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# Clivia von Dewitz

Clivia von Dewitz, is a Youth Court judge in Northern Germany (born in Hamburg), currently on sabbatical. She has conducted research in New Zealand, Canada and the US (Alaska and Hawaii) on restorative justice and indigenous justice. In 1997 she interned at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in South Africa and wrote a book on how South Africa dealt with the apartheid past. Her PhD is on how Germany addressed Nazi-propaganda after 1945. In 2023 her latest book was published, a manual on Restorative Justice for judges and public prosecutors. She has provided trainings for judges in Tunisia on democracy and human rights (2014) and judges and prosecutors on restorative justice in Nepal (2019) and Brazil (2018) and Germany.



## A Peace Commission for the Ukraine conflict?

### About the South African Truth Commission and its Transferability to the Ukraine conflict

Reconciliation between Russia and Ukraine? In view of the war in Ukraine, the question of how to deal justly with human rights violations is being raised with new urgency: how can reconciliation be achieved after all the crimes, what would be a path to justice? The South African Truth Commission at the end of the 1990s showed that it is possible to respond to violent conflicts without only thinking about the highest possible penalties. In her essay, Clivia von Dewitz outlines how a peace commission could be established that focuses on clarifying what happened, does not disadvantage any of the nations involved and could therefore make a significant contribution to peace and re-conciliation. History teaches us that only those who face up to their criminal past and deal with it have a chance of preventing it from happening again in the future.

*"This is a timely and worthy contribution to the quest for peaceful settlements of conflict and a return to societies governed by the rule of law."*

Mary Burton, commissioner on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission

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*Gerechtigkeit durch Wiedergutmachung?*  
Zur südafrikanischen Wahrheitskommission und deren Übertragbarkeit auf den Ukrainekonflikt

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# Volkmar Nuessler

Prof. Dr. Volkmar Nuessler was born and raised in Dresden. He began his medical studies in his hometown and completed them in Munich. He is an oncologist and was Managing Coordinator of the Tumor Center Munich (TZM) from 1998 to 2022. In this role, he initiated the establishment of a psychosocial advice center for cancer patients and their relatives back in 2010.



## Strong Against Cancer!

### How you can prevent, support healing and gain new strength with the right diet

Many tumor patients ask themselves what they can do to support their cure. Nutrition plays a very important role here, explains Prof. Dr. Volkmar Nuessler vividly in this book. The long-standing head of the Munich Tumor Center presents the latest findings and also shows how healthy people can prevent cancer with the right diet, and at the same time clarifies myths about healthy eating. Nuessler also provides his readers with exclusive recipes that he has developed together with top chefs.

*Proper nutrition is still the best medicine. The latest findings from a top expert!*

Original title:

*Stark gegen Krebs!*

Wie Sie mit der richtigen Ernährung vorbeugen, die Heilung unterstützen und neue Kraft schöpfen

Original language: German

Publication in February 2024  
172 pages

With many recipes and photos

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Also available by Volkmar Nuessler:



*The Best Medication is Coming out of the Kitchen*

Publication in January 2023,  
224 pages,  
7000 copies sold

Preface in English available



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# Matthias Struth

Matthias Struth is a Catholic priest at the diocese of Limburg and preaches in the Liebfrauenkirche and in Frankfurt Cathedral. He has also been a hospital chaplain at the University Hospital in Frankfurt am Main. His focus is pastoral care on the palliative care unit. He is part of the working group on ethics in medicine and organizes the memorial services for body donors as well as the services for those who died of Aids.



## Final questions

### What dying people want to know

At the end of a life, the unimportant things fade into the background and the big and fundamental questions arise. But what are the questions that emerge as central in the last hours of life? And how can they be dealt with? In his day-to-day work, pastor and Frankfurt hospital chaplain Matthias Struth encounters many people at the end of their lives who are thinking about the afterlife or dealing with their faith. Some people's faith is put to a tough test, others are only just emerging. Struth tells these stories with great ease and confidence, without taking away their seriousness.

*A book full of encouraging and clairvoyant approaches to the ultimate questions.*

Original title:  
*Letzte Fragen*  
Was Sterbende wissen wollen

Original language: German

Publication in November 2024  
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# Michael Andrick

Dr. phil. Michael Andrick holds a PhD in philosophy and is a columnist for the Berliner Zeitung. His first book was published in 2020 "Erfolgsleere". For the stylistic clarity and conciseness of his texts, he received the Jürgen-Moll-Price in 2022. Andrick lives in Berlin, where he works in the private sector. He publishes in Freitag, DLF Kultur, Welt and Weltwoche, among others.



