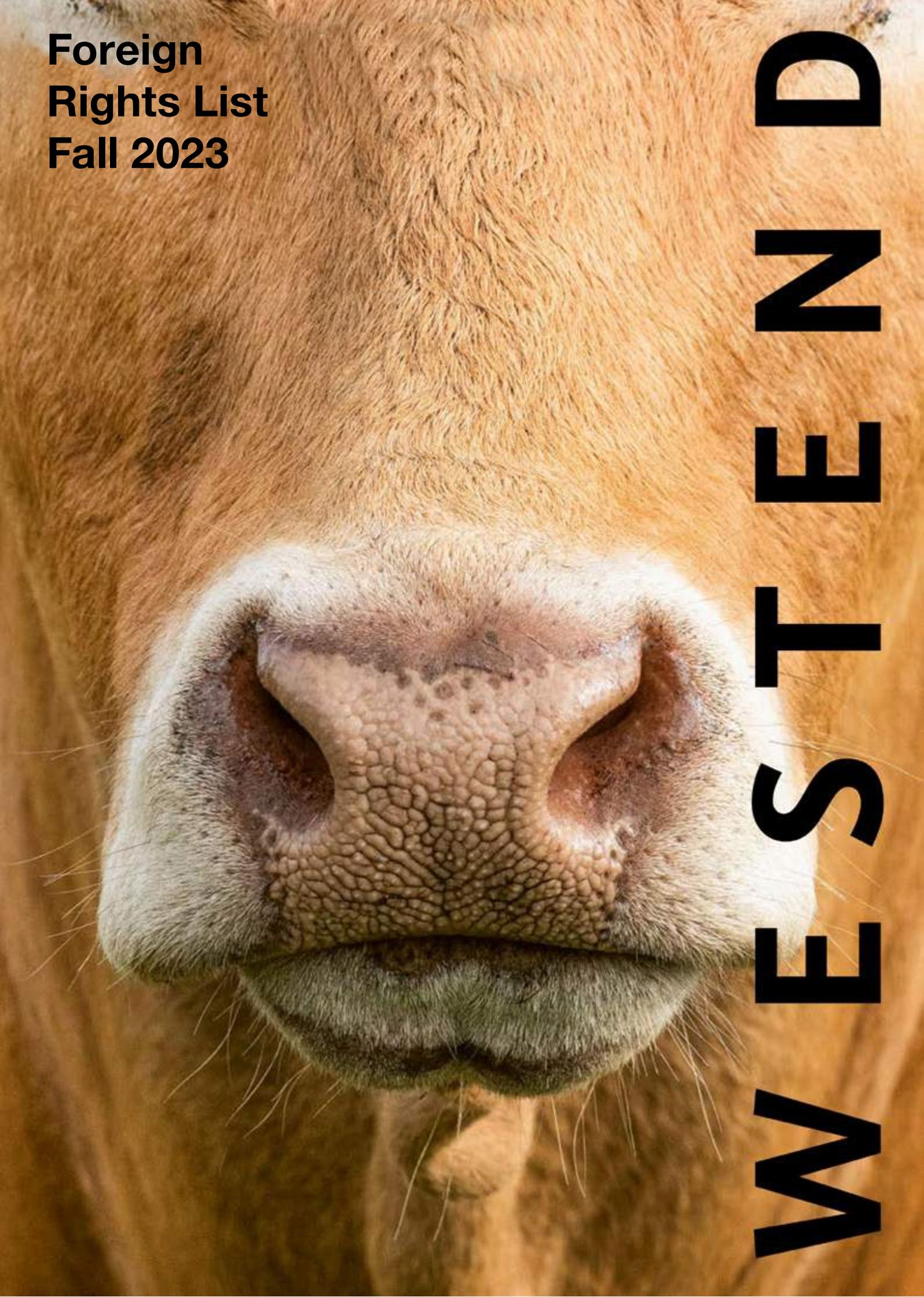


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Sabine Kuegler

Sabine Kuegler was born in Nepal in 1972 and spent her childhood in the jungles of West Papua, where her family lived with an indigenous tribe that was hardly known at the time, the Fayu. At the age of 17, Sabine Kuegler left the jungle and completed her schooling in Switzerland. In 2005, her first book "Jungle Child" was published, a world bestseller that was translated into over 30 languages. In 2012, sick and abandoned by doctors, she returned to the jungle, where she lived for almost five years with various tribes in the deepest jungles of Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands and finally found healing. Today, Sabine Kuegler works as an entrepreneur and is committed to fighting social and cultural ills.

