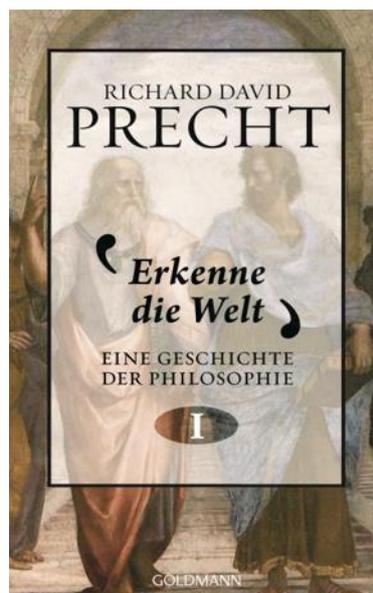
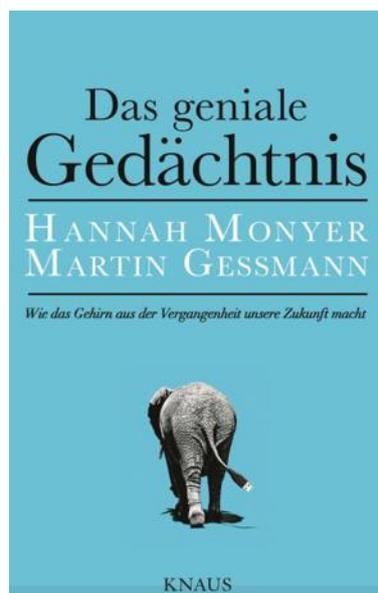


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## A new, unusual and intriguing approach to sexuality



### Christoph Joseph Ahlers **Heaven on Earth and Hell in Our Heads**

[Himmel auf Erden und Hölle  
im Kopf]

What sexuality means for us

Goldmann  
448 pages  
September 2015

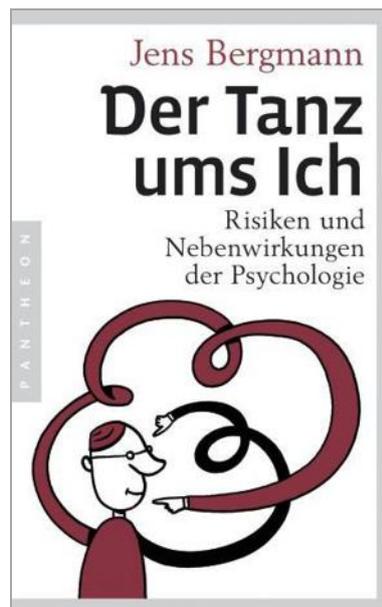
**Christoph J. Ahlers** is a sexologist and clinical psychologist specialising in sexuality. For 20 years he has been in the field of relationship counselling and sex therapy at the Berlin Charité and in his own practice and has examined, counselled and treated hundreds of individuals and couples. He has authored numerous scientific publications.

[www.sexualtherapie-berlin.de](http://www.sexualtherapie-berlin.de)

Sex is something overwhelming. There is no other aspect of life that offers such a wide range of possible experiences. But what does sexuality really mean for us? The distinguished sexologist Christoph J. Ahlers takes a completely new look at this subject: sex as the most intimate form of communication and as an intensive way of simultaneously fulfilling both physically and psychologically fundamental psychosocial needs.

In this book he provides a comprehensive view of the phenomenon of sex – from absolute moments of happiness, through normal everyday problems to utter anguish.

## Well-founded criticism of the craze for self-optimisation



Jens Bergmann  
**This Ego Business**  
[Der Tanz ums Ich]  
Risks and side-effects of  
psychology

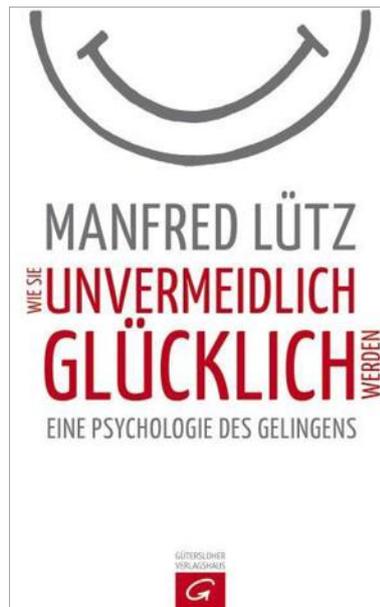
Pantheon  
240 pages  
September 2015

**Jens Bergmann**, born in 1964, graduated in psychology and journalism in Hamburg before going on to the Henri Nannen School of Journalism. The magazines he has written for include *brand eins*, *Spiegel* and *Bild der Wissenschaft*. He has been an editor of *brand eins* since 2001, teaches at various universities and schools of journalism and has published several books.

Who am I? And why am I like I am? What makes me tick and what makes others tick? These questions occupy our minds because we are puzzled by our fellow human beings and because we are often equally puzzled by our own selves. Psychology promises enlightenment and help. Psychology is the religion of today.

This book shows how psychology was able to get this far, the myths it is based on and how the psychology business functions: it tells us about the risks and side-effects of this most popular of all sciences.

## The ultimate book of happiness!



Manfred Lütz  
**How to Become  
Unavoidably Happy**  
[Wie Sie unvermeidlich  
glücklich werden]  
The psychology of success

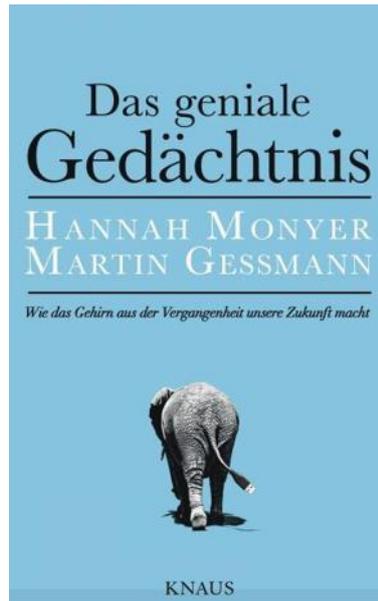
Gütersloher Verlagshaus  
192 pages  
October 2015

**Manfred Lütz** is a psychiatrist, psychotherapist and theologian. He is the head physician at the Alexianer Hospital in Cologne and the author of several bestselling books. In addition, Lütz performs as a cabaret artist and regularly contributes to several national newspapers on topical subjects. His bestseller *Crazy* was translated into 8 languages.

Everybody can become unavoidably happy. Psychiatrist and psychotherapist Manfred Lütz has written the entire history of philosophy – as an informal and easy-to-read brief history of happiness. In particular he shows genuine ways of how to become happy. A bold hypothesis – Manfred Lütz offers evidence in the form of amazing stories and convincing arguments – witty, well thought out and astute.

In the end, we wonder why so many people hungry for happiness can fall for so much rot on how to find bliss. *How to Become Unavoidably Happy* is an entertaining and informative book to help us think for ourselves. A liberating guide for everyone wanting more fun in life.

## The memory revolution – Why you can happily forget your "bad memory"



Hannah Monyer /  
Martin Gessmann  
**Brilliant Memory**

[Das geniale Gedächtnis]  
How our brain uses our past to  
make our future

Knaus  
300 pages  
September 2015

**Hannah Monyer**, born in 1957, is one of the world's most distinguished brain scientists. Born in Romania, she studied medicine in Heidelberg and went on to Mannheim and Stanford. She has been a professor at Heidelberg since 1994 and, since 1999, the director of the Department of Clinical Neurology there. She was awarded the Leibniz Prize in 2004.

