decline at the current rate. In that case, we forecast a total membership number of just over 29,000 members for the coming RTI World Meeting in 2021.

Association level membership is dealt with in the respective regional chairman reports, but consistent growth in Scandinavia deserves special mention.

The membership data has been obtained from both the association reports as well as from Tabler.World, although it is noted that in many instances that the data in Tabler.World is not kept up to date. For associations not on Tabler.World who also did not submit an association report, we used the same membership numbers as per the WM 2020 – This was minimal.

REGION	2017/18	2018/19	2019/2020	HYM 2020	RTIWM 2020	HYM 2021	WM to HYM	HYM to HYM
AMI	1 415	1 368	1 372	1 535	1 339	1 442	7,69%	-6,06%
ASPA	4 704	5 096	5 529	5 277	4 988	5 152	3,29%	-2,37%
CEE	12 027	12 427	12 230	12 594	11 963	12 163	1,67%	-3,42%
NEA	7 684	7 607	7 552	7 755	7 397	7 752	4,80%	-0,04%
SEM	4 241	4 290	4 120	4 088	4 099	4 109	0,24%	0,51%
Total Members	30 071	30 788	30 803	31 249	29 786	30 618	2,79%	-2,02%

There are currently 2,303 separate clubs around the world, remaining stable from the RTI WM 2020 of 2,312 and 2,298 the year before. As a global average, we have 13,2 members per club, but this varies significantly on an association level.

## 2. Expansion and growth of RTI

This section has been split into the following two Areas:

## **Expansion:**

"To promote the formation of new Round Table Associations throughout the world." Whilst expansion is enshrined in our Aims and Objectives, responsible and sustainable expansion into areas that we are not currently present is critical.

The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic has brought any plans regarding the charter of any associations to an effective halt for the last 12 months, with none currently planned before the RTIWM 2021.

Although there are several ongoing expansion projects, delays have been noted in these processes caused by the continuing Covid-19 pandemic. Meetings still run on an ad hoc basis, but not in the regular intervals as would be expected.





We thank all the members from the respective Mother Associations who drive these expansion projects for the countless hours they put into this. We issued new guidance regarding the expansion of Round Table last year, which needs to be followed before a charter can be done. This guidance is available on Tabler. World or can be shared if requested.

Please remember to invite the Regional Chairman and the RTI Vice President for these meetings.

Should the E-Club motion be passed at this upcoming meeting, we believe that the E-Club will play a substantial role in facilitating future growth and expansion in Round Table. By having a mix of experienced and new members in E-Club, several of the new charter's initial barriers could be overcome.

#### **Growth:**

The growth of our current associations remains the key to the future of Round Table. To that end, we have promoted the following initiatives:

**Each1 brings 1:**Every Round Table member in the world invites a guest they consider to be a worthy member to a meeting annually. The aim is to share Round Table exposure to the maximum number of guests and promote Round Table as a brand to prospective members. The potential of between 10% to 20% annual membership growth

**Grow each Table by One:** A challenge to all Round Tables globally to grow in total by one member compared to 30thJune the prior year. Local branding and growth and internal issues dealt with to ensure this growth, addressing the long-term sustainability on a Table level. Potential of 7% annual membership growth

**Replace yourself:** Every member in their last two years of being a member is asked to find a worthy replacement for themselves. These experienced tablers must play a mentoring role to pass on critical skills and knowledge to these new members. Elimination of reduction in membership due to retirements

**Collaboration with our RTI Family members:** The RTI Family has a combined membership of around 100,000 members. Round Table makes up roughly 30% of this number. By engaging and working with other RTI Family members, we have an excellent network and pool of potential members with at least some knowledge of what Tabling is. We encourage members to engage with these other clubs to support the common goal of membership growth. Potential of 5% annual membership growth

We have further noted the following from the **Round Table Norway Association Report** which can easily be used by other associations:

"We have the largest 'prospect list' of potential Tablers we have EVER had, so once business return to normal, we expect a heavy recruitment result. We have launched a recruitment competition, dubbed 'HeadHunter' where members that provide candidates to other clubs will give their local club points for each member suggested and accepted into an official 'prospect' with another club. We have received a suggestion of about 80 people, which would mean an 8% membership increase for Norway had ALL been accepted or willing to join.





