Anne-Lise Christensen, Adjunct Professor Emerita of Neuropsychological Rehabilitation, University of Copenhagen, died February 11, 2018. Anne-Lise was not only a central figure within Danish neuropsychology but had both domestically & internationally worldwide critical significance for the fruitful development of holistic rehabilitation of TBI persons. Having worked intensively during her various study visits with the Soviet neuropsychologist Alexander Romanowitsch Lurija (1902-1972) at Burdenko Neurosurgery Institute, Moscow University, she has internalized his theories on the functioning of the frontal lobe and the existence of zones of brain cells working in concert. Luria’s concept and way of holistic treatment became decisive for her life.
Publications, Key-Lectures, and numerous Seminars reflect her special clinical and scientific interest:

Prof. Anne-Lise Christensen became known as the founder & director of the 1st Centre for early post-acute neuropsychological Rehabilitation of TBI patients (CRBI) in Europe, University of Copenhagen 1985-98

Anne-Lise started as Master of Arts in Psychology at the Psychiatric Dept. University Hospital of Aarhus 1959-61, where she worked at the Neurosurgical Dept. from 1962-68, where they did understand her neuropsychological assessment and help as an adjunct in neurosurgery. That might explain why she loved neurosurgeons ever since too! Than 1969-81 she was Head of Clinical Psychological Dept, Psychiatric Univ. Hospital.
Some of Anne Lise’s nearest old friends:

Anne-Lise, & Jean-Luc Truelle, chair taskf. with members of what came out as the “QOIBRI”; Fontainebleau 2000. J-L met her first in Aarhus in the 80’s “We danced minuet with the disabled!”

A-L with her near friends, the neuropsychologists: George P. Prigatano, Prof. Barrow Neurol. Inst. Phoe&nix, AZ–US “Nik” Elkhonon Goldberg (right), one of LURIA’s master pupils, Prof. at Dept. Neurol. NY Med. Univ. 4th AMN Copenhagen

Yehuda Ben-Yishay, NY Prof Clinical Rehab, at. wild deer rutting ,Fontainebleau,FR


Leonard Diller, Prof. Clin Psychol. NYU, US

Barbara A. Wilson, Ph.D. D.Sc., Cpsychol , Chair SIG WFNRR, GB

Donald G. Stein, Ph.D. Asa G. Candler & Distinguished Professor Emergency Medicine Orgeon, US
We met first when she was the representative of European HELIOS TBI Commission and our distinguished guest speaker at our 1st International Congress on Early Neurological Rehabilitation in Münster, DE, March 21-24, 1990 – documented by dedication of her Congress book (with B. Uzzell): Neuropsycholog. Rehabil. 1987. It was the begin of an enriching friendship, dedicated to mind and neuroscience, HRQoL after TBI, as well as on art, literature, and music! In the end, after she has broken her hip, she underwent postop. rehabilitation and was finally cared in a nursing home, where she passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family. Anne-Lise has introduced me as a neurosurgeon into her world of neuropsychology & rehabilitation to care about social competence and a better HQL of TBI patients. The begin of QOLIBRI was with our EMN members! Joint activities will always hold fond memories for me: A pioneer neuro psychologist, bright, intelligent, head-strong, charming, beautifully dressed lady in a men dominated society- a bouquet of mind and love.