**Martin Gessmann**, born in 1962, as a philosopher focuses his work on modern-day culture. He was appointed professor of philosophy at Heidelberg in 2010 and has been a professor for aesthetics and the theory of culture and technology at the University of Design in Offenbach am Main since 2011.

Our memory is an organ of dubious repute. It distorts recollections and stores but inadequately what we want to remember. However, the latest research is revolutionising our concept of that brain function we call our memory. Elephantine powers of recall or a "brain like a sieve" are scarcely important. Our memory is not an archive that files away anything we have experienced, but instead is a network of far greater sophistication: its radical logic concerning the future determines what we remember, how we learn and who we are.

- Top-level research by distinguished scientists vividly explained
- For readers of Daniel Kahneman's *Thinking, Fast and Slow*

## The truth about Alzheimer's



Dr. med. Michael Nehls  
**Alzheimer's Is Curable**  
[Alzheimer ist heilbar]  
Timely return to a healthy life

Heyne  
224 pages  
September 2015

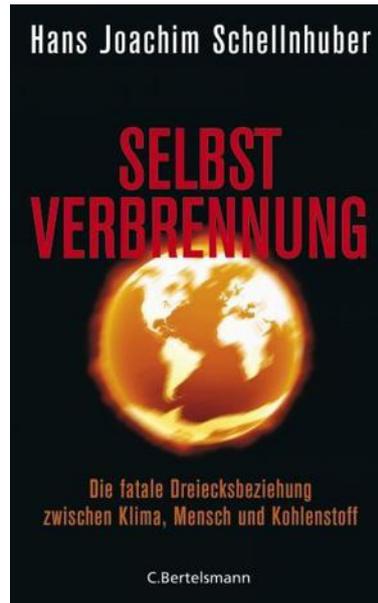
**Dr. med Michael Nehls** is a doctor and expert on molecular genetics. After doing research in academic institutes in the USA and Germany and finding the key to a wide range of hereditary diseases, he became head of genome research for a US biotechnology company. Between 2000 and 2007 he was the CEO of a biopharmaceutical company in Munich. Michael Nehls now writes non-fiction books, produces documentary films and gives lectures on strategy and health.

[www.michael-nehls.de](http://www.michael-nehls.de)

A new case of dementia is registered somewhere in the world every four seconds – and to date there is no hope of a cure. It is therefore hardly surprising that more and more people are increasingly worried about falling victim to Alzheimer's. Yet Dr. med. Michael Nehls has proved that Alzheimer's is not the result of old age but instead is caused by a way of life that ignores our natural needs. His is a holistic approach, and he presents ways which not only put us in a position to effectively protect ourselves against Alzheimer's, but which if applied early enough can conquer the disease.

This approach is a hopeful one and points the way into the future; it is also motivation for us to accept responsibility for ourselves and take our lives into our own hands.

## Alarming report on the destructive results of unrestricted global warming



Hans Joachim Schellnhuber  
**Self-Immolation**  
[Selbstverbrennung]  
The fatal triangle-relationship between climate, humankind and carbon

C. Bertelsmann  
Ca. 784 pages  
With 48 colour illustrations  
October 2015

**Hans Joachim Schellnhuber** is the founder and director of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Research and professor of theoretical physics at Potsdam University. He is a member of a number of German and international scientific committees, such as the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007, and, as chairman, the German Advisory Council on Global Change (WBGU). Schellnhuber has written more than 40 scientific books and, with Stefan Rahmstorf, co-authored the book *Climate Change*.

It is worth "fighting for every tenth of a degree" – of this Germany's most important climate researcher with an international reputation is convinced. For decades he has been trying to get politicians, industry and society to at last face up to the climate change and its dramatic results – and do their utmost to bring it to a halt.

In this controversial book he has further sharpened his criticism: according to the latest research, our civilization is not moving towards the frequently quoted two-degree Celsius limit but far more dramatically in the direction of an increase of 3 to 4 degrees Celsius by the end of the century. The continued burning of fossil fuels is threatening to lead to collective suicide. Hans Joachim Schellnhuber has summarised the latest facts in the strongest terms so that politicians at the "fateful conference" in Paris in late autumn 2015 will make the most of the opportunity to change course.

## Algorithms: the most important way of thinking in the present day amusingly explained



Sebastian Stiller  
**Planet of Algorithms**  
[Planet der Algorithmen]  
A guide book

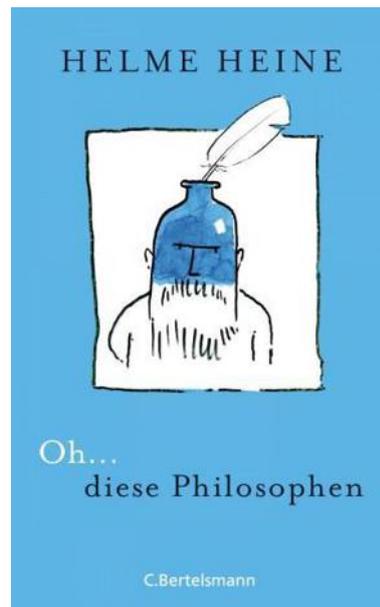
Knaus  
252 pages  
October 2015

**Sebastian Stiller**, born in 1974, is an applied mathematician who designs and analyses algorithms. He studied mathematics and philosophy in Erlangen, Leuven (Belgium) and at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He is now involved in research at the TU Berlin and is living proof of the fact that mathematics and language brilliantly go together.

Who enters the results in Google? If this is what you ever rack your brains about, then Sebastian Stiller is your man. In this book, the Berlin mathematician explains everything you need to know about algorithms – simply and clearly. For algorithms are the most important way of thinking in the present day and far more human than we think: after all, they look for suitable partners for us and work out a fair share of rent among flatmates.

- Understanding big data without torturing ourselves: the most important education journey of the year
- For readers of Randall Monroe's *What If* and Giulia Enders' *Gut: The Inside Story of Our Body's Most Underrated Organ*

## A charming gift book from an internationally successful author and illustrator



Helme Heine  
**Oh ... These Philosophers**  
[Oh... diese Philosophen]

C. Bertelsmann  
152 pages  
With 25 b/w illustrations  
October 2015

**Helme Heine** was born in Berlin in 1941 and studied economics and art. He lived in South Africa for many years, where his activities included setting up a cabaret, publishing a satirical magazine and acting. He has been awarded myriad prizes and honours for his work.

[www.helmeheine.de](http://www.helmeheine.de)

The famous writer and illustrator Helme Heine has undertaken the task of portraying western philosophy and its creators, from Thales to Wittgenstein, in word and pictures.

He has concentrated on their central concepts and theories, thus awakening our curiosity for the adventure of thought.

- An amusing expedition through more than 2000 years of philosophy from Thales to Wittgenstein
- Helme Heine is an internationally bestselling children's book author and illustrator

## Richard David Precht explains the important questions mankind has asked across the centuries.



Richard David Precht  
**Know the World**  
[Erkenne die Welt]  
History of philosophy 1

Goldmann  
420 pages  
October 2015

**Richard David Precht**, born in 1964, is a philosopher, journalist, and author, and one of the most distinctive intellectuals in German-speaking countries. He is an honorary professor of philosophy at the Leuphana University in Lüneburg and at the Hanns Eisler Academy of Music in Berlin. His books *Who Am I – And if so, How Many?*, *Love: A Disorderly Emotion* and *The Art of Not Being an Egoist* are international bestsellers and have been translated into 40 languages. Since September 2012 he has been the moderator of the philosophy program *Precht* on the ZDF television network.