Also, we have focused more on charity in this period than we probably have been for the last ten years."

In addition to the membership growth initiatives above, we have also assisted associations as follows:

- Social media and treasurer's portfolio training done with secretary, VP and IRO training coming up in the next six months;
- Establishment of a centralised branding team to assist with association branding;
- Reworking the WMC budget to have more funds in the hands of the associations where a real difference can be made; and
- We are working on additional guidance for associations to share best practices and knowledge to focus more time on membership growth and less on internal admin issues.

## 3. Structure / professionalization

We continued the ongoing professionalisation of Round Table from the last two years.

- We have introduced a three-year plan for Round Table International, which sets out our goals for the years to come. This plan ensures the continuity across the various board as well as proving us with a common goal. We track and report actual performance vs this plan on an annual basis for reporting;
- We have asked all regions to produce a SWOT (Strengths, weaknesses, Threats and Opportunities) analysis, culminating in three-year plans for most regions. To date, the AMI region has not completed all their SWOT analyses so no long-term planning can be done;
- Tabler. World as our community plays a vital role in our overall professionalisation and is 'the' answer to almost any need an association might have, be it on Table, Area, National, Regional or International level. Be it finding Tablers (or Circlers / 41ers) worldwide, managing a Table or providing a platform to see and book events: the opportunities Tabler. World provides us are unique. I wish that those associations who did not yet join will continue looking at the tool as a valid option for the future. We will continue to develop this platform as well;
- Our branding and Public relations have had a significant revamp as can be seen on Facebook and other social media platforms; and
- We continue to drive internal processes to ensure the update of the RTI Rule Book and the Global Service Project documentation.

## 4. Diversity

Round Table is inherently limited in diversity due to the requirements to become a member. The Round Table movement successfully grew its membership base because of the universal appeal of its values.

One of Round Table's biggest strengths is that we have historically been able to attract members who are incredibly diverse to unite towards the goal of making the world a better place while at the same time, treating every individual as an equal.





Through our membership base spread across the world, we have significant diversity regarding income, cultures and upbringing, whilst sharing a common set of values.

Even though most of our associations are representative of the populations of their specific countries, we note that there are several exceptions to this rule. This representation has been one of the limiting growth factors in these respective associations. Where this diversity has been embraced, growth is more stable and more robust.

The regional chairman will prepare a diversity analysis of the associations in their region and present plans to increase the diversity of our membership for the future.

## 5. Board composition and roles for 2021/2022

The RTI board consists of 9 elected board members who are then helped by several board assistants. The team works together to achieve the goals set out for the respective year, and every individual contribution is highly valued.

To more clearly define all of the board roles, we have updated the RTI Officers handbook to describe the role, set out the responsibilities, anddefine the expected time commitments per position. This document is attached to the HYM meeting pack as an annexure and will also be on Tabler. World.

The process regarding the nine elected positions is set out in the RTI Rule book. The RTI Board nomination forms are available on Tabler. World or from the RTI Secretary. Anyone interested should please get in touch as I would gladly explain the role as planned for the coming year.

Regarding the RTI Board Assistants, I invite any member who is interested in any these roles to contact me so that we can discuss your vision for this portfolio. Even though the appointment of Board Assistants is at the prerogative of the incoming RTI President, I fully intend to have a team where the best person for the role is appointed. In this way, I believe that each member has a fair opportunity to serve, whilst ensuring the best skills are utilised to the benefit of all.

#### In closing:

Having served as Vice President for the last four months, I am very proud to see the role that we as Tablers play in our local and global community during these challenging times. Let us all keep on working together using our shared values as our guiding light.

#### **Graham Cornelissen**

RT International Vice President 2020/2021 RT Southern Africa



## GET INVOLVED – TAKE A PORTFOLIO



Round Table offers many opportunities for members to involve themselves in, ranging from being hands-on with projects, enjoying fellowship, networking with others, or serving in a specific portfolio. Taking up a portfolio is a valuable opportunity to learn while serving your Round Table's fellow brothers.

