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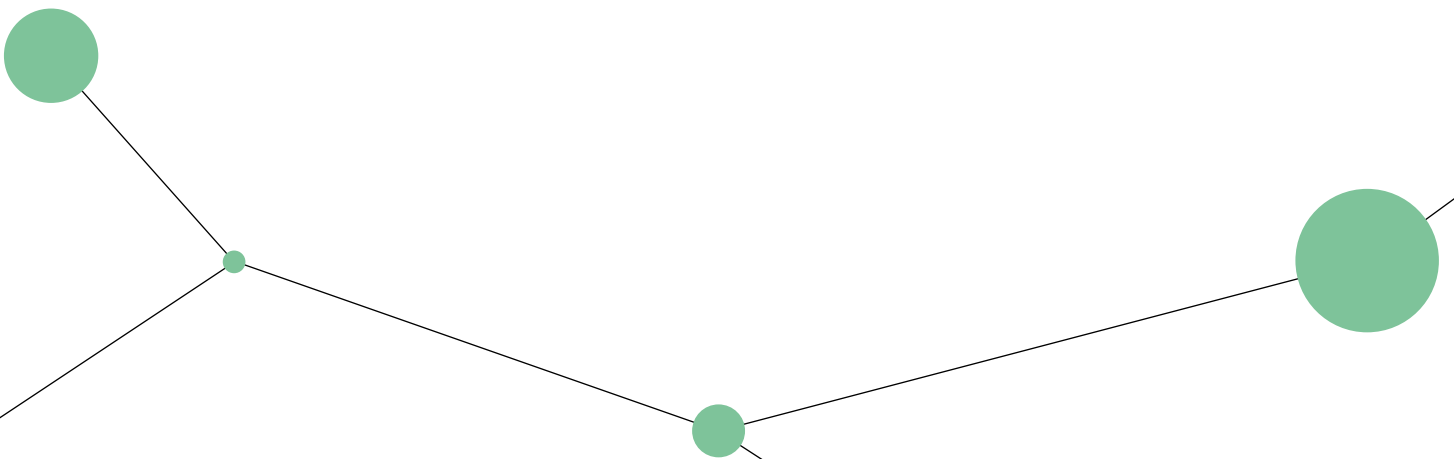
**SCHOLARS AT RISK**  
GERMANY SECTION

# Philipp Schwartz Forum

## Programme

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9 – 10 April 2026 | Berlin



# Agenda

Convened by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation's Philipp Schwartz Initiative, the Philipp Schwartz Forum 2026 brings together up to 350 participants in Berlin and online, including Philipp Schwartz and MSCA4Ukraine fellows as well as academic mentors and project leads. The 2026 Forum will review ten years of support to at-risk scholars provided by the Philipp Schwartz Initiative while also turning the attention to the challenges that are shaping the years to come.

The Philipp Schwartz Initiative is funded by the Federal Foreign Office, with additional financial support by the Mellon Foundation, the Gerda Henkel Foundation, Stiftung Mercator, and the Buschmann-Simon-Treuhandstiftung. The Foreign Office also funds the Forum, with additional funding provided by the MSCA4Ukraine programme financed by the European Union. The Forum aims at offering and strengthening networking opportunities for researchers at risk and all those supporting them, at local, national or international level. Researchers, policymakers, administrators and other stakeholders will discuss attacks on academic freedom, civil society and democracy in various regions of the world. Researchers at risk will share their expertise on and experiences with recognizing and resisting these trends.

The Forum will also address the challenge of re-building sustainable perspectives for scholars who were forced to leave their working places and their homes due to very personal threats and risks incurred in their home countries. A particular focus will be placed on mutual learning opportunities for at-risk scholars, mentors, and host organisations working to support at-risk researchers and to strengthen academic freedom. Participants are invited present their perspectives on institutional, national, European and global initiatives to promote academic freedom and support scholars.

Please note that this event is by invitation only and requires advance registration. The conference language will be English. Parts of the programme will be available online via online streaming on 9 April. The times indicated represent Central European Summer Time.

