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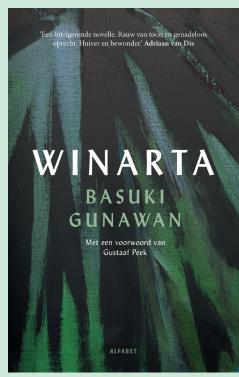
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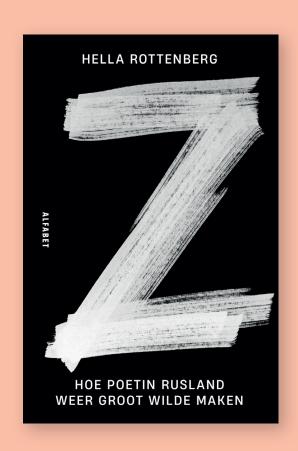
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HELLA ROTTENBERG

Z - Guide to a Brutal War

On 24 February 2022, Putin shocked the world by ordering the invasion of Ukraine with the aim of overthrowing the government and 'denazifying' the country. The letter Z became the symbol of the invasion and soon-expected victory. Russian media propaganda worked overtime trying to convince its population that Ukraine was run by Nazi's which was a deadly threat to all. Within a few weeks of the invasion, Russia became a totalitarian dictatorship with Putin taking revenge on the West, on Ukraine, on his domestic opponents, and on history itself. Journalist and Russian politics expert, Hella Rottenberg interprets these devastating events by looking back at the recent history of a superpower that frightens us all.

Press on The Cigar Factory of Isay Rottenberg

'A conscientiously written, persistent quest resulting in a compelling story, full of glimpses into the pre-war Nazi rule.' - Jolande Withuis, sociologist and writer

HELLA ROTTENBERG is a freelance writer and journalist. She worked as a political and investigative reporter and was a correspondent for *de Volkskrant* in Prague and Moscow during the collapse of communism. Her publications include books about the smuggling of a Malevich collection and the back office of criminal justice in the Netherlands. She is one of the three founders of the knowledge platform Raam op Rusland ('Window on Russia'). In 2018, together with Sandra Rottenberg, she wrote *The Cigar Factory of Isay Rottenberg*, which was shortlisted for the Libris History Prize.



STEVEN DERIX WITH MARINA SHELKUNOVA Zelensky

The War President

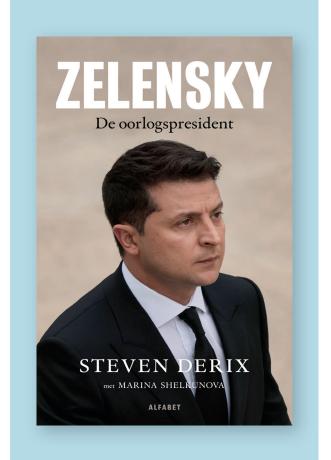
Volodymyr Zelensky has won praise across the world for his leadership after Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

A Spiegel-Bestseller in Germany

Few outside of Ukraine know the twists and turns of his life before he was elected president. At the age of 20, the Jewish boy from the provincial town of Kryvyi Rih was a star of the stage. At 30, the comedian and actor headed a multimillion-dollar company. At 40, in the hit series Servant of the People, Zelensky played the Ukrainian president he aspired to be: an outsider who takes on his country's corrupt political and business elite. 'If I am elected, they will first sling mud at me,' said Zelensky in 2018, six days before he announced his candidacy, 'then they will learn to respect me, and fi nally cry when I leave.'

In *Zelensky*, Steven Derix describes the impressive life story of an actor who played a president on TV before being thrust into the role of real-life wartime leader.

