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"Anyone looking for a signpost through confusing terrain will find it here."

Jean-Pierre Wils



Otfried Höffe

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On the relationship between democracy and religion

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- Philosophical essay by a renowned ethicist
- Relationship between democracy and religion: a dilemma?
- Current debate on democratisation in the Catholic Church

IN GERMAN

How much religion can the secular state tolerate? And how much democracy can religion tolerate? Encounters between politics and religion carry a high potential for conflict. How can we handle this? The internationally renowned ethicist and philosopher Otfried Höffe explores these questions in depth in his essay, referring to ideas from antiquity to modernity as he does so. His knowledgeable and fascinating remarks are more relevant than ever in a time in which more and more political conflicts around the world are religiously charged.

PHILOSOPHY



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Otfried Höffe taught political philosophy in Zurich, Sankt Gallen and most recently in Tübingen, where he heads the research centre for this field. He is known far beyond Germany for his numerous publications on political philosophy, moral philosophy and applied ethics, as well as on Aristotle and Kant. His books have been translated into more than twenty languages.

HIRZEL

"To put it quite clearly, we have to be able to rely on ourselves in the future. And 'ourselves' doesn't mean Germany, France, Italy, Poland or Austria. Quite simply, it means the union of Europeans."

UN-Secretary-General António Guterres

Edzard Reuter

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- A personal view of our changing world with an epilogue on the war in Ukraine
- Well-known author: former chairman of Daimler-Benz and best-selling author



IN GERMAN

Edzard Reuter is a European by conviction, and a fighter for an economy that is also geared to the well-being of employees, the environment and society. In his book, he looks back at the 90 years of his life as a politically and socially committed person. The expert in and observer of world politics and the world economy shows how the world has changed and what role the Middle East, Russia, the USA and China play in this. For Reuter, the path of the European Union is quite clear: it has to become an independent state structure. The war in Ukraine testifies to the urgency of a paradigm shift in Europe.

EUROPE



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Edzard Reuter was Chairman of the Board of Management of Daimler-Benz AG from 1987 to 1995. He has been a member of the social democratic party (SPD) for over 70 years, is an honorary citizen of Berlin, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Helga and Edzard Reuter Foundation and of the Ernst Reuter Archive Foundation. He is also a member of the board of trustees of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation.

HIRZEL

"... sober, knowledgeable, and easy to read despite the complex subject matter. [...] This elaborately researched review is far from being dogmatic."

Ulrike Till, SWR2



Peter Cremer-Schaeffer

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what we need to know*

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- A harmless drug, or the start of an addiction?
- The background on legalisation and the consequences
- Useful information for anyone who has anything to do with cannabis

IN GERMAN

For the current German government coalition the legalisation of cannabis is a done deal. Over the course of the legislative period, the possibility is to be created of providing adults with a controlled supply of cannabis for recreational purposes. But regardless of that, the health consequences of cannabis use remain controversial. In his book, the author debates the state of opinion. What findings on cannabis are definite today, and which questions remain unanswered? He also takes stock of the use of cannabis for medicinal purposes, which has been legal for years. Whether about the plant, its effects on body and mind or the legal situation in other countries, anyone who wishes to have a well-considered say on the topic of cannabis needs to read this book.

HEALTH



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Dr. Peter Cremer-Schaeffer is a specialist in anaesthesiology. He has been working at the Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices (BfArM) since 2003, and has headed the Federal Opium Office there since 2009. The topic of cannabis has been one of the focuses of his research for years, to which end he is in constant exchanges with scientists, doctors, pharmacists, and patients.

“As is so often the case, the truth lies somewhere in the middle”

Rudi Völler, footballer and philosopher

Johannes Schweikle, Oliver Lück

What Does the Ball Think?

Why football is not just kicking

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- The Camp Nou kiosk:
where Messi bought his sweets
- Uncle Fritz and Berti Vogts:
my World Cup '74 final
- With an essay on the identity-
creating power of football



IN GERMAN

A football is a moody thing, and the art of mastering it a highly challenging concern. Whether fan or philosopher, football is a fascination, and its various facets are revealed in this anthology with memorable, intelligent and curious contributions. How and with what (human rights-violating) methods did Qatar prepare for the World Cup? Actress Christiane Paul explains why she supports FC Bayern. Herman van Veen explains the difference between Dutch and German football fans, and the report 'Five balls for Angola' takes readers on a journey to football in Africa. A book for dedicated fans and critical football observers.

SPORTS



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Oliver Lück is a journalist, photographer and author. He has written for publications including the stadium magazine of FC St. Pauli, and now works for Spiegel Online and the magazine of the Süddeutsche Zeitung, to name but a few.



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Johannes Schweikle turned to journalism after studying theology. He contributes to publications such as Die Zeit, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, and has written reports and portraits on Joshua Kimmich and football in Pakistan.

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**"He had no appetite for anything,
and yet stuffed himself on everything."**

Georg Christoph Lichtenberg



Jürgen Dollase

Gluttony

Blow-out

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- Eleven tips for better enjoyment

IN GERMAN

One of Germany's best-known restaurant critics, Jürgen Dollase knowledgeably traces the ups and downs of our love of food. Following the historical-theological classification of the 'mortal sin' that is gluttony, he illuminates not only the physical and medical but also the so important psychological aspects of food. We learn just why his weight loss self-experiment was not successful in the long term as well as various enlightening facts regarding the fateful role of the discounters. This book is not an appeal for moderation, but a plea for moderate indulgence.

PSYCHOLOGY



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Jürgen Dollase studied art, music and philosophy, and was a professional rock musician before working as an author and producer with a growing interest in cooking. He writes regularly for the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, Feinschmecker, Port Culinaire and European Fine Wine Magazine, and is also the author of numerous books on culinary topics.

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"What is today often labelled as 'sex addiction' was termed a 'mortal sin' in the Middle Ages. That's quite a kerpow: MORTAL sin."

