

Londongrad From Russia With Cash The Inside Story Of The Oligarchs

TRANSLATED BY ALISON McCULLOUGH 'One of the best books on the many diverse migrations to London . . . revealing the extent to which the diversity of immigrant origins has had transformative effects - through food, music, diverse types of knowledge and so much more. The book is difficult to put it down' Saskia Sassen, The Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology, Columbia University, New York 'The ultimate book about Great Britain's capital' Dagbladet 'One of the best books of the year! . . . This is a book about what a city is and can be' Aftenposten Is there a street in London which does not contain a story from the Empire? Immigrants made London; and they keep remaking it in a thousand different ways. Nazneen Khan-Østrem has drawn a wonderful new map of a city that everyone thought they already knew. She travels around the city, meeting the very people who have created a truly unique metropolis, and shows how London's incredible development is directly attributable to the many different groups of immigrants who arrived after the Second World War, in part due to the Nationality Act of 1948. Her book reveals the historical, cultural and political changes within those communities which have fundamentally transformed the city, and which have rarely been considered alongside each other. Nazneen Khan-Østrem has a cosmopolitan background herself, being a British, Muslim, Asian woman, born in Nairobi and raised in the UK and Norway, which has helped her in unravelling the city's

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rich immigrant history and its constant ongoing evolution. Drawing on London's rich literature and its musical heritage, she has created an intricate portrait of a strikingly multi-faceted metropolis. Based on extensive research, particularly into aspects not generally covered in the wide array of existing books on the city, London manages to capture the city's enticing complexity and its ruthless vitality. This celebration of London's diverse immigrant communities is timely in the light of the societal fault lines exposed by the Covid-19 pandemic and Brexit. It is a sensitive and insightful book that has a great deal to say to Londoners as well as to Britain as a whole.

Kunst und Geld – auch für Andy Warhol war das eine Allianz. Er vertrat die Meinung: Geldwert ist gleich Kunstwert. Kunst gilt als etwas Schönes, Anregendes oder Belehrendes. Aber Kunst ist auch eine Geldanlage, die aus unterschiedlichsten Gründen gewählt wird. Aus finanziellen Erwägungen, aber auch weil der Besitz von Kunst gesellschaftliche Geltung und soziale Akzeptanz verschafft. Der Kunstmarkt ist weitgehend unreguliert und bietet deshalb grossen Spielraum für illegales und illegitimes Verhalten. Geldwäscherei: Kunst eignet sich ideal für das Waschen von schmutzigem Geld.

Kunstfälschungen: Hat ein Kunstwerk erst einmal einen Preis erzielt, hat danach niemand mehr ein Interesse daran, die Echtheit der Kunst prüfen zu lassen. Nicht der Besitzer, nicht die Museen, nicht die Versicherungen.

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Wertschriftenhandel seit Jahrzehnten verboten und strafrechtlich geahndet, im Kunstmarkt gang und gäbe. Und niemanden kümmert es. Dieses Buch setzt sich mit diesen und weiteren problematischen Aspekten, mit konkreten Fällen und mit fragwürdigem Geschäftsgebaren im Kunstmarkt auseinander.

A fresh and compelling interpretation of Russian politics by a leading authority, this textbook focuses on political developments in the world's largest country under Putin and Medvedev. Using a wealth of primary sources, it covers economic, social and foreign policy, and the 'system' of politics that has developed in recent years. Opposing arguments are presented and students are encouraged to reach their own judgements on key events and issues such as privatisation and corruption. This textbook tackles timely topics such as gender and inequality issues; organised religion; the economic crisis; and Russia's place in the international community. It uses numerous examples to place this powerful and richly-endowed country in context, with a focus on the place of ordinary people which shows how policy is translated to Russians' everyday lives.

