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INDIVIDUALISATION
LONELINESS AND
SOCIAL COHESION
IN TIMES OF
TRANSFORMATION

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European Conference

Programme

Thursday, 18 June 2026

Simultaneous interpreting will be provided in German and English.

Moderation: [Axel Rahmlow](#), Deutschlandfunk Kultur and [Linda Weichlein](#), Cultural Manager

Audio feature: [Schokofeh Kamiz](#), Artist and Journalist

11:00	Official Welcome Susanne Keuchel , Director, Genshagen Foundation	
11:05	Opening Greeting Noémie Kaufman , Project Leader, Genshagen Foundation	
11:15	Introductory Talk <i>All for One and One for All – Which Kinds of Social Cohesion Do We Need?</i> Christopher Swader , Department of Sociology, University Lund	
11:55	Agoras under the arbres à palabres Two moderated discussion forums will take place in parallel.	
	Agora 1 – Moderation: Axel Rahmlow	Agora 2 – Moderation: Linda Weichlein
12:00	Solidarity in a Transforming Society. <i>Paths to a New Social Responsibility</i> Juri Viehoff , Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Utrecht University Blanche de Lestrangle , Art Explora, Paris	Loneliness in an Individualised Society <i>Alone among many? Loneliness as a Societal Challenge</i> Mirjam Dierkes , Institute for Social Work and Social Pedagogy, Frankfurt am Main Marcel Foster , Performance Hypothesis, Atlanta / Oxford University
13:00	Lunch Break	
14:00	Digitalisation: Connection or Division? <i>Always Connected – Never Together? Digital Spaces and Social Cohesion</i> Václav Štětka , European New School of Digital Studies, European University Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder) Karolina Tabak , Polish History Museum, Warsaw	Art and Culture as Spaces for Social Cohesion <i>Experiencing Together: How Art and Culture Foster Connections</i> Micaela Casalbani , Teatro dell'Argine, Bologna Ștefan Teișanu , Cluj Cultural Center, Cluj
15:00	Coffee Break/ Networking	

16:00	Dialogue under Trees
16:00	Dialogue Session 1 – Moderation: Axel Rahmlow <i>The Limits of Freedom or How Much Individualisation Can our Societies Handle?</i> Micaela Casalboni , Teatro dell'Argine, Bologna Marcel Foster , Performance Hypothesis / Oxford University
16:25	Short Break
16:35	Dialogue Session 2 – Moderation: Linda Weichlein <i>Reconnecting – How Can We Foster Social Cohesion?</i> Ştefan Teişanu , Cluj Cultural Center, Cluj Juri Viehoff , Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Utrecht University
17:00	Short Break
17:15	Panel discussion – Moderation: Axel Rahmlow <i>Between Personal Fulfilment and Social Responsibility: Seeking a New Balance in Europe</i> Anna Lob , More in Common, Berlin Robert Piaskowski , National Centre for Culture, Warsaw Christopher Swader , Department of Sociology, University Lund
18:15	On the exhibition Ulrike Kremeier , Brandenburg State Museum of Modern Art, Cottbus
18:25	Closing Comment Alexandre Navarro , French National Commission for UNESCO, Paris (tbc)
18:35	Sensitive Echo of the Day Lydia Böhmert and Cyril Limousin Direction of the Artistic Performance: Sam Khebizi , Les Têtes de l'Art, Marseille
19:00	Dinner
20:00	Bus transfer to Berlin-Südkreuz station

Please register [here](#) by 15 June 2026.

Venue: Schloss Genshagen, Am Schloss 1, 14974 Genshagen (near Berlin)

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We provide a direct bus transfer from Berlin-Südkreuz station to Genshagen Castle and back.

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