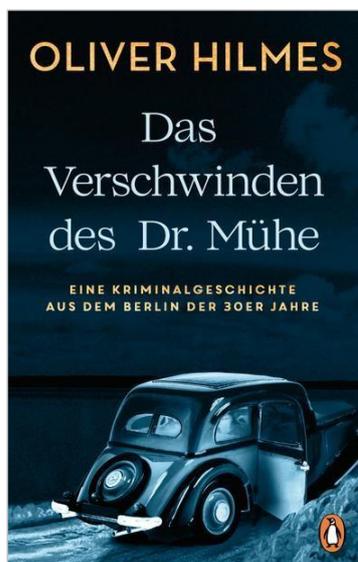


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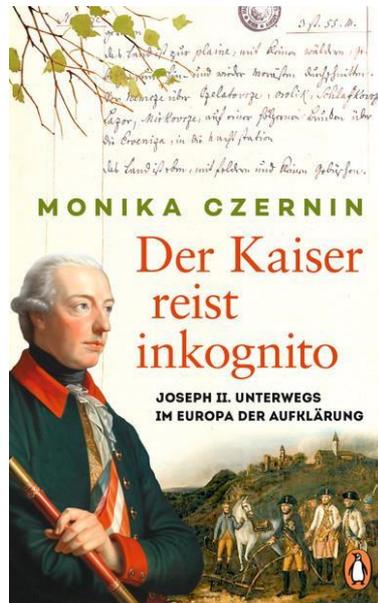
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An Emperor meets his people: The extraordinary journeys of Joseph II



Monika Czernin
**The Emperor
Travels Incognito**
[Der Kaiser reist inkognito]
Joseph II's journey through
Enlightenment Europe

Penguin
320 pages
With illustrations
April 2021

Monika Czernin, an internationally renowned author and film-maker, was born in 1965 and studied political science and philosophy in Vienna. She has a special interest in the key figures and turning points of European history, and her most recent book, *Anna Sacher and Her Hotel*, spent many weeks on the bestseller lists.

It is the end of the eighteenth century, and the European royal houses are beginning to falter. The young Habsburg emperor Joseph II realises that reform is inevitable, and he eagerly soaks up Enlightenment ideas. Incognito, and without the usual pomp and entourage, he travels through his vast empire. He wants to see with his own eyes how his subjects live, suffer and starve.

Along with princes and kings he meets ordinary people, and visits hospitals and factories on the search for new insights that will help him build a modern state. When he visits his sister in Versailles, he can see the French revolution looming on the horizon. By the end of his journey, he has spent a quarter of his twenty-five-year reign on the road.

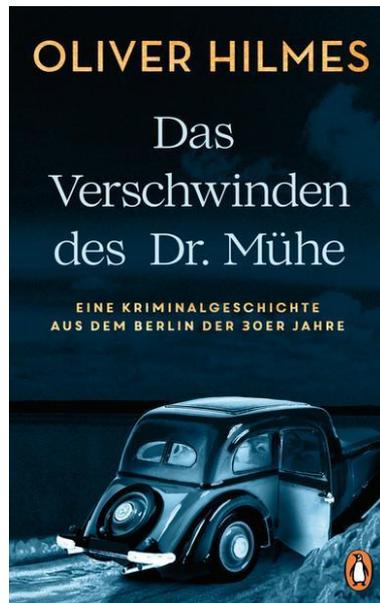
Based on countless sources, Monika Czernin's *The Emperor Travels Incognito* tells the story of an extraordinary man in an age of great upheaval, who was far ahead of his time.

A spectacular cold case from 1930s Berlin – the new book by the bestselling author



English sample translation available

Oliver Hilmes, born in 1971, studied history, politics and psychology in Marburg, Paris and Potsdam. He is the author of bestselling biographies of Alma Mahler-Werfel, Cosima Wagner, Franz Liszt and Ludwig II. His award-winning bestseller *Berlin 1936: Sixteen Days in August* was translated into several languages.