## In the Prison of Moral

### Understanding and overcoming division

Why do our differences of opinion end in bitter feuds that divide us? Why can we no longer argue with each other in a civilized manner and part on friendly terms? Where does the embarrassing silence in families, among friends, colleagues and in the media come from? Whether it's the coronavirus crisis, gender issues or the war in Ukraine, we have been hearing for years that society is either "polarized" or "divided" and that the discussion climate is "poisoned". But there is a lack of in-depth analysis of the reasons and mechanisms. Philosopher Michael Andrick shows that our discourse misery arises from a behavior that we have all mastered: division is an infection of communication channels with the virus of moralization. This book explains how we have become so alienated from each other, where this is leading society - and how new understanding can succeed.

*Freedom instead of moralizing - for an open culture of debate.*

Original title:  
*Im Moralefängnis*  
Spaltung verstehen und überwinden

Original language: German

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172 pages

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# Esther Bockwyt

Esther Bockwyt studied psychology and legal psychology at the Universities of Marburg, Cologne and Bonn. She works as a self-employed psychological assessor and is the owner of the diagnostically active diagnostic expert office "Die Gutachterinnen". As an author, she writes psychological specialist and non-fiction books. She hosts the podcast Psycho-Logisch, in which she also discusses social aspects from a psychological perspective. Guest contributions by her appear periodically in the Neue Zürcher Zeitung (NZZ).



## Woke

### Psychology of a culture war

Psychologist Esther Bockwyt analyzes that what was once thought of as progressive left-wing identity politics has long since crossed the threshold into a militant ideology. A generalized division of people into victim groups and privileged groups is used to determine who is allowed to say or do what and when. As critical as she is balanced and, above all, far removed from the shrill tones of the feature pages, Bockwyt captures the topic of wokeness from a psychological perspective for the first time and asks: How is a "woke psyche" composed when narcissism, conscientiousness or aggression exceed a healthy level? How does the interaction with group dynamics lead to excessive opinion control, which can lead to a cancel culture, i.e. the boycott of individuals, groups or culture?

*A Psychologist analyses the identity politics:  
A clever look on an overheated debate.*

Original title:

*Woke*

Psychologie eines Kulturkampfes

Original language: German

Publication in February 2024

224 pages

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# Bernward Geier / Stefanie Pöpken / Renate Kuenast

Bernward Geier worked as a scientist at the Institute of Organic Agriculture after studying agricultural sciences. He has been running a full-time organic farm with his family for almost 20 years and has been an active journalist for more than 50 years.

Stefanie Pöpken is an expert on animal welfare and worked for eight years in national and international projects in the field of sustainable forest management and greenhouse gas reporting after completing her studies in agricultural science.

Renate Kuenast (The Greens) has been a member of the German Bundestag since 2002. She was Federal Minister of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection from 2001 to 2005. Kuenast is currently spokesperson for the Working Group on Food and Agriculture.



## Farm Animals

### More than just a Question of Husbandry

Repeatedly, information and images of the worst conditions on farms reach the public, and yet some exemplary structures have now been established. But: animal husbandry and animal welfare - do they even work together? The authors, three renowned experts, come to the conclusion on the basis of an in-depth survey of current abuses and the presentation of possible alternatives, especially in organic farming: Yes, it is possible - if animal husbandry is consistently oriented towards animal welfare. A book that encourages us to implement the long overdue, major transformation steps for the benefit of farm animals.

*Animal welfare - and how it can succeed.*

Original title:

*Nutztiere*

Mehr als eine Frage der Haltung

Original language: German

Publication in January 2024

280 pages with many photos

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# Charlotte Kerner

Charlotte Kerner, born in Speyer in 1950, studied economics and sociology in Mannheim. She worked on an urban sociology research project and later as a freelance journalist for ZEIT, GEO and EMMA, among others. She has long been active as a book author and has been honored with the "German Youth Literature Prize" and the "Schleswig-Holstein Literature Prize".



## We Are Volcanoes

### The Eco Visionaries Rachel Carson, Lynn Margulis, Donna Haraway

Biology is female! The three scientists Rachel Carson, Lynn Margulis and Donna Haraway, whose lives and work are the subject of this book, have been exploring the question of how humanity has become alienated from nature since the 1950s. Against much resistance, they have crossed disciplinary boundaries, created new links between scientific research, philosophy, sociology and evolutionary theory and described how closely intertwined we are with other life forms on Earth. Even in their day, they posed the central questions that are more important than ever today when it comes to our chances of survival in the future.

*"We are volcanoes. When women like us bring our experiences as our truth, as human truth, all maps change. New mountains emerge. That's what I want - I want to hear how you erupt."*

Ursula LeGuin

Original title:

*We are Volcanoes*

Die Ökovicisionärinnen Rachel Carson,  
Lynn Margulis, Donna Haraway

Original language: German

Publication in April 2024  
208 pages

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# Sandro Mattioli

Sandro Mattioli, born in 1975, has been working as a journalist on the Italian mafia since 2009 and has repeatedly described the activities of criminal organizations in Germany during this time. In 2012, he was also elected president of mafianeindanke. The association has achieved significant successes when it comes to better combating organized crime. Mattioli is regularly invited to lectures and conferences in Germany, Austria and Switzerland.



