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Welcome

Dear colleagues,

We present to you our fall edition of the Langenmüller rights list.

It offers titles on a wide range of subjects, both as fictional and non-fictional treatments.

Music and Film Personalities receive special attention this time with the new title on Marlene Dietrich and her stylish wardrobe (p. 2).

Rafael Seligmann impresses with his **novels on his father's life as German Jew** both in Pre-war Germany and Tel Aviv (p. 4), we now offer an English sample translation.

Our bestselling title on **the art of negotiation** has been revised (p. 6), and a new title on finding **happiness in failure** promises relief from our constant aim for perfection (p. 7).

Our main focus is on the **political challenges and changes of our times**. Be it a detailed look at the power struggle between **China and Europe** (p. 9), or the journalistic highlights of **Heribert Prantl's** view of the developments of our times (p. 10), or a criticism of the handling of the **current pandemic** (p. 12) – we have key authors' in their fields.

Specifically, bestselling author **Thilo Sarrazin** with his entire works is available through Langenmüller.

In our historical section we offer a brilliant historical review of the royal 20th century seen through the eyes of **Prince Eduard of Anhalt** (p. 16), as well as the thrilling account of a son's sudden discovery of **his father's past** (p. 17).

Enjoy and please let us know if you would like to receive our titles. We are available both at the **Frankfurt fair** and for **digital meetings**.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
Julia Courmont, Kirstin Kreppel & Elmar Klupsch



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Iconic Influencer of Her Era

Marlene Dietrich

Gabriele Katz
September 2021

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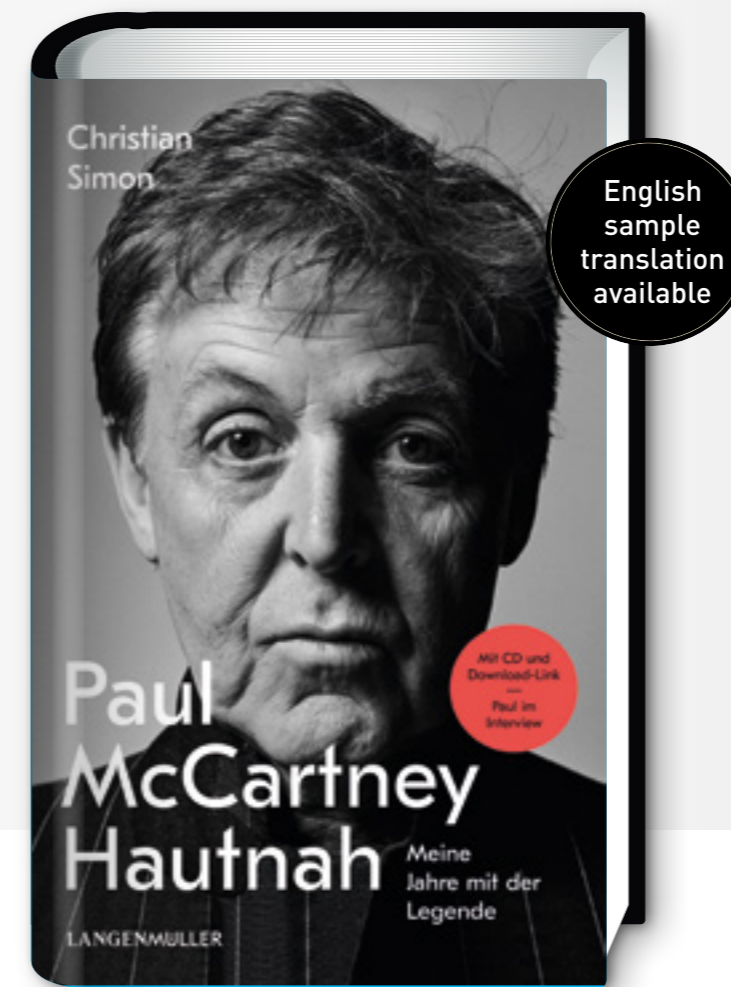


Dr. Gabriele Katz was born in Württemberg and graduated from university with a PhD in art history, history and German studies. The historian and writer lives south of Berlin as well as near Stuttgart with her husband. Katz has previously written a series of biographies about strong women, among them Angelika Kauffmann, Margarete Steiff and Käthe Kruse.