There are various levels of where a Tabler can get involved, learn, and serve other members of Round Table. Everyone is familiar with roles on a table (club) level. However, per the feedback on the recent member's survey, these other roles are not clearly understood. The different levels of portfolios are as follows:

Club (Table)—Serving your local club is ideal for learning new skills and ways of thinking. Never be afraid of taking a portfolio that you are uncomfortable with. This is a safe space to learn whilst getting real-world experience.

Area (District) —Larger associations usually are split into different areas or districts with differing size leadership roles. Taking a portfolio role here typically serves several tables and up to several hundred members. This is an ideal opportunity to execute what was learned at a Table level, whilst still allowing you the freedom to experiment with new ideas.

National—Due to the increased responsibility towards members, roles on a national level is very performance-driven. Here is the opportunity to put into practice all that has been learned and form part of a highly functioning team to serve the association. Due to the varying sizes of different associations, the work and complexity vary significantly between the various associations.

Regional—Serving on a regional council or team shows Round Table's diversity as multiple different associations will be served. Roles here are supportive in nature where skills and insights must be shared within the region. Best practices must be understood and implemented across different associations for the benefit of the region.

International—Members of the international board, are responsible for the international movement's overall direction setting, but more importantly, is to inspire members from around the world. Working together as a diverse team from all across the globe towards a common objective presents its own challenges and rewards.

Except for the levels of portfolios as set out above, there are many more task teams or similar setups that can also be joined to serve our movement. These task teams usually have a set objective and can span from a short period up to several years in length.

The rules governing the specific roles differ between associations, but an excellent person to contact would always be the person in the current position you are considering applying too. Alternatively, the incoming chairman or president will also assist you in any queries for that role.

For the coming 2021/2022 international year, to date, only the CEE regional chairman has been elected. All other roles are currently still open, and anyone interested in any of these roles must please contact meto clarify theposition and the application process.

Whatever you choose to do, never be afraid to put up your hand to serve our beloved movement







# Your experiences can help LEAD THE CHANGE

WHAT DO WE SEEK?

- Title of your story
- The story should be in ENGLISH and less than 1000 words.
- · It should be any event / experience / feeling that has inspired you in tabling.
- One picture related to the story
- Avoid anything that goes against the interest of the movement or anything that is related to politics, caste or religion.
- Provide Table and association details

## **QUERIES?**

CALL: Abby - +919830965612 Email:- stories@round-table.org

## **SENT OF CHANGE**



Let's colour the world a bit more ...... orange!

August 2009 two well-dressed gentlemen stepped into my just finished house. I offered them beer and we sat down. I was sceptical at this moment. First thoughts linked their stories directly to an arrogant student association led by dandies. On the other side, it was a nice evening and I became curiousto know about what Round Table is.

Unfortunately, at that time there were no fancy movies and social media posts to get an impression of Tabling.

Two weeks later I attended my first Table meeting in Roermond (a city in the South of The Netherlands) in a beautiful meeting room with a view of our famous Cathedral and market place. Fourteen Tablers sitting at a huge table hugging each other as a welcome gesture. All 14 with different educational and professional backgrounds. The evening started with an introduction of every individual Tabler. The hilarious (fake) storiesabout their background wasthe beginning of a great evening that followed. It had been a long time since I laughed and this day made my laughter go on for hours. I felt happy, energetic and immediately accepted as a person who I was.

Three meetings later, I was asked to become the secretary of our Table 74 Board next year. In the same meeting, my Tablerssuggested joining the Euromeeting or Numbersmeeting 74 in Wotton under the Edge.

I became the secretary after 6 months of being a member and travelled 2 months later with 6 Tablers by car to Wotton. After more than 10 years we still joke about the wonderful 13 hours drive. The 4 days trip was amazing. Especially the small talks, great atmosphere and amazing Tablers made my first Euromeeting unforgettable. Fridays nights, for example, we had an "around the world" party in an animal stable. After sketches, everyone felt a bit bored. And so it happened that the first Tabler who entered the mobile toilet outside went upside down. After that, there was an atmosphere of great joy, fun and frolic. A Tabler of my club opened a straw bale in the stable and threw it in the air at the beat of the music. This was the beginning of one big straw throw party. "3 months later we still had dust in our noses from the party."

