

# TOCICONEWS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

#### IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU -OUR MEMBERS

A message from the Chair of the TOCICO Board of Directors



# ANNUAL TOCICO MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us in Hollywood, Florida as well as virtually on Zoom



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Join us July 26, August 30, and September 13, 2023



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Creating a Public Works Revolution in Japan with TOC



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Conference Program revealed! Early Bird and Member discounts



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A kick-start to essential information about your Membership benefits



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Get certified! Announcements, Exam schedule & live Webinar coming soon!



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ProConCloud updated TOC Paper - Read it now



# 2023 AWARD NOMINATIONS

Help us honor those who have made remarkable contributions to TOC



# 2023 TOCICO BOARD NOMINATIONS

Shape the Future of the TOC Community!



#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Join us and discover the power of volunteering



# TOC BOOK UPDATES & VOLUNTEERS?

Do you have a book to add to the TOC book list or passion for books?



# A Message from the Chair





Hello, valued Members and Friends,

#### WELCOME to the July edition of the TOCICO Newsletter!

We want to draw your attention to the upcoming **TOC**Innovation Summit 2023, taking place from October 8th to 11th.
The conference program is now available and registration is open with TOCICO Member savings and Early bird discounts through September 8th. More details are enclosed in the newsletter.

Now is the perfect time to consider nominating candidates for the TOCICO special International Achievement and Recognition awards. You can find all the details on the TOCICO.ORG website, including the awards categories, selection criteria, and electronic Nomination Form. Please note that the deadline for awards nominations is Friday, September 1st.

Additionally, we'd like to encourage our TOCICO members to attend the Annual General Membership meeting, scheduled during the conference on Tuesday, October 10th from 5:00 to 6:00 pm EDT in Hollywood, Florida. The Agenda is included in this newsletter and available for member viewing on the TOCICO website. There will be an opportunity for Members to join via Zoom and ask questions at the end.

For our new members who joined this year, our Membership Committee is hosting an online meet-up, designed to help you get the most out of your TOCICO membership. The meet-up is scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th, 2023, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM EDT (GMT-4).

Thank you for being part of the TOCICO community. We appreciate your continued support and engagement.

Kind regards,

Andrew Kay
Chair of the Board of Directors







It is with a heavy heart that TOCICO announces the resignation of one of our esteemed Board members, Dr Lisa Lang, for personal reasons.

During Lisa's tenure with us, she has made invaluable contributions to TOCICO, providing leadership, insightful guidance, and expertise in the areas of marketing, technology, and strategy. Her commitment, dedication, and tireless efforts have greatly contributed to the growth and success of our organization. We are grateful for the passion and commitment she has shown towards our mission and vision.

While we deeply regret Lisa's departure, we understand and respect her decision to prioritize personal matters at this time. We extend our sincere appreciation for her valuable contributions and wish Lisa the very best in her future endeavors.

You will be missed

We encourage our members to continue supporting TOCICIO and actively engaging in our activities and initiatives. Your involvement and dedication remain crucial to our continued success. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us at admin@tocico.org.



TOC INNOVATION SUMMIT

We are thrilled to unveil the highly anticipated Conference Program for the TOC Innovation Summit 2023, the pinnacle event that celebrates the transformative and innovative power of the Theory of Constraints (TOC) across diverse industries and sectors worldwide. With over 50 esteemed speakers, uncover the incredible potential of TOC as we delve into new developments in TOC as well as real-world applications from industry-leading companies, such as BAE, GSK, Vulcan and WiseTech.

Early Bird Registration is open! This event promises to be a dynamic platform for insightful discussions, groundbreaking research, and collaborative knowledge exchange. This is a remarkable opportunity to come together, face-to-face, with like-minded individuals from around the globe from October 8-11, 2023 at the magnificent Margaritaville Beach Resort in Hollywood, Florida. Designed for those who have a genuine interest in understanding how TOC has propelled organizations towards true innovation and the pathway to a sustainable future, the TOC Innovation Summit 2023 promises to be an exceptional gathering for practitioners, corporations, government entities, academics, not-for-profit organizations, consultants, students, and more. Register Now! Checkout the Sponsorship opportunities.