"I no longer swim where the crocodiles are"

Sabine Kuegler grew up in the jungles of West Papua. She came to Europe at the age of 17 and experienced a culture clash. Today she lives in Hamburg, has children, friends and a job. But she is still a torn between worlds and the inner struggle for her identity torments her. In the jungle she had learned to become invisible in order to survive - in the Western world you have to be visible. She doubts and looks at our civilisation from outside and inside: Are we happy here? Alienated? Healthy? Several times she returns to the jungle. On one of these trips, Sabine Kuegler falls seriously ill, is considered out of treatment and makes a last desperate attempt to save herself: She leaves Germany and goes back to the jungle, to the culture where she feels protected. She experiences adventures that many people find hard to believe. It is only after five years that she comes back and tells for the first time about this dramatic time, about her search for healing, happiness and her place in life.

By the author of the world bestseller "Child of the jungle"

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„Ich schwimme nicht mehr da, wo die Krokodile sind“

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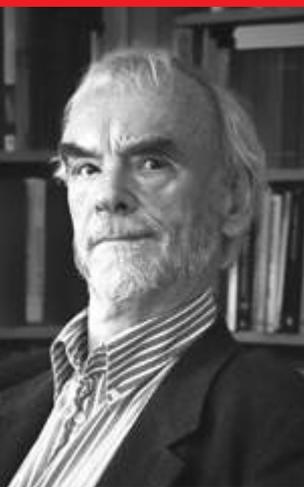
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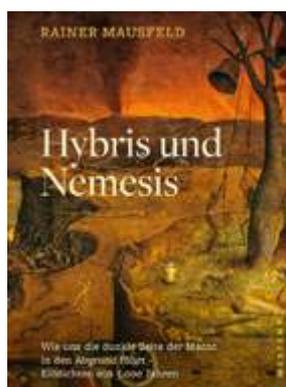
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Rainer Mausfeld

Rainer Mausfeld is a professor at the University of Kiel. Before his retirement, he was the chair of the faculty for perception and cognition studies. He writes on neoliberal ideology, the deconstruction of democracy into an authoritarian surveillance state, and psychological techniques of opinion.



Hybris and Nemesis

How the dark side of power leads us into the abyss - Insights from 5000 years

The risks and dangers of military and ecological destruction are now so great that they threaten human civilisation par excellence. The challenge of creating a good, liveable and well-ordered community is more urgent today than ever before. But the only means on which hope can be founded is de facto no longer available to us today: democracy. The cognitive psychologist Rainer Mausfeld argues that democracy has become an empty word: while democracy was once an instrument to contain elite depravity, the guiding civilisational idea of democracy has been expropriated from us, distorted, and turned into its opposite: the rule of elites. In a broad sweep, Mausfeld shows how this devastating development could have come about and what we must do to escape the civilisational abyss.

Rainer Mausfeld's analysis goes back to antiquity: we must rediscover nothing less than justice and shame, two affects that are essentially linked to the true idea of democracy.

Original title:

Hybris und Nemesis

Wie uns die dunkle Seite der Macht in den Abgrund führt - Einsichten aus 5000 Jahren

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Also available by Rainer Mausfeld:



Mausfeld uncovers the system behind this indoctrination while exemplifying historic constants and thereby making us aware of the various psychological methods of manipulation.

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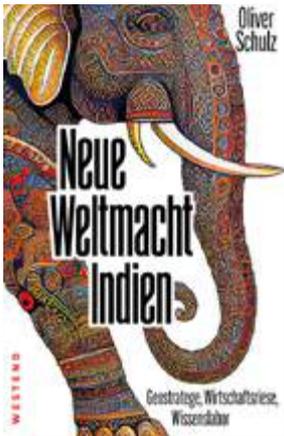
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Oliver Schulz

Oliver Schulz is an Indologist, Tibetologist and Sociologist and works as a freelance journalist. He is the author of the non-fiction books "India on foot" and "8849" (Westend) and has written numerous articles on the political situation on the subcontinent in *Die Zeit*, *Zeit online*, *Spiegel*, *Welt*, among others. He lives in Hamburg.