Henriette Heil

Henriette Hell

Lust

Fuckability, orgasm gap and #metoo

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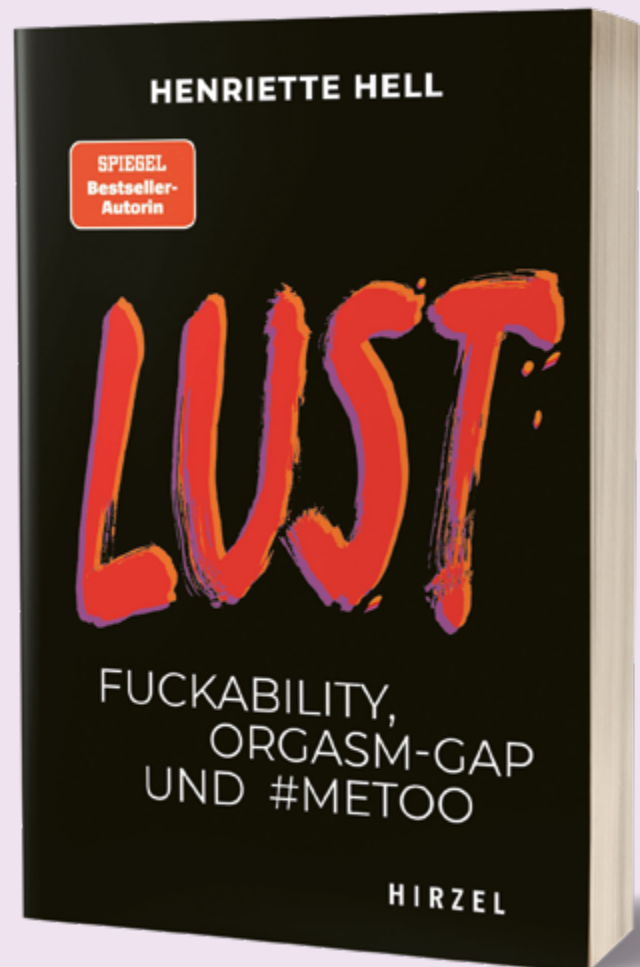
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- Entertaining and critical essay
by the Spiegel's best-selling author
and columnist



IN GERMAN

Lust, a mortal sin? These times are over. In today's public perception, it is more likely for a boring sex life to be categorised as that. In statistical terms, people have never had as little sex with each other as they do today. And yet tips for a good sex life are to be found on every (digital) corner. Sex has mutated into a lifestyle product, and terms like 'fuckability' and 'MILF' trip lightly off our tongues. Henriette Hell takes a closer look at the thing about sex. She traces the history and genesis of 'sexual liberation', and sheds light on the 'cheating gene' and the #metoo debate. The author asks (and answers) the question of whether sex is becoming more and more antisocial and what actually still turns us on today. In doing so, she focuses on the former mortal sin of lust, which is inseparably linked to the systematic suppression of female lust (and its liberation).

PSYCHOLOGY



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Henriette Hell works as a journalist and author in Hamburg and during her travels around the globe. Her book "Achtung, ich komme! In 80 Orgasmen um die Welt" (Watch out, I'm coming! Around the world in 80 orgasms) promptly became a bestseller. She enjoys writing honestly and casually about sex because she thinks far too few people are doing it. Her column 'Love from Hell' in Stern magazine was a weekly essential for many readers.

HIRZEL

"In May 1985, my father once again bade us goodbye. He was off to London, he said. (...) He never came back. Not a trace of him remained"

Corinna von Bassewitz



Corinna von Bassewitz

My Father's Secret

The BND, my family and I

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- Inside the BND: the daughter of a double agent tells her story
- Exciting and moving: a narrative non-fiction book
- Cold War espionage: a text that is based on true events

IN GERMAN

For a long time, Corinna von Bassewitz believed her father was a soldier, later on that he was a diplomat. Then, at the age of 16, she learnt something unbelievable: he had been a secret agent for the Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND, Germany's Federal Intelligence Service). Once the secret had been at least partly uncovered, she became something of a spy herself and eventually found some confidential documents in her parents' attic. Later, she realised that her father had been living as a double agent for the FRG and the GDR. So what effect does it have on a girl if her father conceals his true identity and eventually disappears without trace? Along with her family history, the author provides multi-layered and exciting insights into the historical context of the Cold War. A very personal book, intriguingly told and emotionally touching.

HISTORY



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Corinna von Bassewitz is a journalist and writes primarily for lifestyle magazines about all the beautiful things in life. She has already worked for Instyle, ELLE, GQ, Vogue and Falstaff, among others.

"Mental abuse in partnerships is an extremely important issue for society. The consequences of this form of domestic abuse are often overlooked or underestimated. Caroline Wenzel's new book is a well-founded, differentiated, extremely worthwhile way of addressing this problem."

Prof. Dr. Helmut Kury, criminologist

Caroline Wenzel

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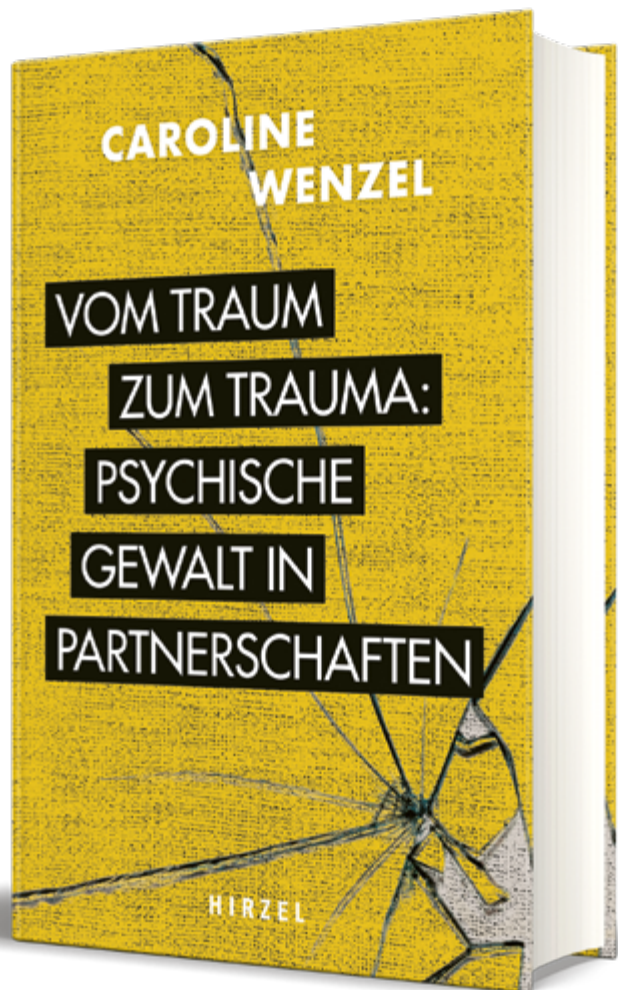
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- Lifting the taboo on mental abuse in relationships
- Personal perspective via encouraging testimonials from those affected by it
- What to do? Answers, suggestions and contact points



IN GERMAN

The level of domestic abuse has been increasing for years, but often only cases of physical abuse hit the headlines. Hardly anyone talks about the mental, or psychological, abuse that usually precedes a physical or sexual assault. Those affected do not usually recognise the destructive dynamic in their relationship until far too late. In this book, three case histories illustrate the typical forms of mental abuse in relationships. In addition, experts explain the topic from psychological, therapeutic, political and legal perspectives, and the head of a counselling centre for male victims of mental abuse also has his say. An important and startling book.