**Register Now!** TOCInnovationSummit.com

**Conference Program** 

#### **TOCICO Member**

Early Bird Through September 8th

#### **Admission Includes**

- Full admission to the TOC Innovation Summit 2023 on October 8-11
- Complimentary conference Workshops
- 3-night room accommodations at the Margaritaville Beach Resort, with check-in Sunday, October 8th, and check-out Wednesday, October 11th
- Breakfast, lunch and breaks daily
- Awards reception and dinner on Tuesday evening
- Free conference Mobile App (ios and Android)
- Full resort amenities including amenities even a daily beach chair and umbrella rental
- Network face-to-face with TOC industry leaders, colleagues, and sponsors
- l year of on-demand access to the TOC Innovation Summit 2023 recordings
- Bonus material and SWAG from Sponsors

#### **Standard Attendee**

Early Bird Through September 8th

#### **SPONSORSHIP & OPPORTUNITIES**

Looking to stand out from the crowd? Become a sponsor at the TOC Innovation Summit 2023 and your company will take center stage. Being a sponsor tells our attendees that you're serious about their business and TOC. Sponsorship is an opportunity for exposure, networking, goodwill, and more! Choose a sponsorship option that works best for your needs. Become a sponsor today!

**Sponsorships and Opportunities** 

**Exclusive Corporate Package** 

**Author's Corner** 

Save \$4,500 for your group





The TOCICO community is thrilled to invite nominations for the prestigious TOCICO International Achievement Awards, recognizing outstanding individuals and organizations for their remarkable contributions to the Theory of Constraints (TOC). This esteemed accolade celebrates the trailblazers who have exemplified excellence in implementing TOC methodologies, transforming industries, and achieving extraordinary results. Whether you know a visionary leader, a dedicated team, or an innovative company, this is your chance to acknowledge their exceptional achievements. Help us honor those who have made significant strides in the world of TOC and inspire others to reach new heights. Nominate today and let us celebrate the power of TOC in driving global success!

Learn More & Submit Your Nomination(s)

Nominations due September 1st, 2023

- Distinguished Service Award In recognition of demonstrated outstanding and ongoing service to TOC and TOCICO
- Outstanding Product or Service Award In recognition for successfully introducing an innovative new TOC product or service to the market
- Outstanding Societal Achievement Award In recognition of an individual or organization for successfully applying TOC to address and overcome societal and personal problems
- Outstanding TOC Champion Award In recognition of an outstanding TOC Champion, leading an organization to achieve outstanding results with TOC
- Outstanding TOC Implementation Award In recognition of an organization for achieving sustained breakthrough performance improvements over and above TOC benchmarks
- Standing on the Shoulders of Giants Award In recognition of outstanding contribution to the TOC Body of Knowledge
- TOC Merit Award In recognition of an organization with noteworthy transformational success through the application of TOC concepts, principles and practices
- TOCICO TOC Process of Ongoing Improvement (POOGI) Award In recognition of significant, consistent and sustainable performance improvement using TOC tools, philosophies and approaches over a minimum of 3 years.
- TOCICO Sustained Excellence Award In recognition of the breakthrough, game-changing solutions illustrating the organization goal of ever-flourishing that develop a pathway or model for others to emulate
- TOCICO Lifetime Achievement Award In recognition of significant contribution to the TOCICO Community to advance the TOC Body of Knowledge
- Certificate of Appreciation for Volunteer In recognition for volunteer service and support for TOCICO initiatives

The **Award Nominations** are due by September 1st, 2023 and will be presented to the Award recipients during the TOC Innovation Summit 2023 in Hollywood, Florida on Tuesday, October 10th.

ATTENTIONS ATTENTIONS



Mark Your Calendar!

# Annual Membership Meeting

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023** 5:00 - 6:00 PM EDT

presented by the TOCICO Board of Directors

It only happens once a year! The TOCICO Annual Membership Meeting will be held on October 10, 2023 in person in Hollywood, Florida as well as virtually on Zoom. This meeting is exclusively for current TOCICO members. The Board of Directors will share what's happened, what's new, and what's ahead for the organization. PLUS the Board Election results will be announced. TOCICO Members can view the Agenda now!