In *Know the World*, the first volume of a vast three-part history of philosophy, Richard David Precht illuminates the development of Western thought from antiquity to the Middle Ages. Knowledgeable and in great detail he sheds light onto the big questions humans have long asked themselves and traces the history of ideas from the origins of occidental philosophy on the beautiful coasts of Asia Minor to the cloisters, churches and centres of power of the Late Middle Ages. Embedding it in the political, economic and social zeitgeist, he opens up philosophical thought to a wide public.

This book helps readers to gain deep insight into the history of philosophy, to structure this knowledge and to delve into this sheer inexhaustible wealth of thought.

- More than 2.8 million copies of Precht's books sold in Germany

History of philosophy series:

- Vol. 1 Erkenne die Welt [Know the World], October 2015
- Vol. 2 Erkenne dich selbst [Know Yourself], planned for October 2016
- Vol. 3 Sei du selbst [Be Yourself], planned for October 2017

## Freedom, independence, influence, creativity – what power can mean for women



Rebekka Reinhard  
**The Small Philosophy of Power\***  
**\*for Women Only**  
[Kleine Philosophie der Macht – nur für Frauen]

Ludwig  
224 pages  
November 2015

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**Rebekka Reinhard** read philosophy, American and Italian studies and wrote her PhD thesis on contemporary American and French philosophy. She now works as a philosophical consultant in her own practice and philosophises with in-patients at the clinic of the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. She also holds seminars for company managerial staff and doctors. Her first book, *The Meaning Diet*, was a *Spiegel* bestseller, and was followed by *Odysseus or the Art of Making Mistakes* in 2010 and, in 2011, *Would Plato Wear Prada?*

[www.rebekkareinhard.de](http://www.rebekkareinhard.de)

Women want to achieve a great deal, and work hard for this – but often they feel frustrated and powerless. Perhaps this is because the usual female methods of perfectionism and constant niceness can easily lead to self-exploitation. Bestselling author Rebekka Reinhard makes a plea instead for having the courage to assume power. She shows through everyday philosophical strategies how women can use power as the key to freedom and happiness: to stop having a bad conscience, abandon the striving towards harmony, free oneself from being dependent, turn words into action ...

When women discover power for themselves, they will learn to develop their potential, to further their own goals, and finally live a self-determined and happy life.

- Cleverly and self-confidently taking control of your own life

## Searching for the Aramaic Jesus – a rediscovery



Franz Alt  
**What Jesus Really Said**  
[Was Jesus wirklich gesagt hat]  
A resurrection

Gütersloher Verlagshaus  
352 pages  
September 2015

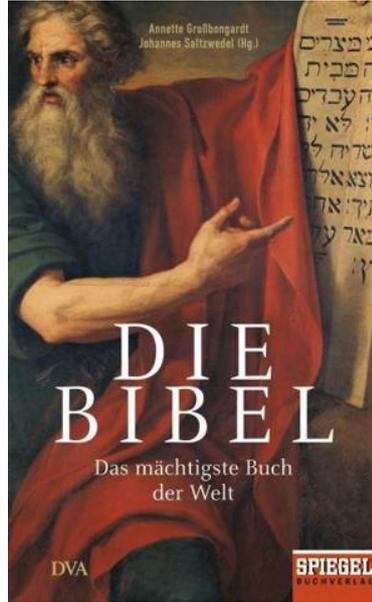
**Franz Alt**, born in 1938, studied political sciences, history, philosophy and theology. He has been awarded the prestigious Adolf Grimme Prize and, for his commitment to ecological issues, has also received such honours as the European Solar Prize. He has made a name for himself not only as a popular television presenter but also as the author of bestselling books.

Many of the sayings and words of Jesus have been wrongly translated. Jesus' native language was Aramaic and is decisive in helping us to really understand His unique and fundamental message. Because 2000 years ago Aramaic was as different from Greek, the language of the Bible, as Arabic today is from German, what has been passed down to us of Jesus is bewildering and contradictory.

It is precisely on the tracks of the true Aramaic Jesus that Franz Alt's latest book is an appeal to all of us to bring Jesus back to life. This is a book that anyone hoping to meet the real Jesus cannot avoid.

- Bringing back to life a message that has been distorted down the centuries
- For many Christians a provocation and liberation

## The world's most widely read book – origins, meaning and historical truth



Annette Großbongardt/  
Johannes Saltzwedel (Eds.)

### **The Bible**

[Die Bibel]

The world's most influential  
book

A *Spiegel* book

DVA

300 pages

November 2015

**Annette Großbongardt**, born in 1961, took Romance and German studies at university and has been working for *Spiegel* since 1993, initially as an editor for German affairs, from 1998 to 2005 as a correspondent in Jerusalem, and then in Istanbul.

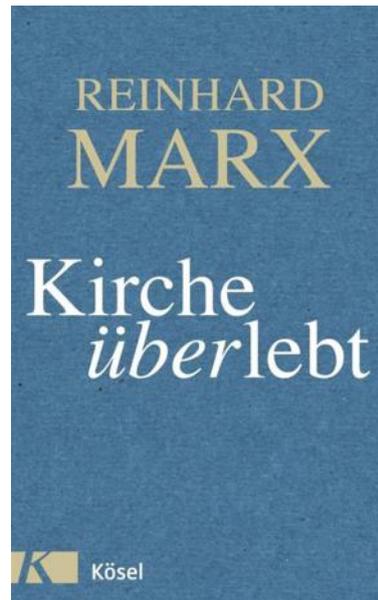
**Johannes Saltzwedel**, born in 1962, has been a *Spiegel* editor since 1991, where he is mainly involved in the history of culture and philosophy, non-fiction literature and classical music.

The Bible, the foundation of Christian beliefs, has influenced thinking in the western world as no others. Stories such as the expulsion of Adam and Eve from paradise or Moses receiving the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai are part of our cultural memory. European languages have been deeply influenced by the text of the Holy Scripture. Even today, the "Book of Books" is revered all over the world and the object of in-depth study. But are the ancient stories based on historical facts?

*Spiegel* authors and historians have traced the origins and influence of the Bible in the course of almost 3,000 years. In its search for the factual truth, this book shows readers how theologians, Bible specialists and archaeologists work, and it portrays key figures such as the apostles Peter and Paul, and church fathers Hieronymus and Martin Luther. The result is an impressive picture of the development of the Bible and the life it depicts, from the beginning down to the present day.