In the years that followed, I was active locally as treasurer, vice chairman and chairman in 2015. My biggest pride in this period for service projects is the development of a local 'Monopoly' game related to our city. We raised EUR 40.000. We did a lot of "hands-on" activities too. The most special for me wasorganizing a German festival afternoon at a local retirement home. We made a three-course dinner and arranged for a local singer for 100 senior citizens. It was brilliant fun dancing with ladies over the age of 90 years and their enthusiasm was top notch.

A great Table experience was our IMPI Tour in South Africa organized by our 74 Club Escourt. In 2-5 weeks, we travelled around and they showed us the beauty of the country. They taught us what Tabling in Africa is about. Still enjoying the meetings in the pool and amazing Clubhouses.

In 2016 my Round Table organized the Euromeeting. For me, this was the moment to give back something to my European 74 Tablers after I had joined 5 meetings abroad. Almost a hundred Tablers joined. I had just bought a very old house in the middle of the city centre which we directly bombed as the central place for most of the meeting. Hosting Tablers at my place, celebrating parties till early morning by fireplaces with over 25 degrees temperature has made everything so special for me.

After this amazing Tabling period, I wanted to experience 'next level' tabling. A visit to National President Fer van der Hurk (my Table Hero) motivated me directly to go nationally and internationally. After 2 years of being a member of the national service committee, I was asked to become Area Chairman. And one year later National IRO of Round Table The Netherlands. Looking back I am very thankful that I took the opportunity to become an active member of the 'Freedom Through Education' project and was able to organize a wonderful bicycle tour for 20 Tablers from India. Happy to join all Tables in my area and many in the Netherlands. Unfortunately due to the Covid-19pandemic,I could not finish my dream so far to visit all associations in the world as an IRO.





After 12 years of Tabling, I can confirm and honestly say that we are special. We as an organization.

We Tablers.

We respect and support 24hrs/7days a week.

We can and do make the difference. At the local, area, national and global level.

We share and we take. We adopt, adapt and where possible improve.

The sayings: "Meeting old friends for the first time" and "Brothers with another mother" are both so true.

We are all different but in one way all the same. We care about each other in our lives without any restriction and want to leave our planet a little bit better behind us.

I am a highly sensitive person. I do not use many words. So I am happy that Tabling and all meetings and activities gaveme a voice and podium to express myself which made the difference, to add value, to give to the community and to make other (young) Tablers enthusiastic.

Tabling is a way of life. Travel the world to experience Round Table to the fullest. Over 30.000 Tablers in 58 countries want to Create Connection with you. They all want to show you their local pride and share and make memories.

Never forget: Future is now! Before you realize you turn 40 and your Table life is over. Live life to the max. Thanks to the great support of my dear wife Linda and the rest of my family without their support I could not havedone this. Often together with all the family. Even with 4 small children, renovating our house, leading a company and so on. You have to Break Boundaries to experience the world of Tabling.

#### **Luc Borsboom**

RT74 Roermond
National IRO Round Table The Netherlands 19-21





# **ROUND TABLE INDIA**



Greetings From Round Table India

It has been a tuff year for tabling, but we as Tablers have shown that nothing is impossible in this world,

The World was in lockdown, still, we had many tablers moving out of their houses and helping the people in need, We made a huge difference in the society.

Despite the Covid 19 scare and lockdown, RT India still managed to Build Schools and Classrooms under its Flagship Project "Freedom Through Education". Along with 65 beds donation to a charitable hospital in Bhopal.

Another facet where Round Table India is always strong is Extension, This year we added 212 members, 2 new clubs, and 2 more in progress. Also working with RT Singapore to form a new club in Bangkok.

Things have gone much better in terms of Lockdown, We are now allowed to travel and meet each other also, a lot of events are happening and we will be having a physical National AGM also.

"2020. A tough year for the world, it felt that we are at a stand still, no work, no meeting friends, no travelling, locked at home

Despite that, we've shown compassion and kindness to each other and our communities, we moved to the virtual world, got used to the new normal, gave time to family and ourselves

But we as tablers and humans did not lose faith and we fought with time and at times went beyond our duty to help the ones who needed it.

Well as we have a lot of hope in the year 2021, I am sure with vaccine coming out, we will again become stronger and grow.