Oliver Hilmes
Dr Mühe's Disappearance
[Das Verschwinden des Dr. Mühe]
A 1930s Berlin crime story

Penguin
240 pages
August 2020

During the final months of the Weimar Republic, a highly regarded doctor disappears. His sports car is found abandoned on the shores of a lake near Berlin. The homicide division investigates and discovers that the respectable medic's carefully cultivated façade has been hiding a shady double life, whose trail leads from Berlin all the way to Barcelona.

Oliver Hilmes has reconstructed this sensational and puzzling case from files discovered in Berlin's regional archive. Enriched with fictional touches, *Dr Mühe's Disappearance* is the gripping and ingenious story of the search for truth, and of the dark side of middle-class life on the eve of dictatorship.

The renowned historian on escape and deportation as a profoundly human experience



English sample translation available

Andreas Kossert, born in 1970, studied history, political science and Slavonic studies in Germany, Scotland and Poland and has a PhD in history. He received an enthusiastic response to his historical depictions of Masuria and East Prussia. Most recently, he published the bestseller *Cold Home. The Story of German Expellees after 1945* and *In Those Days in East Prussia*. He was awarded the Georg Dehio Book Prize for his work.



Andreas Kossert
Flight – A History of Humanity
[Flucht – Eine Menschheitsgeschichte]

Siedler
432 pages
With 55 b/w illustrations
October 2020

In his new book, Andreas Kossert – the renowned expert on emigration and expulsion in the twentieth century and author of the bestselling *Cold Home* – places the early twenty-first-century refugee movement in a wider historical context.

Movingly told and interwoven with personal accounts, *Flight – A History of Humanity* reveals the existential experiences of uprootedness and hostility that go hand in hand with losing one's homeland, and explains why refugees and displaced persons have always found it so difficult to settle into a new country. Whether they have come from East Prussia, Syria or India, refugees are agents of world history – and with this book Andreas Kossert gives them a voice.

The updated biography on the Nobel Prize laureate 2019



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Malte Herwig

Master of Twilight

[Meister der Dämmerung]

A biography of Peter Handke – updated and expanded edition

Pantheon
416 pages

July 2020/first published in November 2010

Malte Herwig, born in 1972, studied German, history and politics in Mainz, Harvard and Oxford, where he did his PhD in 2002 with a thesis on Thomas Mann. He was an editor for cultural affairs with *Spiegel* for several years and now freelances as a journalist. His reports and essays appear in *Die Zeit*, *Weltwoche*, and the *New York Times*. For his book on Thomas Mann, *Bildungsbürger auf Abwegen*, he was awarded the first-ever Thomas Mann Promotion Prize in 2004.

www.publicorum.com

Peter Handke, who won the 2019 Nobel Prize in Literature, is one of the most controversial and prolific authors of our time. His public image is marked by extremes: literature's high priest, solitary monk, friend of the Serbs. How much truth is there to them? His life, too, seems to be a hike along a ridge between extremes: loneliness and love – introversion and a hunger for fame – language and politics – dream and reality.

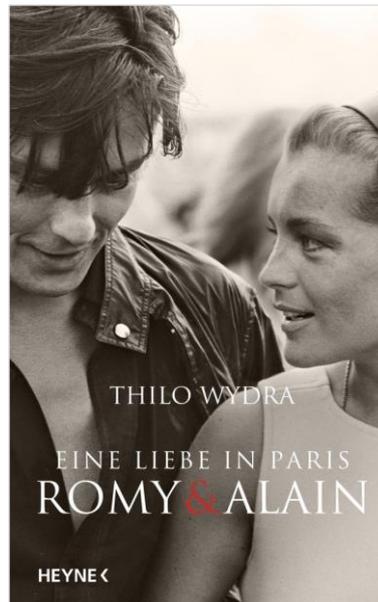
Malte Herwig has had long conversations with the writer, his relatives, friends and detractors, and was given access to Handke's unpublished writings. This revealing and controversial biography is the result.

