



# Oxford University German Society

## Termcard Michaelmas 2021

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# Presidents' Welcome



## DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS,

Welcome to the new academic year! Congratulations to all freshers on beginning your studies at Oxford, and welcome back to everyone returning from a far-too-long break. We are excited to announce our Termcard for Michaelmas 2021. As Covid-19 containment measures continue to loosen up, we have planned a range of in-person events to fill up your autumn calendar!

We are looking forward to welcoming Tupoka Ogette and Stephen Lawson to give us an insight into their fight against racism, as well as Prof. Stratmann, Head of the Max Planck Society. Do not miss out on the opportunity to meet these experts live in Oxford, in addition to our other online events. Further, we will host another Research Symposium where you will learn from your fellow students about their projects both in a formal presentation and some informal networking afterwards.

Our social calendar is packed with German Society classics as well as some new events to spice up your term! Start with a Schnitzeljagd and some beers at the Stammtisch afterwards or with having a lot of Kaffee und Kuchen. Then, mark your calendars for the 30th of October, because the iconic Otoberfest will return bigger than ever before, in collaboration with the Cambridge German Society and the Oxford Union! Finally, make sure to finish the term with some cosy vibes at our St. Martin's Day and Christmas themed events.

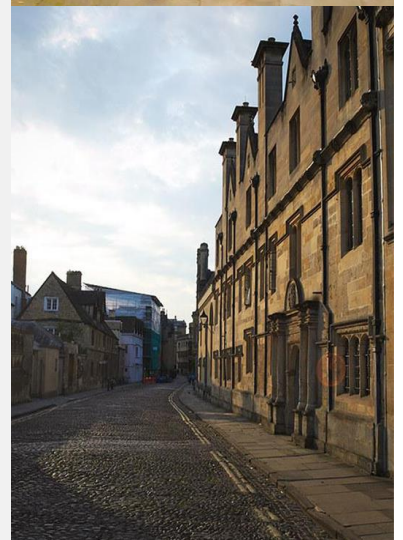
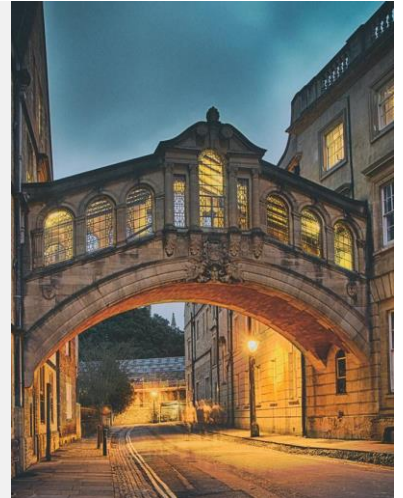
Whether you are a fresher or returning student, we are beyond excited to welcome you at any of our events - hopefully giving you enough occasions to make up for missed opportunities during the pandemic! In the meantime, we have also refurbished our Newsletter and extended our website with new pages targeted at applicants and alumni. Make sure to subscribe or check them out.

Don't worry if you're feeling a bit overwhelmed right now - simply make sure to [subscribe to our newsletter](#), like our [Facebook page](#), and follow us on [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Twitter](#) to get the latest information.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Julia and David

Co-Presidents 2021/22



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# Speakers



As always, we have invited speakers from various backgrounds to facilitate insightful and engaging conversations about topics that matter. Our speaker events are free to attend for members and non-members. Arrangements may change, so make sure to [subscribe to our newsletter](#), like our [Facebook page](#), and follow us on [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Twitter](#) to always get the latest information.

The committee is always looking for ideas on whom to invite, so if you have any ideas, please pass them on to the [committee](#), and we will try to organise an event!



## TUPOKA OGETTE AND STEPHEN LAWSON

EXPERTS FOR DIVERSITY AND ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

Tupoka Ogette and Stephen Lawson are experts for diversity and anti-discrimination. Author of the Spiegel-Bestseller "Exit Racism" and host of the "tupodcast", Ms. Ogette has gained broad public attention for her expertise on antiracism in Germany. Mr. Lawson is a sculptor and educator. The couple run workshops on antiracism, with the aim that participants notice and unlearn racist stereotypes in everyday life. We look forward to a discussion about structural racism in Germany and the fight against it. The interview and Q&A will be conducted in German.