New world power India

Geostrategist, economic giant, knowledge laboratory

Opinions are divided about India. Although, or perhaps precisely because, hardly anyone in the West understands this contradictory country. Between slums and pomp, between yoga and high-tech, between Bollywood culture and casteism, the country whose importance for the world community is growing ever greater has remained a mystery to us. Oliver Schulz provides a deep insight into the various facets of Indian society and culture and gives us an overview of the political, economic and social development prospects of the new superpower that is increasingly staking its claim to a leading role in the world. What really makes this country tick? What holds it together? How reliable is it as a partner? And how threatening could its rise become for the global community?

The unknown superpower - a new partner for the West?

Original title:

Neue Weltmacht Indien

Geostrategie, Wirtschaftsriese, Wissenslabor

Original language: German

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Sandra Kostner / Stefan Luft



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Ukraine War

Why Europe needs a new Policy of détente

This anthology analyses the causes and consequences of the war in Ukraine and in particular the role of the West. The thesis is that a new policy of détente is the central prerequisite for peace in Europe and an end to the conflict in Ukraine. Confidence-building measures and negotiated solutions must be moved to the centre of the political debate. For only by turning away from a policy of confrontation, expansion and irreconcilable rivalry can a major war and the use of nuclear weapons be prevented.

The international authors assembled in this volume show the devastating effects of previous policies and offer interdisciplinary and multi-perspective analyses of the confrontational policy between Russia and NATO as well as perspectives for a Europe in peace and freedom. With contributions by Wolfgang Streeck, Klaus von Dohnanyi, Sabine Schiffer, David Teurtrie, Jacques Sapir and many others.

“Wolfgang Streeck explains what is really at stake: the reorganization of the global state system.”

Jacobin

Original title:
Ukrainekrieg
Warum Europa eine neue Entspannungspolitik braucht

Original language: German

Publication in April 2023
336 pages

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Jonas Tögel

Dr. Jonas Tögel is an Americanist and propaganda researcher. He did his doctorate on the topic of soft power and motivation and works as a research assistant at the Institute of Psychology at the University of Regensburg. His research interests include motivation, the use of soft power techniques, nudging, propaganda and epochal challenges of the 20th and 21st centuries. The author's website is www.jonastoegel.de.



Cognitive War Leadership

Latest manipulation techniques as NATO weaponry

Since 2020, NATO has been pushing a new form of psychological warfare: so-called 'cognitive warfare', which NATO itself calls the 'most advanced form of manipulation'. This takes direct aim at the psyche of every human being, with the aim of 'hacking' our minds like a computer. Propaganda researcher Jonas Tögel explains the background and history of the development of cognitive warfare; from the beginning of modern war propaganda 100 years ago, to the militarisation of neuroscience, to future technologies such as nano-robots or neuro-weapons. And he shows that the war of thought often goes unnoticed via so-called "soft power techniques" already today.

Original title:
Kognitive Kriegsführung.
Neueste Manipulationstechniken als
Waffengattung der NATO

Original language: German

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How psychological warfare is targeting our minds.



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Heiner Flassbeck

Heiner Flassbeck was State Secretary from October 1998 to April 1999 at the Federal Ministry of Finance, Bonn, responsible for international affairs, the EU and IMF. He worked at UNCTAD since 2000; from 2003 to December 2012, he was director of the Division on Globalization and Development Strategies. Since January 2013 he is director of Flassbeck-Economics, a consultancy for global macroeconomic questions.



Foundations of relevant Economics

"Fundamentals of Relevant Economics" is the name of the new book by Heiner Flassbeck. This book turns economics upside down. For the first time, without ideological blinkers, markets are consistently examined for their functioning within the framework of a dynamic development theory and fundamentally questioned, except for the majority of goods markets. Neither capital nor labour markets produce the results claimed by the vast majority of economists and assumed in all their economic policy recommendations. This book creates a completely new basis for economic policy.



Basics for a new economic policy.

