

VOLKSWAGEN FOUNDATION SYMPOSIUM FOR BREAKTHROUGHS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

8 NOV 2023	PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME
8.30 – 9.00 am	FALLING WALLS CIRCLE: JOINT OPENING SESSION
9.00 – 10.00 am	FALLING WALLS CIRCLE: PLENARY TABLE “IMPLICATIONS OF AI FOR SCIENCE” (CO-HOSTED BY SPRINGER NATURE)
10.00 - 10.30 am	OPENING & INTRODUCTION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corinne Heaven, <i>WZB Berlin Social Science Center</i>• Mona Weyrauch, <i>Volkswagen Foundation</i>
10.30 - 11.30 am	PANEL I: THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES OF THE FUTURE ON TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS AND AI <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alena Buyx, <i>TUM Institute of History and Ethics in Medicine</i>• Matthias Braun, <i>University of Bonn</i>: Breaking the Wall to Bodily Integrity in the Digital Age• Sergei Nirenburg, <i>Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute</i>: Breaking the Wall to Ethical Artificial Intelligence• Sudeshna Das, <i>Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur</i>: Breaking the Wall to Identifying Gender Biases with the Help of AI
11.30 - 12.00 pm	COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING
12.00 - 12.50 pm	PANEL II: THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES OF THE FUTURE ON PRESERVING OUR PLANET IN TIMES OF CLIMATE CHANGE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ilona M. Otto, <i>University of Graz</i>: Breaking the Wall of Climate Inaction• Laura Martin, <i>Williams College</i>: Breaking the Wall to Ecological Restoration• Paul Behrens, <i>Leiden University</i>: Breaking the Wall to Transforming Our Food System
12.50 - 2.00 pm	LUNCH BREAK
2.00 - 2.50 pm	PANEL III: THE SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES OF THE FUTURE ON SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arline Geronimus, <i>University of Michigan</i>: Breaking the Wall to Population Health Equity• Beatriz Magaloni, <i>Stanford University</i>: Breaking the Wall of Police Brutality• Pumla Gqola, <i>Nelson Mandela University</i>: Breaking the Wall of The Female Fear Factory
2.50 - 3.00 pm	SHORT BREAK
3.00 - 3.50 pm	INTERDISCIPLINARY SPEAKERS CORNERS ON NEW RESEARCH PERSPECTIVES AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS
3.50 - 4.00 pm	SHORT BREAK
4.00 - 5.00 pm	DISCUSSION & CLOSING: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lena Hipp, <i>WZB Berlin Social Science Center</i>
6.00 pm	FALLING WALLS EVENING RECEPTION

MODERATION: Racha Kirakosian, *Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg*