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The sessions of the symposium include the following topics:

- Analysis of the Present Situation
- The Humanities Facing Globalization and the Rise of New Authoritarianism
- Humanities in the Digital Era
- Challenges for and Advances of the Humanities
- Bridging the Gap between Cultures – Humanities and the Natural and Social Sciences
- The Humanities’ Contribution to Meeting Challenges of a Sustainable Future

Confirmed speakers include:

- Homi K. Bhabha, Harvard
- Sverker Sörlin, Stockholm
- Eva Schlotheuber, Düsseldorf
- Steffen Mau, Berlin
- Simon Goldhill, Cambridge
- Michael Hagner, Zürich
- Susan Schreibman, Maastricht
- Dorrit Vibeke Sorensen, Singapore
- Barry Smith, London
- Jeroen van den Hoven, Delft
- Frank Uekötter, Birmingham
- Helga Nowotny, Austria
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