'Derix and Shelkunova succinctly yet thoroughly examine the history of Ukraine, especially the more recent developments entailing Zelensky's career as well.' – Trouw



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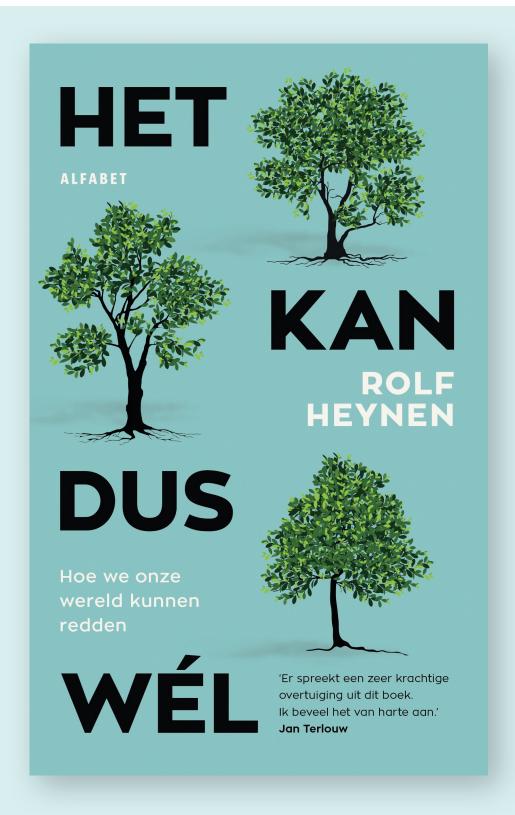
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ROLF HEYNEN

Hope

How To Save Our World

We see the effects of climate change with each passing year. Humanity is faced with huge questions that paralyse those who try to answer them: is it still possible to halt the effects of climate change? With all the political and social strife in the world, can we put aside our differences to tackle these issues? Yes, we can. But only if we do it together. But can we turn the tide on time? Furthermore, how can we pull together to tackle the climate crisis, both politically and socially? These questions are of vital importance and must be answered, but at the same time, they are so big that they paralyse many people from taking action. The feeling is widespread that there is little we, as ordinary consumers, can do.

In this book, sustainability specialist and entrepreneur Rolf Heynen shows that everyone can take action to save our planet and that this despondency is unjustified. To all major problems, such as overpopulation, pollution and an unsustainable agricultural sector, there are long-established, ready-made and relatively simple solutions, developed by humans themselves. Heynen provides practical tools to help consumers, companies and governments save our planet. *Hope* contains a hopeful message: there is a solution, but we have to get moving!

'Excellent read on solutions to several problems facing humanity – overpopulation, the climate crisis, unsustainable agriculture, and the resource crisis. This book gives us hope that we can change our ways and welcome a truly sustainable future.'

- Professor dr. Mark Z. Jacobson, director of the Atmosphere/Energy Program and professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Stanford University

'Hope: 'How To Save Our World is provocative and practical. Rolf's book is well researched and examines a remarkably broad array of topics. I would recommend it widely.'

- Dr. Varun Sivaram, bestselling author of Taming the Sun: Innovations to Harness Solar Energy and Power the Planet

ROLF HEYNEN is a political scientist and entrepreneur. He has built several sustainable businesses focusing on the energy transition, and he was CEO of Dutch New Energy Research, a leading research institute for the green sector. He also works as a speaker, journalist, coach and consultant and forms part of an international network of experts on sustainability.





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ANNEMIE TURTELBOOM

Europe's Money

The EU's Accounts Laid Bare

Europe is often seen as the economic centre of the world. But one truth remains: we know little to nothing about Europe's money. This book aims to put an end to that by laying the EU's accounts open to scrutiny. Where does Europe get all its billions from? And what happens to them? Who decides how to spend all this money? How are some European officials earning massive salaries? *Europe's Money* gives readers information and history on the elusive European accounts.

ANNEMIE TURTELBOOM was Belgium's first female Minister of the Interior and the first non-lawyer to become Minister of Justice. Her current role as a member of the European Court of Auditors makes her a first-hand witness to the Eu's billion-euro transactions and she does not shrink from giving citizens an insight into the union's internal finances. Taxpayers are entitled to know what happens to their money.