Press

"Engaging ... astute ... this is an elegant, well-informed biography, beautifully produced and with a helpful chronology appended." *Times Literary Supplement*

"A clever play of questions, reserved and at a high level of sensibility." *Die Welt*

The story of a passionate love affair



Thilo Wydra
**A Love in Paris –
 Romy and Alain**
 [Eine Liebe in Paris –
 Romy und Alain]

Heyne
 272 pages
 With an image section
 October 2020

Thilo Wydra, born in 1968, studied comparative studies, German, art history and film science. He has been freelancing as an author and journalist since the 1990s. In 1996 he became a member of the Verband der deutschen Filmkritik (VdFK) and has since then been on juries at international film festivals. He has authored numerous contributions to books on film and film lexica, writes for newspapers and magazines and has written biographies of Ingrid Bergman, Grace Kelly and others.

The actors Romy Schneider and Alain Delon were the dream couple of the 1960s. They fell in love when they first met in Paris in 1958 on the set of the Arthur Schnitzler adaptation *Christine*, and their extraordinary roller-coaster affair would last five years. Four years later, they are reunited in front of the camera, playing lovers in the cult film *The Swimming Pool*, and thus begins a friendship that would last until Romy Schneider's untimely and tragic death in 1982. When she died, it was Alain Delon who took care of everything. She was the love of his life: "Our love didn't end. It changed."

To tell their story, the author and biographer Thilo Wydra has conducted countless in-depth interviews with Romy Schneider and Alain Delon's friends and colleagues in France and Germany, among them Jane Birkin, Senta Berger, Mario Adorf, Jean-Claude Carrière, Michael Verhoeven, Volker Schlöndorff, and many others – and in their personal recollections the German-French lovers come alive once again.

Unsparingly honest! A judge stands up for truthfulness.



Patrick Burow
Generation Fake
[Generation Fake]
A judge makes an appeal for
more honesty

Kösel
208 pages
September 2020

Patrick Burow, with a doctorate in jurisprudence, has been a judge in Germany since 1996. After working for the public prosecutor's office and a district court, he is currently at the chief magistrate of a district court. As a judge, he encounters liars, swindlers, and defrauders on a daily basis. Through 23 years of professional experience he has become an expert in recognising the various kinds of lies. He has written several non-fiction books.

In over twenty years as a judge Patrick Burow has had to listen to thousands and thousands of falsehoods – which is how he has involuntarily become an expert on lying. In the courtroom there has been a substantial increase in lying, while outside the court, falsehoods and fabrications have become a dominant aspect of life. Whether in personal relationships, career, the media, politics, everyday life, the Internet, or advertising – unrestrained lying is rampant.

This change in values can be easily observed over the last 25 years. We have long been living in a post-factual society, one in which truth and honesty are threatened with extinction. Of course, people say they are not actually lying, but merely using 'alternative facts'. What will society become when there is a generation of people who no longer distinguish between truth and untruth? Perhaps they will no longer even understand that there is a difference. Parallel to this development, however, is a growing countercurrent: honesty as a societal value.

This book will help us see through lies and uncover the truth. A powerful appeal for more honesty.

A practical guide to resistance – Petra Morsbach on the misuse of power and moral courage



Petra Morsbach
**The Elephant
in the Room**

[Der Elefant im Zimmer]

On the misuse of power and
how to oppose it

An essay

Penguin
356 pages
August 2020

Petra Morsbach, born in 1956, studied in Munich and St. Petersburg. After writing her PhD thesis on Isaak Babel, she spent ten years working as a dramaturge and stage director and since 1993 has been freelancing as a writer. She has written several highly acclaimed novels, including *Opera Novel*, and has won numerous awards. In 2017 she received the Wilhelm Raabe Prize for her *Palace of Justice*, for which she spent nine years doing research.