- The "Book of Books" put to the test – how the Bible came into being, where it is right and what we can learn from it
- With contributions by prominent experts such as archaeologist Israel Finkelstein and Bible scholar Ernst Axel Knauf

## Inspiration for belief in the present day



Reinhard Marx  
**The Church Lives (On)**  
[Kirche (über)lebt]

Kösel  
128 pages  
August 2015

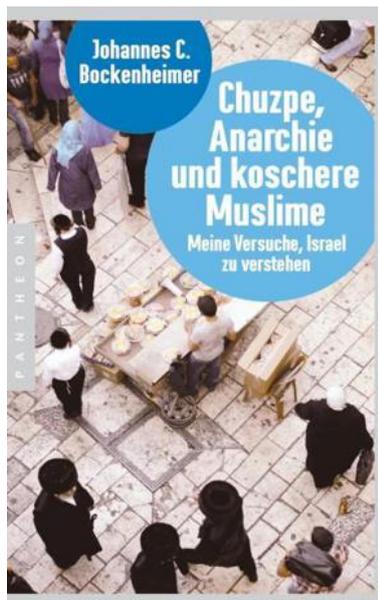
**Cardinal Reinhard Marx**, born in 1953, has been archbishop of the Archdiocese of Munich and Freising since 2008. In 2010, he was elevated to the position of cardinal by Pope Benedict XVI. Cardinal Marx is president of the Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community and a member of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace (Justitia et Pax).

It seems the Church and modern society are incompatible. And yet the Church is here with us, right in our midst, in our modern society. What it must do, between conformation and resistance and in critical solidarity, is add its mark to a free and democratic culture.

The aim should be not to convert from above but to convince by setting an example and with arguments – that is what all this is about. The Church must join hands with many others to face the challenges of a plural society that is becoming increasingly complex.

- A debating book on the crisis within the Church: reform as a crisis and an opportunity

## A humorous but yet discerning view of modern Israel



Johannes C.  
Bockenheimer  
**Chutzpah, Anarchy and  
Kosher Muslims**  
[Chuzpe, Anarchie und  
koschere Muslime]  
My attempts to understand  
Israel

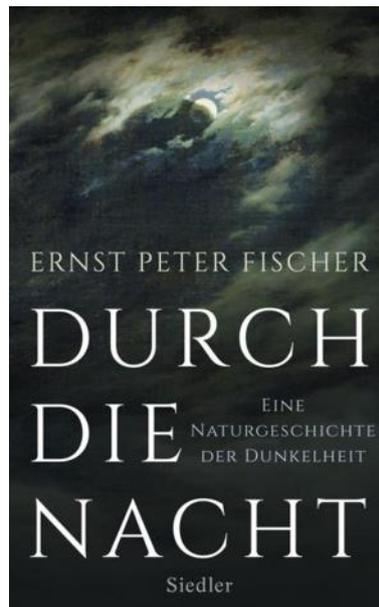
Pantheon  
240 pages  
October 2015

**Johannes C. Bockenheimer** read political science at university and, in Beer Sheva (Israel), Middle East studies before enrolling at the Georg von Holtzbrinck School of Economic Journalism. He then worked as a correspondent in the Berlin office of the *Handelsblatt* and, since December 2014, has been an economics editor at the *Tagesspiegel*. Bockenheimer used to regularly contribute from Israel and Palestine regions to other press journals such as the *Jüdische Allgemeine* and *Die Zeit* and also to the Evangelischer Pressedienst. He is a fellow of the Teddy Kollek Fellowship and was awarded the BVK Prize for Journalism in 2010.

*Chutzpah, Anarchy and Kosher Muslims* is a very personal view of the Jewish state, its people and what they are like. The Zionistic musings of Theodor Herzl serve here as the trail taking the author into the past and to Israel's still young history on the one hand and to the present-day discussions and conflicts that keep hitting the headlines on the other. And this, it must be remembered, is a country that has fewer people living in it than Bavaria.

Johannes Bockenheimer has successfully painted a circum-spect and sometimes whimsical portrait of the state of Israel that is nothing if not excellent entertainment.

## Cultural history and science joined together to make an all-embracing portrait of the night



Ernst Peter Fischer  
**Through the Night**  
[Durch die Nacht]  
A natural history of darkness

Siedler  
300 pages  
With 13 b/w illustrations  
September 2015

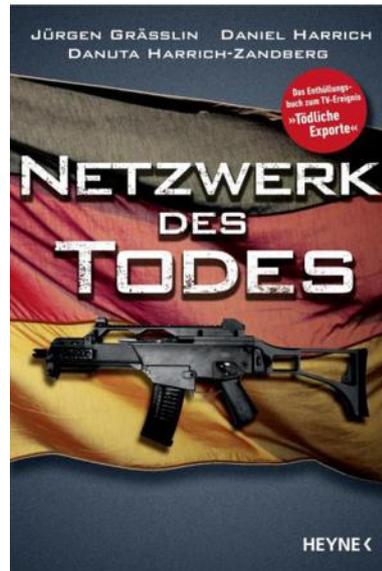
**Ernst Peter Fischer**, born in 1947, studied mathematics and physics in Cologne and biology at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. He received a professorial scholarship in the area of history of science. Today he is a history of science professor at the University of Cologne. He is the author of numerous books, receiving for his work many awards, including the Sartorius Prize of the Academy of Sciences, Göttingen.

[www.epfischer.com](http://www.epfischer.com)

In his latest book, science historian Ernst Peter Fischer has developed a comprehensive panorama of the night, from the beginning of the world right down to the present day. He has successfully and with great skill linked science and cultural history and examined questions posed by the dark. How does light come into being? How are we able to perceive the colour black? Then he goes into such matters as: Why are we frightened of the dark? What do our dreams consist of? And is the night responsible for the evil in us?

Ernst Peter Fischer, one of the most distinguished science mediators, has written an exciting and fascinating portrait of the night. He powerfully lights up the dark and leads readers through the history of this phenomenon – a history that has never before been told in such a way.

## Unmasked: On the tracks of illegitimate armaments deals



Jürgen Grässlin /  
Daniel Harrich /  
Danuta Harrich-Zandberg  
**Network of Death**  
[Netzwerk des Todes]

Heyne  
384 pages  
With 80 b/w illustrations  
September 2015

**Jürgen Grässlin** is one of the most prominent supporters of disarmament in Germany. He has written numerous critical non-fiction books both on the export of weapons and military and economics politics.

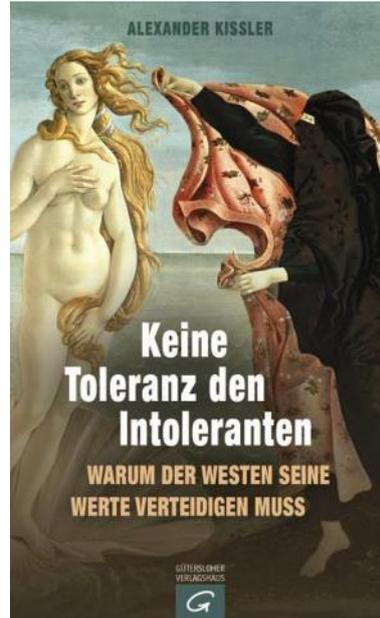
**Daniel Harrich** is a director, screenwriter and journalist. He directed the film *Der blinde Fleck (The Blind Spot)*, a true crime thriller about the Oktoberfest terror attack of 1980.

**Danuta Harrich-Zandberg** is a screenwriter and film producer. She has realised many documentary films in cooperation with Walter Harrich.

There is no end to the scandals surrounding German trade with the deadliest weapons of our times, small arms. How do German weapons keep ending up on such a large scale in the hands of criminal regimes, brutal paramilitary forces and civil war opponents? Daniel Harrich, Jürgen Grässlin and Danuta Harrich-Zandberg have been investigating such shady dealings and followed the trails of these weapons to the crisis regions of the world. Using material gathered in the course of their comprehensive research, they show how these dubious supplies of armaments come about and expose the people behind these deals.

