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Onora O'Neill is emeritus Professor at the University of Cambridge. She is one of the world's most distinguished moral philosophers, having published widely on political philosophy and ethics, international justice, bioethics and Kant. In 2016, Professor O'Neill was awarded the Knight Commander's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany (Grosses Bundesverdienstkreuz) for her outstanding contribution to moral and ethical questions of trust, accountability in civic life, justice and virtue; and in 2017 she was awarded two of the most prestigious international prizes in the humanities: the Holberg and Berggruen prizes. She is a life-peer and cross-bench member of the UK House of Lords. Professor O'Neill is currently President of the Society for Applied Philosophy.



**Dienstag, 18 Dez. 2018, 18–20 Uhr
Hauptgebäude, Hörsaal A
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RETHINKING THE ETHICS OF COMMUNICATION

Ethical and epistemic standards for communication have been discussed since antiquity. And since antiquity they have periodically been disrupted by technological innovations, then revised and restored by cultural as well as by legal and regulatory changes. However, the disruptions to standards of communication produced by the mushrooming growth of online technologies in the late C20 may prove particularly difficult to deal with. One source of difficulty can be traced to widespread preoccupation with “freedom of expression” across the past half century, sometimes at the expense of adequate consideration of the ethical and epistemic standards that are essential for those on the receiving end of others’ speech acts, on which adequate communication relies. I shall suggest that legal and regulatory remedies to these problems may prove difficult and controversial.



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"Rethinking the Ethics of Communication"
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