What makes a church authority protect a cardinal, despite having known for decades that he's been sexually abusing pupils and novices? What makes a political party reluctant to uncover a minister's wrongdoing, even when that minister is a member of the opposition? What makes members of an art academy quietly accept a ban on poetry readings? It isn't so much the misuse of power itself that is ominous – after all, it's a perfectly natural inclination – as the evasive, confused, contradictory and unpredictable attitude of its subordinates.

In *The Elephant in the Room*, Petra Morsbach examines this attitude in three gripping reports. The scenarios presented here not only deal with moral dilemmas, but also tell many-layered stories whose topicality will be clear to every reader – whether they work in a hospital, in a nursery, or for a car maker. A meticulously argued and accessible analysis of the abuse of power, why we tolerate it, and how we can oppose it.

Artificial intelligence, climate change, population growth – new challenges demand new tools for thinking



Christian Stöcker

We Are the Experiment

[Das Experiment sind wir]

Our world is changing at such breathtaking speed that we stumble from one crisis into another. We have to learn how to steer through the hurricane.

Blessing

300 pages

September 2020

Christian Stöcker, born in 1973, is a cognitive psychologist and since autumn 2016 professor at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, where he is in charge of the new MA in digital communications. He became editor at *Spiegel Online's* science and *Net World* sections in 2005, and has been head of the latter since February 2011. In 2010, he was awarded the German Psychology Association's prize for science journalism. He has also been included in a series of key publications issued by the National Centre for Political Education.

Three of the decisive issues determining our future in the twenty-first century – the global population, climate change and the digital world – have something in common: They are the symptoms of exponential growth. The bad news is that we have always found it hard to think such large-scale developments all the way through. The good news is that we are experts at learning.

Will we succeed in employing our powerful new technology to save ourselves, as well as the planet? Will we be able to pull ourselves out of the quagmire? What we need are new tools to think with – a new pact between education and progress.

Christian Stöcker's book is a panic-free but forthright account of the great human experiment and a call to open up and exploit the latest discoveries.

Press

"Stöcker's book shows what is at stake when digital incompetence sets the tone – well worth reading."

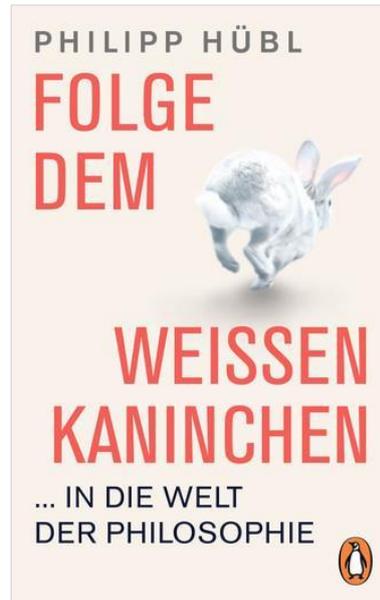
Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung on Nerd Attack!

Answers to big questions – entertaining and accessible

Spiegel
Bestseller

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China, Taiwan, The Netherlands

Philipp Hübl is a philosopher and bestselling author. He contributes articles on social and political issues to such media as *Die Zeit*, *taz*, *NZZ*, *Deutschlandradio* and *Philosophie Magazin*. Hübl studied philosophy and linguistics in Berlin, Berkeley, New York and Oxford before going on to teach theoretical philosophy at the RWTH Aachen, the Humboldt University in Berlin and, most recently, as a junior professor at the University of Stuttgart.



Philipp Hübl
**Follow the White
Rabbit... Into the World
of Philosophy**

[Folge dem weißen Kaninchen
... in die Welt der Philosophie]

Penguin
352 pages
October 2020/first published in 2012

Philosopher Philipp Hübl's *Follow the White Rabbit* is an entertaining and accessible introduction to modern philosophy. In this book, he guides the reader through the big philosophical questions: What can we really know? How do we experience our bodies? Can consciousness be explained by science? How do words get their meanings? How free is our will? Can we live without emotions? Do dreams serve a purpose? Why is beauty so important to us? Is there a God, and is there a point to death?