Monday of Week 2 | 18 October | Time TBD | Location TBD



## CORNELIA FUNKE

AUTHOR

Cornelia Funke is the author of a number of bestselling children's books. Her books feature inspiring characters and whole worlds of magical creatures, many of which she illustrated herself. Her novels feature "Die Wilden Hühner", "The Dragon Rider" and "Inkheart", which have been adapted into feature films. We look forward to a conversation about her life between Germany and the United States and about the Artists in Residence centre she is setting up. The interview and Q&A will be conducted in English.

Wednesday of Week 4 | 3 November | 17:30 | Zoom



# Speakers



## PROF. DR. MARTIN STRATMANN

PRESIDENT OF THE MAX-PLANCK-SOCIETY

Prof. Dr. Martin Stratmann is the current President of the Max Planck Society for the Advancement of Science, a world-leading independent association of research institutes. Founded in 1911, the organisation comprises 86 Max Planck Institutes today, and has given rise to 35 Nobel laureates. We look forward to speaking about the future of international research collaboration, particularly after Brexit. The interview and Q&A will be conducted in English.

Monday of Week 8 | 29 November | Time TBD | Location TBD



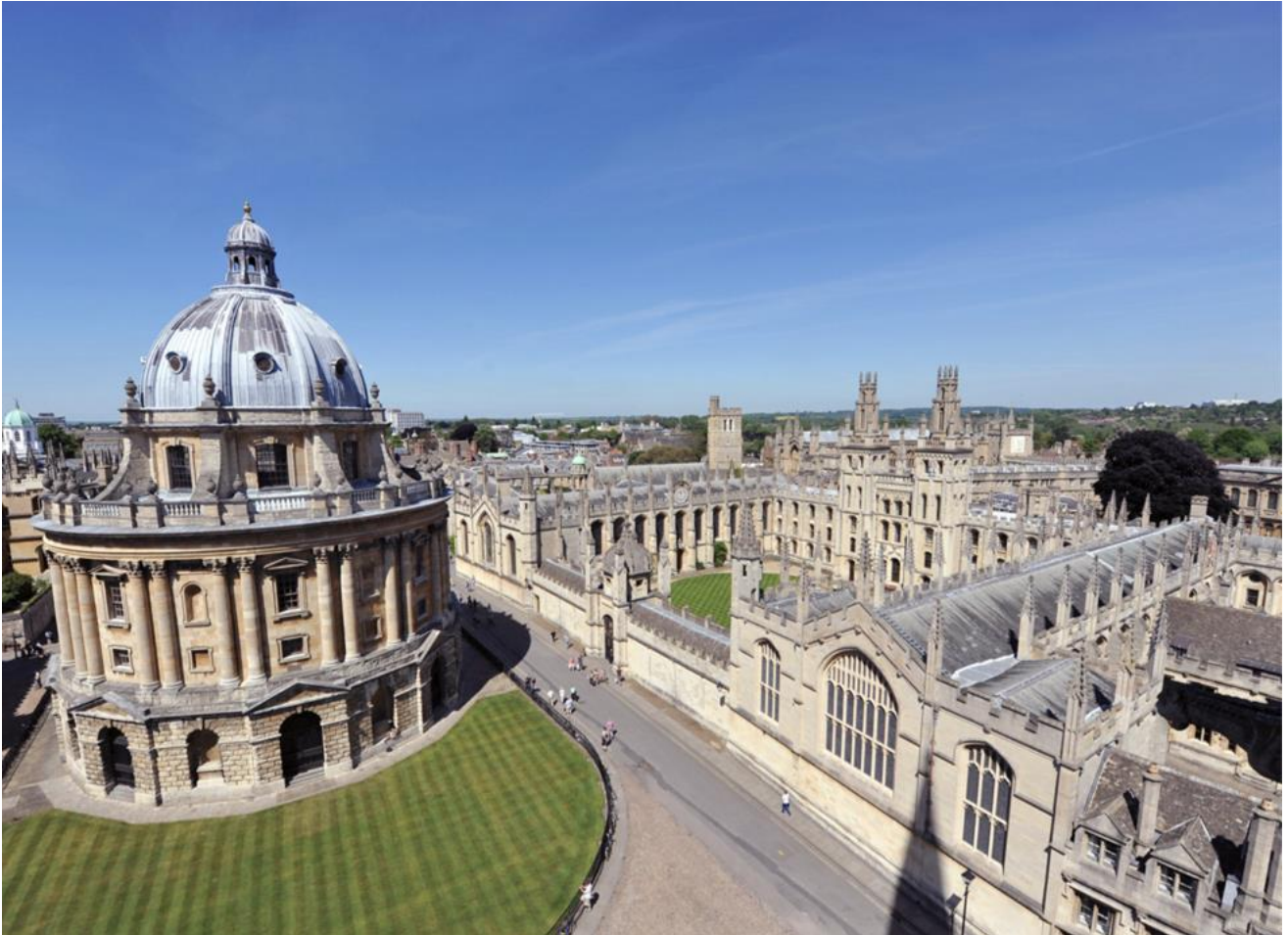
## ALEXANDER WEBER

CHIEF GROWTH OFFICER AT N26

Alexander Weber is Chief Growth Officer and member of the leadership team at N26, one of Germany's most successful start-ups with a valuation of over \$3.5bn. After its founding in 2014, the online bank grew rapidly and services provided by N26 are now available in 24 different markets. Mr. Weber joined N26 as Entrepreneur in Residence in 2014 and is of this day the longest serving member after the founders. The interview and Q&A will be conducted in English.

Date and Time TBD | Zoom

# Special Events



## OXFORD GERMAN RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2021

After a very successful first event in spring, we are pleased to announce our second Oxford German Research Symposium in Michaelmas Term, a unique opportunity for members and friends of the German Society to share their academic research with our community in an informal environment. The event promises to be a great opportunity for students across departments to present their work, receive feedback, and learn more about interdisciplinary research in Oxford. We have prepared attractive prizes for both presenters and participants. In addition, we will hold a Networking Reception after the event.

Look out for more information and the sign-up link in our weekly newsletters.