Learn More and mark your calendar for this TOCICO Member event



#### **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION - SEPTEMBER 5TH**

#### Welcome to TOCICO - Discover Your Membership Benefits in this Exclusive Zoom Meeting!

**Attention New Members!** Congratulations and a warm welcome to the TOCICO family! We are excited to have you on board and can't wait to help you make the most of your membership. To ensure you kickstart your TOCICO journey on the right foot, we cordially invite you to an exclusive **Zoom meeting on September 5th**, where we will provide you with essential information about your Membership benefits and access.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT:



Membership Benefits: Get an in-depth overview of the incredible benefits and resources that come with your TOCICO membership. From unlocking the power of TOC with On Demand Learning, to exclusive Member discounts for conferences and certification, we've got you covered!



**Events and Webinars:** Stay informed about upcoming events, FREE live webinars, and workshops curated to enhance your skills and expertise.



**Certification Opportunities:** Explore the certification options available to help you showcase your expertise and credibility in the industry.



Online Navigation: Learn how to navigate your Member access, where you can find a treasure trove of materials and references for the Theory of Constraints including 1,000+ On Demand videos, TOCICO Dictionary, TOC book list, articles, and new knowledge TOC BOK papers at your fingertips. Maximize your learning potential and stay ahead in the world of Theory of Constraints.



**Volunteer Opportunities:** Find out how you can engage as a volunteer with TOCICO for networking, skills enhancement, sense of fulfillment, personal growth, and contributing to the TOC community.



**Q&A Session:** Have your questions answered by our team and discover how you can make the most of your TOCICO membership.



Please mark your calendar and ensure you join us for this essential orientation session. We are here to support you every step of the way and make your TOCICO membership experience truly remarkable! If you have any questions before the meeting, feel free to reach out to us at admin@tocico.org or 1-716-440-9186. See you on Zoom!

#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

Date: September 5, 2023

Time: 9:00 - 10:00 AM EDT (GMT-4)

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87451956186?p-

wd=VzhMR2pyakJMbnFRZERmS2tmZXIBUT09

Meeting ID: 874 5195 6186 Passcode: 989420

**Register Now** 



TO ALL OUR ESTEEMED TOCICO MEMBERS! With the impending departure of three valued Board Members from the TOCICO Board, we are thrilled to announce the commencement of our Board Nominations process. This is an excellent opportunity for any dedicated TOCICO member who shares a profound passion for TOC and wishes to make a significant impact within our vibrant community. The call for nominations is open to all current TOCICO members who aspire to contribute actively to the growth and development of TOCICO. Whether you choose to run for a Board position or nominate another deserving TOCICO member, your participation is instrumental in shaping the future of our organization. Discover additional information about eligibility and responsibilities by clicking here.

Learn more and Submit your nomination(s)



## **Upcoming LIVE Webinar FREE for TOCICO Members**

Become a Member

**TOCICO Members** get FREE admission to all Webinars as a membership benefit. **Guests** are welcome to attend for a fee of only \$19 (refunded if you repost and share on social media)





## SUPPLY CHAIN INSIGHT BRIEFING: FREIGHT & LOGISTICS COSTS, FUEL MARKETS, & PROJECTIONS FOR THE YEAR

JULY 26, 2023 | 10am - 12pm EDT (GMT-4)

Presented by Professor James Kling and Executive in Residence Jack Ampuja - Niagara University Supply Chain Center of Excellence



Niagara University Supply Chain Center of Excellence will present timely update information on: Purchasing trends, Inventory highlights and trends, Energy markets update, Domestic and foreign freight cost trends, Domestic and foreign freight capacity performance and expectations.

**Register Now!** 



#### **STRATEGY & INNOVATION**

AUGUST 30, 2023 | 10am - 12pm EDT (GMT-4)

Presented by Uwe Techt

Details coming soon!