# The Philipp Schwartz Initiative

The Philipp Schwartz Initiative of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation supports researchers who are at severe risk from politically motivated persecution or armed conflict. Since 2016, the initiative has been granting funding to universities and research institutions in Germany to host researchers at risk for a period of two years. The host institutions receive funding that completely covers the costs of a research fellowship. Sponsorship can be extended by one year under a co-financing model. In addition, the host institution is granted an allowance of € 20,000 per fellowship. This financial support is complemented by advisory services for fellows, academic mentors and host institutions. The additional services include the annual Philipp Schwartz Forum, which has been established as a platform connecting researchers at risk, host institutions and relevant partner organisations for networking and mutual advice. So far, approximately 670 researchers from 31 countries have been supported through the Philipp Schwartz Initiative and its special initiatives for Iranian, Afghan and Ukrainian researchers. More than 45 researchers have been supported with short-term bridge fellowships.



The Philipp Schwartz Initiative is funded by:

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The Philipp Schwartz Forum is also supported by:



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# Event Information

The Philipp Schwartz Forum 2026 will take place at the Henry Ford Building of Freie Universität Berlin at Garystraße 35, 14195 Berlin (Entrance via Boltzmannstraße 8) and at the nearby building of the Department of Economics at Freie Universität Berlin at Garystraße 21.

A bus transfer service will be provided from Hotel Steglitz International, Albrechtstr. 2, 12165 Berlin and Motel One Berlin – Upper West, Kantstraße 163 – 165, 10623 Berlin. Alternatively, both locations can be reached easily by public transport. The nearest stops are “Freie Universität” and “Oskar-Helene-Heim” (U3) or “Lichterfelde West” (S-Bahn).

The opening plenaries on 9 April will be streamed live on the Humboldt Foundation’s YouTube channel.

You can find the programme and other helpful information in the conference app. The app can also be used to contact other conference participants via the chat function.

Please download the mobile app via the respective QR code. Open the app and join the event by entering your personal login details. Please use the app to find further information on the speakers and trainers at the Philipp Schwartz Forum 2026.