SOCIETY



Caroline Wenzel is a television journalist. She has been working as an editor and film author for the Südwestrundfunk, ARD and Arte both at home and from abroad since 1997. She is a qualified psychologist with the focus on clinical psychology and criminology. She lives in Stuttgart and on the Greek island of Chios. She has published numerous television documentaries and reports as well as several books.

HIRZEL

"We have made a lot of mistakes over the two years. But we've also learnt a lot. About the virus, but also about ourselves." Simon Krivec



Simon Krivec

Corona Chaos

Confessions from a pharmacist

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- Two years of the pandemic: frightening and bizarre anecdotes from the everyday life of a pharmacist
- Vaccine chaos and unaffordable disinfectants: a look behind the scenes
- Authentically told

IN GERMAN

More than two years of pandemic is more than two years of corona clutter. Only a staggering level of helpfulness, improvisation and flexibility prevented the healthcare system from collapsing completely. In this highly topical book, pharmacist Simon Krivec tells of his incredible experiences and the stormy ups and downs of pandemic madness, missing masks and disinfectants, and the feeling of having been totally abandoned by a helpless state. We learn, for instance, of the short-term procurement of large quantities of ethanol and the transportation of the highly flammable substance, and just what lured the author – and 71,400 euros in cash – to visit the port of Neuss at night.

SOCIETY



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Simon Krivec studied and holds a doctorate in pharmacy, and has been running a group of pharmacies in Moers since 2013. From the early days, he was the contact person for the establishment of the vaccination centre, and for months was responsible for supplying the centre in the district of Wesel and in the city of Moers.

**"But when the war will be over,
I would like to cry uninhibitedly for once."**

Christoph Brumme

Christoph Brumme

In the Shadow of War

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- Authentically told records of the war in Ukraine
- How can normal everyday life continue when nothing is normal any more?



IN GERMAN

"What can you learn in war? Do you become numb, do you get used to it at some point? Does war make you "hard", uncaring, above pain? No. These are just clichés. Every day brings new horrors. At best, one learns for some time to suppress strong feelings, because to give in to them would weaken one's life instinct." In a very stirring and shocking, but sometimes humorous language, Christoph Brumme tells of the situation in Ukraine, the everyday life of his family and friends, of fears, longings and political assessments. The diary entries of the war and the resistance of the Ukrainians, starting from the first signs of the impending war in mid-January 2022 until the printing of this book, 1st May 2022, impressively bear witness to the brutality of these events.

UKRAINE



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The 59-year-old German writer **Christoph Brumme** records every week how he experiences the war in his adopted country Ukraine. He lives with his family in Poltava.

HIRZEL

"Scheller's writing is dense, powerful, and strong on theses."

Nikolai Okunew on "Metalmorphoses" by Jörg Scheller in H-Soz-Kult



IN GERMAN

Jörg Scheller

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- How the concept of privileges limits the socio-political debate
- Prerogatives or advantages: what exactly are privileges?

There is a great deal of talk about privileges. At the head of the privileged in this narrative is the 'white man'. Today, the word 'privilege' is used as a term for advantages and favours. Jörg Scheller is clear: "Anyone who fights ideology in an ideological way is not doing himself any favours, and instead is doing his opponent a tremendous one." In his essay, Scheller returns the concept of privilege to its historicity, distinguishing between prerogatives and advantages. What exactly are privileges? When does the attribution 'privileged' make sense, and in which cases can it obscure our view of reality?

SOCIETY



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Jörg Scheller is Professor of Art History at the Zurich University of the Arts. He is a regular contributor to the Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Die Zeit, and Frieze Magazine, and is a columnist for the Stuttgarter Zeitung. Already as a 14-year-old, he performed on stage with a metal band, and he currently runs a 'chamber metallic' heavy metal delivery service, motto 'Metal for all'. His book "Metalmorphosen" (Metalmorphoses) was published by Franz Steiner Verlag in 2020.

“In the second half of the 19th century, Queen Victoria and, among scientists, Charles Darwin were considered the world's most famous personalities. After Darwin's death, this became Ernst Haeckel.” Rainer Willmann

Rainer Willmann

Ernst Haeckel

*Zoologist, artist, philosopher
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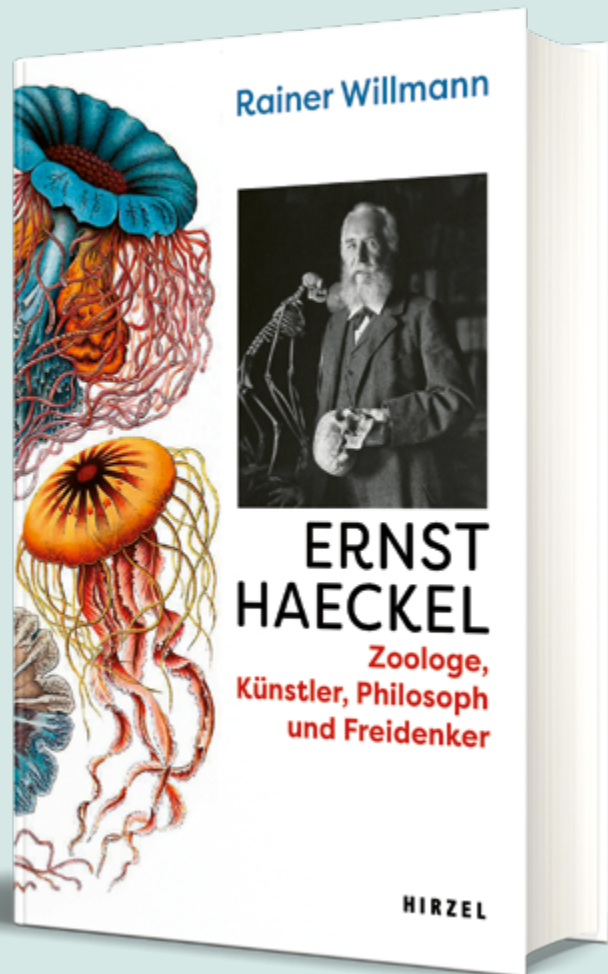
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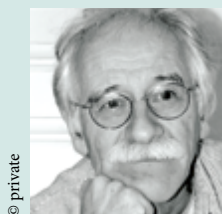
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SCIENCE



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Erk J. Thomsen

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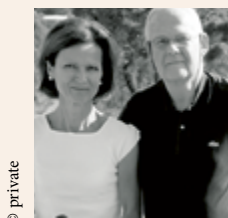
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- Development work in Africa:
an insider remembers
- How to help? An experience report
- A personal and emotional account

IN GERMAN

On 25 October 2010 Erk and Marion Thomson flew to Kigali, Rwanda, for the first time. Their destination: the convent of the Benedikira Sisters in Butare, where the nuns' projects included the administration of a hospital. A parish in Hamburg supported the projects, and Erk Thomsen was representing the pastor, who was travelling elsewhere, to look at the matter on site. But that was when the couple's real commitment actually began. Both were touched and embraced by the country and its people. They wanted to continue to help, this time with their own projects, and there were many of them. In this book, Erk Thomsen tells of his encounters with a country and its people – and of the projects he supports.

