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What moves today's young scholars? What topics and issues in the field of religion are of interest to them and their research?

We would like to invite you to the third evening of our new series

Young Science Forum on
Friday, **November 3, 2023**, at **7:00 p.m.**

with talks by:

Ann-Kristin Götz, M.A. Religious Studies, Ruhr University Bochum:
Anthroposophy between development of the self and transhumanism.
(Lecture in German)

Şimal Zağra, M.A. Interdisciplinary Studies of the Middle East, FU Berlin:
Postmortem Soundscapes. Sonic Phenomena in Muslim Funeral Rituals
(Lecture in English)

In her master thesis Ann-Kristin Götz examines the process of individualization using the example of the anthroposophical Christian community. In doing so, she contrasts their discussion of spiritual development of the self with ideas about human development in the field of transhumanism.

In the second part of the evening, Şimal Zağra examines sound phenomena in Muslim funeral practice in an artistic and scientific manner. This practice is based on the assumption that death does not mark the end of hearing. For her work, she visited the town of Silivri (Istanbul Province) and spoke with funeral washers and mourning worshippers. Another sonic expression of contact with the dead are the prayers said at a Muslim funeral. They have also found their way into Zağra's artistic and scholarly work.

Dr. Gesine Palmer (Center for Intellectual Diaspora at the Catholic Academy in Berlin and Funeral Speaker), and **Dr. Stephan Steiner** (Catholic Academy in Berlin and responsible for the Center for Intellectual Diaspora), will respond to the lectures.

Under the motto "Call for Thesis", graduates from theology, philosophy, religious studies and related disciplines were invited to submit their theses to the Catholic Academy in Berlin. The selected theses are now presented in the series "Forum Junge Wissenschaft" at the Academy. They provide an insight into the diversity of religious aspects in current university theses.

Afterwards, you are cordially invited to discuss with the young scientists. In order to prepare the evening, we kindly ask you to register by e-mail to: **information@katholische-akademie-berlin.de** or by phone at (030) 283095-0.

We would be very pleased to welcome you to this evening.

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