

Press Release

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## Artistic-Scientific Research **Matters of Evidence: A conference on how to unearth and manifest material traces**

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*In September Alistair Hudson, the new scientific-artistic director of ZKM | Karlsruhe, will open his project “Fellow Travellers”, establishing a large-scale hybrid laboratory for socio-artistic topics at ZKM. The prologue to a central segment of the new project will take place in June with the “Matters of Evidence” conference. At this conference, independent curator Kuba Szreder and artist Natalia Romik will discuss questions about the validity and construction of evidence in artistic-scientific research. In collaboration with the Jewish Museum Frankfurt, the two-day conference links directly to its exhibition “Hideouts. The Architecture of Survival” by Natalia Romik. (ZKM | Karlsruhe, international conference “Matters of Evidence”, 14–15 June, 2024, participation free of charge, registration at [matters-of-evidence@zkm.de](mailto:matters-of-evidence@zkm.de))*

### **Artistic-scientific Search for Evidence**

The conference “Matters of Evidence” presents a range of artistic and scientific methods and tactics that visualize hidden material traces and bring to light topics and stories hitherto neglected by the public eye. A particular focus is on issues related to the validation of evidence and methods of establishing the truth, which have become increasingly important not only in the academic disciplines of historical and natural sciences, but also in artistic practices.

Alistair Hudson, scientific-artistic director at ZKM, says: “By examining forensic traces and objects, ‘Matters of Evidence’ makes subcutaneous focal points visible, using technological tools that help us to see the world more clearly, and then act more ethically in it.”

“Matters of Evidence” ties in with the exhibition “Hideouts. The Architecture of Survival” by artist and architect Natalia Romik, which is showing at the Jewish Museum Frankfurt from March 1 to September 1, 2024. At the conference in June 2024, an international group of artists, architects, scientists, activists, and historians will present selected pieces of evidence from their respective research practices and put them forward for discussion. From September 2024, these artifacts will then be re-

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contextualized and exhibited in an extensive “Matters of Evidence” presentation as part of the “Fellow Travellers” exhibition at ZKM.

You will find the conference program at [www.zkm.de](http://www.zkm.de). Participation is free of charge.

Please register at [matters-of-evidence@zkm.de](mailto:matters-of-evidence@zkm.de)

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