Hope to see everyone around soon,

Regards

**Sahil Jindal**National IRO,
Round Table India















































# Round Table India Donated 65 Beds to Jawaharlal Nehru Cancer Hospital

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# Charter Day Area-17 observed, 17 ration packets to 17 families given

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The Charter Day-area 17 was observed by Bhopal Count Table on Monday. On this occasion, the orga-

nization launched a commu ty service project under which various social activities are being organized. The special thing about the event was that in these social activities, number 17 was used in a special way like 17 ration packets were dis-tributed to 17 families, 17 street dogs would be fed for 17 days, 170 of masks and sanitizers will be given to the homeless people.

The kits were distributed on Monday in which, 1700 biscuit packets were given to poor children. Other than this, 17000 seeds of vegetables will be planted, the vegetables from which will be delivered to the malnourished children through

Mahila Bal Vikas Bhopal.

During this time, social activities related to distribution of ration and food packets by Bhopal Round Table were conbeiopai Rouna Libre were con-ducted in slum areas of Anna Nagar Slums, Hamidia Hospitial, Ayodhya Nagar Slums, Kakra Crusher Slums, Bajpai Nagar, Janta Chowk, Bypass Area, Cancer Hospital

Bypass Area, Cancer Hospital near BSSS College. Area-17 Chairman Amit Goel congratulated all the col-leagues for the successful oper-ation of the program. Mayank Kapoor, Chairman, Bhopal Round

Table, said that the organization is continuously conducting many social activities in the many social activities in the public interest. This is also an effort in this episode. Charter Day Celebration Convener Sameer Ismail and Himanshu Goyal outlined the event and played an active role and con-tributed significantly to make the event a success. Siddharth Chaturvedi, PR Convincer of Bhonal Round

Convincer of Bhopal Round Table said that Bhopal Round Table India has been making innovative efforts in education and other social sectors for the last 3 years. This includes building toys and distributing toys and clothes to poor children, celebrating festivals with

## Round Table India donates 65 fully equipped beds

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

Round Table India donated fully equipped 65 Hospital Beds to Jawaharlal Nehru Cancer Hospital in a programme held

on Tuesday.

Total cost of this project was approximately Rs. 650000 The whole project was conceptualised, instituted and completed by Bhopal Round Table Vice President Himaushu Goyal. The Chief Guest of the occasion was Bhopal Collector Avinash Lavanya who appreciated the whole project and gave his assurance to support Round Table India in its Flagship Project "Freedom Through Education" which is a school infrastructure development pro-

Education which is a school infrastructure development project and other Community Service Projects as well.

The diginitaries present on this occasions were Ashish Sonthalia Round Table India Area 9 Chairman and Ravikant Garg Bhopal Elite Round Table Chairman along with Directors and other officials from Jawaharial Nehro Cancer Hospital.

For this Institute, Bhopal Round Table Publicity Convernor Saddharth Chaturvedi congratulated the members of the mission and further said that Bhopal Round Table will continue to expand all its social concerns and will reach out to more and more needy people.



## **ROUND TABLE ITALY**



Dear Tablers, we are in a really strange situation, butwe are all Tablers and I know wewilllearn from this and wewillbecomeevenstronger. In Italy wefound out new ways for keeping tablingtogether. Asyou know for usfelloshipis a must so westarted meeting virtually almost everyday. Every club made a lot of interesting events online and even if we can't meet in real, we feel like we are not that far away.

Unfortunately last year we can celled our AGM, butluckylywecouldmeet with Tablers for the HYM in Rovereto. Meeting in realwasgreat for Tablers' moral and that'swhyweconfirm the AGM of thisyear in Faenza. We are sure that in Junewewill be able to meetagain in real, evenifwewillhave to follow some rules.

For more infosabout AGM 2021 www.agm2021.it or contact me iro@roundtable.it

This year we focused our service project on cleaning the world wherewe live. Our biggest project is to buy 4 seabin to put in 4 strategic points around Italy. Wehavealredycollectedaround €5000 butwestillneed a lot to reachour goal of €20.000 for buying all the seabins.

Every single help will be appreciated, by directdonation or participating to the lottery that our National Shopkeeper Leonardo isorganizing collecting pins, banners and coins from alla round the World.