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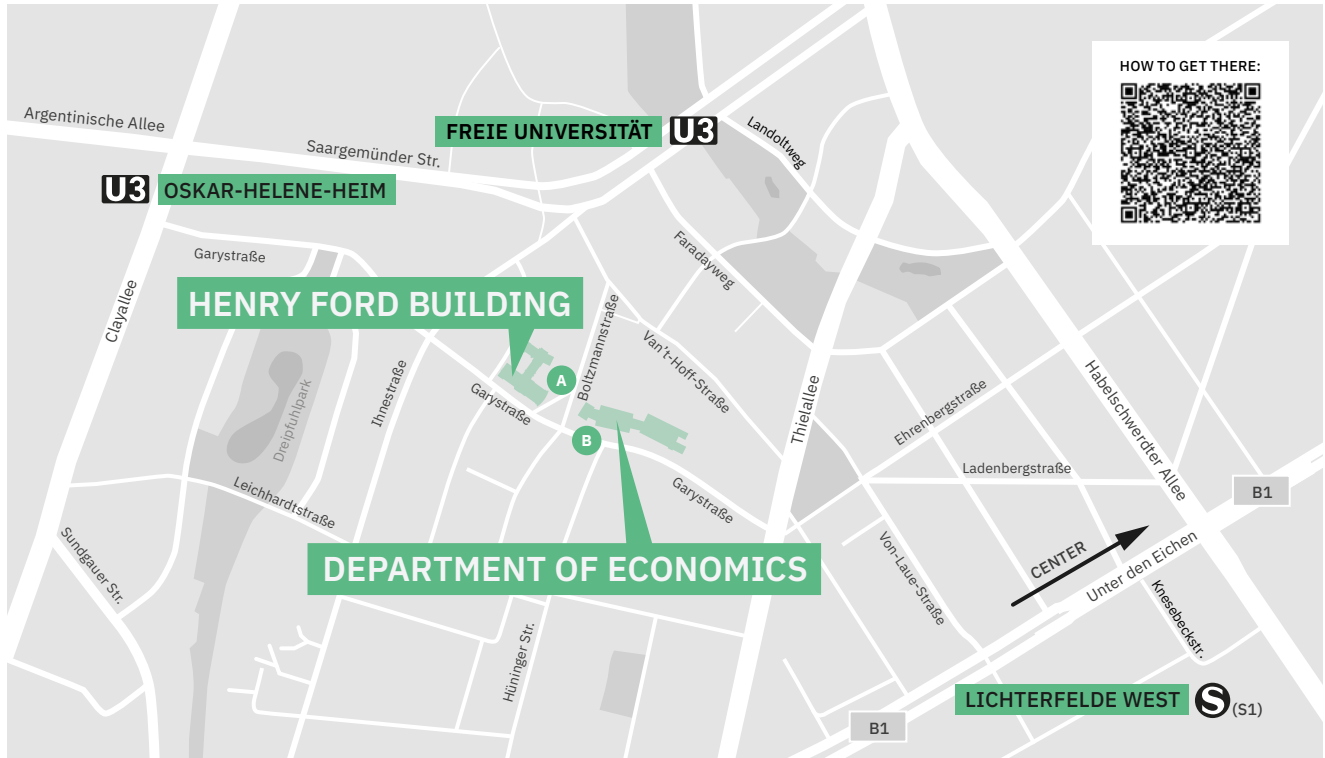
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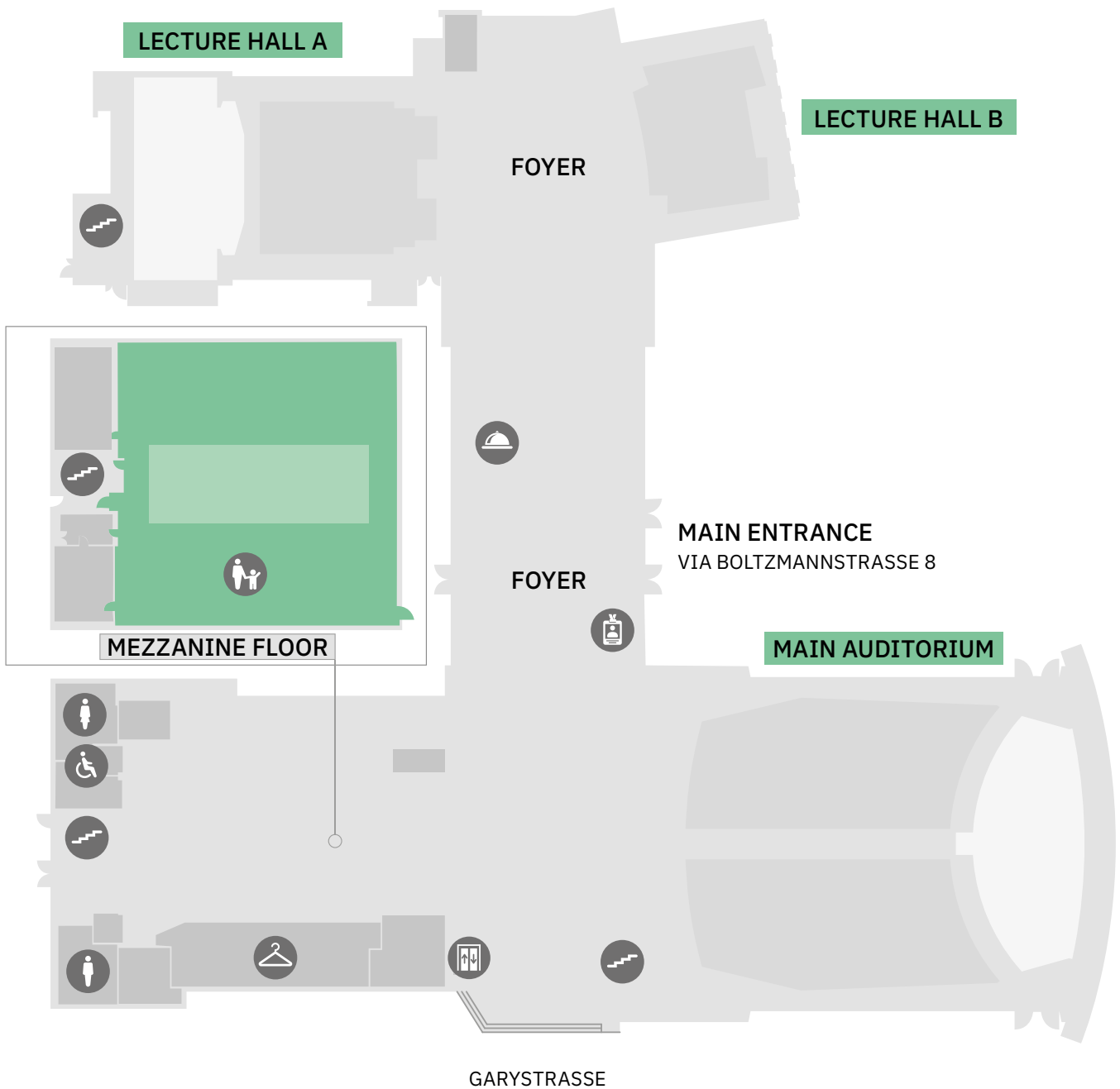
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# Venue Maps

