



Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg  
Institute for Advanced Study

International Symposium  
**'Preventia' – Optimizing Bios  
through Technologies**  
Delmenhorst, October 18-20, 2022

**Organizers**

Prof. Dr. Annette Leibing, U Montreal  
Prof. Dr. Silke Schicktanz, U Göttingen  
Prof. Dr. Alessandro Blasimme, ETH Zürich

**Venue:**

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Program

## Tuesday, October 18

- 13:00 Welcome by organizers and HWK
- 13:15 – 14:15 (chair: Annette Leibing)  
**Keynote conference by Stephen Katz (Trent U):**  
Age, technology and the lifecourse: Prevention by design
- 14:15 – 14:30 *Coffee break*
- 14:30 – 15:50 (chair: Cynthia Lazzaroni): Prevention, surveillance, monitoring
- Ayo Wahlberg (U Copenhagen):** Living surveillance lives – the preventive chronicity of genetic risk  
**Nete Schwennesen (Roskilde U):** Surveillance and safety in dementia care  
**Marianne Boenink (Radbout U):** Time will tell: Intensified health monitoring and shifting conceptions of prevention
- 15:50 – 18:00 *Walking discussions / recreation / refreshments available*
- 18:00 – 19:30 *Dinner (Buffet) at the HWK*

## Wednesday, October 19

- 9:00 – 10:00 (+9 hrs) (chair: Alessandro Blasimme)  
**Keynote conference by Deborah Lupton (U New South Wales):** A more-than-human perspective on prevention
- 10:00 – 10:15 *Coffee break*
- 10:15 – 11:15 (chair: Mattia Andreoletti): Futures
- Thomas Alkemeyer and Andrea Querfurt (U Oldenburg):** Diagnosis, prevention, and the shaping of the present by imagined futures  
**Virginie Tournay (CNRS, SciPo Paris):** Aging in a hyperconnected society. A little speculative fiction on the future of prevention
- 12:00 – 13:30 *Lunch at the HWK*

13:30 – 15:10 (chair: Lucie Richard): Meaning-making through technologies

**Alexander Peine (Open Universiteit):** Preventionist technofutures - How prevention comes to matter in and matters through technology, policy, and design

**Melissa Park (McGill U):** Connectivity as prevention and the role of immersive technologies

**Mark Schweda (U Oldenburg):** Prevention as religion? Anti-aging technologies and the hope for salvation

**Paula Muhr (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology):** Visualising the Future: AI-Based Search for Predictive Neuroimaging Biomarkers of Alzheimer's Disease

15:15 *Transfer to hotel in the city centre, time for informal discussion among participants*

16:45 *Meet at municipal art gallery Städtische Galerie Delmenhorst ("Haus Coburg"); guided tour of the building and current exhibition "it takes time to build and a second to wreck it"*

18:15 – 20:00 *Get-together with snacks/finger food and refreshments at "Haus Coburg"*

## Thursday, October 20

9:00 – 10:00 (chair: Silke Schicktanz)

**Keynote conference by Klaus Høyer (U Copenhagen):** Prevention from a data political perspective – how we mobilize and experience data and what it means to trust a data prediction and act on that rather than symptoms

10:00 – 11:30 (chair: Niklas Petersen): "Preventia" – The Specific Case of Dementia and Situated Technologies of Prevention

- a. **Germany** (Silke Schicktanz, Shingo Segawa and Niklas Petersen)
- b. **Canada** (Annette Leibing and Cynthia Lazzaroni)
- c. **Switzerland** (Alessandro Blasimme and Mattia Andreoletti)

11:30 – 11:45 Final wrap-up (chair: Shingo Segawa)

**Marianne Boenink, Mark Schweda, Ayo Wahlberg, the organizers**

12:00 – 13:00 *Farewell Lunch at the HWK*