



# *kulturkontaktkultur*

66. RAI | FRANKFURT | MAINZ 2022

## **3. Circular**

Dear Colleagues, only a few weeks are left until the 66<sup>e</sup> Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale and we are looking forward to seeing you in the Rhine-Main area, to a week of fruitful discussions and – in line with this year's theme of the conference „Cultural Contact – Cultures of Contact“ – to revive old contacts and making new ones.

A preliminary programme and the abstracts are now available on the website ([www.66RAI.uni-mainz.de](http://www.66RAI.uni-mainz.de)) and can also be downloaded. As there will certainly be minor changes, we will provide updated versions of the programme at regular intervals. In addition to the website, you can also find up-to-date information on Twitter (@66RAI) and Facebook ([facebook.com/66RAIMainz](https://facebook.com/66RAIMainz)).

The conference will be hosted in Mainz at the university campus from 25 - 29 July 2022:

Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz  
Philosophicum, lecture halls P 1 to P 5  
Jakob-Welder-Weg 18  
55128 Mainz

Directions can be found at [www.66RAI.uni-mainz.de](http://www.66RAI.uni-mainz.de).

During the digital part of the 66th RAI (July 25 – 26) it is planned that both lectures and Q&A sessions will take place entirely digitally. However, the lectures will be broadcasted live to the lecture halls on these days. So if you are already in Mainz on Monday or Tuesday, you are cordially invited to follow the lectures together with us on the big screen. The hybrid part of the conference will take place from July 27 – 29 in the above-mentioned rooms and will be streamed live on the Virtual Venue at the same time.

Instructions – especially for the online days of the conference – for speakers and chairs, as well as of course for all other conference participants will follow in the week before the conference. The Virtual Venue platform will be working from July 20th onwards

Registration is also possible at the desk during the conference days. Besides the possibility to get a ticket for the whole duration of the conference, there will also be day tickets for a price of 50 € per day. In any case, we must ask you to pay your fee in cash when you register on site.

The conference office will be set up on site at the Philosophicum and will be staffed throughout the conference. For participants who did not have time to check in to their hotel upon arrival in Mainz or who already had to check out of the hotel on the last day, there is also the possibility to store their luggage here.

Receptions will be held on Tuesday 26 July and Thursday 28 July.

Tuesday, 26 July, 7–11 pm

Kupferberg Terraces

Augustusstrasse 6, Mainz

Thursday, 28 July, 7–11 pm

Straußwirtschaft Weyer

Am Heckerpfad 24, Mainz

#### Hygiene concept

As the Covid-19 incidence rate in Germany is still quite high, we would like to ask all participants to observe some basic hygiene rules. These are in particular:

- Wearing masks in the conference rooms. Please also move longer conversations outside.
- Keep your distance from the person sitting next to you.
- Regular disinfection of hands.
- In case of symptoms of illness, please stay away from the events and use the virtual offer.

In case of (any) further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at: [66RAI@uni-mainz.de](mailto:66RAI@uni-mainz.de).

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