A new edition of the bestselling book.

Press

"Hübl's casually and lucidly written introduction is highly recommended." *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*

A passionate appeal for a new way of thinking



Albrecht von Müller
**The Self-Unfolding
of the World**

[Die Selbstentfaltung der Welt]

An invitation to rethink time and reality and to approach complexity in a different way

Siedler
496 pages
4c throughout
October 2020

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Albrecht von Müller, born in 1954, has a PhD in philosophy, spent many years working at the Max Planck Institute for Physics and was the director of the European Centre for International Security (EUCIS). He has advised large organisations and various governments and individuals. In 2001, he launched the Parmenidis Foundation, the objective of which is interdisciplinary exploration of complex thinking. As an entrepreneur in the digital sector he has always also been interested in the practical implementation of the result of foundational research.

The problems of our epoch have become extremely complex, and the predominant way of finding solutions in business and politics has only made the problems worse. Albrecht von Müller, philosopher and the director of the multidisciplinary Parmenidis Foundation at the University of Munich, demonstrates in his book that we cannot meet the challenge with technical means – but only and especially by changing our way of thinking.

The author claims that we need a fundamentally new understanding of time and reality, and he offers concrete solutions for politics, business, education and medicine.

A renowned physicist on what a scientific world view can gain from spirituality



Markolf H. Niemz
**Seeing the World
with Fresh Eyes**
[Die Welt mit anderen Augen
sehen]
A physicist argues for more
spirituality

Gütersloher Verlagshaus
192 pages
With many 4c illustrations
July 2020

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English

Markolf H. Niemz is a physicist and holds a chair for medical technology at the Mannheim medical faculty at Heidelberg University. His research on laser medicine was awarded the 1995 Karl Freudenberg Prize of the Heidelberg Academy of Science. Niemz studied physics and bio-engineering in Frankfurt/Main, Heidelberg and San Diego (USA). His books are bestsellers and have been a stimulus to the dialogue between science and religion.

In this book, the highly regarded biophysicist and bestselling author Markolf H. Niemz turns our conception of the world upside down. We've long put our trust in scientific discoveries, which teach us to think in dualisms and categories: there's either this, or that; this is true, or that is true – but never both at the same time. But what if science and philosophy could offer alternatives?

Using six fascinating examples, the author shows how, by shifting our point of view a little and rearranging scientific knowledge, we can gain a modern outlook on life and the universe. A religiously open-minded, spiritually deep and truly joyful book.

A fascinating journey into the Great Digital Beyond

English sample translation available

Moritz Riesewieck and **Hans Block**, both born in 1985, studied directing at the Academy of Dramatic Arts in Berlin and are rising stars of international documentary filmmaking. Their Emmy-nominated film *The Cleaners* premiered at Sundance in 2018 and caused excitement across the globe. It was shown at more than 70 international film festivals, as well as on the *BBC*, *PBS* and numerous other channels worldwide, and has won countless awards, among others the 2018 Prix Europe for best television documentary.



Moritz Riesewieck /
Hans Block
The Digital Soul
[Die digitale Seele]
Immortality in the age of
artificial intelligence