Henry Ford Building | Garystraße 35, 14195 Berlin  
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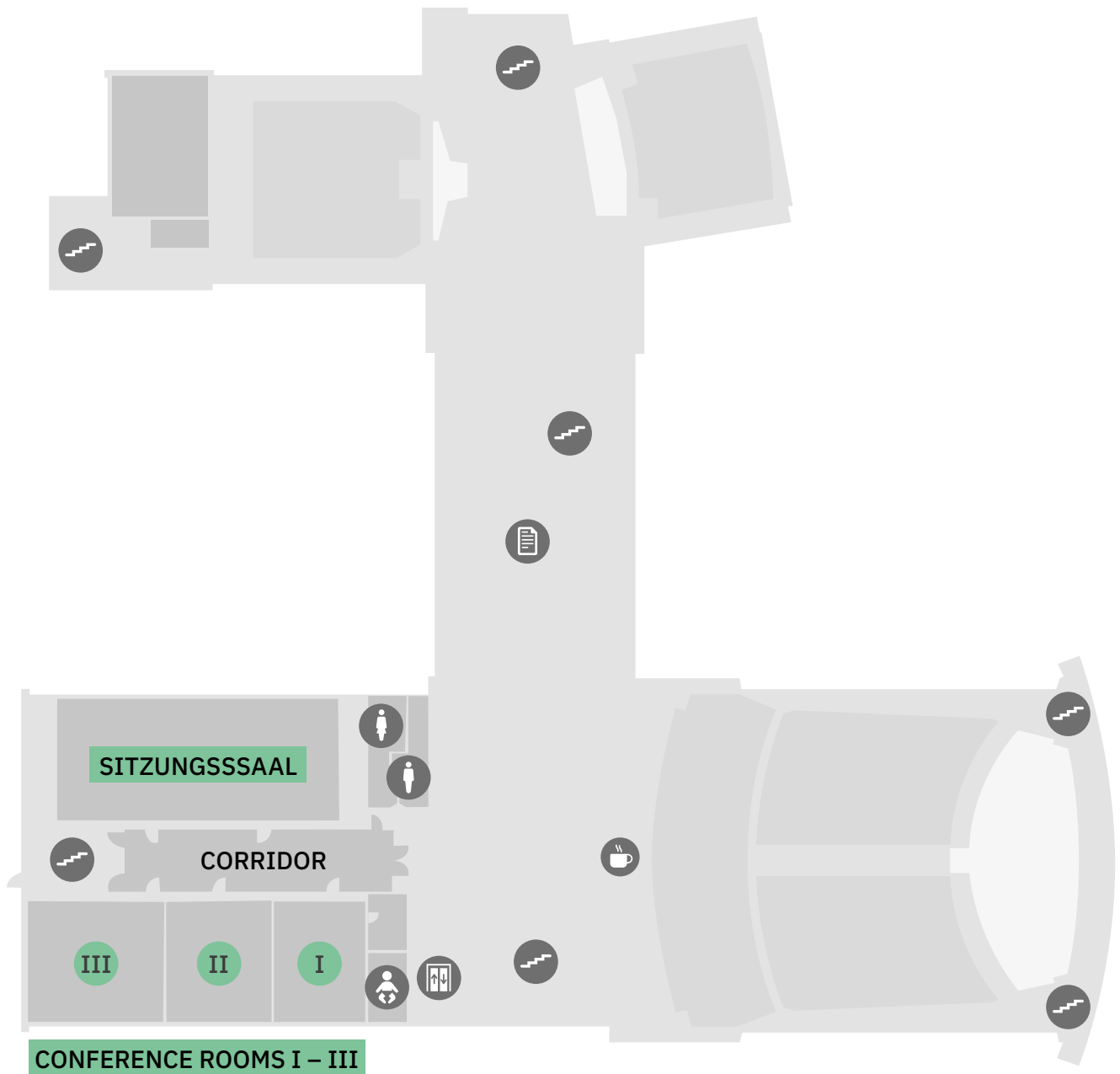


