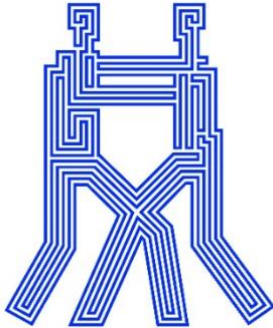


Press Release

Eva Illouz Delivers the 3rd Stuttgart Future Speech



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On Tuesday, February 4th, at 6:00 PM, Eva Illouz will deliver the 3rd **Stuttgart Future Speech** at Stuttgart City Hall.

The sociologist and author Eva Illouz is regarded as one of the most important contemporary intellectuals. In her books, she has explored questions such as why love hurts, why it ends, and how capitalism permeates our relationships and emotions for many years. Her latest work, *Explosive Modernity* (Suhrkamp Verlag 2024), offers a keen analysis of our emotionally charged present and examines the future of our coexistence from the perspective of its emotional cultures.

After the Hamas attack on Israel, Eva Illouz has spoken out in many interviews and texts about the situation in Israel and Palestine, sharply criticizing Netanyahu's government. At the same time, she defends Israel's right to exist and condemns the rising antisemitism within society.

Eva Illouz is the third speaker in the **Stuttgart Future Speech** series, following Daniel Kehlmann and Liao Yiwu.

Illouz is a professor of sociology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and a director of studies at the Centre européen de sociologie et de science politique, École des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris. She has received numerous awards for her work, including the Anneliese Maier Research Award from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, the Aby Warburg Prize from the City of Hamburg, and the Frank Schirmmacher Prize.

After Illouz's one-hour lecture, Catherine Newmark, philosopher and journalist, will engage in a conversation with her.

The **Stuttgart Future Speech** is accompanied by a supporting program. On the morning of February 5th, Eva Illouz will meet with students from a Stuttgart girls' high school at the Hospitalhof. Later that afternoon, the University of Stuttgart will host a workshop with Illouz, offering academics the opportunity "to read and re-read" her works. On February 6th, the public is invited to participate in a Q&A session with Illouz at the Literaturhaus.

The **Stuttgart Future Speech** is a collaboration between Literaturhaus Stuttgart, the International Center for Cultural and Technological Studies at the University of Stuttgart (IZKT), the Institut français, and the Evangelische Bildungszentrum Hospitalhof Stuttgart, with support from the City of Stuttgart and the Berthold Leibinger Stiftung.

The lecture and discussion will also be available via livestream.

Location: Town Hall, Marktplatz 1, Stuttgart. Admission is free, no registration required.

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