For the lotteryyou can directly text to Leonardo materiali@roundtable.it

For directdonationyopu can contact me iro@roundtable.it

Of course we kept helping people with our national projects of Madications Collection and Food Collection.

Last but not least we focused our energies on make social networks growing. Postingour webinar live on Facebook and thenposting on Youtube make usreaching more than 400 people for every webinar, that's why we decided to focus even more on youtube working on our channel with many projects. Connected with the youtube channel we also decided to start a podcast channel, our goal is to keeptablertogether and trying to find some good prospectives for the incoming year. Any way every thing was mostly focused on raising awareness on people about the respect of the anti-covid rules.

Even with the covid our growth didn't stop, we put in formation the clubs of Jesolo (78) and the club of Pesaro (13) and our goal is to open them before June 2021. We also started some meetings in Parma (16) with the goal of putting in formation before June 2021 and to re-charter the club before June 2022.

It is not easy to keepTabling, wefeels like drops lost in the air...but we are Tablers... and ifall the drops together can make an ocean, all the Tablers together can make the diffence.

Y.i.T. **Daniele Cusi**I.R.O. RT Italy 2019-2021 iro@roundtable.it





















# **ROUND TABLE ESTONIA**



On 16th of January 2021, Round Table Estonia had, it's National Half Year Meeting. Although, the National Board made considered doing RTE HYM live, but after communicating with all the Club Presidents we felt the best that we would do the meeting in Zoom. Round Table Estonia's National Board, however felt that it was best to meet up during the HYM as the communication would be quicker should we need to decide something on the spot - so we did. It was great to see all clubs represented and making their presentation for the midpoint of this season. A lot of clubs were giving out their best practises and support to each other. Today, regardless of the difficult times, Round Table Estonia is stronger than ever.

Aleksander Ottokar - National Preseident

Hanno Liiva - National Vice PresidentTõnis Kuusk - National Shopkeeper

Kaido Kuus - National Secretary

Taavi Sadam - National Past President and HYM Sherif

Marko Sverdlik - National Treasure







# **ROUND TABLE CYPRUS**



## ... VS COVID-19



## "ADOPT.ADAPT. IMPROVE."

The pandemic is a fact, but in Limassol, it has triggered our inner strength to invent methods to overcome the existing obstacles and generate opportunities for everyone out there.

At RT6-Limassol, we have fully adopted this year's motto, i.e., "Lead by Education", and we have invented the local project, with international prospects, called "Round Table Knowledge Series", while enhancing our existing support to local society. Click HERE to learn more.

Simplicity matters and our idea is simple for everyone to join, understand, and benefit from it.

Since December 2020, we initiated the pioneering online series of thematic seminars on issues concerning society in general and each of us individually. Our live-online presentations are publicly available, free, and online on various digital platforms since the 9th of December 2020.

The Round Table Knowledge Series consists of 45' themed seminars with discussion in areas that concern society.

We initiated the project called "Round Table Knowledge Series" for:

- 1. Enhancing our presence in the local society.
- 2. Sharing knowledge and professional expertise with the underprivileged and others, i.e., those members of the community who do not have either access to information and/or the resources to obtain it,
- 3. Searching and sharing forms of funding and subsidies for everyone, especially during the pandemic,
- 4. Promoting, discussing, and trying to solve social issues such as physical and mental health and
- 5. Presenting, various social and professional, opportunities from the Tablers to the local society, including but not limited to other tablers.

At the "R.T.K.S" - "Professionals and scientists from various sectors of society, using plain language by avoiding technical and scientific jargon, share for free their knowledge, expertise, and information with their fellow human beings, by giving answers to common issues, challenges and concerns. The target is to enhance individual and eventually group welfare of the local and international society that we are members of. »

We developed topics relating to personal finance, health and safety, and Green energy for the last two months. We have produced the following episodes, which are also available online at our Facebook and YouTube Channels: (pictures for every episode exist at the end of this newsletter)

- 1. Episode 1 9/12 Crowdfunding, its forms and how can someone benefit from it.
- 2. Episode 2 16/12 How to Become a Bone Marrow donor and save lives worldwide.
- 3. Episode 3 23/12 Road Safety for preventing the local road genocide.
- 4. Episode 4 06/01 How to obtain E.U. and local Subsidies during the pandemic.
- 5. Episode 5 13/01 Present and future of the Renewable Energy Sources
- 6. Episode 6 20/01 Risk Management via Insurance
- 7. Episode 7 27/01 Learn from both the local and global scientific society about the vaccine against Covid19.