Saturday of Week 4 | 6 November | Time TBD | Location TBD



# Socials



## SCHNITZELJAGD & STAMMTISCH

Join us for a scavenger hunt around Oxford! A great way for freshers to get to know the city (and for our 'alte Hasen' to test their knowledge), our clues will show you a few forgotten corners of Oxford, and introduce you to a little history. This will also be a great opportunity to get to know some other German Society members. Winners will receive a prize, and everyone is welcome to finish off the evening at our 'Stammtisch' pub night at the King's Arms!

Sunday of Week 1 | 10 October | 14:00 | Radcliffe Camera



## KAFFEE UND KUCHEN

One of our most beloved events, Kaffee und Kuchen, lets you (re)connect with our members while feasting on traditional German cakes and our finest lukewarm "Filterkaffee". Make sure to join us and meet some old friends as well as some friendly new faces. We are hoping to allow for social distancing by providing an outdoor space to socialise but ultimately, the weather will decide if that's possible.

Friday of Week 1 | 15 October | 17:00 | Balliol College Buttery



## KICKER TURNIER (FT. POLISH SOCIETY!)

You thought the big sporting events of the year were over? Nix da! Polish Society is challenging us to a Tournament in the only true German Volkssport: Foosball. Join us for some friendly competition, drinks, and to meet new faces – the perfect way to unwind after a busy second week. First round of drinks (non-alcoholic or alcoholic) on us!

Saturday of Week 2 | 23 October | 19:30 | Trinity College Beer Cellar





# Socials



## OXTOBERFEST

Mark the date in your calendar, because this isn't one to miss: this year's Oxtobberfest is a cross-over with both the Cambridge German Society and the Oxford Union. Bier, Brezn and Schlager - we're bringing everything you love (or hate) about the Oktoberfest to Oxford. And with the original Wiesn cancelled for this year, it might even be the biggest Oktoberfest going ahead! So pack your Lederhosen or your Dirndl and join us – we're excited to celebrate with you!

Saturday of Week 3 | 30 October | Time TBD | The Oxford Union



## LATERNEN BASTELN

It's been a while, hasn't it? This year, we will bring the tradition of crafting lanterns to Oxford. Most of us have probably not made their own "Martinslaterne" since primary school, but that won't stop us from spending a creative evening with seasonal snacks. Materials, scissors and glue will be provided. Join us for a fun night, bring back your inner child, and make sure to meet other members and friends of the society.