AFRICA



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Until a few years ago, Erk Thomsen was the managing partner of the family business, Lehmann&Voss (chemical industry) in Hamburg. He and his wife Marion have been involved in projects in Africa for years.

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Crossroads

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- Positions: the dogma of gender binary
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- Controversy: Adrian Holderegger



IN GERMAN

Questions of identity trigger controversial and highly emotional discussions in the political and social debate. The positions range from radically emancipatory perspectives to authoritarian and restorative efforts on the far right wing of politics. Liberal democracies are now opening up – slowly – as identity- and gender-sensitive forums. Opposite them are the 'new ethics' of illiberal democracies and totalitarian states that are aimed at ethnic homogeneity and gender uniformity. But that's not to say that there is unity in the liberal settings on the necessary degree of identity politics. Both language and gender politics are deeply controversial. Do we need an 'identity' and, if so, which one or how many? Can the identity debate be extended by means of other concepts?

SOCIETY

Jean-Pierre Wils studied philosophy and theology in Leuven, Belgium, and Tübingen. Since 1996 he has been Professor of Christian Ethics, since 2010 Full Professor of Social Political and Cultural Philosophy, and since 2015 Full Professor of Philosophical Ethics and Cultural Philosophy at the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands. Wils has released numerous publications, and for many years was co-editor of the journal *Ethik und Unterricht* and publisher of the essay series *Disput*. Since 2021, he has been the publisher of *Crossroads. Texts for Scepticism and Critique*. The Hirzel Verlag has published his book "Sich den Tod geben" (Facing Death) and "Der Große Riss" (The Great Rift).

HIRZEL

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- Experts shed light on the big lies about the future: what we need to change

IN GERMAN

More and more companies are becoming sustainable. More and more products are being produced sustainably. But things that are called climate-neutral or sustainable today often are not. Then there are the catchy phrases like 'electric mobility belongs to the future' or 'there's enough food on the planet for everyone'. These statements are not true, and are referred to in science as 'frames'. This book provides a guide that enables us to free ourselves from these ecological frames, to see through them. Because only a policy that understands the connections is able to develop perspectives. Numerous experts uncover the biggest lies about the future in this book, refute them and explain what we need to change. Because we can lie to ourselves, but we cannot lie to nature.

ECOLOGY

'Hope through action' – this is the motto of the non-profit German Environmental Foundation, which was founded on 31 March 1982. The foundation is unaffiliated and politically and economically independent. There are currently more than 3,550 donors behind the German Environmental Foundation. This makes it the largest – as well as the oldest – German community foundation in terms of the number of people supporting it. In the 40 years since its foundation, the German Environmental Foundation has developed, initiated and carried out well over 300 projects, either by itself or with partners.

“Wagner's study is enlightenment in the best sense, compulsory reading for lawyers – and for every responsible citizen.”

Rolf Lamprecht, Süddeutsche Zeitung

Joachim Wagner

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IN GERMAN

Ever since the right-wing party “Alternative for Germany” (AfD) secured representation in the Bundestag and in all state parliaments, Germany's judiciary is facing a new challenge for which it is unprepared: AfD-affiliated judges and public prosecutors are attracting attention through right-wing biased decisions and investigations. Other members of the legal system cause further damage by ignoring the right-wing extremist and anti-Semitic background of crimes and thus punishing offenders too leniently or not at all. Both the judiciary and policy-makers have so far underestimated the new danger from the right. As a result protection against the appointment of right-wing legal professionals has been insufficient. Joachim Wagner systematically analyses numerous examples from German courts in recent years. He calls on the democratic judiciary to remember the principles of a well-fortified democracy.

DEMOCRACY

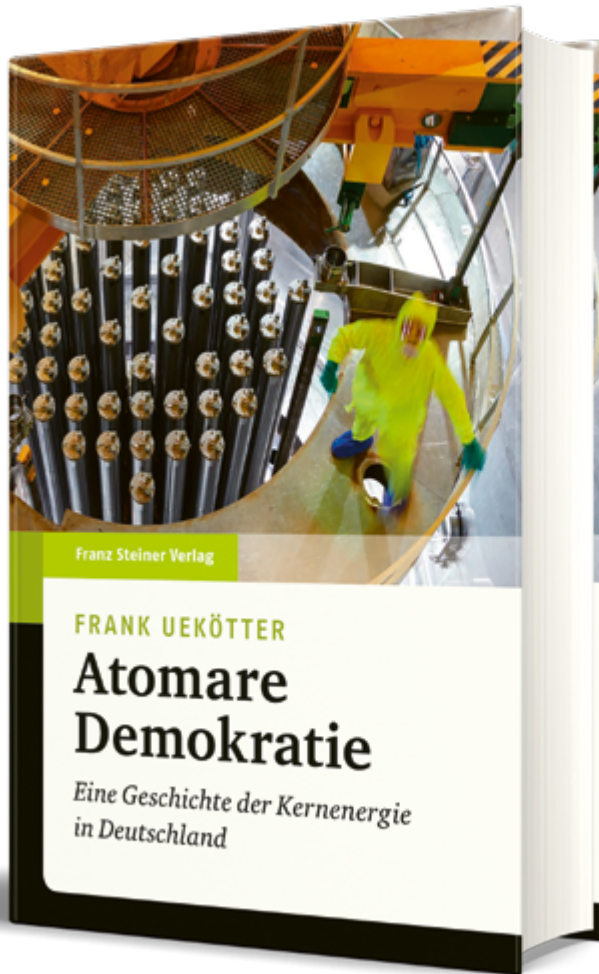


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- A look at the inner workings of a lively democracy
- The political drama behind the events
- On Germany's nuclear phase-out at the end of 2022

IN GERMAN

In the Federal Republic, atomic energy was a child of the years of the economic miracle. In the 1970s it became the focus of a public controversy that negotiated the major questions of open societies: the meaning and legitimacy of the protest; media coverage; the power of large corporations; political governance; and the consumer citizen's entitlement to cheap energy. Frank Uekötter traces this story from the early days to the present, and shows how the conflict triggered learning processes in society, politics and, last but not least, in the nuclear industry itself. The nuclear phase-out, which Germany will seal with the shutting-down of the last nuclear power plants by the end of 2022, appears here as the final chapter of a cross-generational experiment that deserves attention with a view to the energy transition, but also against the background of the current crisis of democracy.