The "R.T.K.S" has managed to reach more than 100 thousand people during these two months and consecutively delivered valuable results for our club, too, including but not limited to the enhancement of our professional, commercial, academic, and philanthropic network.

We plan to have a seminar every Wednesday till the end of May 2021. We openly invite our fellow brothers from other Round Tables to contact us to co-organise international online workshops/seminars based on Round Table's principles.

We have also launched our new online and multilingual promotional campaign to present/introduce our local club to potential new Round Table members. Our promotional video is an animated version of real activities during the pandemic and not only. You can enjoy it HERE

During these two months, we also have:

1. raised funds in the form of coupons for supporting the New Year's Eve of financially distressed members of our society,

and

2. initiated the development of the website of theassociation of "the Children with Liver Diseases - George Psaras "Round Table", in collaboration with Round Table 1 – Nicosia.

"Everyone can rise above their circumstances and achieve success if they are dedicated to and passionate about what they do." – Mother Teresa

We hope to see you soon at least online and even sooner in person brothers!

Yours in the Table.

Round Table 6 - Limassol

P.S for co-organising international seminars, please contact the convenor of the workshops/seminars HERE

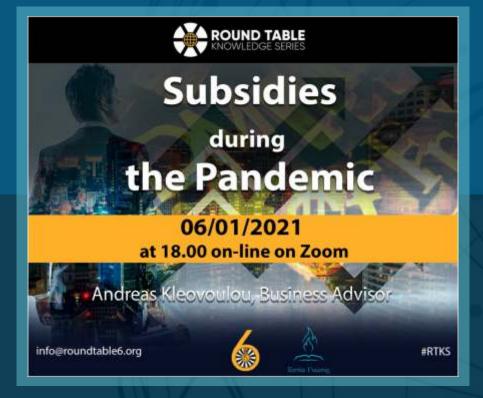






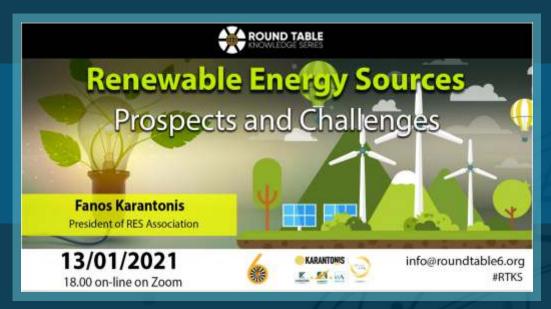








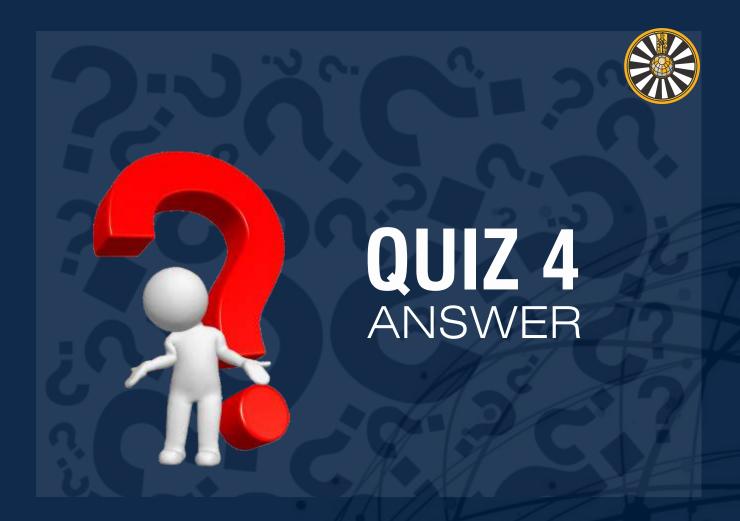












The tabler that wins the maximum number of quizzes will be recognized by RTI President at world meet 2021 with a special RTI Branded gift. Stay tuned for the next issue for the answers of Vol 4.



