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Open Keynote Forum

Public part of the Symposium "Russia's Hybrid War and Dissolution of Truth: Reclaiming Foundations of Security and Just Peace"

11. February 2026 - 18.00 - 21.30 - Große Aula



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The 2026 Keynote Forum will address one of the deepest challenges to contemporary security - the systematic manipulation and erosion of truth that accompany Russia's hybrid war against Ukraine and the wider democratic world. It will explore how the loss of truth undermines human dignity, civic trust, and the moral coherence of political life, while also examining the ethical, religious, and cultural resources needed to rebuild a truthful and just order. Drawing insights from theology, ethics, philosophy, and political thought, the symposium aims to reclaim truth, integrity, and resilience as strategic foundations of European and global security.

The forum is part of an expert symposium serie which is organized by the **Ludwig Maximilian University (Munich)**, **Ukrainian Catholic University (Lviv)**, and the **University of Notre Dame (Indiana, USA)** with the topic of "Moral and Religious Dimensions of Security" ahead of the Munich Security Conference.

The open evening will take place at the LMU Munich on **February 11, 2026 (Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 1)**.

Please register:



Schedule of the evening:

Greetings

Prof. Dr. Matthias Tschöp – President of LMU, Munich

Dr. Taras Dobko - Rector of Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv

Dr. Benedikt Franke - Vice-Chairman and CEO of the MSC

Keynotes

Prof. Dr. Karl Schlögel (Berlin)

Expert in Eastern European history;

Recipient of the 2026 Peace Prize of the German Book Trade

Maksym Butkevych (Kyiv)

Ukrainian human rights activist and journalist;

Recipient of the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2025

Discussion

Cardinal Dr. Reinhard Marx

Archbishop of Munich and Freising

Prof. Dr. Katrin Boeckh

Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg / LMU

Prof. Dr. Regina Elsner

Ecumenical Institute, Faculty of Catholic Theology, University of Münster

Moderator

Dr. Franziska Davies

Assistant Professor of Eastern European History at LMU Munich,

Co-President of the German-Ukrainian Society, Munich

Music:

Katharina Farbova (Clarinet), **Quirin Vogel** (Piano)

The Symposium is followed by: Reception & time for discussion

****Please note that the working language will be English.****

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