- ▶ **A new perspective on the legendary Marlene Dietrich**
- ▶ **The secret of the great style icon and gifted influencer**
- ▶ **With explanatory look books on fashion details**
- ▶ **Celebrating the diva's 120th birthday on 27 December 2021**

To this day, Marlene Dietrich is THE style icon – breath-takingly elegant and of revolutionary modernity. She celebrated lingerie and made wearing pants socially acceptable for women. People were fascinated by her blend of ascetic austerity, drama, femininity and androgyny. Yet Marlene Dietrich also infused fashion with character and poise, creating an almost magical persona that dazzled with both character and glamour. And that's not all: Marlene Dietrich was the first celebrity in history who truly understood the media age and promoted a public image of herself that left nothing to chance. Pre-empting the things Facebook and Instagram do today, she became an "influencer" par excellence.

Authorized Close-up of a Star



Paul McCartney Up Close My Years with the Legend

Christian Simon
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Christian Simon, born 1951, started his career at a German radio station. During his work on TV and radio he's worked with many stars over the years: Paul McCartney among them. Today Simon works as event manager and concert promoter.

- ▶ **Paul McCartney in private: a unique peak behind the curtains**
- ▶ **Authorised by the artist and with unpublished documents**
- ▶ **Including a CD with original audio**
- ▶ **With greeting words by Geoff Baker, former public relations manager of McCartney, and Mark Featherstone-Witty, director of the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts**

For more than two decades, Christian Simon has been cultivating his friendship with Paul McCartney, singer and bass player for The Beatles. Now the TV host and journalist presents the unique opportunity to dive into exclusive interviews Simon has lead with the legendary musician and his wife Linda. What he shines a light on is a private Paul McCartney, his view about The Beatles, his own music as well as pop music in general, his opinions on politics, the environment and his dedication to supporting young talents. Last but not least, the biography memorializes Linda McCartney as a musician in her own right. A unique biography with pictures and unpublished documents including original recordings.

From Rags to Riches

Ella & Co. KG

Gerhard Delling
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GERHARD DELLING for many years was head of sports programming at a German TV station and reported from large athletic events, such as the Olympic Games. In 2019, Delling took to the microphone for the last time. Thereafter, he devoted himself to the project dear to his heart, writing his first novel, with clear biographical traits.

- ▶ **Moving family story from the years of the German economic miracle**
- ▶ **The impressive rise of a “power woman” in the young federal republic**
- ▶ **Stirring first novel with biographical traits**

After the violent death of her parents at the end of the war, 18-year-old Ella must get a handle on her life all by herself. With many ideas, unshakeable self-confidence and a good amount of chutzpah, she takes the first opportunity that comes along and turns a run-down coffee shop into a popular meeting place. When her successful start-up comes to an abrupt end, Ella is just getting started. If the term “power woman” had already existed back then, she would have more than earned this title. The men in her environment are barely up to that energy level. And for her family, too, it isn't always easy to get to grips with Ella's bustling busyness.

German-Jewish History - magnificently told



Ludwig and Hannah
Displaced in Tel Aviv

Rafael Seligmann
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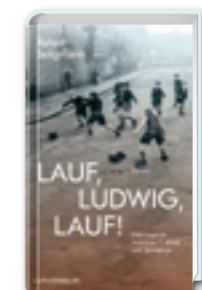
- ▶ **The continuation of Rafael Seligmann's moving family saga "Lauf, Ludwig Lauf"**
- ▶ **Exile in Israel and a longing for their German homeland**

“In a unique way, historian and writer Rafael Seligmann has made us see how the history of the 20th century shapes family histories.”
– Deutschlandfunk