One of America's most acclaimed investigative journalists re-investigates some of the most notorious and mysterious crimes of the last 200 years The beloved head of the UN dies in a tragic plane crash . . . witnesses unearthed years later suggest it wasn't an accident. Theories behind the mysterious death of Marilyn Monroe change yearly, and some believe Jack the Ripper was a member of the royal family. History books say Hitler burned down the Reichstag—but did he? And who really

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organized the conspiracy to kill Abraham Lincoln? Acclaimed investigative journalist Edward Jay Epstein cut his teeth on one of the most notorious murder mysteries of the 20th century in his first book, *Inquest: The Warren Commission and the Establishment of Truth*, one of the first books on the assassination and an instant bestseller. His conclusion? The Commission left open too many questions. He examines those questions here, as well as some of the most famous “unsolved” or mysterious crimes of all time, coming to some startling conclusions. His method in each investigation is simple: outline what is known and unknown, and show the plausible theories of a case. Where more than one theory exists, he shows the evidence for and against each. And when something remains to be proved, he says as much. In *The Annals of Unsolved Crime*, Epstein re-visits his most famous investigations and adds dozens of new cases. From the Lindbergh kidnapping to the JonBenet Ramsey murder case, from the Black Dahlia murder to anthrax attacks on America, from the vanishing of Jimmy Hoffa to the case of Amanda Knox—Epstein considers three dozen high-profile crimes and their tangled histories and again proves himself one of our most penetrating journalists.

Radical insider's account of how the city of London really works *The City*, as London's financial centre is known, is the world's biggest international banking and foreign exchange market, shaping the development of global capital. It is also, as this groundbreaking book reveals, a crucial part of the mechanism of power in the world economy. Based on the author's twenty years'

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experience of City dealing rooms, The City is an in-depth look at world markets and revenues that exposes how this mechanism works. All big international companies—not just the banks—utilise this system, and The City shows how the operations of the City of London are critical both for British capitalism and for world finance. Tony Norfield details, with shocking and insightful research, the role of the US dollar in global trading, the network of Britishlinked tax havens, the flows of finance around the world and the system of power built upon financial securities. Why do just fifty companies now have control of a large share of world economic production? The City explains how this situation came about, examining the history of the world economy from the postwar period to the present day. If you imagine you don't like "finance" but have no problem with the capitalist market system, think again: it turns out the two cannot be separated.

Trump in Putins Hand liefert die erste umfassende Untersuchung der jahrzehntelangen Beziehungen zwischen Donald Trump, Wladimir Putin und der russischen Mafia, die letztlich dazu beigetragen hat, Trump ins Weiße Haus zu hieven. Es ist eine erschreckende Geschichte, die in den 1970er Jahren beginnt, als Trump seinen ersten Ausflug in die boomende, geldgierige Welt des New Yorker Immobilienmarktes unternahm und mit der Amtseinführung von Trump als Präsident der Vereinigten Staaten endet. Dieser Moment war der Höhepunkt von Wladimir Putins von langer Hand geplanter Mission zur Untergrabung der westlichen Demokratie, eine Mission,

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in die er und eine handverlesene Gruppe von russischen Oligarchen und Mafia-Größen Trump hineingezogen hatten und die vor mehr als zwanzig Jahren mit dem Bailout einer ganzen Kette von spektakulären Hotel- und Casino-Pleiten Trumps in Atlantic City ihren Anfang nahm. Trump in Putins Hand bestätigt selbst die schlimmsten Befürchtungen über die russische Verschwörung. Für die meisten Leser wird es eine haarsträubende Offenbarung sein, dass der Kalte Krieg 1991 keineswegs zu Ende ging, sondern er sich lediglich weiterentwickelt hat, wobei Trumps Immobilien das perfekte Vehikel für die Milliarden von Dollar boten, die aus der kollabierenden Sowjetunion herausgeschleust wurden. In Trump in Putins Hand verfolgt Craig Unger systematisch die tief verwurzelte Allianz zwischen den höchsten Ebenen der amerikanischen Politik und den mächtigsten Strippenziehern der russischen Mafia. Unger zeichnet Donald Trumps schmutzigen Aufstieg vom von der Pleite bedrohten Immobilienmagnaten zum Anführer der freien Welt nach. Parallel dazu zeichnet er den phönixartigen Aufstieg Russlands aus der Asche der Sowjetunion nach dem Ende des Kalten Krieges sowie die unaufhörlichen geheimen Bemühungen der russischen Machtelite nach, sich am Westen zu rächen und Russland wieder zu einer globalen Supermacht zu machen. Ohne Trump hätte Russland eine Schlüsselkomponente bei seinen Bemühungen, das Land zu imperialer Größe zurückzuführen, gefehlt. Ohne Russland wäre Trump nicht Präsident. Dieses wichtige Buch ist entscheidend für das Verständnis der wahren Kräfte, die im Schattenreich der heutigen Welt am