A political thriller such as only reality can come up with. The background to the dirty business with German arms – with sensational new findings and evidence never before published.

## About the danger of false compromises!



### Alexander Kissler **No Tolerance for the Intolerant**

[Keine Toleranz den Intoleranten]

Why the West needs to defend its values

Gütersloher Verlagshaus  
184 pages  
August 2015

**Alexander Kissler**, born in 1969, has a PhD and is a cultural journalist and non-fiction author. He was an editor with the general culture section of the *Süddeutsche Zeitung* and later contributed to the politics section of the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung* and *Focus*. Since January 2013 Alexander Kissler has been in charge of the culture desk at *Cicero*, the monthly magazine for political culture in Berlin.

[www.alexander-kissler.de](http://www.alexander-kissler.de)

Pork is disappearing from school books, mosques from soap packaging – the self-censorship of the West is having absurd effects. On the one hand, freedom of press and opinion is sacrosanct, but then terror is beginning to leave its mark: after the attacks in Paris, for example, there have been occasional demands for penalising blasphemy more forcibly ...

Do we really have to accept the fact that particularly devout people are particularly twitchy? Do we want to sacrifice freedom of self-determination in return for the illusion that we are thus able to mollify the enemies of precisely this freedom?

Alexander Kissler's book is a call for us to fortify with self-confidence our freedom of opinion and religion.

- Self-censorship: why too much political correctness is the wrong way to go
- A challenging point of view in times of ideological turmoil

## God is dead? Long live the substitute gods! How and why we are looking for new dogmas



Andreas Lehmann  
**The New Ten Commandments**  
[Die neuen zehn Gebote]  
How educationalists, health fetishists and militant non-smokers have become modern-day priests

Riemann  
200 pages  
October 2015

**Andreas Lehmann** has contributed to various newspapers, magazines and television for many years. As far as his beliefs are concerned, he goes along with Woody Allen: "There is no question that there is an unseen world. The problem is, how far is it from midtown and how late is it open?"

It is always the same old complaint: the influence of the Churches is diminishing, places of worship remain empty. Could religion be possibly disappearing? Far from it! Religiosity is only rearing its head elsewhere.

Andreas Lehmann has taken a look at these new "religions" teaching us morality. Bio is the new catechism of the de-churched middle classes, veganism the way to save the world, and smokers the epitome of sin. Children have mutated to become Project Number One on the way to finding meaning in life, and experts are squabbling like the church fathers of yore on the correct upbringing and right education. And is Apple really just a brand or is it more a cult? The author intelligently and amusingly shows us the strange ways we are going to satisfy our longing for religion.

- An intelligent and amusing expedition into the world of the new "godless" religions
- For all readers of Manfred Lütz

## A critical look at the rapidly changing world



Peter Seewald /  
Jakob Seewald  
**World on the Brink**  
[Welt auf der Kippe]  
Too much, too noisy, too  
hollow – put an end to the  
madness

Ludwig  
208 pages  
November 2015

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**Jakob John Seewald** was born in 1988 and lives and freelances as a journalist in Munich and Paris. The literary scholar and television journalist studied at the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich, at the Bavarian Television Academy and at the Sorbonne in Paris.

The world is spinning round ever faster; every second countless messages and reports, facts and figures – bizarre, spectacular, unimportant – all rush past us. Peter and Jakob Seewald have made the madness of our age into something visible: with a precise and critical eye they point out connections that in the flood of daily news remain hidden for us.

Supplemented by shrewd essays on pressing issues of the modern day, the book is a fascinating report on a rapidly changing world, a reflection of the madness that is taking our planet to the brink of the abyss. This is an eye-opener, an arousing plea to make the world a more humane place.

## The last survivors to witness Auschwitz



Susanne Beyer /  
Martin Doerry (Eds.)  
**»Auschwitz Has Never  
Left Me«**

[»Mich hat Auschwitz nie  
verlassen«]  
Survivors of the concentration  
camp tell their story  
A *Spiegel* book

Deutsche Verlags-Anstalt  
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With 102 colour photographs  
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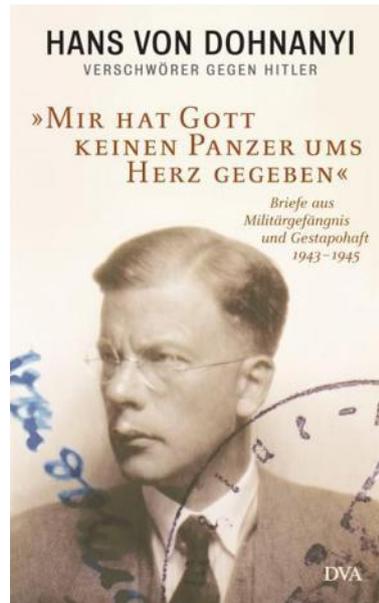
**Susanne Beyer**, born in 1969, has been working for the cultural affairs desk of the *Spiegel* since 1996, first as an editor and then as the deputy head. Early in 2015 she was appointed the news magazine's deputy chief editor.

**Martin Doerry**, born in 1955, has a PhD in history and joined the *Spiegel* in 1987. Between 1998 and 2014 he was the news magazine's deputy chief editor. Since then he has been contributing articles on cultural affairs. DVA published the biography of his grandmother *My Wounded Heart – The Life of Lilli Jahn 1900-1944* and, in cooperation with photographer Monika Zucht, the illustrated book *At Home Nowhere and Everywhere – Conversations with Holocaust Survivors*.

On 27 January 1945, Soviet soldiers liberated the Auschwitz concentration camp. More than a million people had been murdered here by the National Socialists; only very few prisoners escaped with their lives. For years, most of those who survived the ordeal were unable to speak of what they had been through. They felt incapable of talking about the excesses of humiliation they had been victim to in Auschwitz, or no one was prepared to listen to their recollections.

*Spiegel* editors and journalists have now travelled all over the world to visit and interview former inmates of the concentration camp, and Susanne Beyer and Martin Doerry have used their reports to compile this book. The impressive accounts by the last remaining survivors of Auschwitz have been lavishly illustrated with portraits taken for this volume by photographers Sara Lewkowicz and Dmitrij Leltschuk.

## A moving document from the resistance against Hitler



Hans von Dohnanyi  
**»God Didn't Give Me  
Armour Round My  
Heart«**

[»Mir hat Gott keinen Panzer  
ums Herz gegeben«]  
Letters from military prison  
and Gestapo detention  
1943-1945

DVA  
400 pages  
With illustrations  
September 2015

**Hans von Dohnanyi**, born in Vienna in 1902, was a lawyer and one of the most committed members of the resistance against Hitler. He met Klaus and Dietrich Bonhoeffer while he was still at school and married their sister, Christine, with whom he had three children, Barbara, Klaus and Christoph. Dohnanyi was executed as an enemy of the NS state.

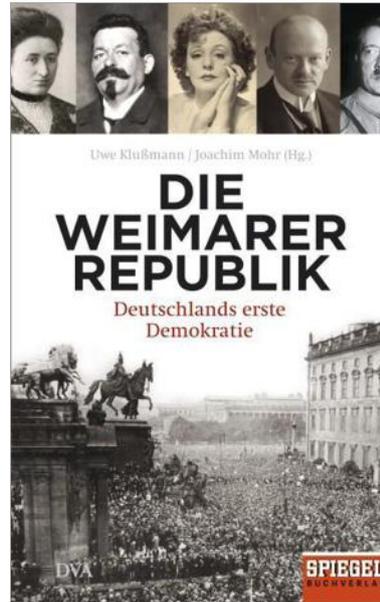
**Winfried Meyer** was born in 1952 and studied German literature and political science. He was awarded his PhD for a dissertation on the "Operation Seven", Hans von Dohnanyi's rescue mission for persecuted Jews in 1942. He is a member of the Berlin Research Centre on Anti-Semitism.