In 1933, Ludwig flees Nazi Germany to Tel Aviv. Barely speaking a word of Hebrew, he works his way up from orange picker to executive officer with great energy and a sunny disposition. In the nick of time, he brings his parents and siblings to Palestine, thus saving their lives. When he meets beautiful Hannah in 1940 and the two of them get married, everything points to a happy future. However, personal misfortunes and political uncertainty in the newly founded state of Israel leave Ludwig and Hannah increasingly longing for their German homeland. Together with their son Rafael, they return to Germany, where prejudices against Jews are by no means a thing of the past ...



Rafael Seligmann, born 1947 in Tel Aviv, is a German writer, political scientist and historian. After emigrating to Munich he studied politics and began working as a journalist. He has published several essays and articles in renowned German newspapers. In his novels he focuses on shining a light on the complicated German Jewish relationship.



Run, Ludwig, run!
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Deal or No-Deal?

Satanic Negotiating Skills

Wolf Ruede-Wissmann
Wlad Jachtchenko

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WLADISLAW JACHTCHENKO, born in 1985, is a *TOP10 Speaker*, gives talks, coaches politicians, executives and employees of major companies and has published best-selling books about professional rhetoric, successful negotiations, conflict management and effective leadership.

DR. ING. DR. PHIL. WOLF RUEDE-WISSMANN, born in 1943, has many years of experience in leadership and training practice. He is intimately familiar with the ins and outs of the strategies employed by both the devil's advocate and his opponent.



- ▶ **The perfect duo: the grand seigneur of rhetoric and the wild child of communication skills expose the mean tricks manipulators use**
- ▶ **The perfect argumentative tool for every situation**
- ▶ **Rhetorical strategies, practical examples, background information**
- ▶ **A must-read for managers, decision-makers and politicians**

This book reveals the meanest negotiating tricks from two centuries. In this unusual synopsis of negotiation tactics, communication skills and rhetorical strategies from the 20th and 21st century, readers will find proven manipulation methods you can only expose if you know they even exist. Wladislaw Jachtchenko, the inventor of "Dark Rhetoric", and Wolf Ruede-Wissmann, the grand seigneur of the art of negotiation, analyse the diabolical tactics employed at the negotiating table time and again. A must-read for anyone who doesn't want to be manipulated when negotiating their next deal!

Overcoming Perfection



Imperfect Is Good, Too

Sophie Bagusat

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- ▶ **An unsparingly honest account of burn-out and depression**
- ▶ **A very personal reckoning with today's insistence on self-optimisation**
- ▶ **Impulses for self-reflection: learning to recognise and respect your boundaries**

At first glance, Sophie's life seems almost perfect: she grows up without any financial worries and the world is her oyster. Yet inwardly, the highly sensitive child feels alienated and wrong from a young age, often locking herself into her room and becoming even more silent and serious as a young woman. Sophie feels like she needs to have everything under control, be strong and "perform" – until she suddenly hits a wall. At the age of 28, Sophie Bagusat experiences a severe stress-induced depression with panic attacks that lasts for two years. Sophie recounts how her life slipped away from her. The external pressure to be constantly happy, became an unbearable burden she could no longer carry. Looking back, Sophie is deeply grateful for her diagnosis because it marked the beginning of a journey to herself. She managed to radically change her lifestyle and her beliefs, resulting in the happy life she leads today.



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SOPHIE BAGUSAT, born in Munich in 1989, attended schools in England, Scotland and Germany before completing two bachelor degrees in Switzerland and finishing her academic training with a Master's in Pecs (Hungary) in 2016. Subsequently, Sophie Bagusat moved to Sweden and has since been commuting between Germany and Sweden, where her fiancé lives.

Reaching the Stars

Earth to Mars

Dieter B. Herrmann
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Prof. Dr. Dieter B. Herrmann is the retired director of the Archenhold Observatory and the Zeiss Major Planetarium Berlin. He is one of the most well-known astronomy writers in German-speaking countries, publishing with Kosmos Verlag and others.