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Wirken sind.

HANIF KUREISHIS fulminanter erster Roman Karim ist jung, Karim will das Leben und nicht den kleinbürgerlichen Mief der Londoner Vorstadt, wo sein indischer Vater und die britische Mutter versuchen, in die Mittelschicht aufzusteigen. Als der Vater den Bürojob schmeißt und als Meditationslehrer mit exzentrischer Geliebter zum BUDDHA DER VORSTADT wird, ist auch Karim zu allem bereit: Mystik, Drogen, Frauen und Männer, Hauptsache schrill und intensiv.

The Oligarchs is the dramatic but serious story about how a small group of young entrepreneurs could become some of the world's richest men and get control of the president of a fallen super-power in the process.

A political ethnography of the inner workings of Putin's sistema, contributing to our understanding Russia's prospects for future modernisation.

From the capture of Sidney Reilly, the 'Ace of Spies', by Lenin's Bolsheviks in 1925, to the deportation from the USA of Anna Chapman, the 'Redhead under the Bed', in 2010, Kremlin and Western spymasters have battled for supremacy for nearly a century. In Deception Edward Lucas uncovers the real story of Chapman and her colleagues in Britain and America, unveiling their clandestine missions and the spy-hunt that led to their downfall. It reveals unknown triumphs and disasters of Western intelligence in the Cold War, providing the background to the new world of industrial and political espionage. To tell the story of post-Soviet espionage, Lucas draws on exclusive interviews with Russia's top NATO spy, Herman Simm, and unveils the horrific

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treatment of a Moscow lawyer who dared to challenge the ruling criminal syndicate there. Once the threat from Moscow was international communism; now it comes from the siloviki, Russia's ruthless 'men of power'. In November 1998, Alexander Litvinenko, a former Lieutenant Colonel of the Russian security service or FSB, along with several former colleagues, publicly stated that their superiors had instigated an assassination attempt on a Russian tycoon and oligarch. Following his subsequent arrest and failed trials, Litvinenko fled to London where, having been granted asylum, he worked as a journalist and writer, as well as acting as a consultant for the British intelligence services. Eight years later, Litvinenko's past caught up with him when he was assassinated in London. It was on 1 November 2006 that Litvinenko was suddenly taken ill – so serious was his condition that he was hospitalised. He passed away twenty-two days later. Significant amounts of a rare and highly toxic element were subsequently found in his body. Before his death, Litvinenko had said: 'You may succeed in silencing one man but the howl of protest from around the world, Mr Putin, will reverberate in your ears for the rest of your life.' In this examination of the events surrounding Litvinenko's murder, the author, Boris Volodarsky, who was consulted by the Metropolitan Police during the investigation and remains in close contact with Litvinenko's widow, details the events surrounding the assassination. He brings the story up to date, referring to the findings of the official British inquiry, on the release of which Prime Minister David Cameron condemned Putin

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for presiding over 'state sponsored murder'. The author proves that the Litvinenko's poisoning is just one of many. Some of these assassinations or attempted assassinations are already known; others are revealed by him for the first time.

