

GERMAN CANCER RESEARCH CENTER IN THE HELMHOLTZ ASSOCIATION

Günther Schütz Prize 2026 Ceremony

Date: November 12, 2026, Time: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Location: DKFZ Communication Center, Main Auditorium, INF 280, Heidelberg
Chairs: Dr. Hai-Kun Liu & Dr. Siegfried Ruppert

Agenda

15:00 – 15:05
Welcome

15:05 – 15:10
Greetings from the Schütz Family
Dr. Siegrun Korth-Schütz

15:10 – 15:30
Invited Speaker
Prof. Francis Stewart
Senior Professor of Genomics, Technische Universität Dresden and Director of Genome Engineering, Shandong University, Qingdao, Shandong, China
Title: From Günther to the enigma of the MLLs

15:30 – 16:00
Invited Speaker
Dr. Martina Benesova-Schäfer
Junior Research Group Head of Division of Translational Radiotheranostics, DKFZ, Heidelberg
Title: The New Face of Radioactivity: Turning One of Nature's Most Feared Forces into a Precision Medicine Revolution

16:00 – 16:10
Laudation
Prof. Dr. Oliver Stegle
Head of Division of Computational Genomics & Systems Genetics, DKFZ, Heidelberg, Associate Faculty, Wellcome Sanger Institute, Cambridge, UK Associate Group Leader, Genome Biology Unit, EMBL Heidelberg, Germany

16:10 – 16:40
Prize Winners´ Presentation
Dr. Manu Saraswat
Division of Computational Genomics & Systems Genetics, DKFZ, Heidelberg
Ms. Laura Rueda-Gensini
Division of Cell Fate Engineering and Disease Modeling, DKFZ, Heidelberg
Title: Decoding the regulatory programs governing glioblastoma plasticity

16:40 Award Günther Schütz Prize 2026 and Photo Session

17:00 Reception

19:00 Dinner (Invitation Only)

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