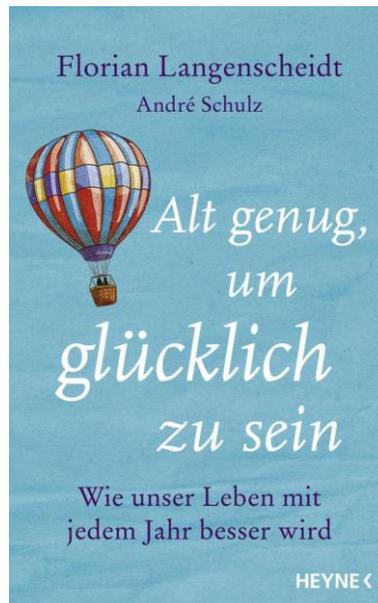
Goldmann
350 pages
September 2020

Humanity has dreamt of eternal life since time immemorial. But it's a dream that has remained unfulfilled – until now. Thanks to spectacular advances in machine learning, immortality is becoming a distinct prospect. Around the world, tech companies are employing vast amounts of user data to create digital doppelgangers, and in the twenty-first century, as more and more people turn away from religion, and neuroscience has declared the demise of the very idea of the soul, belief in life after death is undergoing an unexpected renaissance.

In *The Digital Soul*, Moritz Riesewieck and Hans Block take us on a fascinating journey into the Great Digital Beyond, introducing us to the tech pioneers as well as to those hoping to immortalise themselves as digital clones, and ask the biggest question of all: What happens to us, when the one thing we can be sure of – our mortality – is taken away? They conclude that eternal life is indeed possible – but not as we imagine it.

Listen to their TED talk on "[The Price of a 'Clean' Internet](#)"

When happiness grows up



Florian Langenscheidt /
André Schulz
Old Enough to Be Happy

[Alt genug, um glücklich zu sein]

Why life gets better with each year

Heyne
240 pages
September 2020

Florian Langenscheidt, born in 1955, is a publisher, TV presenter and author of several successful books. He has researched and written about happiness ever since he was a philosophy student.

André Schulz, born in 1978, provides inspiration to others as a student of life. The father of three happily lives in the town of his birth.

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How does love change when you get older? Does old age make you a better person? Is it true that we become better equipped to handle crises? What can the young learn from the old? And why is it good to do foolish things now and again, even when we're old?

In twenty-four forays into science and philosophy, happiness researcher Florian Langenscheidt and 'student of life' André Schulz investigate the important issues that accompany us into old age, making many surprising discoveries along the way. A book filled with inspirational insights that allow us to face middle age and beyond with a good dose of optimism – and cheerfully look forward to what life still has in store for us.

An updated edition of the international bestseller



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Manfred Lütz is a psychiatrist, psychotherapist and theologian as well as 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* has been translated into 12 languages.



Manfred Lütz **The New Crazy – We're Treating the Wrong Ones**

[Neue Irre – Wir behandeln die Falschen]

A light-hearted psychology
Completely revised and
updated edition of Lütz's
bestseller *Crazy!*

Kösel

208 pages

August 2020/first published by GVH in
2009

Donald Trump in the US, Kim Jong-un in North Korea, Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil – the world seems to be getting more and more unhinged by the day. Can we really call these people mad? And can we do anything about it? What, ten years ago, tended to affect only lower-ranking VIPs now appears to have spread to the top of the rung, and madness seems to have taken over the reins.

Meanwhile, psychiatry and psychotherapy have also progressed. *The New Crazy* – intended for the general reader and written with a light touch – is Lütz's completely revised and updated edition of his 2009 *Spiegel*-bestseller *Crazy!*, in which he introduces us to all the latest diagnostic and therapeutic advances. What's the true definition of depression, anxiety disorder and schizophrenia? What can we do about addiction, especially about the new kinds of addiction we're seeing?

The highly regarded psychiatrist and bestselling author Manfred Lütz sheds a light on general insanity.

A passionate and inspirational ecological experiment



Dirk Gratzel
Project Green Zero
[Projekt Green Zero]
Is a climate-neutral life possible? My strict plan to erase my ecological footprint

Ludwig
256 pages
August 2020

Dirk Gratzel, born in 1968, has a PhD in Law, and is a former business leader and the founder of a highly respected AI firm. He regularly gives talks on AI and sustainability at national and international conferences. Gratzel is the first person in the world ever to know their own ecological footprint – and intends to neutralise it before he dies.