In *International Relations Since the End of the Cold War* many of the world's leading scholars examine the Cold War legacy. The authors examine several key issues including: the relationship between democracy and peace, the Cold War and the Third World, superpowers, the role of post-Cold War nuclear weapons.

In 2000 No Logo described a vision of rapacious corporations building brands at the expense of impoverished third world employees and ripped-off first world consumers. Now, only eight years later, No Logo looks almost optimistic against the rise of a new and insidious club of global billionaires who are buying up once unfashionable industries like oil, steel, shipping and mining from distressed third-world nations and formerly Communist powers. Often backed by mafia money or dubious political connections, these oligarchs have no shareholders and no home nation - they are the sum total of their corporations. We are dependent on these men - they fuelled our recent boom. They come to us for our light taxation and our willingness to sell them class and influence via an Eton education for their kids and cheaply bought honours. These men are becoming ever richer as the rest of the world suffers credit crunch and recession. They deal in the commodities that the planet's economies need but which are becoming ever more scarce. There are no national governments that can

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control or legislate against them - they will simply move to another of their five or six palatial homes. In this recession, we are all acutely aware of our dwindling wealth and the spiralling prices of essentials. The fact that these are in fewer and nastier hands than ever before has rarely - if ever - been explained by the media. It's time for a book that points out the power of these individuals and how they are just the start of a deeply worrying trend. The buyers of Tesco and No Logo have long been aware of overly powerful corporations. The rise of men whose personal wealth and power far outranks most of the companies in these books should alarm these concerned citizens - and encourage them to find out more. This book will paint a vivid picture using interviews, first hand experience, expert comment and some futurology to give them the information they need. The first history of London to show how immigrants have built, shaped and made a great success of the capital city London is now a global financial and multicultural hub in which over three hundred languages are spoken. But the history of London has always been a history of immigration. Panikos Panayi explores the rich and vibrant story of London- from its founding two millennia ago by Roman invaders, to Jewish and German immigrants in the Victorian period, to the Windrush generation invited from Caribbean countries in the twentieth century. Panayi shows how migration has been fundamental to London's economic, social, political and cultural development. Migrant City sheds light on the various ways in which newcomers have shaped London life, acting as cheap labour, contributing to the success

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of its financial sector, its curry houses, and its football clubs. London's economy has long been driven by migrants, from earlier continental financiers and more recent European Union citizens. Without immigration, fueled by globalization, Panayi argues, London would not have become the world city it is today.

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When more than 200 young schoolgirls were kidnapped on 15th April 2014, in the north-eastern Nigerian town of Chibok, by the extreme Islamic terrorist sect Boko Haram, it captivated the world and catapulted the oil-rich west African state into the international media spotlight. Who was this bizarre Muslim fundamentalist group threatening Islamic terrorism in Africa? What was happening to the abducted children, and would they survive this horrific ordeal? What was the Nigerian government doing to secure their release? And who was the President with the unfortunate name of Goodluck Jonathan? After securing interviews from contacts in Nigeria, including the President and his aides, Mark Hollingsworth and Von Kemedi reveal the first inside account of this kidnapping, including Boko Haram's activities and its secret sponsors. This new book also contains the first biography of Goodluck Jonathan and accounts the challenges facing Nigeria – corruption, oil and a fast-growing population. Against The Odds assembles all the major issues of today – terrorism, corruption, politics, business, oil and Islam – into one assessment of the country. It is a book that will appeal to readers interested in current affairs, exploring the