## Germafia

### How the Mafia is taking over Germany

Mafia Republic of Germany? According to official information, there are more than 1000 mafiosi living in Germany, while Italian prosecutors speak of several thousand. Journalist and mafia expert Sandro Mattioli knows from numerous conversations with those affected, mafia dropouts, police officers and public prosecutors that the mafiosi see "unsuspecting Germany" as their prey and have long since begun to infiltrate society, the economy and politics in a targeted manner. The Calabrian 'Ndrangheta in particular operates highly strategically. But the German state is hardly doing anything about it. Why is this the case? Mattioli reports in detail and vividly on his research, on intimidations and mafia activities in German institutions and areas where they would never have been suspected before. It is about time to prevent the mafia from taking over Germany.

*One of the best Mafia experts of the country with exclusive access to top sources.*

Original title:

*Germafia*

Wie die Mafia Deutschland übernimmt

Original language: German

Publication in May 2024  
320 pages

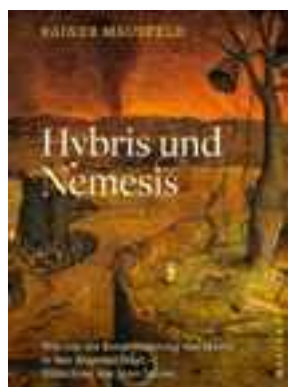
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# Rainer Mausfeld

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 Entzivilisierung von Macht in den Abgrund führt - Einsichten aus 5000 Jahren

Original language: German

Publication in November 2023  
490 pages

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Also available by Rainer Mausfeld:



*Silence of the Lambs*

How the power elite and neoliberalism destroy our society

Publication in 2018, 320 pages  
80.000 copies sold

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# Christine Prayon

Christine Prayon is an actress, cabaret artist, mother and political activist. She has won numerous awards for her stage programs, most recently the Dieter Hildebrandt Prize. She is known to a wider audience as "Birte Schneider" from the ZDF heute show in which she participated from 2011 to 2022. Her reason for leaving the show she explained that especially since the pandemic dissenters would be defamed. Since being vaccinated against and infection with Covid-19, Prayon has suffered from Long Covid and post-vac respectively.



## Out of office note

### Long Covid, Short Story

Cabaret artist Christine wants to write a book. Her editor Gabi thinks it's a good idea and accompanies the creative writing process. The only problem is that the book is doomed to fail from the outset. And one of the two protagonists is ill.

A satirical mock autobiography. A pseudo-authentic satire. An email novella. A fictional factual report about Long Covid and Post Vac, about discourse constriction and red lines and a million regrettable individual cases. If you don't know what to do with it, just read the cheeky women's novel on the bonus pages.

*A fictional factual report about Long Covid and Post Vac.*

Original title:  
*Abwesenheitsnotiz*  
*Long Covid, short Storys*

Original language: German

Publication in February 2024  
128 pages

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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 June 2024  
544 pages

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Also available by Heiner Flassbeck:



*The Atlas of World  
Economy 2022/2023*

Original language: German  
Publication in November 2022

128 pages, visual aids with up-to-date  
figures and facts

10.000 copies sold

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On the bestseller  
list since 13 weeks!

## “I don’t swim where the crocodiles are”

Sabine Kuegler grew up in the jungle of West Papua, Indonesia. Her book "Dschungelkind" became a worldwide bestseller. At the age of 17 she moved to Europe and experienced a culture clash. Today she lives in Hamburg, has children, friends and a job. But she is still torn between two worlds, and the inner struggle for her identity torments her. In the jungle, she learned that in order to survive, you have to become invisible - in the Western world, you have to be visible.

**Sabine Kuegler** was born in Nepal in 1972. At the age of five, she moved with her parents, both linguists, to the jungles of West Papua, Indonesia, where she spent her childhood and adolescence. At the age of 17, Kuegler left the jungle to complete her education in Switzerland. In 2005, she published her first book, *Dschungelkind* an international bestseller. In 2012, sick and abandoned by doctors, she returned to the jungle, where she lived with various tribes for almost five years, finally finding a cure.

Original title:  
*„Ich schwimme nicht mehr da,  
wo die Krokodile sind“*

Original language: German

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Reading Sample in English available



## 2.8 Degrees!

### Endgame for Humanity

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. 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.

**Marie-Luise Wolff** is the executive chairwoman of the ENTEGA AG, one of the largest public utility companies in Germany. More than 30 years of experience in the German industry in various positions. Further, she sits on several committees and supervisory boards such as the advisory board to the German Academy of Language and Literature. She lives in Cologne and Darmstadt.

Original title:  
*2,8 Grad!*  
*Endspiel für die Menschheit*

Original language: German

Publication in October 2023  
176 pages

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