Can you reduce your ecological footprint to a minimum, and even repay the climate debt you have accumulated so far? Dirk Gratzel has set out to prove that you can, determined that future generations should not be forced to inherit his ecological debts.

Ecologists at the Technical University of Berlin have worked out the ecological footprint created by Gratzel's life so far. Their conclusion? In order to reduce his use of the Earth's resources as well as his ecological burden, he has to completely change the way he lives. Shower? Only for less than 45 seconds. Buy new clothes? Absolutely not. Take a plane? Never again. But that's not enough – Gratzel wants to make good whatever damage he has done already, and achieve 'green zero'. To get there, he takes extreme measures...

Freezing, uncomfortable, stunningly beautiful – a year in the coldest place on the planet



Carmen Possnig **South of the End of the World**

[Südlich vom Ende der Welt]
Where night lasts four months
and -50°C is a warm day
My year in the Antarctic

Ludwig
304 pages
With a 24-page image section
August 2020

English sample translation
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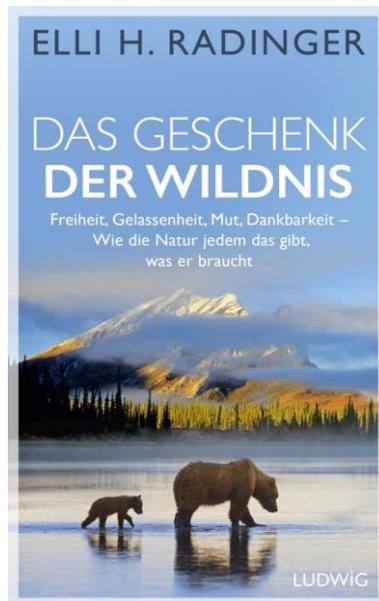
Carmen Possnig was born in 1988 and is a doctor. In 2018, she spent a year in the Antarctica as part of a research expedition organised by the European Space Agency. In the Mars-like conditions of the Concordia research station, she studied her crew to discover how humans adapt both physically and psychologically to extreme conditions. Since her return she has embarked on a PhD in space medicine at the University of Innsbruck.

A return trip to the South Pole is an impossible dream for many of us – but the medic Carmen Possnig did just that. On behalf of the European Space Agency, she spent a year in the heart of the Antarctica to find out what it's like to live in extreme weather conditions, with a distinct lower level of oxygen and in complete isolation from the rest of the world.

With twelve other scientists, she spent the winter at the Concordia research station in the eternal ice. There, she not only encountered the breathtaking beauty of the most extreme continent on Earth, but also her own limits: Sharing a tight space with other people for twelve months, in a world that remains dark for months on end and where the temperature drops to -80°C, requires a huge physical and mental effort.

Carmen Possnig's personal and witty travel report, and its wealth of photographs, opens up a window onto an alien world – making us marvel at our planet's diversity, and at how adaptable human nature can be.

The bestselling author on the beauty of nature



Elli H. Radinger
The Gift of the Wild
[Das Geschenk der Wildnis]
Freedom, calmness, courage,
thankfulness – how nature
can give us what we need

Ludwig
272 pages
With a 4c image section
September 2020

Elli H. Radinger, born in 1951, gave up her law career to devote herself entirely to her true passions: writing and wolves. Her books *The Wisdom of Wolves* and *The Wisdom of Old Dogs* are bestsellers and have been translated into numerous languages. This new book draws on her first-hand experiences and observations during years spent in wilderness areas as an independent naturalist.

The wilderness is rooted deep within us. It challenges us, makes us stronger, calms us down and opens our hearts – and every day it brings new gifts. In this book, the naturalist and wolf expert Elli H. Radinger tells riveting and enchanting stories which reveal the treasures that wilderness has in store for us: adventure, peace, awe, silence, darkness, togetherness, resilience, trust – but also humility and fear.

She takes us on an inspiring journey into nature and ourselves, and shows how the magic of the wilderness can change our lives as well as our minds.