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President, the notorious corruption, the vast oil revenues and the colourful people and entrepreneurs who are developing Nigeria into the largest economy in Africa. As Europe rebuilt after the devastation of the Second World War, the former colonies of the major imperial powers sought their independence at the same time that the United States extended its economic and political power globally. In *Turbulent Empires* Mike Mason analyzes the struggles for post-colonial sovereignty and economic domination and how these competing forces led to conflicts and shifting alliances around the postwar world. *Turbulent Empires* surveys the major polities and economies of Africa, Asia, Latin America, Russia, and the West and traces the trajectory of nationalist ruling classes bent on exercising sovereign control over economic resources. It emphasizes the convulsions that brought about unanticipated realignments and shocking reversals, such as the rise and fall of regimes, continuous interventions in the Muslim world, the sudden collapse of the commodities supercycle, and the continuing challenge of inequality. By the second decade of the twenty-first century, the global economic crisis of 2008 raised the question of a new global order while the question of American decline, captured in the slogan "Make America Great Again," became commonplace. Both erudite and accessibly written, *Turbulent Empires* provides an insightful and sweeping analysis of world political and economic history that is an ideal introduction to postwar political science, history, and development studies.

Ein Blick in die Zukunft: auf ein Russland ohne Putin. Wladimir Putin erobert die Krim, er treibt in Syrien den Westen vor sich her und hat laut CIA mitgeholfen, Donald Trump an die Macht zu bringen: Russland ist unter Putin außenpolitisch wieder zu einem Machtfaktor geworden. Und

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im Land selbst gibt es weit und breit niemanden, der ihm politisch gefährlich werden könnte. Die Politologin Angela Stent fragt, warum sich die Erwartung des Westens nicht erfüllt und Russland sich seit dem Untergang der Sowjetunion nicht zu einer liberalen marktwirtschaftlichen Demokratie entwickelt hat. Und wie stattdessen ein KGB-Agent mittleren Rangs so mächtig werden konnte, so einflussreich und populär, dass sein autokratisches System inzwischen als bedrohliches Gegenmodell zur westlichen Demokratie wahrgenommen wird. Stent beschreibt in diesem Buch, wie Putin sein Land geprägt hat und wie sich unter ihm Russlands Beziehungen zum Westen, zu den USA unter Donald Trump und besonders zu Deutschland verändert haben. Auf dem Höhepunkt von Putins Macht wagt Stent gleichzeitig den Blick in die Zukunft: auf ein Russland ohne Wladimir Putin.

Roman Abramovich's purchase of Chelsea FC. The takeover by the former KGB man Alexander Lebedev of London's Evening Standard newspaper. The unsolved murder of Alexander Litvinenko, the ex-spy, and the death of Stephen Curtis, the lawyer to Russia's super-rich, in a mysterious helicopter accident. Following Communism's collapse in Russia, London became the favoured home-from-home for Russian billionaires. Londongrad is the true, inside story of secret multi-billion pound deals and rancorous feuds, presidents and supermodels, oligarchs and aristocrats, private jets and mega-yachts. This is the story of how London became known as Londongrad, and of how the colossal fortunes of those who took part in its rise would soon become dust. Londongrad is a must-read for anyone interested in how vast wealth is created, the luxury it can buy, and the power and intrigue it produces.

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On 8 December 2014, the body of bankrupt property tycoon Scot Young was found impaled on the railings below his ?3-million penthouse apartment. The police felt his death was not suspicious, but a Russian radio station asked: 'Did he jump or was he pushed?' Soon everyone was wondering. For six years, Young had been fighting an acrimonious divorce case. His wife accused him of hiding his vast wealth offshore; he claimed that he had lost it all in an ill judged Moscow property deal, yet opted for jail rather than provide evidence. And although he claimed to have debts of over ?27 million, he

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was still seen driving a Ferrari and swigging champagne. Then his wife accused him of involvement with the Adams family, the notorious London crime syndicate. There were rumours, too, that he had fallen foul of the Russian mafia, who had once dangled him over a Dorchester Hotel balcony. Five businessmen involved in the property deal died in strange circumstances, three in mysterious falls. One was Russian oligarch Boris Berezovsky, found hanged in his Berkshire home. Meanwhile, other super-rich friends - including Sir Philip Green and Simon Cowell - distanced themselves when Scot's dealings brought them into the spotlight, shunning any involvement in this strange conspiracy of silence.