**Register Now!** 





## FROM SILO TO NETWORK: A DEMING-TOC APPROACH TO HARNESSING COMPLEXITY IN ORGANIZATIONS

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2023** | 10am - 12pm EDT (GMT-4)

Presented by Intelligent Management - Dr Giovanni Siepe, Dr Domenico Lepore, Dr Angela Montgomery

The aim of this webinar is to provide a conceptual and operational framework to guide decision makers of midsize organizations wanting to scale up their operations. The webinar will focus on how to overcome the inherent limitations of silo-based, conventional hierarchies through a projects-based organization design, as well as embrace a genuine systems approach to management. It will also help practitioners to broaden their understanding of TOC and the role that Variation plays in managing complex value networks.

**Register Now!** 

Would you like to present or sponsor a live webinar to the TOC community?

The Conference & Events steering committee is looking for exciting Webinar topics and speakers! We are also accepting sponsored presentations for our TOCICO Webinars. Please contact us for more details. If you are interested in presenting a Live Webinar for TOCICO members, please Submit a Webinar online.

# **Certification News**



#### **Exciting Announcement: The Online TOC Thinking Processes Fundamentals Certification Exam is** Now Available!

We are thrilled to announce the release of our highly anticipated online certification exam: The TOC Thinking Processes Fundamentals examination. This comprehensive exam is designed to provide individuals with a formal, standardized, and globally recognized certification. It validates candidates' knowledge and understanding of the fundamental concepts of TOC Thinking Processes.

#### **Key Features of the Exam:**

- Convenient Online Access: The exam is accessible online, allowing you to take it at your own pace and convenience.
- **2-Hour Duration:** Complete the exam within a two-hour timeframe, demonstrating your proficiency in the subject matter.
- Multiple Choice Format: The exam consists of 50 multiple choice questions, ensuring a fair assessment of your understanding.
- Core Knowledge Coverage: The exam evaluates your grasp of essential TOC Thinking processes concepts, including the basic blocks and categories of legitimate reservation, generic TP Tools such as building blocks and TP tools, and special TP topics like TP applications and the change sequence.

**TOCICO Members \$99** 



Non-Members \$196 (includes 1 year of TOCICO Membership)



Why Get Certified? Obtaining this certification is highly beneficial for candidates seeking to enhance their critical thinking and problem-solving abilities or aiming to join organizations that utilize TOC Thinking Processes (TP) tools. By building a solid foundation of knowledge in this field, you can significantly improve your chances of achieving your objectives and excelling in your endeavors.

Successfully completing the Fundamentals exam will earn you the prestigious **TOCICO Fundamentals Certification.** Achieving certification in the Thinking Processes Fundamentals serves as a prerequisite for those aiming to obtain advanced certifications as Certified Practitioners or Certified Implementers in the Thinking Processes. It sets the foundation for acquiring the in-depth knowledge required to excel in these advanced certifications.

Certification is a rewarding accomplishment, bringing both personal and professional growth. It not only showcases your dedication and commitment to mastering these essential concepts but also sets you apart as a qualified professional in the field. By becoming certified, you demonstrate your competency in TOC TP and open doors to new opportunities, whether it's advancing your career, pursuing leadership roles, or engaging in challenging projects. Additionally, the certification serves as a testament to your continuous learning and development, showcasing your commitment to staying at the forefront of TOC methodologies.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to validate your expertise in TOC Thinking processes! Take the first step today and embark on your journey towards earning this TOCICO Fundamentals Certification.



#### **EXAM SCHEDULE** At this time, there are 4 Fundamentals exams available online:

NEW! Thinking Processes Fundamentals Exam	Online Anytime!
NEW! Production & Operations Management Fundamentals Exam	Online Anytime!
TOC Fundamentals Exam English	Online Anytime!
TOC Fundamentals Exam Spanish	Online Anytime!
Critical Chain Project Management Fundamentals Exam	Online Anytime!
TOCICO Supply Chain Applications Exam - Bogota, Colombia	August 11, 2023
TOCICO Project Management Exam - Bogota, Colombia	October 13, 2023
Applications Exam - Seoul, Korea	November 11, 2023

## **Live Webinar Coming Soon**

Certification update presented by Dr Danilio Sirias, Dr Roy Stratton and Humberto Baptista

