



HBIGS Lecture

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**„ Darwin’s controversial inheritance -
The way evolutionary theory has
changed our view of the world “**

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Start of Lecture: 17:00 s.t.

Venue: INF 267 (Bioquant), R041

Abstract:

Shortly after he had completed the first draft of his theory of evolution in 1844, Charles Darwin wrote to his friend Joseph Hooker that publishing the theory seemed to him “like confessing a murder”. Right from the beginning, Darwin was aware of the far-reaching impact his theory would have. Since “On the Origin of Species” was published, 150 years have passed, but the theory of evolution is as controversial as ever. The lecture will shed some light on the conflict between Darwin’s challenging idea and traditional beliefs.