



**27 NOVEMBER 2023**  
**14:00-17:30**



**DELFT UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**  
TuDelft X – [www.tudelft.nl/x](http://www.tudelft.nl/x) Room: Body & Mind  
1st floor, Mekelweg 8-10, 2628 CD Delft

## The Man from the Future

# NEUMANN SYMPOSIUM



## The Lasting Legacy of John von Neumann

**Join us in commemorating the remarkable legacy of the Hungarian-American scientist, John von Neumann, on the occasion of his 120th birth anniversary.**

His contributions have left an indelible mark on various scientific disciplines, fostering specific cross-connections between theory and practice in fields such as digital computing, game theory, general equilibrium, artificial intelligence, and numerous other areas built upon his foundational research.

This symposium, with the participation of esteemed experts and guest speakers, will provide a unique platform for knowledge exchange and intellectual discourse. Together, we aim to explore the enduring impact of John von Neumann and how his theories continue to shape modern science.

## Program

- 13:45 – 14:00**     **Registration**
- 14:00 – 14:05**     **Welcome speech** – H.E. András Kocsis,  
Ambassador of Hungary to the Netherlands
- 14:05 – 14:40**     **'The Visionary Ideas of John von Neumann'** – Dr. Ananyo Bhattacharya Ph.D.,  
science writer, author of the book 'The Man from the Future'
- 14:40 – 15:20**     **'Game theory: flourishing after Von Neumann planted the seed'** –  
Lecture by Eric van Damme, Professor of Economics (Emeritus),  
Tilburg University
- 15:20 – 15:35**     **Coffee break, with Hungarian cakes**
- 15:35 – 16:15**     **'The von Neumann Dimension'** - Lecture by Gabor Elek,  
Researcher of the Hungarian Alfred Renyi Institute of Mathematics,  
Professor of Pure Mathematics, Lancaster University
- 16:15 – 16:55**     **'Computing beyond Von-Neumann'** – Lecture by Said Hamdioui,  
Chair Professor on Dependable and Emerging Computer Technologies,  
Head of the Quantum and Computer Engineering department, TuDelft
- 16:55 – 17:00**     **Quiz about von Neumann's life, with prizes**
- 17:00 - 17:30**     **Reception with snacks and drinks**

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We look forward to welcoming you at TuDelft X! Attendance is free of charge, but we kindly request you to register in advance to secure your spot.

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**Co-organizer:**

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