ALAIN VAN HIEL

Left vs Right

The Person Behind the Political Ideology

Left- and right-wing parties have never been so polarised as they are today. In *Left vs Right*, Alain Van Hiel provides answers to questions about why people join political parties and their motivations. He explains how, historically speaking, scholars have focused mainly on right-wing people and discusses the findings of all these studies. Are people on the right intolerant? Scared? Aggressive? Stuck in their ideas? The left does not escape scrutiny either. Are left-wing people authoritarian? Prejudiced? Overly fearful of doomsday scenarios and the end of the world? Do they discriminate against certain groups? Or are they self-righteous? This book is not a left- or right-wing pamphlet, but a psychological analysis of the individual behind the ideology.



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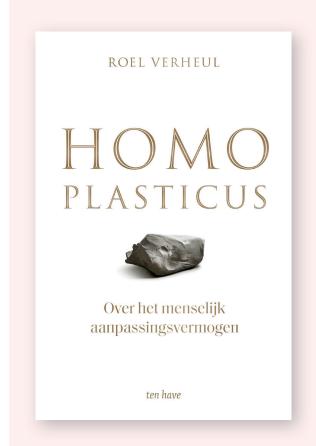
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Homo Plasticus

The Myth of the Unchanging Human

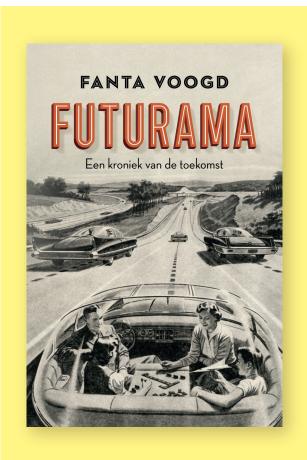
The Science of Our Adaptability

Humans like to see themselves as unchanging beings, unique in the world. In this compellingly written book, Roel Verheul reveals how the latest research debunks this myth of our immutability. Evidence from evolutionary biology, genetics and psychology show that we are born adaptors, who constantly change as our environment changes. This process is explained in this fascinating book, which brings the reader up to date with the latest scientific insights into the nature of human beings.



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FANTA VOOGD

Futurama

A Chronicle of the Future

Predictions of the future from the past are often amusingly wide of the mark, but occasionally they are eerily accurate. With their visions, thinking and tinkering, scientists, inventors, futurologists, science fiction writers and dreamers were often far ahead of their time. In Futurama, journalist Fanta Voogd delves into the history of the future. Using episodes from history, big and small, Voogd paints a unique kaleidoscopic picture of technological evolution. He reveals how some revolutionary developments came about by chance, while others were the product of brilliant minds. In an infectious manner, Futurama describes the unpredictable process by which the world as we know it today was created. A chronicle of the human imagination, full of high hopes and grand failures.

'Futurama is a highly enjoyable collection of 93 witty pieces. Very informative, entertaining and thought-stimulating, immersing the reader in the romantics of the ancient belief in progress.' - **** Trouw

'Fanta Voogd renders a rich portrait of technological progress.' - Het Parool

'A wonderful, captivating read.' - Elegance

FANTA VOOGD (born 1961) began his career as a journalist at the newspaper De Waarheid. He currently works for magazine De Ingenieur, where he specialises in the history of technology. As a freelance journalist he also writes for magazines such as De Groene Amsterdammer, NRC and Historisch Nieuwsblad.



LUIT VAN DER TUUK

Womane

Women in the Early Middle Ages

There are far fewer sources about women in the Middle Ages than men. Nevertheless, in Womane Luit van der Tuuk reveals that early medieval women were resilient, capable and resourceful. They were able to exercise (political) power, knowledge and creativity outside the domestic sphere. In this book, Van der Tuuk reconstructs the social and cultural framework in which noble and common women lived their lives between the 5th and the 10th century. He examines the socio-cultural aspects of womanhood, their position in society, their identity and the characteristics attributed to them. On the basis of written sources and archaeological evidence, a picture emerges of powerful women living their lives despite the Church's ever-expanding power and desire to curtail women's freedom. Thus, Womane modifies the enduring image of the ever-subordinated Early Medieval woman to reflect the reality that some women were indeed able to create an identity for themselves.