- ▶ **Highly topical – includes the latest insights on the Mars Perseverance rover**
- ▶ **The visionaries of space colonisation, from Hermann Oberth to Elon Musk**
- ▶ **Possible scenarios for settling in space – presented in a thrilling, easy-to-comprehend manner**

Shortly before his death, the famous astrophysicist Stephen Hawking predicted that we humans have another 100 years left on this planet – at most.

We are facing an exploding population, environmental destruction and the consumption of energy and raw materials and are wondering whether we might not be forced to escape into space one day. Spaceflight has made such massive progress that this even seems like a real possibility these days. Dieter B. Herrmann introduces the noteworthy pioneers and visionaries in this field, along with current developments. He weighs the arguments for and against, equipping his readers to judge for themselves how humankind can survive and how each of us can contribute.

International Changes



China's Rise – Europe's Impotence

Martin Winter
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Martin Winter reported from Bonn, Washington and Brussels for the Frankfurter Rundschau newspaper and later for the Süddeutsche Zeitung for almost three decades. His main focus are the EU and its foreign and security policy challenges. Before moving into journalism in the 1980s, he worked as a policy adviser for the Federal Chancellery in Bonn, among others. He now lives in Vienna as a freelance author.

- ▶ **China's challenge to the free world**
- ▶ **The true purpose behind the Belt and Road Initiative**
- ▶ **A wake-up call from the long-standing EU and foreign correspondent of the Süddeutsche Zeitung newspaper**

Beijing's Chinese way and its major strategic project, the Belt and Road Initiative, are more than a struggle for supremacy with the US. They are the attempt to put an end to the Western model of freedom, democracy and the rule of law and replace it with the Chinese model of capitalism and lack of freedom. If the Europeans don't want to go down, they will have to face the battle of the systems together. Journalist and author Martin Winter assesses Europe's geo-strategic challenges in the light of the latest US developments, the pandemic and the emergence of the world's largest free-trade zone in Asia. He vividly outlines what the EU needs to do to avoid risking everything Europe stands for.

Analysis by the Bestselling Author and Journalist

Heaven, Hell, Purgatory

Heribert Prantl

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Dr. Heribert Prantl, born in 1953, served as a judge and public prosecutor before joining the domestic policy department of the Süddeutsche Zeitung newspaper (SZ) as a journalist. He led the department for many years and also served as one of the paper's chief editors. These days, he works for the SZ as a freelance columnist and writer. He has written numerous books, is a popular guest on TV broadcasts about political topics and has received major awards for his work, among them the Geschwister Scholl Award.

- ▶ **Heribert Prantl's plea for a healthy optimism instead of doom and gloom**
- ▶ **Covid, extremism, the refugee crisis – current issues and what we can do about them**
- ▶ **From one of Germany's smartest political commentators**

Heribert Prantl – a leading journalist and critical observer: Once Covid is under control, the old crises will still be there, unresolved and even exacerbated. Many people are beginning to realise how shaky the foundations of their lives are – and how important it is to stabilise them. After publishing a polemic in defence of basic rights against Covid in spring 2021, Heribert Prantl now turns to bundling his thought-provoking ideas and arguing for good politics in times of crisis: When both heaven and hell are open, we need the purgatory of enlightenment, a return to humanitarian values. A book for the upcoming election as well as the fundamental decisions that need to be made. Decisions that will impact the life and death of each individual.

