## **Welcoming words**

With this conference volume, the second special edition of the research magazine "Laureshamensia" at the UNESCO World Heritage Site Lorsch Abbey after 2020 is now being published. We, the State Administration of Palaces and Gardens in Hesse, are pleased that despite the difficult conditions caused by the pandemic, with this new edition we have been able to make another impressive contribution towards international networking in the fields of history, archaeology, ethnology and museum studies, but above all also in the thematic fields of sustainability and sustainable development. The fact that this volume, in addition to the printed version, is also made available as an open-source online resource is of particular concern to us and emphasizes our self-understanding and sense of responsibility in this regard.



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