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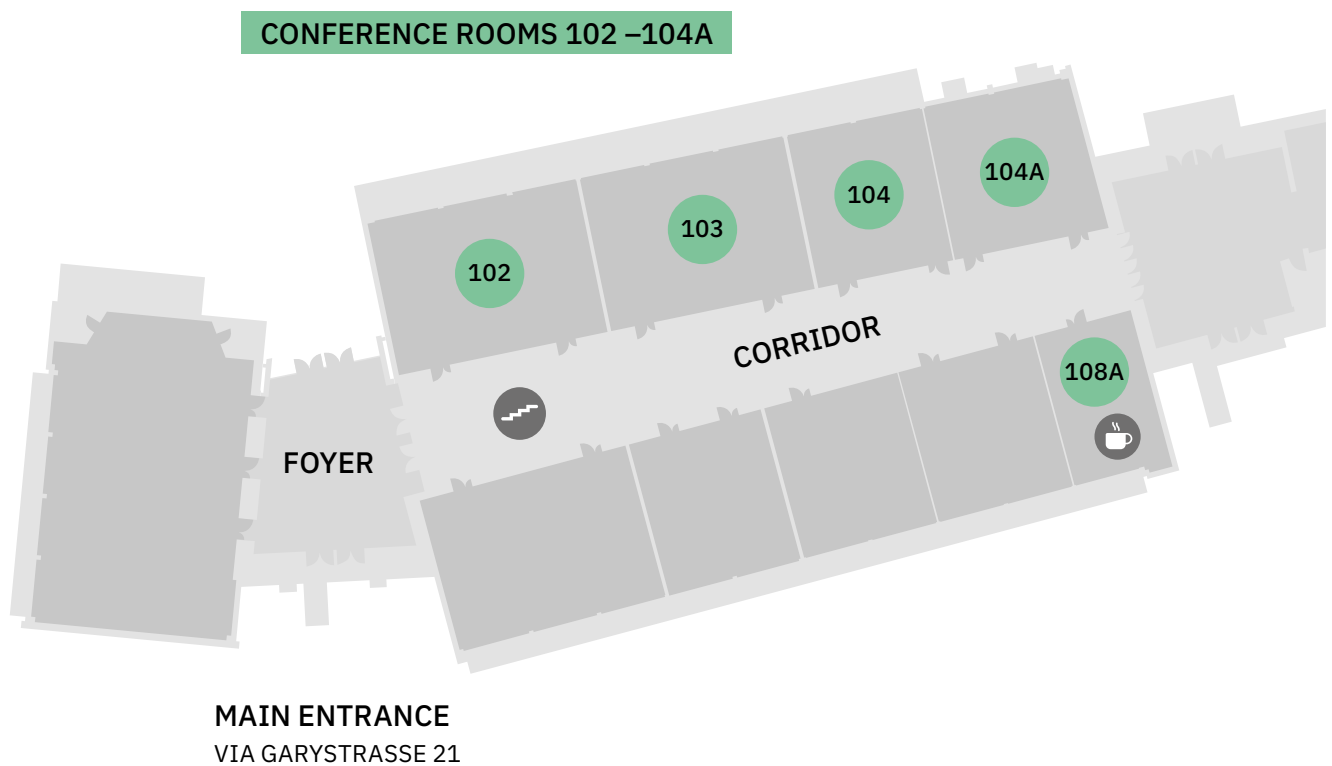
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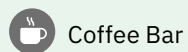
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# Programme

Thursday, 9 April 2026

Henry Ford Building

## Pre-Forum Meetings

09:00 – 10:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **Scholars at Risk Germany Section – General Assembly** \_\_\_\_\_ Lecture Hall B

10:30 – 11:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **Coffee Break**  
**Networking for SAR Germany Regional Networks** \_\_\_\_\_ Foyer (Ground Floor)

11:30 – 13:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **Philipp Schwartz Grant Management Workshop** \_\_\_\_\_ Lecture Hall B

11:00 – 13:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **MSCA4Ukraine Joint Coordinating Committee  
and Advisory Board Meeting**  
*- by invitation only -* \_\_\_\_\_ Conference Room II

13:00 – 14:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **Networking Lunch** \_\_\_\_\_ Foyer (Ground Floor)

## Philipp Schwartz Forum

14:00 – 15:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **PLENARY 1: 10 Years of the Philipp Schwartz Initiative:  
Reflecting on the Past and Looking Ahead** \_\_\_\_\_ Main Auditorium