60 Years after the German Wall was built



Freedom Has No Price
German reunification – a classic on the topic of freedom

Brigitte Klump

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- ▶ **A unique document on German history**
- ▶ **One woman against the GDR regime – as thrilling as a crime novel**
- ▶ **On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the erection of the Berlin wall: a tribute to the suffering caused by Germany's division**

The fact that the GDR ended up on the blacklist of the UN Human Rights Commission back in 1980 was entirely due to Brigitte Klump's tenacity. Convincing a world authority like the UN of the misconduct of one of its members, and one who was sitting on the Security Council to boot, wasn't easy. Yet the GDR agreed to examine and redress the breaches of law it was accused of. Subsequently, thousands of GDR citizens were permitted to leave the country. And all of this happened without any "special efforts by the West German federal government", which had previously spent about a 100 million Deutschmark per year on buying people's freedom. Brigitte Klump's thrilling account of national and international politics reads like a crime novel. Her book is a unique document of contemporary history and absolutely worth a re-read, paying tribute to the bitter injustices of the GDR regime on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the erection of the Berlin wall.

Brigitte Klump, born in Farther Pomerania, experienced displacement and flight before enrolling at the faculty of journalism at Karl Marx University Leipzig in 1954, colloquially called the "red monastery". A student without party membership, Klump refused to prove herself to the Stasi by spying on friends and fellow students. In 1957, she finally fled the GDR and continued her studies in West Berlin. In addition to organising a hunger strike in support of GDR athletes, she also filed an individual complaint with the United Nations that succeeded in helping a large number of people leave the GDR.

Looking at the Pandemic

Diagnosis Pan(ic)demic

Dr. med. Friedrich Pürner

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Friedrich Pürner, born in Munich in 1967, grew up in "less than ideal" circumstances. After lower secondary school and vocational training he eventually qualified for university entrance by taking evening classes and studied both law and medicine before exclusively dedicating himself to medicine. Among other things, he served as the director of the Bavarian infectiousology taskforce before becoming the head of the Aichach-Friedberg health department in 2018. He was transferred in November 2020 after repeatedly questioning the medical usefulness of the Covid measures.

- ▶ **An insider's rousing analysis**
- ▶ **The shortcomings of the German health system**
- ▶ **Germany's most well-known public health officer takes the floor**

Dr. med. Friedrich Pürner knows what he's talking about. As the head of a local health department, he experienced the first two Covid waves right in the centre of the action. His conclusion: Covid became a crisis of such proportions not primarily because of the dangerousness of the virus but because of failures in our health system. The entanglement of politics and healthcare can have disastrous consequences that went unnoticed for too long. Covid serves as a magnifying lens because this is the first time we really experience these consequences in a crisis. Even if we manage to get the current pandemic under control, the next one might take the health system to its limits even more clearly. Are we ready for that? No, says the public health officer. In order to successfully tackle future challenges, we must finally address structural problems, remedy shortcomings and set quality standards.

Different Perspectives on Climate Change



Undesired Truths Things You Should Know About Climate Change

Fritz Vahrenholt,
Sebastian Lüning

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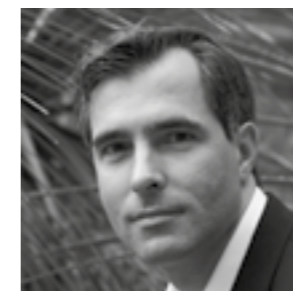
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- ▶ **The most important facts about the current climate debate**
- ▶ **What's really going on with global warming?**

It's never been as warm as it is today – is this true? Have recent temperature changes really been caused by humans alone? And what's the impact of fluctuations in solar activity? Questions that stand symbolically for the 50 subject areas the authors discuss in this book. They put natural disasters of the last 150 years into the context of thousands of years of climate history, showing that the simplified media narrative doesn't do justice to the complex interrelations and leads to fear and uncertainty. A courageous polemic against an overheated climate debate and knee-jerk action on climate policy.



No Contest?
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Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt is a politician, manager, scientist and author. He served as Senator for the Environment in Hamburg and later worked as an executive for companies in the renewable energy sector.

Dr. habil. Sebastian Lüning studied geology and palaeontology and has been working in the conventional energy industry since 2007. His interest in climate change is strictly private, his research is independent and has been neither commissioned nor supported by the industry.