This is the first time the poignant letters and insistent secret notes Hans von Dohnanyi, one of the leading figures in the resistance against the NS regime, wrote to his wife Christine and his children from prison have been made public. They show both a loving father and husband as well as the determined conspirator against Hitler who refused to give in even when facing death in prison.

Lawyer Dohnanyi had already joined resistance circles in the late 1930s. In 1942 he helped a number of Jews to flee to Switzerland disguised as spies; in March 1943 he was involved in an assassination attempt against Hitler, which however failed. In April 1943 he was arrested on the charge of an alleged breach of currency regulation in connection with helping Jews escape the country. After the unsuccessful coup attempt of 20 July 1944 his involvement in the earlier coup plans came to light. On 9 April 1945 he was hanged in Sachsenhausen concentration camp.

- With a foreword by Ulla Hahn and an afterword by Klaus von Dohnanyi, Hans von Dohnanyi's son

## Between German Empire and National Socialism – the turbulent years from 1918 to 1933



Uwe Klußmann /  
Joachim Mohr (Eds.)  
**The Weimar Republic**  
[Die Weimarer Republik]  
Germany's first democracy  
A *Spiegel* book

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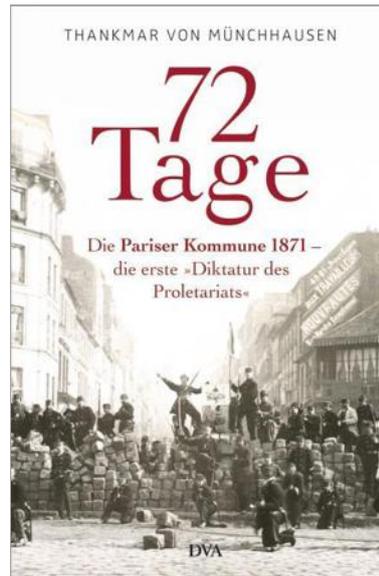
**Uwe Klußmann**, born in 1961, is a historian. He has been a *Spiegel* editor since 1990 and lived in Moscow between 1999 and 2009. The main emphases of his work include German, Russian and Soviet history.

**Joachim Mohr**, born in 1962, spent ten years working for the *Spiegel* in the field of home affairs before moving to the Special Topics department, where he compiles the *Spiegel Knowledge* and *Spiegel History* magazines.

On November 9, 1918, SPD politician Philipp Scheidemann stood on the balcony of the Berlin Reichstag and proclaimed to the agitated masses, "The monarchy has collapsed! Long live the German Republic!" A new era had begun and for the first time in history Germany had a democratic government, women were given the vote, workers had an eight-hour day.

*Spiegel* authors and historians tell of the successes, crises and failures of the Weimar Republic, a time marked by technical progress and cultural blossoming but which was also a period shaped by social and political unrest, by growing material hardship and violence. Their search is for the causes of the downfall of the fledgling democracy and they impressively demonstrate why the Weimar Republic, in spite of its failure, was far more than just a period leading to the dictatorship of the National Socialists.

## A revolutionary experiment of world-historical significance



Thankmar Freiherr  
von Münchhausen

### 72 Days

[72 Tage]

The Paris Commune of 1871 –  
the first "dictatorship of the  
proletariat"

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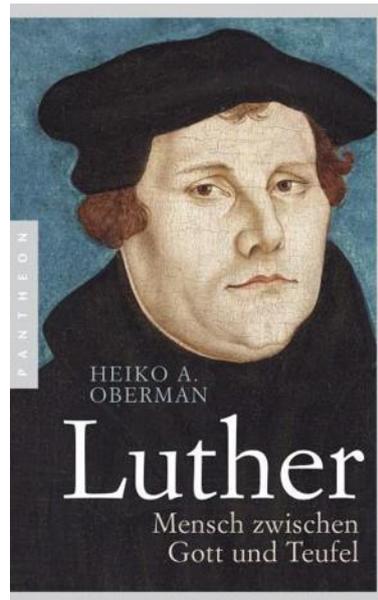
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**Thankmar Freiherr von Münchhausen** was born in 1932. Between 1976 and 1998 he was the political correspondent of the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* in Paris, where he still lives. He has authored several publications on the history of France and Paris, most recently *Paris: History of a City. From 1800 until the present day* (2007).

The armed uprising that eventually came to a bloody end and found its place in history as the "Paris Commune" lasted from March 18 until May 28, 1871. It was the attempt of a revolutionary council to take over the administration of the French capital and run it against the will of the conservative central government according to socialist ideas. The Communards had made it their task to create social conditions fit for human beings.

Using myriad documents and trial reports, letters and diaries, the minutes of meetings and newspaper articles, Thankmar von Münchhausen tells the background to these events and what happened during the 72 days – a period seen as the first dictatorship of the proletariat. In doing so, he has brought to life the Paris of this period on the threshold to modern times.

## Reformation Anniversary in 2017



Heiko A. Oberman

**Luther**

[Luther]

Man between God and the Devil

Pantheon  
400 pages  
May 2016

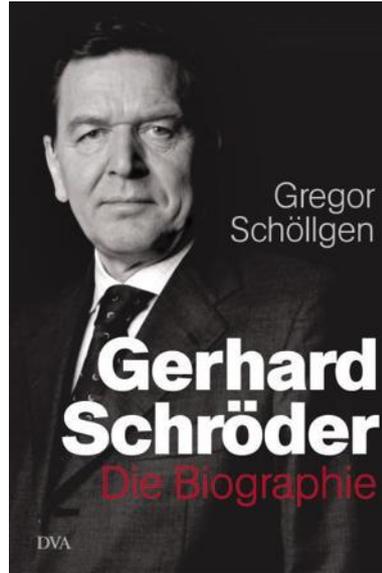
**Heiko A. Oberman** (1930-2001) studied theology and history in Utrecht and Oxford and taught at the Divinity School at Harvard University. Between 1966 and 1984 he was professor of the history of Christianity at the Faculty of Protestant Theology at Tübingen University, where under his directorship the Institute for Late Medieval and Reformation Theology became the internationally most important research centre in this field. From 1984 until his death he taught at the University of Arizona, where he was the Regents' Professor of Medieval, Renaissance and Reformation History.

For posterity, Luther is an innovator, the reformer of the Church. He himself had a very different view of himself: as God's tool for the salvation of Christianity before the Day of Judgement expected during our times.

With one foot still deeply rooted in the Middle Ages, Luther saw himself less as a doer than as someone driven, as the mouthpiece of an immediate and overwhelming God. Luther was a monk from fear, an intrepid preacher and a prophet against the zeitgeist – a medieval prophet who put an end to the Middle Ages.

