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I was born in 1880 in Vienna, Austria.

After passing the usual schools (Volksschule, Buergerschule, Hochere Toechterschule), I studied at the University of Vienna, Economics, Psychology and Pedagogy, for two years. In 1903 I passed the Teacher State Board Examination.

1903 - 1905 practical teaching.

1905 - 1908 I studied biology, physiology and anatomy under Hofrat Professor Dr. Emil Zuckerkandl and Professor Dr. Julius Tandler, both at the University of Vienna. Together with Professor Tandler I founded and organized the Vienna "Athenaeum", which was one of the first possibilities to provide college education for women in that city.

1909 - 1926 I did social work in Berlin-Germany. I founded, organized and directed several institutions and homes for mothers and children (70 beds). This gave me the opportunity to do psychological research work. During this time I gave many lectures, and published a great number of papers.

As early as 1920 I realized that a social worker can not achieve satisfactory results except if the social work is based on psychoanalytic concepts. I made myself familiar with the psychoanalytic literature, and started my training analysis with Dr. Carl Abraham in Berlin. My analysis was not yet finished when Dr. Abraham became ill and died in 1924. For economical reasons I delayed the continuation of my training analysis for some time, during which I was engaged in social work. In 1926 Dr. Hanns Sachs (Berlin, now Boston, Mass.,) continued and finished my training analysis. (three and a half years). At the same time I took up theoretical studies at the psychoanalytical Training Institute and studied Psychology at the University of Berlin (Kurt Levin, Max Wertheimer, Koehler and others).

From 1928 - 1933 I had private practice in Berlin, for the first two years my work being controlled by Dr.Max Eitingon and Dr.Karen Horney. In 1930 Dr. Ernst Simmel gave me opportunity to analyze in his psychoanalytic Sanitarium in Tegel near Berlin. During the following years I repeatedly took care of patients of Drs.Simmel, Vohwinkel, Herold and others, during their vacations.

In 1933 I went to Prague, Chechoslovakia, where I had private practice. Dr. Eitingon, then President of the German Group of the Internationale Psychoanalytische Vereinigung, and President of the International Training Committee, authorized me to traim. I founded and organized a Study Group in Prague, gave lectures, courses, seminars, and controls.

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