## **TUESDAY 23 MAY**

20:00

**University of Luxembourg** 

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## THE QUEST FOR IMMORTALITY AND PERFECTIBILITY

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Four-times TED talks speaker <u>Dr. Michael Shermer (http://www.michaelshermer.com/)</u> is to give a world premiere talk in Luxembourg entitled "Heavens on Earth: The Quest for Immortality and Perfectibility".

With the rise of political Islam, terrorism, as well as nationalism and identity politics in the West and the increased pressure on free speech, how can science contribute to humanity's continued moral development?

Michael Shermer argues in his new book, "Heavens on Earth", that science and reason, rather than religious beliefs about life after death, are the best means we have to create a more just and free world, leading humanity towards a better future. The talk is organised by the Alliance of Humanists, Atheists and Agnostics of Luxembourg (AHA).

(http://www.aha.lu/index.php/news/events/291-heavens-on-earth-the-quest-for-immortality-and-perfectibility)

Dr. Michael Shermer is the editor-in-chief and founder of Skeptic Magazine, a monthly columnist for Scientific American and a New York Times bestselling author of books such as "Why People Believe Weird Things".

As a public intellectual he regularly contributes opinion editorials, book reviews, and essays to the Wall Street Journal, Science, Nature, and other publications. He has appeared on shows including Larry King Live and Oprah Winfrey. He is the only person in history to have given four TED talks. Seen by millions, they were voted in the top 100 of the more than 1000 TED talks.