ATOMIC ENERGY



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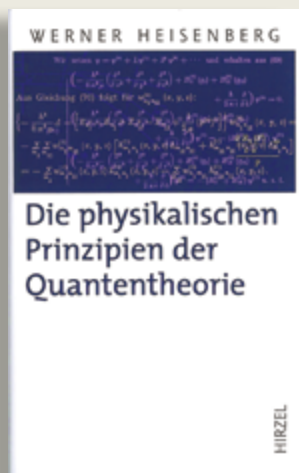


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On today's day and age, scientists, psychologists and sociologists inform us about the nature of things. Does philosophy still play a role any more? It might be able to tell us something about logic, epistemologie, the theorie of science or ethics – but about the “nature of things”? Here, the authors show just what philosophy, in the modern materialism, has to say about it.

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Like all life forms, humanity was shaped in a long process of selection. As a result, the human conscience has biological origins. But this seems to contradict evolutionary theory, for the conscience reins in a self-centred elbow mentality. Such a “weakness” cannot produce successful individuals – or can it?



IN GERMAN

Michael Lichtwarck-Aschoff
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During the corona crisis, Robert Koch's name has been on everyone's lips: Robert Koch is regarded as one of the shining lights in German medical history. However, the expedition that he undertakes in 1906 to the "protected area" of German East Africa even the institute named after him describes as the darkest chapter in Koch's history. Lichtwarck-Aschoff's oppressive book tells how the Nobel laureate conducted medical tests on people suffering from the sleeping sickness transmitted by the tsetse fly, and recommended the internment of sick people in camps. The aim was to preserve the labour power of the healthy colonised – even if that were at the cost of the infected suffering damage to their body and soul or even dying.



IN GERMAN

Michael Lichtwarck-Aschoff
When the Giraffe Still Had Admirers
How four scientists stumbled across their discoveries
 2022. 240 pages
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In "When The Giraffe Still Had Admirers" we get to know Claude Bernard and Louis Pasteur, Antoine Laurent de Lavoisier and Étienne Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire. Lichtwarck-Aschoff takes their lives and discoveries – often resulting from serendipity – as the starting point for his stories. The enthralling read makes literature so eloquent, full of wit and powerful that this author is no longer just an insider tip.



IN GERMAN

Thomas Knubben
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Or exploring the dark side of the moon
 2022. 200 pages,
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Mozart and Hegel, Jean Paul and Edgar Allan Poe: they were all fascinated by Franz Anton Mesmer (1734–1815). The forester's son from Lake Constance was regarded as one of the most controversial doctors of his time. Some celebrated him as a miracle healer for his theory of "Animal Magnetism", while others discredited him as a fraud. Thomas Knubben wonderfully narrates this scintillating life story set in a turbulent time of change. A story of exceptional giftedness and tragedy ... Mesmer left his mark on the epoch: his theory became the original source for concepts in psychoanalysis, hypnosis and psychotherapy.



IN GERMAN

Wolfgang Wissler
Columbus, the Discarded Explorer
Disaster of the legendary sailor
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There he stands, the man the whole of Spain cheered, before whom the most catholic regents Isabella and Ferdinand rose to their feet, his eyes on his ship Capitana, devoured by shipworm, stranded off Jamaica. Some of the crew mutiny, the locals can no longer be fobbed off with glass beads, the Spanish on the nearby island of Hispaniola do not help, the world doesn't want anything to do with him, the demanding whinger. He, Christopher Columbus, is a John Lackland, a king without land, a conqueror without conquest. Between fiction and historical truth, Wolfgang Wissler recounts the legendary sailor's last expedition in an entirely new way – and what a story it is!

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Jean-Pierre Wils

The Great Rift*How society drifts apart and how to counter it. An essay*

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ISBN 978-3-7776-3105-9

Inside the pressure-cooker of the coronavirus pandemic, we see more clearly the volatile status of how we live together. Why were we unprepared, in spite of the numerous warnings over the years? Jean-Pierre Wils speculates that our society, which is already marked by tension and hectic stalemate, is riven by a deep division. In this case, the reality of the crisis triggered by the pandemic is only the prelude to a much deeper crisis: climate change. But how can we manage it? To do so Wils advocates for a “culture of interim solutions” – a culture of thoughtfulness, soul-searching, slowing down and reorienting towards social and ecological sustainability ...

Sabine Leutheusser-

Schnarrenberger,

Gunna Wendt

Our Democracy in Danger*Hatred and attacks against volunteers, journalists and politicians*

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We experience in our online world as well as in our ‘real lives’ an increase in slander and abuse, intimidation, hatred and even physical violence against individuals who are committed to our society. If such attacks discourage people from getting involved, this endangers our democracy that depends on participation. Lawyer Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger and the writer Gunna Wendt interviewed ten committed volunteers about the causes, circumstances and consequences of hatred and violence. These visceral portraits provide a telling insight into the dangers, while showing that we can and must counter the degradation of political rhetoric with composure, respect and tolerance – and with effective measures to protect those at risk.

Franz Alt, Ernst Ulrich von

Weizsäcker

Our Plundered Planet*Things we must do now*

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“The Limits to Growth” was published by the Club of Rome in 1972 when the term “eco” was more defamatory than trendy. This never worried Franz Alt and Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker, long-standing co-chairman of the Club of Rome. The two committed and renowned environmental experts have campaigned for decades for a change of heart in how we treat our planet. Their book delivers a stark diagnosis about the state of the Earth – though without giving up hope. They search for a way out of the global crisis: what is the blueprint for a democracy that addresses humanity’s needs and for a sustainable economy? Are we ready to learn from nature and to make not just human beings, but all living creatures our priority? This book encourages and offers with numerous examples a vision for the future that respects the eco-system.

Bastian Kaiser

Gone to the Forest!*Through the undergrowth with a forestry expert*

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Everyone feels it’s their mission to have their say about the forest. Few best-selling authors manage the general sentiment about this important eco-system. Do the facts perhaps sometimes fall by the wayside? Forestry expert Bastian Kaiser clears up myths and misunderstandings and shows the fundamental importance of our forests culturally, economically and for the climate and sustainability debate. On his ramble through the undergrowth, the author gives us an amusing glimpse of his ‘forest-inspired’ life story.