The Arctic has often been seen as a natural area, or even a "wilderness", where mainly indigenous and subsistence activities have been prominent. Contrary to this, the present volume highlights the very long historical development of resource use systems in northern Europe, across multiple actors and multiple levels, and including varying population groups. The book takes a past-present-future perspective that illustrates the paths to institutional emergence, change or persistence over time. It also illustrates how institutions may themselves drive changes, through a focus on resource use cases in northern Europe. This volume demonstrates that understanding "northern" issues is less about understanding sets of geophysical, climatological or environmental conditions than about understanding social and institutional structures. Understanding these trajectories into the future is seen as a key way of understanding what responses to future change may be likely and what the institutions are that will shape, limit or enable our responses to climate change. This book will be of great use to scholars and graduates in the fields of Arctic and northern-region politics, and to researchers of resource use and climate change with a focus on vulnerability, social vulnerability, adaptation and mitigation.

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Haben Sie ein Hobby, mit dem Sie sich den ganzen Tag beschäftigen könnten? Eine Leidenschaft, die Sie nachts wach hält? Jetzt ist der perfekte Zeitpunkt, um mit dieser Leidenschaft Geld zu verdienen. In "Hau rein!" zeigt Ihnen Gary Vaynerchuk, wie Sie das Internet nutzen können, um aus Ihren Träumen ein lukratives Geschäftsmodell zu machen. Gary hatte Jahre damit zugebracht, auf die klassische Werbetour aus seinem Familienbetrieb einen nationalen Marktführer zu machen. Dann kam der Tag, der sein Leben veränderte. Er nahm eine Videokamera und machte sich mittels Social Networking ohne großen finanziellen Aufwand selbst zur erfolgreichen Marke. Am Ende dieses Buchs werden Sie Schritt für Schritt gelernt haben, wie Sie soziale Netzwerke nutzen können, um Ihre Träume als Unternehmer wahr werden zu lassen. "Hau rein!" ist das ultimative aktuelle Handbuch für Geschäftsleute und solche, die es werden wollen.

The amazing true story of how London became home to the Russian super-rich – told for the first time ever. A dazzling tale of incredible wealth, ferocious disputes, beautiful women, private jets, mega-yachts, the world's best footballers – and chauffeur-driven Range Rovers with tinted windows.

The central objective of this edited volume is to help unlock a set of intriguing puzzles relating to changing power dynamics in Eurasia, a region that is critically important in the changing international security landscape.

How London was bought and sold by the Super-Rich, and what it means for the rest of us Who owns London? In recent decades, it has fallen into the hands of the super-rich. It is today the essential "World City" for High-Net-Worth Individuals and Ultra-High-Net-Worth Individuals. Compared to New York or Tokyo, the two

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cities that bear the closest comparison, it has the largest number of wealthy people per head of population. Taken as a whole, London is the epicentre of the world's finance markets, an elite cultural hub, and a place to hide one's wealth. Rowland Atkinson presents a history of the property boom economy, going back to the end of Empire. It tells the story of eager developers, sovereign wealth and grasping politicians, all paving the way for the wealthy colonisation of the cityscape. The consequences of this transformation of the capital for capital is the brutal expulsion of the urban poor, austerity, cuts, demolitions, and a catalogue of social injustices. This Faustian pact has resulted in the sale and destruction of public assets, while the rich turn a blind eye toward criminal money laundering to feather their own nests. Alpha City moves from gated communities and the mega-houses of the super-rich to the disturbing rise of evictions and displacements from the city. It shows how the consequences of widening inequality have an impact on the urban landscape.