Original title:
Grundlagen einer relevanten Ökonomik

Original language: German

Publication in January 2024
544 pages

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Also available by Heiner Flassbeck:



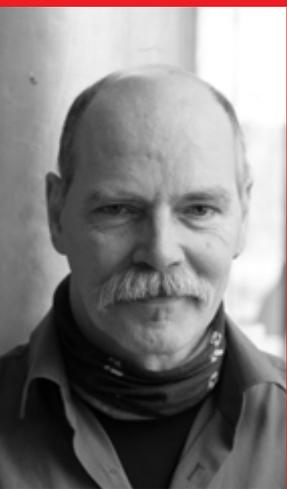
Independent, fact-based and competent insights about the national and international economic issues and opportunities of 2022/23 .

Original title:
Atlas der Weltwirtschaft 2022/23
Zahlen, Fakten und Analysen zur Globalisierten Ökonomie

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Publication in November 2022

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Florian Schwinn

Florian Schwinn, born in 1954, is a journalist of politics and economy. He has worked in the areas of print and radio, and now he produces and hosts the German award-winning radio show "Der Tag" for the Hessian Broadcast. For many years, Schwinn's work has been revolving around environment protection, and the preservation of natural resources.



The Climate Cow

From environmental sinner to world saver

Out of the barn and back to the pasture "It's the milk that does it" used to be the slogan in advertising and similar slogans were also used to advertise meat. Unthinkable today. After all, we know how harmful milk and meat are - for us and for the climate. We do know that cows are destroying the world's climate with their methane emissions. But do we really know that? Are these narratives about our agriculture and diet supported by facts and scientifically verifiable? No, they are not, says Florian Schwinn. On the contrary: the much-maligned cow can be our saviour. More than ten thousand years after we built our culture on the backs of cattle, we can save this very culture and thus our world with their help. To do so, however, we have to stop confining them to stables and turning them into high-performance machines. We have to let them out again and give them back the space they once created with and for us.

We have to turn the entire agricultural sector from an industrial hydrocephalus to a farming community. And that can only be done with cows! This book shows why and how.

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Die Klima-Kuh.
Von der Umweltsünderin zur
Klimaretterin

Original language: German

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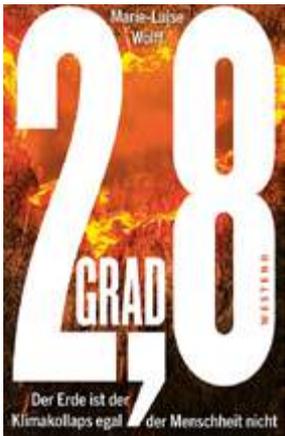
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Marie-Luise Wolff

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2.8 Degrees!

The Earth does not care about climate collapse - humanity does

The goal of the Paris Climate Conference of 2015 to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius is considered a failure by scientists. According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, our planet is heading for a warming of at least 2.8 degrees Celsius by the end of the century. This would bring our entire planetary ecosystem to a tipping point and humanity to the brink of survival: storms, melting polar ice caps, droughts and floods will threaten cities and countries and with them the living space of millions and millions of people on all continents. How can we counteract these tipping points? Marie-Luise Wolff argues for a global policy that calls for a planetary agenda. She explains what the most important steps are and why planetary action is one of the few chances we still have to preserve a future for human life on the planet.

Everything has its price - including the earth.

Original title:

2,8 Grad!

Der Erde ist der Klimakollaps egal –
der Menschheit nicht

Original language: German

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Arno Luik

Arno Luik, born in 1955, was a reporter for Geo and Tagesspiegel, editor-in-chief of the taz, deputy editor of the Abendzeitung and longtime author of Stern magazine. Conversations by "Germany's leading interviewer" (taz) have been translated into more than 25 languages; for his conversation with Inge and Walter Jens, Luik was named "Cultural Journalist of the Year" in 2008. His most recent publication at Westend is the interview book "Als die Mauer fiel, war ich in der Sauna" (2022).



Twelfthtide

"Yesterday I was still in the middle of life, today I am outside and confronted with what we all know, but what most of us somehow repress. But for me it is no longer possible to block out this knowledge: that we all have to die. The bastard in my body hammers this knowledge into my head without ceasing: I've got you under control! And I would like to yell at it: Come out, you stupid creature! But the evil beast does not think about it. Will radiation, chemo wear it down, strangle it?"

These lines are written by the best-selling author Arno Luik - from the most important text he has written in his life. A text, originated in an extreme situation, which, yes, because of that also inspires to see the self-evident not as self-evident. After his cancer diagnosis, which Luik received last late summer, he does what he never did before: he writes a diary. He notes down his inner views, his nightmares, his longing for life - but suddenly it's about much more: about this torn, maltreated world. Which could be so beautiful if, for example, those in power were not ...