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Ernst Peter Fischer
Goodbye to Ignorance!
For better science education
 2022. 132 pages
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 ISBN 978-3-7776-3117-2

Our lives and daily routine are full of science. But when it comes to gravity or quantum theory, DNA or black holes, a great many people feel like scientific illiterates – and indeed they are. “I don’t understand it anymore”, many say. Too many, according to Ernst Peter Fischer. His mission is to reawaken our curiosity with his exciting and challenging appeal to appreciate how important, fascinating and lively science is. Do we really want to be immature about science? Fischer’s book is an endeavour so the light of scientific reason can finally shine brightly.

Udo Schneider, Markus Zedler,
 Hinderk Emrich
What Colour is Monday?
Synaesthesia: living with connected senses
 3rd edition, 2022. 192 pages,
 20 colour illustrations
 Hardcover
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Blue wine or colour-matched letters, compass points seen in colour, or listening to music that is also an experience of forms and structures. Anyone with these kind of perceptions lives among the synaesthetes. This phenomenon was long overlooked by science. Nowadays, things are different. This book presents not only modern neuroscience’s standpoint on the puzzle of synaesthesia; it also ventures into philosophical peripheral areas. What does life look like for a synaesthete, and how does our perception work anyway?

Jenny von Sperber
Fritz, the Gorilla
Biography of a fascinating ape
 2022. 228 pages, 10 b/w-illustrations
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 E-Book: epub. € 17.90 [D]
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When Jenny von Sperber first met Fritz, the gorilla was already over 50 years old, but he was still extremely charismatic. The journalist wants to find out everything about Fritz’s life. Captured in the wild, he came from Cameroon to Germany in 1966. At that time, apes were still regarded as a curiosity in zoos. This fascinating gorilla-family saga not only recounts the eventful life of Fritz, but also shows the development in European zoos in handling wild animals. Nowadays, things have certainly improved. But there are still questions, for example, what does it do to us when we marvel at our closest relatives behind glass? And is it even still current to confine apes ... was it ever?

Hermann Bausinger
On Narrative
Poetry of everyday
 2022. 206 pages
 Hardcover with dust jacket
 € 22.00 [D]
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Narrating is an art that is gifted to everyone. Narrative, for Hermann Bausinger, begins from the moment we wait together for the bus. When we complain of it being late again and the stories that emerge about travel by bus. The well-known cultural academic was also luckily a gifted narrator. His book is an extremely vivid and descriptive account of the multiple varieties of narrative. He takes us into the rich world of storytelling of fairy tales and fables, invoking the wit of language, focusing on narrative theory and the special significance of narrative in the online age. Full of variety and wonderful examples, Bausinger lets the narrative, and the stories shine. Because for him storytelling, our relationship with language, is what defines us as human beings.



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Wilfried Bommert, Christina Sartori

Silent Killers

How big food risks our health
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The most powerful drug cartel of the 21st century sells pizzas, chocolate bars and mixed sweets. The promise: a quick and happy snack at low cost. The truth: this “food” isn’t nutritious, but is addictive and fattening, while bringing bumper profits for the investors. “Big Food” is becoming more powerful, but the costs due to the consequences of obesity now risk overwhelming global healthcare services. Obesity ranks as cause of death before smoking or high blood pressure. A direct analysis of a man-made epidemic that is dominated by a few large companies and kept going by multiple profiteers. Their motto: “Teach the world to snack.”

Barbara Streidl

Greed

When enough is not enough
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Rent sharks, financial speculators, businesses running on exploitative practices – all of them are motivated by greed. They want to make a profit, regardless of the cost. But it is not only the “fat cats” that always want more. Everyone has the capacity for the deadly sin of avarice. People in the Global North live at the expense of the population in the Global South. We know this and yet we carry on. Why? Because we can. Because it is normal for us to have plenty and to continually want more. This book shines a light on our greed: where it comes from, where we encounter it, what it does to us and how we can overcome it – if we want to at all ...

Johanna Kuroczik

Rage!

The courage to be angry
2022. 128 pages, 8 illustrations
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A stormy emotional disposition is regarded as primitive, evil. Calmness, yoga and a Buddhist-inspired zen state are good and desirable. A person who flies into a rage has lost composure and loses control. Johanna Kuroczik’s book takes a closer look at the facts about anger. What is good about being enraged, about this fireball inside, which can also motivate changes? What does neuroscience say about the powerful emotion, and how can we deal with it positively as well as use it constructively?

Bernd Gomeringer et al (eds.)

Birds in the Mind

Life stories from adolescents with mental health issues
2020. 300 pages
Hardback with ribbon marker
€ 24.00 [D]
ISBN 978-3-7776-2885-1
eBook: epub. € 19.90 [D]
ISBN 978-3-7776-2899-8

Mental health problems in children and adolescents are a taboo subject. But what is it like living with depression, compulsive behaviour, anxiety and panic attacks, or with eating disorders, bulimia or anorexia? Schirm e. V., the friends association for child and adolescent psychiatry in Tübingen (Germany), asked young patients to share their stories. A moving book was created about living with mental health problems, about the day-to-day routine in psychiatric practice and the power of confidence.

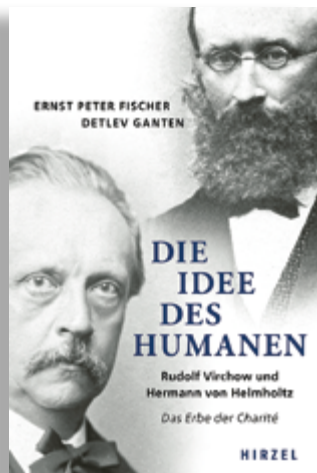
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The Forest of the Future – A New Reality
Understanding the ecosystem
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What happened with forest die-back? The predictions of the 1980s that forests would be in decline across Europe have not come true. Currently, attention again focuses on the doom scenarios of the loss of entire forests and cultural landscapes in an emotional and sometimes hysterical debate. Biogeographer Hans Jürgen Böhmer refers to updated case studies and his 30 years of research experience on global ecosystems to demonstrate extremely complex interrelations of the natural world that various actors monitor in contrasting ways and characterized by different times and ideologies. Böhmer advocates to embed the sustainability debate more strongly in the living environment, rather than relying exclusively on model calculations.



IN GERMAN

Ernst Peter Fischer, Detlev Ganten
The Humane Idea
Rudolf Virchow and Hermann von Helmholtz. The legacy of the Charité
 2021. 264 pages
 Hardback
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Two of today's leading scientists, Ernst Peter Fischer and Detlev Ganten, reconfirm the legacy of two influential 19th-century researchers. To mark the 200th birthday of Rudolf Virchow (1821–1902) and Hermann von Helmholtz (1821–1894), they explain why pioneering research and holistic thinking are still relevant for health science and practice, and for a sustainable balance of people, society and the environment. The historical achievement of Virchow and Helmholtz continues today with the work of researchers like Emmanuelle Charpentier and Christian Drosten, so ensuring that the humane idea continues to be fruitful in the future. An insight into the history of medical science.



