

The Deutsch-Britische Gesellschaft
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invites you to a lecture entitled

How AI Ate The World

with

Chris Stokel-Walker

on Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 19 hrs (CET)

Venue: Frankfurter Presseclub, Ulmenstraße 20, 60325 Frankfurt and virtual (via Zoom*)

Please register for the Pressclub by May 17 and for Zoom by May 21 at dbg-rheinmain@t-online.de.

***Registered Zoom-participants will receive login details on May 22.**

Biography:

Chris Stokel-Walker is a freelance English journalist, specialising in technology. He regularly contributes to the BBC, Washington Post, New York Times, WIRED, Economist, Guardian, New Scientist and Newsweek, and appears on the BBC, Sky News, CNN, Al Jazeera, Times Radio and other TV channels and radio stations.

Chris is author of *YouTubers: How YouTube Shook Up TV and Created a New Generation of Stars* (2019, Canbury Press), and *TikTok Boom: China's Dynamite App and the Superpower Race for Social Media* (2021, Canbury Press) – the first popular book on TikTok. He wrote *The History of the Internet in Byte-Sized Chunks* (2023, Michael O'Mara Books), and is the author of *How AI Ate The World* (2024, Canbury Press).

Synopsis:

Artificial intelligence will shake up our lives as thoroughly as the arrival of the internet. And tech journalist Chris Stokel-Walker explores in the laboratories of the Silicon Valley innovators making rapid advances in 'large language models' of machine learning. He meets the insiders at Google and OpenAI who built Gemini and ChatGPT and reveals the extraordinary plans they have for them.

Along the way, he explores AI's dark side by talking to workers who have lost their jobs to bots and engages with futurologists worried that a man-made super-intelligence could threaten humankind.

He answers critical questions about the AI revolution, such as what humanity might be jeopardising; the professions that will win and lose; and whether the existential threat technologists Elon Musk and Sam Altman are warning about is realistic – or a smokescreen to divert attention away from their growing power.

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