After his cancer diagnosis best-selling-author Arno Luik does what he never did before: he writes a diary.

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Original language: German

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Rainer Weiss

Rainer Weiss, born in 1949, former programme manager Suhrkamp, co-founder of weissbooks.w, now publicist, editor and publisher of Edition W. Weiss lives in Frankfurt am Main.



Goethe's Faeuste

Political, all-political

This sentence does not come from Goethe, of course, but the great poet and thinker, who spent his childhood and youth in the (always) contentious city of Frankfurt am Main and celebrated his first outstanding successes in the era of the "Sturm und Drang", was a man of clear words. Goethe has much to say to us today. In our catastrophe-ridden times, his advice is: "Never bend, show yourself strong ...". In an accurate selection from his work, the poet of "Faust" shows his strong fists.

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Goethes Fäuste

Original language: German

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Who does not defend himself lives wrongly.



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Alexander Glasner-Hummel / Monika Morres / Kerem Schamberger

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Monika Morres was an employee of parliamentary groups and members of the Bundestag for over two decades. For 23 years she has been the responsible director of the legal aid fund for Kurds in Germany, AZADÎ e.V.

Kerem Schamberger born in 1986, is political correspondent and communication scientist at university of München. For many years his subject has been the oppression of the Kurds in Turkey.



Escaped. Prohibited. Excluded.

How the Kurdish Diaspora is Muzzled in Germany

For decades they were vilified as "terrorists" and their organizations were defamed as the "main enemy of internal security": Kurds in Germany. Although these people once fled their homeland to find protection from war and persecution, the West, and Germany in particular, criminalizes almost all organizations of the Kurdish diaspora. This policy is justified until today with the PKK ban of 1993. Every federal government, regardless of color constellation, has continued this anti-Kurdish policy so far. For the first time, Alexander Glasner-Hummel, Kerem Schamberger and Monika Morres show the authoritarian methods used to silence Kurds in this country. They conclude: The repression against the Kurdish movement is a German democratic deficit.

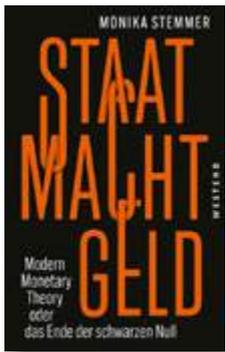
Original title:
Geflohen. Verboten. Ausgeschlossen.
Wie die kurdische Diaspora in Deutschland mundtot gemacht wird

Original language: German

Publication in October 2023
200 pages

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Repression against Kurds - a German democratic deficit



State, Power, Money.

Modern Monetary Theory or the End of the Black Zero

Where does money come from? Why is it usually scarce and suddenly available in almost unlimited supply during crises? Why are there bitter battles between the two big camps of Keynesians and Neoclassics? Where does the federal government suddenly get hundreds of billions of euros in times of Corona? Vividly and for a broad audience, Monika Stemmer explains the forms of money creation, the role of the state with its monetary monopoly, and the concept of Modern Monetary Theory (MMT). Monika Stemmer is convinced that Modern Monetary Theory can help us to prevent the gap between rich and poor, North and South, from widening.

Monika Stemmer was born 1972, studied law in Munich and Berlin and painting in Bologna. Since the 2008 financial crisis, she autodidactically studied post-Keynesian economics and Modern Monetary Theory. She is a speaker of a political-economic salon with economists and lawyers. Her special interest is the impact of the Eurozone on Italy's development. She lives in Berlin.

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Staat Macht Geld
Modern Monetary Theory oder das Ende der schwarzen Null

Original language: German

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The history of asset management

People have been investing wealth since time immemorial. Investment forms such as land or jewelry look back on a history of more than 5000 years. In ancient times, government bonds or bank deposits were added, later shares and today cryptocurrencies. Which value investments have paid off, which have not? How have investment rules changed? And who wins in the stock market game between investors? With his fascinating cultural history of money and assets, Johannes Seufferle offers for the first time a comprehensive as well as understandable look at the historical development of all investment categories from antiquity to the present day.