IN GERMAN

Ernst Peter Fischer
On the Amazement of the World
(Im-)Possibilities of science
 2021. 232 pages with 10 illustrations
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 ISBN 978-3-7776-2875-2

The current debate on the corona virus shows that knowledge, and with that science, plays a central role in the struggle to preserve humanity. Knowledge provides opportunities to influence the world, for better or worse. In times when emotions and appeals to baser instincts often triumph over reason and humanity, Ernst Peter Fischer reminds us of the goal of science that has been pursued since the Enlightenment: "to facilitate the conditions of human existence". In his new book, the bestselling author takes us on an instructive, varied and enjoyable journey through the history of knowledge and science.



IN GERMAN

Ernst-Ludwig Winnacker
 in association with Jeanne Rubner
My Life with Viruses
A researcher's history of the fascinating world of pathogens
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 ISBN 978-3-7776-3023-6
 E-Book: epub. € 22.90 [D]
 ISBN 978-3-7776-3063-2

In times of the coronavirus pandemic many people have certainly condemned them, but Professor Ernst-Ludwig Winnacker has dedicated his life to researching them and is intrigued by viruses – even if sometimes he is keenly aware of their fatal effects. To mark his 80th birthday the biochemist describes the co-evolution and co-existence as well as the eternal 'battle' between humans and viruses. Winnacker takes up the cause of these 'biological elements between animate and inanimate nature' because they play an important role in fundamental research and genetic technology, and without them human beings would not be what they are.



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Thomas Klie
Right to Dementia
A plea

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ISBN 978-3-7776-2971-1

People are living longer, and people are developing dementia. But our consumer society, which is optimised for working silently, is helpless in the face of those who have gone mad from its midst. The burden of caring for them is borne largely by their dependants and by carers from Eastern Europe. In his extremely stirring book, Professor Thomas Klie argues that we should include people with dementia as part of our lives and recognise that it is possible to live a happy and fulfilled life even with dementia – under the right conditions. Especially in the light of societal conflicts over income distribution fuelled by the corona pandemic, Klie is convinced that the dominant culture is measured by how it treats the subject of dementia.

Jean-Pierre Wils
Facing Death
Suicide as last emancipation?

2021. 200 pages
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Assisted suicide has been the subject of much passionate debate in many societies. The philosopher and theologian Jean-Pierre Wils does not deny autonomy, but asks – on the basis of his profound historical and ethical knowledge – about the social consequences. Does the right to assisted suicide not in the long run lead to the obligation to decide for or against it? And does not the pressure towards a supposedly reasonable decision increase, as soon as the causation of one's own death is seen as a final act of self-realisation and emancipation, or even commended as such? Wils makes a strong plea for the debate to be held in a broader context, to remove our finiteness from cultural amnesia – and in doing so, lays the foundation for a contemporary discussion on assisted suicide.

Axel Braig
On the Purposes of Life and Whether They Exist
A philosophical fitting

2021. 184 pages
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ISBN 978-3-7776-2920-9
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The musician, doctor and philosopher Axel Braig considers philosophy a little like the weather: he looks for the right clothes for every situation. Braig is primarily concerned with practical, effective things from the two-and-a-half millennia fund of (Western) thinking, such as helpful approaches in existential crises. In this book, he introduces us to philosophical thinkers from Plato to Montaigne to Levinas and Feyerabend. Braig not only shares his own philosophical biography, but above all encourages us to philosophise ourselves.

Michelle Hildebrandt
The Patient Catchers
How we are talked into illness

2021. 223 pages
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The health market seems to have been unleashed, more and more actors, indications, methods compete for attention. Dr. Michelle Hildebrandt shows how companies, but also doctors and alternative medicine are “catching” patients out of economic interests – and how we are happy to put up with that. So more and more people are being treated unnecessarily or incorrectly with medicine and therapies, while at the same time rogue providers are propagating sometimes dangerous methods instead of calling for life-saving diagnostics. Knowledge is needed in order for patients to overcome their self-inflicted immaturity. Michelle Hildebrandt's book makes an important contribution to this.

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Volker Sommer
Among Fellow Primates
Views of a monkey researcher
 2021. 204 pages, 2 illustrations
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Man brings apocalyptic plagues to the world and his fellow primates – from global warming to the destruction of forests. While millions of monkeys and apes lived on Earth only a few decades ago, today many species are strongly endangered. In this book the anthropologist and monkey researcher Volker Sommer calls on us to finally protect the fundamental rights such as the right to life, freedom and physical integrity of the great apes. For all his seriousness, Sommer is also a great storyteller who deals with his own profession with humour, sympathy and in a highly instructive way.



IN GERMAN

Matthias Glaubrecht
Escapades in Evolution
Of humans, chimps and other capers of nature
 2021. 272 pages
 Paperback
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 ISBN 978-3-515-12639-7

Humans are rapidly changing the conditions of evolution, and while many species have not yet been discovered, the extinction of numerous species is becoming more and more dramatic. In this book, Matthias Glaubrecht contrasts the impending “end of evolution”, of which the evolutionary biologist writes in his bestseller of the same name, with the beauty, diversity and also the whims of nature. In 36 short chapters, the zoologist presents the animal and the all-too-animal from the curiosity cabinet of evolution, easy to understand and with a good touch of humour – from dinosaurs with four wings to the annual new “Minnelied” hit of the humpback whale to the women’s communes of bonobos who use sex as a form of social bonding.



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Rolf Heilmann
The Sky!
Exploring the world above us
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We’re in heaven when we’re in love, admire the stars and Milky Way on crystal-clear nights, and look up to attempt to forecast the weather. We have always been fascinated and shaped by the sky, and even though science may have demythologised it, nonetheless it uses ever-new technology to gaze deeper and farther into the universe and is constantly making new discoveries. Rolf Heilmann picks us up with our everyday experiences and questions about the sky, and takes us along on a fascinating journey through the times – from the worlds of the gods and art, philosophy and technology to the exploration of nearby and distant galaxies and the last secrets of science.