- Enjoyable, vivid and well researched
- New edition of the standard work, first published in 1987
- Has already been translated into five languages

## The first important and comprehensive biography on the former Chancellor



Gregor Schöllgen  
**Gerhard Schröder**  
[Gerhard Schröder]  
The biography

DVA  
1040 pages  
With 80 b/w illustrations  
September 2015

**Gregor Schöllgen**, born in 1952, is a professor of modern history at Erlangen University and has also taught in New York, Oxford and London. He plans and advises on historical exhibitions and documentations, writes for press, radio and television, is co-editing the records of the Foreign Office in Berlin and Willy Brandt's papers and has written numerous non-fiction books and biographies of popular appeal.

Gerhard Schröder polarises. No matter whether it is while stirring up the Young Socialists in the SPD as their chairman, as a young Bundestag delegate getting his opponents' adrenalin flowing, defending misfits as a lawyer or as Minister President developing the art of going it alone to perfection – the forward-charging climber from the fringes of society has always been a provocation.

As the German Chancellor and leader of the SPD he refused to follow the USA into a war with Iraq; and also as an energetic business consultant and Putin friend, Schröder meets criticism head-on. The "frequently successful biographer Gregor Schöllgen" (*FAZ*) had unprecedentedly free access to Schröder's entire archive and spoke with many of his friends, relatives and opponents, who expressed themselves unusually openly. Thus Schöllgen has set new standards with this first important biography of an exceptional political figure.

- Based on conversations with many companions from all political camps
- Gregor Schöllgen is one of the most eminent historians and biographers in Germany

## Overcoming crises and still remaining human – new strategies for surviving in management



Paula Brandt  
**Mayday from the Executive Floor**  
[Mayday aus der Chefetage]  
Why managers fail in crisis situations

Ariston  
256 pages  
November 2015

**Paula Brandt** has advised board members and managing directors during her work as a consultant. Her clients have included major corporations, banks, insurance companies, the automotive industry, and health and public sectors. Since 2010, she has been conducting on-site research into top managers in corporate and personal crises. She also gives training courses and lectures on this subject. Since 2013 she has been the managing director of an IT company.

A crisis in a corporation is a total disaster for management. Following a major crisis, 80 percent of the managers will be replaced.

For 18 years, the author has worked closely with top management in critical situations, and these mainly male top executives have put their trust in her to help them prepare for crisis situations. To keep control during crises while not becoming a crisis case yourself is the focus of Paula Brandt's book.

## How the Internet giant really works, thinks and plans



Thomas Schulz  
**What Google Really Wants**  
 [Was Google wirklich will]  
 How the most influential concern in the world is changing our future

DVA  
 300 pages  
 October 2015

**Thomas Schulz**, born in 1973, studied political and communication sciences in Frankfurt, Los Angeles, Miami and Harvard. He has been contributing to the *Spiegel* since 2001, since 2008 as its economic correspondent in the USA, where he initially reported from New York on the financial crisis. 2011 saw Schulz move to San Francisco to set up the *Spiegel* office in Silicon Valley, where he now regularly writes about matters pertaining to economics and the Internet. He has been awarded the Henri Nannen Prize, the Holtzbrinck Prize for Economics Journalism and was elected Reporter of the Year.

<http://tomschulz.com/>

Google is said to be overpowering, insatiable, a kraken in the ocean of data. The company has been struggling with image problems for a long time. The growing feeling of unease, however, does not alter the fact that we are letting Google rule our lives. Smartphone, Internet research, navigation – Google is our gateway to the world. And its ambitions go much further, are much greater: Google soon wants to control our cars and our homes, just as it wants to manage the world's data traffic; it wants to shoot satellites into space, build self-driving cars and autonomous robots and prolong human life.

Google is systematically turning into a future machine with which the world of tomorrow is first to be fabricated and then steered. Thomas Schulz, the Silicon Valley *Spiegel* correspondent, has given us a unique close up view of the most powerful business concern in the world. He has exclusive access to the secretive company and offers views of its secret laboratories, of the plans of the product developers and the mindset of its board of managers. His book is a search for the true ambitions of the company and at the same time an urgently necessary contribution to a highly explosive and often emotionally held debate about our data and the digital future.

- Exclusive access to the company's centre of power: the first time ever that Google has cooperated with a non-American author

## Provocative theories on how to permanently change teamwork within many companies



Reinhard K. Sprenger  
**The Decent Company**

[Das anständige Unternehmen]

The distinguishing mark of good management – and what good leaders do not do

Deutsche Verlags-Anstalt  
300 pages  
September 2015

**Reinhard K. Sprenger**, born in 1953, studied history, philosophy, psychology, business management and sport. As Germany's most prominent management consultant and one of the most important thought leaders in the business world, he is a consultant to all the important Dax-100 companies. All his books have been bestsellers and translated into many languages.

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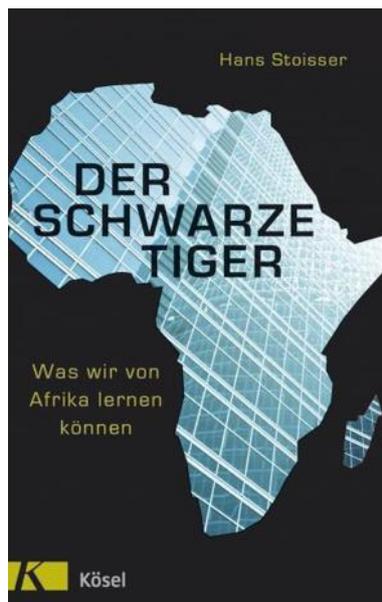
Many people particularly see the economic system at their places of work. The way they are treated every day in the company, what their dealings with superiors, colleagues and staff are like – they take all this away with them when they go back to their families and meet friends. In other words: what we go through at work has a direct influence on society – and this can be tremendous. Yet precisely in companies, what is often missing is decency in the form of reservation and distance. Instead, we find excessive intrusiveness in the form of too many questions being asked, misplaced concern for others, expectations of identification. Breathing space and scope for development get lost, frontiers crossed, differences levelled out. The real company aims often get lost sight of, and successful work goes by the wayside.

So what does a company need to do to be decent? And what does the management in a decent company achieve?

Germany's most successful business thought leader, Reinhard K. Sprenger, explains what distinguishes good management, and his theories are enlightening and provocative.

- Over 2.8 million copies of Reinhard K. Sprenger's books sold
- Rights to his previous books sold to numerous countries

## Invest instead of assist – a warning of a Eurocentric view of the world



Hans Stoisser  
**The Black Tiger**  
[Der schwarze Tiger]  
What we can learn from Africa

Kösel  
176 pages  
November 2015

**Hans Stoisser** studied economics and international relations. He cofounded the management consultancy ECOTEC and is its CEO, and for thirty years he has been involved in Africa in the capacity of consultant and entrepreneur.

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Europe is economically still the strongest region in the world. But there is one thing we Europeans have not even begun to realise: Africa is booming. Even if Africa continues to grow at only half the rate of the last few years, it will have overtaken the European economy by 2050. Business connections with China, Brazil and India are pushing the economy of many African countries forward, while Europe, that important source of development aid, has long since lost its influence on the world of ideas in Africa.

How absurd our activities in Africa are, how out of date our view of Africa as the continent of poverty and catastrophes is and what dramatic consequences all this has for Europe is demonstrated by Hans Stoisser using amazing facts and personal observations. He makes clear how good the future prospects of many African countries are and how great the damage to ourselves will be if we overlook this.