- An overview of TOC certification
- An overview of the Fundamentals Exams: TOC Fundamentals (English and Spanish), Critical Chain Project Management, Production & Operations Management, Thinking Processes, and Supply Chain Logistics
- Announcing New TOC certification titles

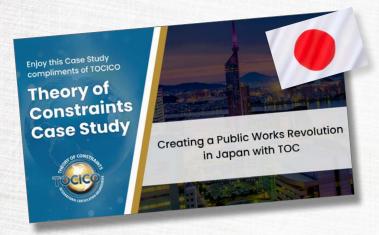


#### **LIVE YOUTUBE PREMIERE AUGUST 2ND!**

## Going Live at @TOCICO 8am (EDT)

#### **Creating a Public Works Revolution in Japan**

Presented by: Dave Updegrove and Yuji Kishira



Kaizen! TOCICO is excited to release this case study presentation as a LIVE premiere on YouTube on August 2nd at 8 AM EDT (GMT-4). Public works has the important responsibility of securing the safety of people and the nation's land. Creating a Public Works Revolution in Japan is a foundational piece of TOC becoming the main way worldwide. Watch this absolute transformation of the way public works projects are handled in the nation of Japan that is a partnership between the construction industry, the government of Japan, and the people of Japan. Subscribe to TOCICO YouTube and enable your notifications to receive announcements for more free Theory of Constraints videos.



**SAVE THE DATE!** 

# Join Us! Be a Volunteer and Make a Difference!

Experience a myriad of benefits, empowering individuals and organizations alike, as you unleash your potential and make a difference for TOCICO through volunteering! By becoming a committee member, you will amplify our capabilities, and join forces to achieve strategic goals and foster collective growth. Additionally, you will have an opportunity to experience personal development, learning, and networking while making meaningful contributions within TOCICO. Explore diverse volunteer opportunities spanning committees for marketing, conferences, certification, academia, body of knowledge, and more. Currently we're seeking specific help from volunteers (see below). Join us today and make a difference!

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

- Calling for a volunteer with social media expertise to join (or chair) our Marketing Committee and drive impactful strategies to promote TOCICO worldwide!
- Volunteer to lead live webinar facilitation and Q&A, empowering engaging knowledge exchange within our vibrant community!
- Step up as an enthusiastic ambassador, championing the TOC community and its transformative solutions at the upcoming TOC Innovation Summit, while engaging newcomers and fostering a welcoming atmosphere!

Volunteer now

**Volunteer Opportunities** 

# TOC BODY OF KNOWLEDGE ProConCloud Updated TOC Body of Knowledge has been released Read Now Submit New Knowledge

#### Do You Have a TOC Book?



If you have a book related to the Theory of Constraints (TOC), we'd love to include it in our comprehensive TOC Book list. For many years Dr James Cox III created and managed the TOC Book list, a compilation of hundreds of TOC books, categorized

by subject, author name(s), title, publisher, and availability in English and non-English languages, including eBooks. The TOCICO Bridge to Academia committee is actively seeking new books as well as a volunteer

to assist with the update and ongoing maintenance of the list. If you have TOC book or a passion for TOC and books and would like to contribute as a volunteer, we'd be thrilled to have you on board! Volunteer today. Contact us.

**TOC Book List** 

Volunteer Today



### It's Worth Repeating! Regional Membership

#### Argentina, Slovak Republic and Slovenia!

The countries of Argentina, Slovak Republic, and Slovenia have been added to the TOCICO Regional Memberships. Argentina, Slovak Republic, and Slovenia are eligible for special Regional Membership Pricing. Following careful research, we have determined that these countries qualify for regional pricing benefits. This exceptional offer provides a more equitable and affordable means to join thousands of other members who share a passion for winwin holistic thinking and share a vision that TOC will become the main way to manage organizations. Regional Membership Pricing is available for the following select countries: Argentina, Bulgaria, Colombia, India, Indonesia, Lithuania, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Philippines, Poland, Russia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

Learn more and become a Member

# Become a MEMBER

TOCICO provides a pathway for learning about the Theory of Constraints (TOC). TOC principles have been used by corporations (examples below) to engineer a decisive competitive edge and achieve immediate and amazing RESULTS.















































Join Now - and expand your horizons!



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