## 1. What place is this in the Image?

**Ans.** The Smoke Room where founders of Norwich Table regularly met for coffee.



## 2. What place is this in the Image?

Ans. Suckling House, Norwich.

3. Where was the first Round Table outside Britain Formed?

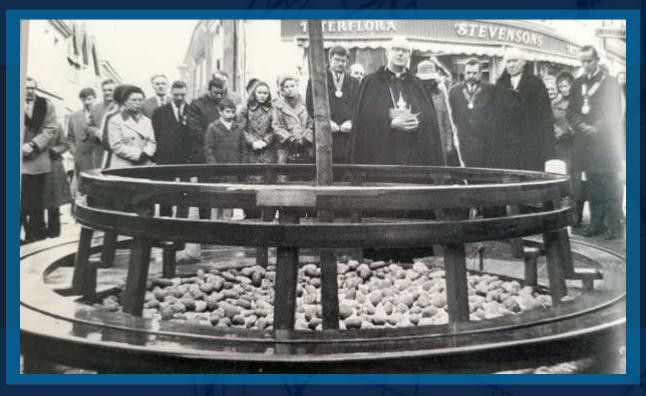
Ans. Copenhagen





4. What Event is this?

Ans. Round Table AGM 1976



Pick the correct answer in the context of the picture
 Ans. Round seat presented by Norwich RT as a memorial to Louis Marchesi.







Ans.

# RTI NEWSLETTER QUIZ VOLUME

You can fill the quiz before 25th Feb. 2020 on quiz.round-table.org

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1 Ar	1 Whats is the name of Round Table International Vice President? Ans.					
2 Ar	How Many Regions does Round Table International have ? ns.					
3	Whats is the name of International Charity Initiatives started by Round Table International this year ?  RTI Foundation One World International Global Service Project Global Tablers Outreach Program					
4	Round Table International has started collecting real-life incidences that have changed the life of tablers.  What will this book be called?  1000 stories of change  Tabler for tabler – Tales of real-life heroes  For the love of Tabling  Sent of Change					
5	Which Region of Round Table International has the highest number of members ?					









# **ROUND TABLE EASTERN AFRICA**

## I - RT Equator 28





Congratulations to the Tablers of Round Table Equator 28 for hosting their 5th medical camp held on 10/12/2019 where 720 patients were treated and given free medicines. Good work to the convener Tr. Akash Dhamecha on the hard work he had put, brilliant delegation.



Round Table Equator 28 planted 2000 trees with the help of the local community. Previously last year 1000 trees were planted added to 12000 trees planted by Tabler Arvin Rabadia. They will do more tree drives and you can be a part of this project by simply donating by clicking the link below http://rt28.co.ke/donate





## II - RT Arusha 14





The world has suffered a lot with the pandemic that affected everyone. We, Round Table Arusha 14, managed to collect food stuff from well-wishers which we distributed to the orphans.

Round Table Arusha 14 will be hosting their annual KlimbManjaro event end of July 2021 and we look forward to hosting more old friends for the first time!!!

YIT,

Round Table Arusha 14.



We did not stop here. We also distributed masks, and also visited the deaf & dumb and the children's jail.

We decided to raise fund for the orphans by holding a Bhachan and Rekha themed music party. The funds will help in paying school fees for the orphans, including the ones selected for the National School.



## III - RT Mombasa 3





Prof. Rafique Parkar (RTM3 41er) and his team of surgeons

Following on from our RTM3 Week of Healing project which took place at the end of November 2019 at the Kilifi County Hospital, Round Table Mombasa 3 raised over €12,000 which helped provide free surgeries for less privileged Kenyans. We managed to perform 120 surgeries with our team of highly qualified surgeons, led by Prof. Rafique Parkar, who had generously given their time to help make our project a success. Due to this, we were voted the best AMI project of the year.



**Theatre Mode** 



RTM3 Tablers setting up

In 2020 we have been working on various food relief programmes for families that have been badly affected by covid-19. We are going to support these families within the Coastal region of Kenya with relief of upto  $\[ \in \]$ 7,500.





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