### Welcome Addresses:

**Günter M. Ziegler**, President, Freie Universität Berlin

**Anke Reiffenstuel**, Commissioner for External Science, Education and Research Policy,  
Federal Foreign Office

### Keynotes:

**Robert Schlögl**, President, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

**Katrin Kinzelbach**, Professor of Human Rights Politics, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität  
Erlangen-Nürnberg

*Pressures on researchers and academic institutions have increased significantly in the recent past. Over the past ten years, the Philipp Schwartz Initiative of the Federal Foreign Office and the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation has provided support to researchers at risk and worked to strengthen academic freedom. Taking the Initiative's ten-year anniversary as a starting point, this session will look ahead at the next ten years: What will be relevant long-term trends and what will be needed to support researchers and safeguard academic freedom in Germany, Europe and beyond? What is the difference that networks gathered by and around the Phillip Schwartz Initiative can make?*

15:30 – 16:30 \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee Break and Poster Session \_\_\_\_\_ First Floor

16:30 – 17:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **PLENARY 2: Creating Successful Cooperations between Philipp Schwartz Fellows and Academic Mentors** \_\_\_\_\_ Main Auditorium

*Mohammed Gebrail*, Philipp Schwartz Fellow, University of Konstanz

*Anke Hoeffler*, Philipp Schwartz Mentor, University of Konstanz

*Mareike Meis*, Philipp Schwartz Mentor, Ruhr University Bochum

*Olena Zinenko*, Philipp Schwartz Fellow, Ruhr University Bochum

**Chair:**

*Frank Albrecht*, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

*A good fit and fruitful collaboration between an academic mentor and a researcher at risk is crucial to successfully continue or restart an academic career in a challenging new research environment. In this session, fellows and academic mentors will provide insights into what they find essential to shape productive and mutually beneficial cooperation.*

17:30 – 18:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **PLENARY 3: Making a Difference: The Impact of Diaspora Networks for (Post) Conflict Higher Education Systems** \_\_\_\_\_ Main Auditorium

*Ayham Abazid*, Philipp Schwartz Alumnus, MSD (Merck Sharp & Dohme), Syrian Science Council

*Samer Alkarkoukly*, University Hospital Cologne, German Syrian Research Foundation

*Mursal Dawodi*, Philipp Schwartz Fellow, TU München, FemsTech Worldwide

*Kateryna Latysh*, MSCA4Ukraine Alumna, Ghent University

*Liza Bezvershenko*, EU Global Diaspora Facility (EUDiF)

**Chair:**

*Maike Didero*, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

*Academic networks, such as the Humboldt network, are essential for international scientific collaboration and intercultural dialogue. In the context of post-conflict higher education systems academic diaspora networks can be of particular relevance: for example, through cooperation, mentoring, or providing expertise to stakeholders on all sides. This session will focus on the impact that can be made when researchers in and from post-conflict societies join forces and leverage the power of diaspora networks both for their members as well as research systems and communities at large.*

18:30 – 20:30 \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner Reception \_\_\_\_\_ Foyer (Ground Floor)

20:30 – 21:00 \_\_\_\_\_ Bus Transfers to Hotels

# Friday, 10 April 2026

Henry Ford Building (HFB)/ Department of Economics (DoE)

## Philipp Schwartz Forum

From 07:30 \_\_\_\_ Bus Transfers from Hotels

From 08:30 \_\_\_\_ Welcome Coffee and Registration \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Foyer (Ground Floor)

09:00 – 13:00 \_\_\_\_ **TRACK 1: Workshops and Trainings for Researchers**

### **1a: Proposal Writing and Third-Party Funding Acquisition:**

**Advanced Career stage > Sabine Preusse** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Conference Room III

This workshop is open for participants within an advanced career stage, who have gained experience in the academic system for 3+ years after PhD. It will provide important information on the logic and structure of a „typical“ proposal with the focus on the leading funding programs in Germany (DFG, BMBF, larger foundations).

### **1b: Proposal Writing and Third-Party Funding Acquisition:**

**Early Career stage > Philipp Gramlich** \_\_\_\_\_ DoE, Conference Room 104A

In this workshop, we will work on writing grant proposals for early-stage researchers: Individual scholarships and smaller travel or research grants. The main challenge is that grant proposals have to address a readership from a broader set of backgrounds than is the case for papers.

### **1c: Academic Writing > Matteo Garavoglia** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Conference Room II

The seminar aims to support participants in improving their academic writing to stand out from the crowd by producing clear, engaging and persuasive text. Emphasis is put on structuring academic papers, writing abstracts and revising papers to allow for smooth reading.

