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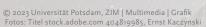
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The universe fascinated and puzzled human beings ever since they walked on this planet. Initially, the alien world visible in the night sky was imagined as the home of gods and late ancestors. It served as the anchor of humans to find their ways in space and time. It served as the first laboratory to reveal the laws of nature and the exploration of the universe led to regular revolutions in our way of thinking. Today, mankind reaches out to outer space not just for exploration. The world beyond becomes an economic factor and a new arena for conflict and war.

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- 17<sup>th</sup> october 2023
  From the Big Bang until today:
  our modern understanding of cosmology
  Christoph Pfrommer (Potsdam)
- The First Astronomers:
  How Indigenous Elders Read the Stars
  Duane Hamacher (Melbourne)
- 1<sup>st</sup> november 2023 (WEDNESDAY!) ONLINE ONLY
  The Expansion of the Astronomical and Geographical
  Horizons: the Roots of the Scientific Revolution
  David Barrado Navascués (Madrid)
- 7<sup>th</sup> november 2023
  Sighting the Sun (and Moon) at Stonehenge
  Clive Ruggles (Leicester)
- 14<sup>th</sup> november 2023

  The Light in the Temples:

  Archaeoastronomy in the Greek and Roman World

  Giulio Magli (Milan)
- 21<sup>th</sup> november 2023

  Babylonian Predictive Science and Conceptions of the Universe

  Mathieu Ossendrijver (Berlin)
- 28<sup>th</sup> november 2023 Ancient Cosmos Becomes Medieval: Aristotle Transformed Elisa Coda (Pisa)



- 5<sup>th</sup> december 2023
  Perceptions of Space and Time in Dante's Universe
  Cornelia Klettke (Potsdam)
- 12<sup>th</sup> december 2023 Immersive Spaces: The Cosmology of Disney's Tomorrowlands Florian Freitag (Duisburg-Essen)
- 19<sup>th</sup> december 2023
  The Transmission of Astral Sciences in the Middle Ages:
  Medieval Arabic Translations of Ptolemy's Almagest
  Pouyan Rezvani (Munich)
- 9<sup>th</sup> january 2024 Geopolitical Rivalry, Astropolitics and Future Space Warfare Antje Nötzold (Chemnitz)
- 16<sup>th</sup> january 2024
  Pigs in Space: How We Are Polluting the Space
  Environment and How We Can Stop

  Daniel Lambach (Frankfurt)
- 23<sup>th</sup> january 2024

  "Make Humanity a Multiplanet Species!": The Second Space Age and the Anthropocene in American Studies

  Jens Temmen (Düsseldorf)
- 30<sup>th</sup> january 2024
  Egyptian Skies: Astronomical Studies and Astrological
  Practices in Roman Egypt
  Nicola Barbagli (Trier)
- 6<sup>th</sup> february 2024
   Panel Discussion:
   Astronomy, Cosmology and Christian Religion
   Johann Hafner (Potsdam), Martin Wilkens (Potsdam),
   David Brown (Castel Gandolfo)