Top Political Analysis by Bestselling Author

- ▶ **Thilo Sarrazin on the art of successful politics**
- ▶ **Why being disenchanted with politics is pointless and dangerous**
- ▶ **An important contribution to political education**



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Thilo Sarrazin is considered one of Germany's most high-profile political minds. His best-selling book "Germany Abolishes Itself" (2010) sold over one million copies and triggered a widespread social debate. All of his subsequent books reached the top spot on the Spiegel bestseller list as well. As an economist and politician, he was responsible for the conception and execution of the German monetary union, supervised the Treuhand and served on the board of Deutsche Bahn Netz AG. He was Berlin's finance senator from 2002 to 2009 and subsequently served as a member of the Executive Board of the German Bundesbank for one and a half years.



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"We Can Do This"

Thilo Sarrazin
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How do politics work?

Where do the reasons for the success or failure of societies lie? And why is everything we do political?

Thilo Sarrazin's essay deals with the art of successful politics, from its theoretical foundations and the dichotomy between the ethics of responsibility and the ethics of conviction all the way to the relationship between power and opportunism. He explains political theory and shows how politics permeates all areas of life so that we can't really help but develop a stance. Readers of this book will see politics differently and gain a better understanding of why participating in the political process is always worthwhile.

A Royal Chronic of the 20th Century

The Cursed Century

Eduard Prince of Anhalt

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Eduard Prince of Anhalt is the head of the House of Ascania, one of Germany's oldest noble dynasties. The journalist and TV host is known to a broad audience through his coverage of major social events such as the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton.

- ▶ **The story of a noble family amidst the tensions of the 20th century**
- ▶ **The fight of the House of Ascania for their confiscated family inheritance**
- ▶ **Intimate glimpses into the world of the high nobility**

In this book, Eduard Prince of Anhalt recounts his family's moving story from 1901 to the present. His father, Ernst Joachim, born in 1901, became a bitter enemy of Hitler's regime, was sent to a concentration camp and, tragically deemed a Nazi supporter, died in Soviet imprisonment in 1947. Eduard himself, born in 1941, spent his salad days in international jet set circles before establishing himself as a journalist and TV host. After German reunification, a lengthy struggle for confiscated family property in Saxony-Anhalt began. This chronicle of one of Germany's oldest noble families offers surprising glimpses into the world of the high nobility and reflects the dramatic upheavals of the 20th century in a very personal way.

Tracing Back a Hidden Heritage

My Father's Homeland

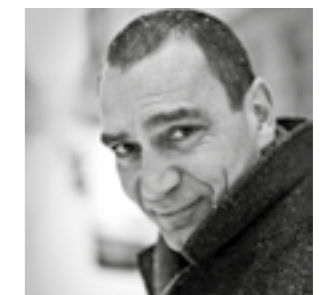
Torkel S Wächter

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- ▶ **A son looking for his father and his own identity**
- ▶ **Jewish-German history in a fascinating biographical novel**
- ▶ **The touching document of a reconciliation with Germany**

It all began with a few yellowed letters sent from the Fuhlsbüttel concentration camp that Torkel S Wächter found in his parents' attic in Stockholm. When he realised that his father and the sender were one and the same person, the author embarked on a journey to himself and his roots. On four continents, he searched for his father's companions who were forced to leave their homes because they fought the Nazis or were Jews – or both. He visited them, got to know them, listened to their stories and made new friends. On his father's traces, he travelled all across Europe, reconstructing his father's flight in 1938. The result is this novel, set in the here and now as well as during the hot pre-war summer of 1938. It makes one thing clear above all: things that have been lost don't have to be lost forever.

Torkel S Wächter, born in Stockholm in 1961, studied economic history, development aid, languages and Jewish studies before undergoing flight training and working as a commercial pilot for SAS. His literary work was honoured with a nomination for the renowned Swedish literature award Augustpriset. In recent years, Wächter has worked with both official documents and private letters and diaries from the Third Reich, resulting in two literature and art projects. Wächter has held both Swedish and German citizenship since 2006.

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