### **1d: Strategic Networking – how to make your research visible**

**> Eva Reichmann** \_\_\_\_\_ DoE, Conference Room 102

This workshop is designed to help participants find individual ways that suit them personally in order to create and expand upon existing and future networks and contacts.

**1e: Navigating the German Research Landscape and your Career outside Academia > *Christine Kohistani*** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Lecture Hall A

This workshop provides support in gaining a clear picture of career requirements and personal development opportunities in the German academic system as well as on the labor market outside academia.

**1f: CV-Writing for Academia & Other Sectors as Part of Your Career Strategy > *Anne Schreiter*** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Conference Room I

In this workshop, you will learn to align your CV with your career goals, explore German CV and Cover Letter standards, differentiate academic and non-academic formats, communicate your skills effectively, and leverage LinkedIn for your career development.

**1g: Career Development for Researchers at Risk > *Ulrike Schneeberg*** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Sitzungssaal

This interactive workshop offers participants a facilitated space to reflect on medium-term career goals beyond the PSI funding period. Building on personal values and data about academic career paths in Germany, you will be invited to make active career decisions for or beyond academia, plan concrete steps, and try out methods to transfer your scientific skills to careers in industry or the public sector. Attendance for this workshop is particularly recommended for scholars at risk who have recently started their fellowship in Germany.

**09:00 – 13:00** \_\_\_\_\_ **TRACK 2: Researcher-Led Workshops for Researchers, Academic Mentors and Host Institution Project Managers**

**2a: Resilience in Academia: Addressing Mental Health Needs of At-Risk Scholars** \_\_\_\_\_ DoE, Conference Room 104

**Chair:**

*Viktoriia Gorbunova*, MSCA4Ukraine Alumna, University of Luxemburg

**Speaker:**

*Cedric Sachser*, Ulm University

This interactive, participation-focused workshop will explore the primary sources of stress and mental health challenges that affect at-risk and exiled researchers. Our aim is to identify practical approaches and resources that can empower researchers to continue their work effectively in new environments and overcome barriers to their socio-academic engagement. One key tool presented is the Universal Mental Health Training (UMHT), an evidence-based programme grounded in international guidelines to support personal resilience. The workshop is open to all researchers and host institution representatives interested in this topic.

## 2b: Beyond the Fellowship:

**Navigating Meaningful Career Pathways** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Lecture Hall B

**Chair:** *Sezer Kisa*, Oslo Metropolitan University

*Ayham Abazid*, MSD (Merck Sharp & Dohme)

*Rana Alsalam*, DudeChem GmbH/OhMyV GmbH

*Said Reza Kazemi*, Internationaler Bund Pforzheim

*Mariia Nesterkina*, Helmholtz-Institute for Pharmaceutical Research Saarland

*Kateryna Pozharska*, Chemnitz University of Technology, Institute of Mathematics of NAS of Ukraine

Philipp Schwartz Alumni share their experiences and strategies as to how to manage the transition to post-fellowship opportunities, both within academia as well as in other fields. The workshop is open to all researchers and host institution representatives interested in this topic.

09:00 – 13:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **TRACK 3**

09:00 – 11:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **3a: European Roundtable on Supporting Researchers at Risk**  
*- by invitation only -* \_\_\_\_\_ DoE, Conference Room 103

11:00 – 11:30 \_\_\_\_\_ **Coffee Break** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, First Floor

11:30 – 13:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **3b: Advocacy and Cooperation on the European Level** \_\_\_\_\_ DoE, Conference Room 104

### **Chairs:**

*Frank Albrecht*, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

*Frank Geary*, Scholars at Risk Europe

The Humboldt Foundation, SAR Europe and partner organisations will share updates on activities in support of researchers at risk and academic freedom on the European level. The workshop is open to all interested representatives and members of host institutions, funders and partner organizations.

13:00 – 14:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **Lunch Break** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Foyer (Ground Floor)

14:00 – 15:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **Closing Plenary – The German Research Landscape and German and European Funding Opportunities** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Lecture Hall A

*Frank Albrecht*, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

*Anne Schreiter*, GSO – Guidance, Skills & Opportunities for Researchers e. V.

*Robin Gadbled*, European Commission, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

This session aims to provide participants with an overview of the German research landscape. It will offer insights into a selected number of important grant and funding opportunities.