In retrospect, historical change often appears to be both logical and inevitable. Yet, as a process, as a series of moments, it is by nature open-ended. The protagonists are unaware of the potential consequences of their choices, as well as the meaning of their actions in the greater scheme of things. An individual, in real time and in the middle of events, has little scope for understanding the whole. The dynamic of a regime change involves a journey away from a particular past towards a chosen future, while the practices of the old regime are called into question. The competing visions for a better future

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often include a reactionary option, looking back towards an older period, perceived as a golden age waiting to be restored. In the aftermath of a regime change the new cadres, seeking to consolidate their power, form the new conservative bloc of the society. When revolutionary forces again begin to gather, the regime disintegrates, and the cycle begins again. So far, regime changes have been analysed as unique, one-off events. This book traces what such processes, regardless of their ideological colour, have in common. How does political power change hands? What are the mental and material tools of change? From the last stages of World War I to the present Crimean crisis, the case studies in this book offer timeless insights for understanding ideological and military conflicts, including the undercurrents of the present Russo-Western relations.

Im Jahr 2050 werden zwei Drittel aller Menschen in Städten leben – wie können Bewohner mit unterschiedlichen kulturellen und religiösen Hintergründen eine friedliche Koexistenz führen? Richard Sennett stellt die Frage nach der Beziehung zwischen urbanem Planen und konkretem Leben: Wie hat sie sich historisch gewandelt? Wie kann eine offene Stadt aussehen, die geprägt ist von Vielfalt und Veränderung – und in der Bewohner Fähigkeiten zum Umgang mit Unsicherheiten entwickeln? Richard Sennett zeigt, warum wir eine Urbanistik brauchen, die eine enge Zusammenarbeit von Planern und Bewohnern einschließt und voraussetzt – und dass eine Stadt voller Widersprüche urbanes Erleben nicht einengt, sondern bereichert.

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Wie konnten deutsche Wohnungen zum Spielball globaler Investoren werden, und wer sind die Profiteure? Utta Seidenspinner kommt der Kostenexplosion der vergangenen Jahre systematisch auf die Spur. Dieses Buch handelt von ihrer Recherche im Dschungel versteckter Milliarden-Transaktionen, die komplett am Finanzamt vorbeigehen. Sie entdeckt ein Geldwäschesystem namens "Russischer Waschsalon", die italienische 'Ndrangheta in Thüringen und trifft auf ägyptische Makler, die Berliner Wohnungen in Shopping Malls in Dubai verkaufen. Und sie findet Mieter, die in ehemals kommunalen Wohnsiedlungen in ständiger Angst vor der nächsten Mieterhöhung leben. Dort lag der Beginn des heutigen Immobilienfiebers, der Urknall, ausgelöst ausgerechnet durch ein Gesetz der rot-grünen Bundesregierung. Seit sich der Staat als Moderator zurückgezogen und allein Kapitalanlegern und Aktienmärkten das Feld überlassen hat, gilt nur noch deren Logik von Rendite und Gewinn. Ein Aufruf, Wohnraum endlich wieder als Grundbedürfnis zu behandeln.

By looking at the top 0.1 percent of Russian society, this book captures the stories of multimillionaires and billionaires, their spouses, and their children. It traces how rich Russians moved from conspicuously spending cash into a conscious social class, legitimizing their wealth through philanthropy and more bourgeois manners

A Sharing Economy proposes radical new ways to close the UK's growing income gap and spread social opportunities. A new social wealth fund would boost

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economic and social investment and simultaneously strengthen the public finances and offer a powerful antidote to austerity.