Wednesday of Week 5 | 10 November | 18:30 | Location TBD



## FEUERZANGENBOWLE

Returning this Michaelmas, after a long COVID break, is one of Germany's well-loved classic drinks, the Feuerzangenbowle, accompanying a screening of the eponymous film, which has gained a cult following at many German Universities. It tells the story of a famous writer going undercover as a student after realising that he missed out on his high school experience by being educated at home. This event does not only cater to all those who love the style and timeless wit of Heinz Rühmann, but also those trying to improve their German. Get your alarm clocks and flashlights ready and see you there!

Tuesday of Week 6 | 16 November | 19:30 | Magdalen Auditorium



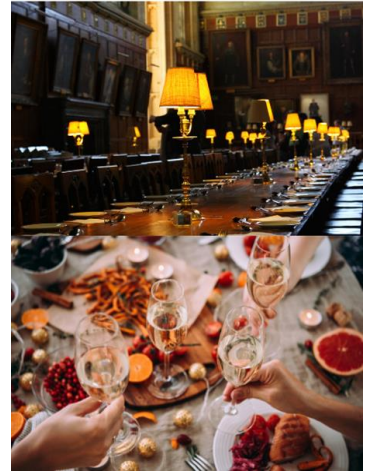
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## CHRISTMAS DINNER

A quintessential part of the *Oxford Life™* is celebrating Christmas a month ahead of time. German Society isn't one to sleep on festivities, so we're inviting you to a Christmas Dinner at Christ Church College – which means wine, Weihnachtslieder and much, much more! Can you imagine a better way to head into 7th week?

Monday Week 7 | 22 November | 19:30 | Christ Church College



## CHRISTMAS MARKET

One last time before we all head home for a well-deserved winter vacation, join us for a stroll across Broad Street Christmas Market. Fairy lights, trees, Glühwein, Spekulatius and Lebkuchen are sure to spark Weihnachtsstimmung all around – plus, it's the perfect opportunity for Christmas shopping for friends and family at home!

Thursday Week 8 | 2 December | 19:00 | Broad Street



# Language Classes



We want to help you discover the German-speaking world. That is why we offer free, weekly German lessons to all our members. We have the right class for you, regardless of your language level and in addition, we will be hosting in-person language socials for all our language students.

<div>ADVANCED LEVEL B1+</div> <div>INTERMEDIATE LEVELS A2-B1</div> <div>BEGINNER LEVELS A1-A2</div>	<div>ADVANCED CLASS</div> <div>GROUP 1 TAUGHT BY MIKA-ERIK MÖSER Saturdays of Term   12:00   Zoom</div> <div>GROUP 2 TAUGHT BY BJÖRN VAHSEN Sundays of Term   16:00   Zoom</div>
	<div>INTERMEDIATE CLASS</div> <div>GROUP 1 TAUGHT BY OLIVER SCHWARZ Saturdays of Term   13:00   Zoom</div> <div>GROUP 2 TAUGHT BY EMIR FARUK Sundays of Term   10:00   Zoom</div>
	<div>BEGINNER CLASS</div> <div>GROUP 1 TAUGHT BY DARREN LEOW Saturdays of Term   10:00   Zoom</div> <div>GROUP 2 TAUGHT BY ANNA GLIEDEN Sundays of Term   12:00   Zoom</div>

If you would like to participate, please email [language@oxford-germansoc.co.uk](mailto:language@oxford-germansoc.co.uk) and we'll assign you a space or put you on our waiting list if demand for our language classes exceeds availability.





# Our Sponsors



Our sponsors provide the financial support that enables us to invite our speakers and put on all our events. They also organise career events in cooperation with the Oxford University German Society. All important information regarding the events will be provided by email in our weekly newsletter and on our social media accounts. We would like to thank all our sponsors for their kind support.



# Join the Society!



Become a member of Oxford's central hub for German culture and language! We seek to entertain and bring together all those interested in Germany, including learners of the German language and students from German-speaking countries. Membership will give you free entry to most of our events as well as access to a unique network of students with a shared interest in Germany. Upon graduation, you will be designated a *Friend of the Society*, keeping your right to attend all Stammtische, events, and talks.

You can become a member at one of our events or [join online](#) on our website.



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