## There is nothing better than lying down ... here are the 100 coolest things you can do in a horizontal position.



Nina Fröhlich  
**100 Things You Can Do  
Lying Down**  
[100 Dinge, die man im Liegen  
machen kann]

Goldmann Paperback  
192 pages  
July 2015

**Nina Fröhlich**, born in 1984, just loves lying down. She is an indefatigable supporter of the conservation of this underrated body position. If you are looking for ideas for a better way of lying down, then this is the book for you.

Are you one of those people who think that all you can do while lying down is read, sleep, watch TV? Who think they'd die of boredom if necessity or a lack of alternatives forced them into a horizontal position?

If so, it's high time to take a fresh look at matters! You could, for example, tackle your next cycle trip on a recumbent bike. Or – for later use – you could give lying in a coffin a try. Or, for a change, why don't you see if you can do a pot roast while you are not standing at the stove?

As you can see, boredom won't have a chance since there are all sorts of things to do. Here you can find the 100 most unusual suggestions for immediate use in all manner of horizontal positions. Have fun!

## Each famous place has its time.



Michael Jürgs  
**Who We Were,  
Who We Are**  
[Wer wir waren, wer wir sind]  
How Germans see their history

C. Bertelsmann  
368 pages  
August 2015

**Michael Jürgs**, born in 1945, has been editor in chief of *Stern* and *Tempo*. A renowned journalist, he has made a name for himself as the author of many biographies. His books *The Romy Schneider Case*, *The Axel Springer Case*, *Citizen Grass* and *The Little Truce in the Great War* have all been bestsellers.

Michael Jürgs has set out on the tracks of German history. He has spoken to people living in and near the towns and places he visited and with historians and famous personalities; and he goes into what significance places like Weimar, Wartburg castle, the Loreley, Villa Hügel, Bayreuth, the Hermann monument, the Walhalla and Worpsswede have for our collective memory.

- Bestselling author Michael Jürgs on the tracks of German history – 25 years after reunification

## On fortune's darlings, masters of disaster, and the talent of facing life with a sense of humour



Wladimir Kaminer  
**Life Is as Easy as Pie**  
[Das Leben ist keine Kunst]

Manhattan  
256 pages  
September 2015

**Wladimir Kaminer** was born in 1967 and has lived in Berlin since 1990. He has his own television program on *WDR*, and is famous not least for his popular nightclub show *Russendisko* (*Russian Disco*). The short story collection of the same name has, like his other books, achieved cult status and has been made into a very successful film.

[www.wladimirkaminer.de](http://www.wladimirkaminer.de)

People who just seem to sail through life are individuals who throw themselves into this business of living with heart, imagination and a pinch of eccentricity. If they do happen to collide with life, it always ends up in a story – like the toilette lady somewhere in the middle of nowhere who meets some superstar while doing her job; or the person in a small publishing house who writes sympathetic letters of rejection; or the theatre group who caused a lot of hilarity in Omsk because they had learned the Russian translation of their play by heart from a recording – including the mistakes made by the voice on the tape.

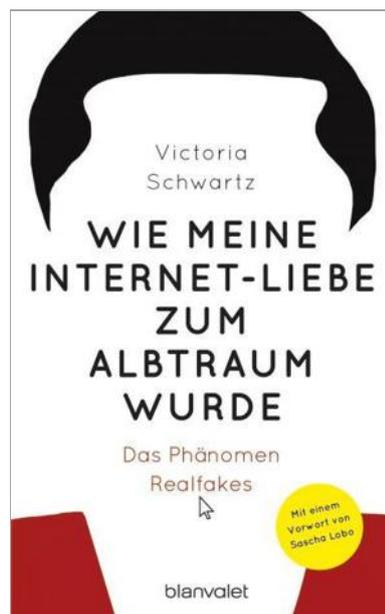
In this delightfully amusing and sometimes touching book, Wladimir Kaminer has written about people who tackle their jobs with talent but whose brilliance lies in the way they cope with life – no matter whether they triumph over all its adversities or fail in triumph.

- Bestselling author: more than 3.4 million copies of his books sold

### Press

"This bestselling author always makes daily life into an absurdly funny event." *Berner Zeitung*

## A stirring account from a woman who fell victim to a fake lover on the Internet



Victoria Schwartz  
**How My Internet Love Became a Nightmare**

[Wie meine Internet-Liebe zum Albtraum wurde]  
The phenomenon of fake-profiles

Blanvalet  
320 pages  
October 2015

**Victoria Schwartz** is a freelance communication designer and copywriter. Apart from her activities for various publishing houses in Hamburg, she has worked as a writer-filmmaker. In addition, she has trained as a family and business mediator. Since 2013 she has been advising people who have been the victims of faked personalities on the Web, does research for them and helps them to understand and cope with what they went through.

It all began with a Twitter message. And when it came to an end, Victoria knew that she had been taken in by every trick in the Internet book. By a stranger who had insinuated himself into her life. Whom she had told everything. Who she felt attracted to. And who for months had been acting out a complicated virtual delusion. For this person created not just one false Internet identity but dozens – members of his family, friends, colleagues. He only had one objective – to conquer Victoria's heart.

She managed to expose her fake Internet lover's massive deception – and her report is as riveting as a thriller and is a new guidebook in our digital society. Victoria's message: "The Web is full of super people. Let's not leave it to the others!"

- "With *How My Internet Love Became a Nightmare* Victoria Schwartz has written about a new and dangerous Web phenomenon: faked identity. Increasingly more people are using an invented or stolen identity to insinuate their way into friendship or even love." *Sascha Lobo*

## What happens after we die?



Juliane Uhl  
**Three Litres of Death**  
[Drei Liter Tod]  
My life in the crematorium

Kösel  
224 pages  
August 2015

**Juliane Uhl** is a sociologist living in Halle, where she works in a crematorium. For the *Mitteldeutsche Zeitung* she contributes "The Last Column – a discussion of the questions that can be asked about death".

<http://julianeuhl.de>

We are torn between curiosity and repulsion in this account of what is awaiting us at death or shortly before: hospice, lying in state, cremation and burial or pathology.

The young author describes the cremation process in the crematorium, presents different forms of funeral, appeals for a dignified treatment of the dead and after this memento mori calls for us to live life as it comes. This date with death is surprising, out of the ordinary and makes us sit up and think.

- All about funerals, cremation and autopsy

## Family life seen through the eyes of a mightily unnerved six-year-old



Nathalie Weidenfeld  
**The Day Mummy Got  
Into a Tizzy**

[Der Tag, an dem Mama die  
Krise kriegte]

Knaus  
144 pages  
With 12 colour illustrations  
September 2015

**Nathalie Weidenfeld** is a freelance writer and lecturer at the University of Munich. Together with her husband Julian Nida-Rümelin she wrote *The Socrates Club*, a book on how to talk about philosophy with children.

Do you have any children? Does the whole circus sometimes get too much for you? Do you ever wonder whether life in other families is as chaotic and tempestuous as in yours? Nathalie Weidenfeld gives the answer in her stories about the perfectly ordinary, everyday bedlam that is family life – yes, it's all absolutely normal.

Leonie is six years old. She has a Daddy who reads Plato and is convinced that only unadorned Christmas trees look nice; a Mummy who buys organic nut cakes nobody wants to eat for kids' birthday parties; a little sister who won't speak but instead is a kung fu champion; and a kitty cat that is determined to make the tom cat go crazy but doesn't want to marry him. It is hardly surprising that in Leonie's home things are in shambles and Mummy is unnerved.

- For readers of René Goscinny's *Nicholas* books

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