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(DIGITAL) HUMANITIES REVISITED – CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DIGITAL AGE

In times of digitization, internet, and mobile communication, the humanities can build on new, empirically driven methods to gain new insights. But what are the implications of this mode of knowledge production for the various disciplines subsumed under the term humanities, their methods and research objects, and for the role the humanities should and could play in society? Together with experts from the various fields of the humanities, we would like to facilitate a dialogue between protagonists who embrace digital tools and those following and sustaining more traditional approaches. What kind of knowledge can we expect? What could be lost relying solely on digitally driven methods? What are the opportunities offered by the digital technologies, and what kind of challenges do these developments pose for the humanities? We invite researchers embracing digital humanities and scholars criticizing the digital tools to reflect on the developments, and to deliberate together about the future of the digital humanities.

KEYNOTE SPEECH

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SESSIONS

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