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LUIT VAN DER TUUK (born 1954) specialises in the early medieval history of north-western Europe. He is conservator at the Dorestad Museum and has published works about the Vikings' role in the Low Countries, among other subjects. Previous books include Vikings and Indiculus: Heathen and Superstitious Rituals in the Early Middle Ages. The Norwegian rights for *Katla* have been sold to Pax Forlag.





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FRANK MEESTER

Squaring the Circle

In Defence of Inconsistency

Nominated for the Socrates Cup (best philosophy book of the year)

Squaring the Circle is a philosophical self-help book that teaches you how to take a lighter approach to life. We are all familiar with situations where we try - yet fail - to be consistent. Frank Meester shows why that is simply a fact of life. There will always be something that cannot be squared with our principles, no matter how hard we try. We just have to accept that. This book is for anyone who takes life seriously, but not too seriously.

'An infectious plea to let go of the needlessly tight control we try to exercise over our lives' - Abdelkader Benali

'If you feel fed up with worrying about your shortcomings in these autumn days, this book will change your train of thoughts by philosophical means.' - de Volkskrant

FRANK MEESTER (born 1970) is a philosopher, writer and musician. He has published several books, including Look at Me, a philosophy of vanity. Together with Coen Simon he is co-editor of Nieuw licht (New Light), a series of philosophical essays.



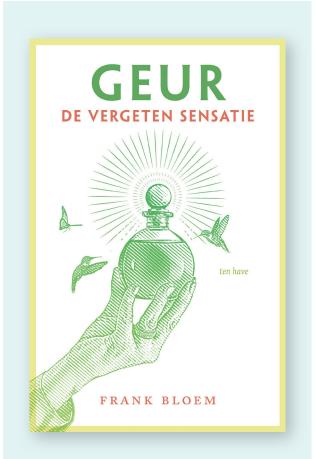
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Scent – The Forgotten Sensation

The Magic of Vanilla

How does a perfumer work?

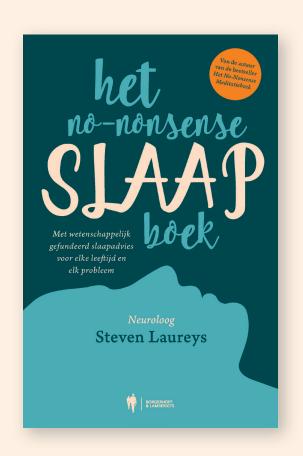
In this book, perfumer Frank Bloem explains the magical role scents play in our lives. Some of our most core-defining memories are linked to smells and scents. The power of scent is linked to significant memories, and we can often smell whether something or someone is 'good' or 'bad'. In a very personal way, based on the structure of a well-formulated perfume, Bloem introduces us to the realm of scent. He also gives the reader an insight into the world of the perfumer. How do they create a perfume, and what is the meaning of the fragrance components it contains? After reading Scent - The Forgotten Sensation, your world will be richer and deeper than before.



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DR. STEVEN LAUREYS

The No-Nonsense Sleep Book

Science-Based Sleep Advice for Every Age and Every Problem

Sleep is possibly the most exciting phase our brain can find itself in. But why do we sleep? And perhaps even more importantly, why are we sometimes unable to sleep? World-renowned professor of neurology Steven Laureys delves into the sleeping brain and explains why a good night's sleep is so important, as well as what you can do to achieve better, deeper sleep.

For thousands of years, people have speculated on the phenomenon of sleep, but thanks to state-of-the-art scanning techniques we can now observe the brain even during sleep. These insights teach us a great deal about the different types of sleep and sleep problems.

Praise for The No-Nonsense Meditation Book

'It has been a great joy to become Steven's friend and collaborate with him on cutting-edge scientific studies that looked into the interface between meditation and the workings of the mind.' - Matthieu Ricard

'Readers in search of an introduction to mindfulness that's free of woo-woo promises should look no further.' - Publishers Weekly

Neurologist STEVEN LAUREYS has been conducting ground-breaking research into human consciousness for more than 20 years. He is currently studying the effects of meditation on the brain.