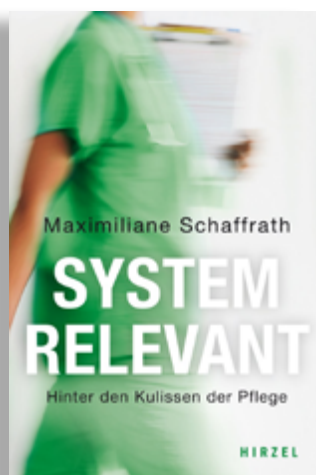
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Heike Leitschuh
Mocked, Battled, Desired
With organic pioneer Ulrich Walter through five decades
 2021. 240 pages with numerous b/w illustrations
 Hardcover
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 ISBN 978-3-7776-3003-8

The small district town of Diepholz lies between Bremen, Oldenburg and Osnabrück, and no one could possibly describe it as “well-known”. Quite unlike the Lebensbaum company, which was founded here by Ulrich Walter in 1979. Those who eat mindfully will probably also be familiar with the coffees, teas and spices of this pioneering organic company, which frequently and repeatedly receives a range of awards for sustainability and now employs around 200 people. Heike Leitschuh draws a lifelike portrait of an entrepreneur of the organic founding generation who turned a small shop into a successful medium-sized company, played a key role in shaping the organic industry, and has offered perspectives for its future.



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Karoline M. Preisler
Tolerating Democracy!
About arguing in a society of indignation
 2021. 156 pages
 Paperback
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 E-Book: epub. € 13.90 [D]
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Are we all still only moving around in our bubbles, unwilling and unprepared to engage in the positions of "the others"? Will only someone be heard who polarises and defames loudly enough, who ignores facts, denies them, twists them, who even calls for violence? The debate over the corona measures has given a new urgency as we address the question of how democracy can be lived and protected in times of an erosion of the centre and social cohesion. Karoline M. Preisler asks herself these questions and, as a passionate democrat, advocates creating new tools and meeting places for the necessary dialogue on controversial topics such as the limits of freedom, religion, climate crisis, immigration and the family.

Maximiliane Schaffrath
Systemically Relevant
Behind the scenes of nursing
 2021. 240 pages
 Paperback
 € 18.00 [D]
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 eBook: epub. € 13.90 [D]
 ISBN 978-3-7776-2994-0

In 2008, the banks that had been bailed out with billions by the government were considered "systemically relevant", in the corona pandemic of 2020 it was members of poorly paid professions such as healthcare workers. Reading Maximiliane Schaffrath's book on the situation regarding healthcare and nursing staff, it seems almost miraculous that Germany had managed to escape a corona disaster for so long. She gives a very personal and gripping account of the stages in her own training – and the unsustainable conditions that are suffered not only by the people who are supposed to care for and look after us, but also by everyone who depends on them.

Julia Cruschwitz, Carolin Haentjes
Femizide
Violence against women in Germany
 2021. 200 pages
 Paperback
 € 18.00 [D]
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 ISBN 978-3-7776-3069-4

In Germany, 132 women were murdered by their (ex-)partners over the past year, according to police statistics. An attempted murder happened every other day – the real figure is in all probability much higher. Julia Cruschwitz and Carolin Haentjes unveil their book on femicides in Germany with research from interviews with academics, criminologists, police officers, social workers, lawyers, survivors, witnesses and relatives and their analysis of scientific reports. Their work highlights how the issue of femicides affects the whole of society, but there are sensible ways to protect women more effectively from male violence. All we must do is take steps to follow these.

Kurt Oesterle
Imagine Being a Jew for One Hour
Stories against anti-Semitism
 2021. 292 pages
 Hardback
 € 22.00 [D]
 ISBN 978-3-7776-2921-6
 E-Book: epub. € 19.90 [D]
 ISBN 978-3-7776-3057-1

Hatred of Jews is long-standing, widespread and powerful. After Auschwitz, the lesson used to be: "Never again!" However, anti-Semitic resentment, like an epidemic, still grips the bourgeois middle-class in our society. In his book "A Jew for One Hour", Kurt Oesterle convincingly demonstrates how hatred of Jews functions in aesthetic and emotional terms with no empathy whatsoever. He also shows that for the past 200 years of German literature a line of tradition can be acknowledged "in defence of Jewishness". Kurt Oesterle accounts for this in his book of stories with an impressive depth of knowledge, with a generous heart and mind and incredible commitment. A truly significant book.



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What we associate with sleep is shaped by the culture we live in. Whereas the God of the Bible never sleeps, the sinful human falls asleep every night and is thus marked as an inferior being. In the Age of Enlightenment, (too much) sleep was considered a waste of strength. These days, sleep seems to be subject to the same tenets of usefulness as everything else. Karoline Walter uses numerous examples from history, literature and research to illustrate how sleep and sleeping have changed across cultures and eras – an entertaining read, certainly nothing to put you to sleep.

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We live in an age of upheaval and crisis; our existence is at the threshold of a new epoch that leaves nothing as it was before. It became clear that the natural materials of our world in transformation were a finite and exhaustible resource. The ambitious projects of humankind were already beset by doubts and the optimism of something better in store for us in the future became ever more subdued. An era of sceptical thinking dawned. What was only recently celebrated as an achievement is today placed in question: democracy, human rights and the bond of solidarity between the generations. But the art of dialogue must always be preserved. The capacity for critical reflection must be repeatedly practised and the sensitivity of our perception deepened.



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German Environmental Foundation (Ed.)
The Metropolitan Age
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Three quarters of the world's population live in cities. One in eight people lives in a metropolitan area. Megacities swallow up land, energy and resources – and at the same time are particularly hard hit by the current climate crisis that they fuel. However, in the metropolises of the overcrowded world plenty of committed people have heard the warning signals and establish networks to use the potential of cities to reorganize the participative and social-ecological activity that is urgently needed. The contributions to this Yearbook for Ecology focus on the present and future of cities from wide-ranging viewpoints and highlight perspectives for their creative transformation towards liveable sustainability.



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Ernst Mutschler,
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Antibiotics, insulin, cortisone: countless medicines, which are now lifesavers, were still undiscovered in 1900. Since then, there have been impressive advances in pharmaceutical research. While today research is conducted by university teams and working groups in industry, during the early decades of the 20th century it was primarily individual researchers whose ingenuity led to the development of new agents. An introduction to these 'lighthouses' in the fields of chemistry, biology, pharmacy and medicine, and to their successes.



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Michael Sztenc
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Penises are clever guys, sensitive and touchy. At least that's what Michael Sztenc says. And as a sex and couples' therapist who has worked on male sexuality for over 25 years, he should know. With practical exercises that have been tried and tested for years, he helps the men who come to him with their problems to develop a sense for their bodies and their own eroticism.



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Spanish flu, bubonic plague and cholera – epidemics have caused harm and death time and again. But how and when do epidemic plagues occur? What determines their progress and ending? Manfred Vasold takes a close look at the history of epidemic plagues in Europe and the diverse aspects of their propagation.



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Sooner or later everything is thrown away. In the consumer society, however, usable and serviceable products that may be as good as new are also thrown away. Such behaviour is the result of a long-term process that has developed over a period of one-and-a-half centuries. Wolfgang König shows how business and consumers have together made throwing things away perfectly normal – and discusses how the throw-away society may be overcome.

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