15:00 \_\_\_\_\_ **End of Forum**

## Post-Forum Meetings

**15:00 – 16:30** \_\_\_\_\_ **Networking Lounge – for all** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Sitzungssaal

Forum attendees are invited to use this space for establishing and deepening connections with each other.

**15:00 – 15:30** \_\_\_\_\_ **Coffee Break**  
(only for post-forum meetings) \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, First Floor

**15:30 – 16:30** \_\_\_\_\_ **SAR Germany Steering Group**  
(on invitation only) \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Conference Room II

**15:30 – 16:30** \_\_\_\_\_ **MSCA4Ukraine Fellows and Alumni –  
Meeting with the European Commission and  
the European Research Executive Agency** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Lecture Hall A

MSCA4Ukraine fellows and alumni are invited to attend and discuss their experiences together with the European Commission and REA.

**16:30 – 17:30** \_\_\_\_\_ **MSCA4Ukraine Networking Meeting** \_\_\_\_\_ HFB, Lecture Hall B

MSCA4Ukraine Fellows and Alumni are invited to connect and discuss topics around their fellowships, career strategies, cooperation with Ukrainian institutions, etc. Philipp Schwartz Fellows and Alumni from Ukraine are invited to join.

# Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation promotes academic cooperation between excellent scientists and scholars from abroad and from Germany. As an intermediary organisation for German foreign cultural and educational policy the Foundation promotes international cultural dialogue and academic exchange. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation wants to recruit the world's best minds for a research stay in Germany as well as for its international network of outstanding researchers. In all our efforts we emphatically campaign for gender equality, equal opportunities and diversity.



## Robert Schlögl

### President of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Robert Schlögl is a chemist with research interests in heterogeneous catalysis and materials for energy storage concepts. After his studies and PhD in Munich, he was a postdoc in Cambridge and Basel. Following his habilitation in Berlin, he became a professor at the Goethe University Frankfurt. For many years, he was director at the Fritz Haber Institute of the Max Planck Society, Berlin (1994–2023), as well as being the founding and subsequently managing director of the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Energy Conversion in Mülheim an der Ruhr (2011–2022). Long before starting his tenure as President of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation in 2023, Professor Schlögl has been active both nationally and internationally in a number of advisory and consultative bodies. He was Vice-President of the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina until 2025 and is a member of several other academies. Concurrently, he chairs the Advisory Board of the Kopernikus Projects of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, which drive research on energy transition. He has played a significant role in bringing together sciences, industry, civil society and policy makers.



## Judith Wellen

### Head of Department Strategy and External Relations Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Dr. Judith Wellen is head of the Strategy department at the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and the Foundation's Representative for External Relations. She served as head of the International Strategy Office at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin and as personal advisor to the president of the university. Previously, she was head of several executive training programmes at the Goethe Institut. Following studies in Tübingen, Dublin, Berlin and Madrid, she was an associated fellow of the German-French graduate school "Institutional Orders, Text and Symbols" at Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes-Sorbonne, Paris, and Technische Universität Dresden. Wellen holds an M.A. in Art History and Cultural Anthropology from Humboldt Universität, and a Ph.D. with distinction in Art History from Freie Universität Berlin.

# Division Philipp Schwartz Initiative and Academic Freedom

The Division 1.4 “Philipp Schwartz Initiative and Academic Freedom” is home to the Foundation’s funding programs for researchers at risk and coordinates its work around aspects of academic freedom. It implements the Philipp Schwartz Initiative funded by the German Federal Foreign Office as well as the selection and funding processes of MSCA4Ukraine, an EU-wide funding program for Ukrainian researchers funded by the European Commission.



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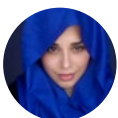
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# The German Section of the Scholars at Risk Network



**A** Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: Since 2016, the Foundation has been hosting the secretariat of the German section of the Scholars at Risk Network.

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Scholars at Risk is an international network of institutions and individuals whose mission is to protect threatened researchers and promote academic freedom. The German Section and its steering group are chaired by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. At present, it comprises 64 member institutions.

SAR Germany and its regional networks foster cooperation between stakeholders at the national and regional level, strengthening services for researchers at risk. Collaborations frequently incorporate other institutions committed to supporting researchers at risk.






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-  Bayerisches Hochschul-Netzwerk für gefährdete Forschende
-  Scholars at Risk Netzwerk Berlin-Brandenburg
-  SAR Verbund Norddeutschland
-  Scholars at Risk Germany Section NRW Group

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