Das Schwerpunktthema dieses Jahrbuchs behandelt die digitale Transformation, die Gesellschaften heute erleben. Diese betrifft Verwaltungsabläufe ebenso wie die Steuerung der technischen und sozialen Infrastruktur, Mobilität und Verkehr, Zahlungssysteme, Produktion, Wohnen, Bildung und, ganz allgemein, die Gestaltung des Alltags. Mit dem Themenschwerpunkt „Digitale Transformation“ werden verschiedene Dimensionen der Digitalisierung räumlicher Lebenswelten behandelt. Darüber hinaus bietet das Jahrbuch StadtRegion in den Rubriken „Analysen und Kommentare“ sowie „Rezensionen“ aktuelle Beiträge zu interdisziplinären Fragen der Stadtforschung und der Raumentwicklung. In der Rubrik „Dokumentation und Statistik“ werden ausgewählte Kennziffern aus den Themenbereichen Bevölkerungsentwicklung, Beschäftigung, soziale Lage und Baufertigstellungen in einem „Rückblick auf knapp 20 Jahre Raumentwicklung im 20. Jahrhundert“ analysiert.

Anschaulich und direkt, stolz und nicht ohne Selbstironie erzählt Nicolai Lilin, Abkömmling der sibirischen Urki, eines Kriminellenclans, in seinem ersten Roman, einer Abfolge verblüffender, teils atemberaubender Geschichten, vom Aufwachsen in Transnistrien, wohin die Urki 1938 auf Stalins Befehl umgesiedelt wurden, und von der Urki-Erziehung, die aus ihm den lebenden Widerspruch eines »ehrbaren Kriminellen« machen sollte. Die Kinder sammeln ihre Erfahrungen in Kämpfen

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mit Jugendbanden und mit der Polizei. Dolche und Molotowcocktails, bald auch Pistolen kommen zum Einsatz. Vom Straflager sprechen sie wie andere vom Militärdienst oder den sonstigen Aussichten eines Erwachsenenlebens. Die Alten dagegen, die »Großväter«, bringen ihnen durch selbst erlebte und beglaubigte Exempel Freundschaft, Loyalität, Freigebigkeit und die Pflicht, Kinder, Alte und Behinderte zu schützen, bei – sowie die strengen Urki-Regeln erlaubter Gewaltanwendung. Infolge einer Festnahme wird Nicolai rekrutiert und muß auf russischer Seite an den Kämpfen in Tschetschenien teilnehmen – bis ihm der Absprung gelingt, nach Italien. Sibirische Erziehung ist Nicolai Lilins erstes Buch, erschienen 2009. Nicht zuletzt durch die enthusiastische Besprechung Roberto Savianos, Autor des Mafia-Bestsellers Gomorrha, wurde dieser Bericht von einer faszinierend unwahrscheinlichen Welt des »ehrbaren Verbrechens« zu einem sensationellen Erfolg.

A definitive contemporary political, economic, and cultural history from a leading international expert, this is the first single-volume work to survey and analyze Soviet and post-Soviet Ukrainian history since 1953 as the basis for understanding the nation today. • Integrates late-Soviet and post-Soviet history to explain the continuity of the legacies of the USSR on contemporary Ukraine • Provides alternative and original insights into Ukrainian politics that provide an original perspective different from standard frameworks • Includes an extensive range of interviews with leading Ukrainian politicians, civic activists, and businesspersons as well

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as Western policymakers and leaders of the Ukrainian diaspora who provide unique insights into contemporary Ukrainian politics • Shares biographical entries that reflect the author's three decades of personal involvement in contemporary Ukraine • Draws on a wide range of primary and original sources • Features original and previously unseen photographs

Putin's Propaganda Machine examines Russia's "information war," one of the most striking features of its intervention in Ukraine. Marcel H. Van Herpen argues that the Kremlin's propaganda offensive is a carefully prepared strategy, implemented and tested over the last decade. Initially intended as a tool to enhance Russia's soft power, it quickly developed into one of the main instruments of Russia's new imperialism, reminiscent of the height of the Cold War. Van Herpen demonstrates that the Kremlin's propaganda machine not only plays a central role in its "hybrid war" in Ukraine, but also has broader geopolitical objectives intended to roll back the influence of NATO and the United States in Europe. Drawing on years of research, Van Herpen shows how the Kremlin built a multitude of soft power instruments and transformed them into effective weapons in a new information war with the West. /span

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