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JQYA Academy Day 2026

**Interdisciplinary Symposium
and
Award Ceremony**

Program

**08.05.2026
Campus Westend**

Venue

Goethe University Frankfurt
Campus Westend
Theodor-W.-Adorno-Platz 1
60323 Frankfurt am Main

Symposium: RuW Building, Seminar Room 1.101, first floor
Award Ceremony: Casino Building, Renate von Metzler Hall, 1.801, first floor

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Program

09:45	Admission to the Symposium, RuW Building, Seminar Room 1.101
10:00	Welcome & Introduction Prof. Dr Gabriele Britz, Goethe University Frankfurt; JQYA Director
10:05	Is there a European Perspective on Research Tackling Challenges? - Examples from the Natural Sciences Prof. Dr Harald Schwalbe, Goethe University Frankfurt; Exec. Director Instruct-ERIC
10:45	Physical reservoir computing with active matter: Fundamental insights into learning and inference as non-equilibrium statistical mechanics Dr Miriam Klopotek, University of Stuttgart, Stuttgart Center for Simulation Science & Young Academy Heidelberg
11:20	Short Break
11:35	Harnessing Proteogenomic Technologies for Lymphoma Research Dr Sebastian Scheich, University Hospital Frankfurt, Hematology/Oncology
12:00	From the 'Backseat Generation' to the Pioneers of the Mobility Transition? How Young People Want to Move Around Dr Sina Steele, Goethe University Frankfurt, Institute of Human Geography
12:25	Nanoliter-Scale Nuclear Magnetic Resonance of Biomolecules in Native States Dr Andrei Kuzhelev, Goethe University Frankfurt, Physical and Theoretical Chemistry
12:50	JQYA Publication on Complexity Dr Elena Galeano Weber, Goethe University Frankfurt, Inclusion Research & DIPF Dr Oliver Völker, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, General & Comparative Literature
13:20	Closing Remarks Katharina Welling, Goethe University Frankfurt, JQYA Managing Director
13:30	Lunch Break, Sturm & Drang <i>Session Chairs:</i> <i>Dr Yudhajeet Basak, Goethe University Frankfurt, Biochemistry</i> <i>Prof. Dr Sebastian Eckart, Goethe University Frankfurt, Atomic Physics</i> <i>Ana Rita Sá Leite, PhD, Goethe University Frankfurt, Psychology, GenLab</i> <i>Dr Tristan Stöber, University Hospital Frankfurt, Neurology</i> <i>Prof. Dr Natalie Welfens, Goethe University Frankfurt, C3S, Political Sociology</i>

14:45	Admission to the Award Ceremony – Casino Building, Renate von Metzler Hall
15:00	Opening of the Award Ceremony Emcee: Ruth Murdoch Johann Sebastian Bach – Italian Concerto: 1st Movement, Stephan Weiler
15:05	Welcome addresses Ulrich Schielein, Vice-President Goethe University Frankfurt Prof. Dr Dr Matthias Lutz-Bachmann, Goethe University Frankfurt; Director of the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities; JQYA Founding Director
15:20	Introduction of the keynote speaker Prof. Dr Gabriele Britz, Goethe University Frankfurt; JQYA Director
15:25	Keynote lecture On the Logic of Autocracy – the Example of Frederick William I King of Prussia Prof. Dr Barbara Stollberg-Rilinger, Berlin Institute for Advanced Study
16:05	Intermezzo Frédéric Chopin - Préludes op. 28, Nr. 17, Stephan Weiler
16:10	Award presentation Laureates Fellows: Dr Alula Asfha Dr Maria Cárdenas PD Dr Sharmili Edwin Thanarajah Dr Daniel Fairfax Dr Benjamin Haas Dr Rana Hussein Ali Dr Matthias Jost Dr Niels Meijer Dr Antje Peters Members: Prof. Dr Till Stephan Dr. Sina Steele Prof. Dr Natalie Welfens Dr Andrei Kuzhelev Dr. Jeremy McCormack Dr. Ana Rita Sá Leite Dias Dr. Sebastian Scheich
16:45	Musical closing Claude Debussy - Pour le piano: Prélude, Stephan Weiler
16:50	Closing remarks Prof. Dr Gabriele Britz, Goethe University Frankfurt; JQYA Director
17:00	Reception