Previous bestselling titles by Elli H. Radinger:



The Wisdom of Wolves

- More than 100,000 copies sold
- Sold to 19 countries

Ludwig, 288 pages, October 2017



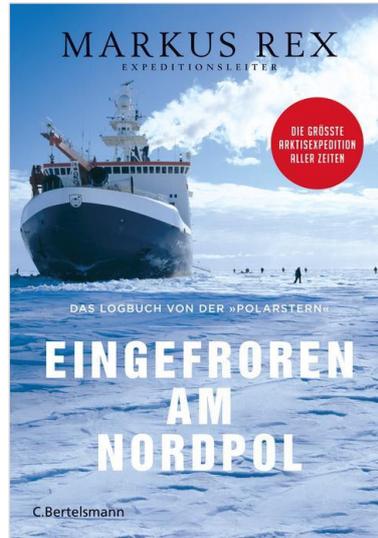
The Wisdom of Old Dogs

- More than 100,000 copies sold
- Sold to 6 countries

Ludwig, 320 pages, October 2018

One year in the eternal ice – a milestone in climate research

*The largest
arctic expedition
of all time*



Markus Rex
Frozen at the North Pole
[Eingefroren am Nordpol]
The log book of the RV
Polarstern

C. Bertelsmann
300 pages
With 4c illustrations and graphs
November 2020

Markus Rex is the head of atmospheric research at the Alfred Wegener Institute, Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Sea Research, and he is professor for atmospheric physics at the University of Potsdam. He had already joined numerous expeditions to the Arctic, Antarctica and other remote regions of the world to research the complex climatic processes that lead to at times dramatic climate changes. He heads the MOSAiC project, a unique research collaboration by 90 institutions from 20 countries.

On the 20th September 2019 began the largest polar expedition of all time: The research vessel RV Polarstern set off from the port of Tromsø, Norway, to be frozen to the ice of the North Pole. Scientists from 20 countries have boarded to research the consequences of climate change for one whole year.

Markus Rex, the head of this research expedition called MOSAiC, recounts in his book the story of this unique endeavour. He tells of everyday life in the extreme environment of the Arctic, of the challenges in terms of logistics and planning, and of the scientific findings that the researchers were able to gather.

Frozen at the North Pole is not only the story of the largest research adventure ever but at the same time a vivid insight into the dramatic consequences of climate change.

A spectacular ramble through the nocturnal forest – with stunning photographs



Kilian Schönberger
In the Forest at Night
[Nachts im Wald]
A nocturnal exploration

Goldmann Paperback
208 pages
With 38 colour illustrations
September 2020

Kilian Schönberger, born in 1985, studied geography before setting up as a freelance landscape photographer. His photography series have been published in *GEO*, *Photography Week*, *Stern* and other international magazines, and he is a well-known outdoor influencer on Instagram. Schönberger's photography books *Legendary Germany* (2015), *Longing for the Forest* (2016) and *Forest Worlds* (2017) have found a wide readership.

www.kilianschoenberger.de

"Night is a magical time. It enchants us, because the darkness shrouds a hidden world of breathtaking beauty."

In this book, Kilian Schönberger, Germany's most famous landscape photographer, takes us on a fascinating journey through majestic forests as we have never seen them before. He loves nothing better than to roam through forests under glittering starry skies, when everyone else is asleep. But the forest itself never sleeps, and different rules are at play here between dusk and dawn than in broad daylight. What happens in the forest at night, unobserved by us humans? How do wild cats and glow-worms communicate with each other? How do plants and trees adapt to the darkness? What is that loud cracking, echoing between the trees?

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From criminal to social worker – an ex-gangster reveals how he got out



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Khalil O. was born into a notorious Berlin crime family. In his youth he was involved in beatings, thefts and large-scale drug dealing, but evaded arrest for most of his offences. Then he began to have doubts and decided to start afresh: He went back to school, graduated, and went to college. He is now a social worker mentoring young criminals.

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