



## Theodor Heuss Commemoration Lecture 2017

Professor Herfried Münkler: The new wars —  
on the return of an historic pattern

**The new wars of the present indicate a series of striking similarities with each act of violence we are familiar with as the “30 Year War” from the Europe of the 17<sup>th</sup> century: the combination of hegemonic and religious wars, numerous rapidly interacting fronts, the warlords, the fragile truces. This is the theory of the Berlin political scientist, Herfried Münkler.**

Does looking back at history help us to understand the crises and wars of today? In the Theodor Heuss Commemoration Lecture 2017 Herfried Münkler will explain how much we can learn from analysing the 30-year war in order to understand our present.

### About the speaker

Professor Dr Herfried Münkler, born in 1951, is a professor of the theory of politics at the Berlin Humboldt University. The focus of his research lies in the political theory and history of ideas, political culture research, the theory and history of war as well as in the analysis of risks and security. He was awarded numerous prizes for his work, including in 2009 the prize from the Leipzig Book Fair in the category of non-fiction books.

### About the Theodor Heuss Commemoration Lecture

On the occasion of the date of death of Theodor Heuss on 12<sup>th</sup> December 1963, the University of Stuttgart and the Foundation Bundespräsident-Theodor-Heuss-Haus are organising the annual Theodor Heuss Commemoration Lecture. In memory of the first president of the Federal Republic, who taught in the post-war years at the Technical University of Stuttgart, each year an outstanding

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personality from science or public life gives a talk on a topic from contemporary history. The lecture follows the tradition of the high profile speech with which Theodor Heuss makes a specific mark and one that is binding for his office.

The University of Stuttgart and the Foundation Bundespräsident-Theodor-Heuss-Haus are cordially inviting visitors to this lecture and the subsequent reception.

**Venue:** University of Stuttgart, auditorium 17.01, Keplerstr. 17,  
70174 Stuttgart

**Time:** Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017, 7 pm

**Entrance:** free, subsequently small reception

We request **your registration** to: [hkom\[at\]uni-stuttgart.de](mailto:hkom[at]uni-stuttgart.de)

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