Johannes Seufferle studied economics at the University of Munich, where received his doctorate. First he had a consultancy contract at the Federal Chancellery, then he worked at the leading German reinsurer. Subsequently he was an investment banker responsible for European banks and insurers at major banks in Frankfurt and London. Later he was a manager of a private bank in Geneva. Today he is financial consultant and publicist.

Original title:
Die Geschichte der Vermögensanlage

Original language: German

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1280 pages, 2 volumes in slipcase

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Dress warmly, it's about to get even hotter!

Updated new edition with additional chapter

The 2021 floods in the Ahr Valley, the 2022 heat and drought year with water shortages, massive forest fires and heat waves - UN Secretary General António Guterres says: "We are on the highway to climate hell." Yet what are most governments, as well as many of us privately, doing? Nothing. Wait and see. Instead of tackling problems and using the time we have left, we talk ourselves into a better world. This book is about how we can solve it and create a more sustainable world for our children and grandchildren.

Sven Plöger has been predicting the weather on radio and television since 1999. In 2010, he received the "Best Weather Presenter on German Television" award in Bremerhaven. A meteorologist by training, he regularly gives lectures on weather and climate.

Andreas Schlumberger graduated in biology, before he turned to environmental journalism full-time and also became a consultant for communication concepts on sustainable development. As editor-in-chief, he directed a journal on environmental practice.

Original title:

Zieht euch warm an, es wird noch heißer!

Vollständig aktualisierte Neuausgabe mit den Schwerpunkten Wasserstoff und Kernfusion

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Of cooking and killing

Culinary meditations on the beginning of mankind

With his philosophy of cooking, Juskowitz has written an insightful book about the place of people in nature. The philosopher and cook considers the kitchen as the center of human life. He embarks on a journey to the beginnings of human culture, shows what individual as well as social forces are inherent in cooking, and explores the questions: Where did we come from? How did we cook back then? How do we cook now and how will it be in the future?

Leon Juskowitz studied philosophy and sociology. He worked as a waiter, cook and baker and then went on a culinary tour. Afterwards he founded a catering company and the Frankfurt Culinary Festival as part of the Frankfurt Book Fair. He is the initiator of the series "Philosophisch Dinieren" at the Museum Angewandte Kunst, as well as a gardener, ethics teacher and author.

Original title:

Vom Kochen und Töten.

Kulinarische Meditationen über den Anfang der Menschheit

Original language: German

Publication in April 2023
144 pages

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The Best Medication is Coming out of the Kitchen

How a Healthy Diet Helps Saving the Planet

In his new book Volkmar Nuessler shines a light on the healing powers of a healthy diet. He explains the importance and correct uses of nutritional groups like meat, milk products and vegetables, showing how each contributes to our, and the planet's, health. Incorrect nutrition is today's leading cause for death. He expects a radical reassessment of food production, knowledge acquisition and sustainable values, working with leading chefs and nutritionists to create new meals that keeps us healthy and protect our environment. Live longer with appetizing and healthy new meals!

Volkmar Nuessler, born in 1956, is an internal oncologist and executive coordinator at the tumor department of the Comprehensive Cancer Centre Munich. He is the founder of multiple counselling hubs about the connection between nutrition and cancer. According to him, buying ecologically produced food and cooking healthily are the base to a balanced and sustainable diet

Original title:
Die beste Medizin kommt aus der Küche.
Was eine gesunde Ernährung zur
Rettung des Planeten beiträgt

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The Perplexing Fabric of Reality and the Boundaries of Physics

The world has lost its fascination with classical physics, expecting it to already be able to explain every possible reality and natural phenomenon. But that is a wrong impression. Many existential questions are still unanswered, with the newest findings of quantum physics alluding to the existence of other realities outside of space and time. Modern physics and religion are not contradictory, according to Gantefoer. Quite the opposite, if applied together, a new understanding of our reality, and every other reality, could be achieved. Gantefoer inspires going down a path to discover the inexplicable, fantastical and sometimes spine-chilling matter of physics.

Gerd Gantefoer, born 1956, is a professor for astrophysics, energy, climate and elementary particles at the University of Konstanz. Gifted with the talent of explaining complex topics with easily understandable phrases, his YouTube channel has gone viral with over 11,000 subscriptions and millions of clicks for his seminar-like videos, thus furthering a fascination of physics.

Original title:
*Das rätselhafte Gewebe unserer
Wirklichkeit und die Grenzen der Physik*

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