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# CURRENT AFFAIRS & INVESTIGATIONS COLLECTION



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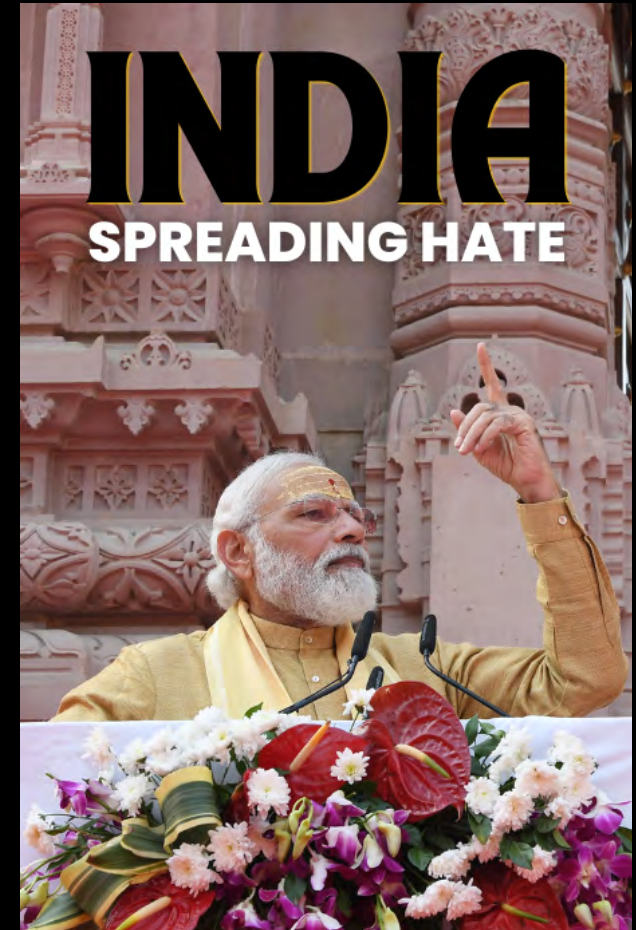
2x52' & 4x35'

A thriller-like documentary based on an incredible true story, mixing the Cold War, new weapons, and worldwide geopolitical intrigues. More than 500 U.S. diplomats and intelligence officers are suffering from frightening symptoms known as "Havana Syndrome".



52'

In less than a year, Northern Ireland has witnessed several historic events: for the first time, Catholics now outnumber Protestants, and the nationalists of Sinn Féin, the former political wing of the IRA paramilitaries, have won the elections. At a time when peace in Ireland has been undermined by Brexit, is a reunited Ireland inevitable?



52'

For the past 10 years, Narendra Modi has relentlessly pursued his policy based on Hindu supremacy: Hindutva. This ideology of hatred towards other religions in the country, particularly Islam, has also spread geopolitically around the world. From France to the UK, from India to the US, an investigation into an ideology that disseminates hate.



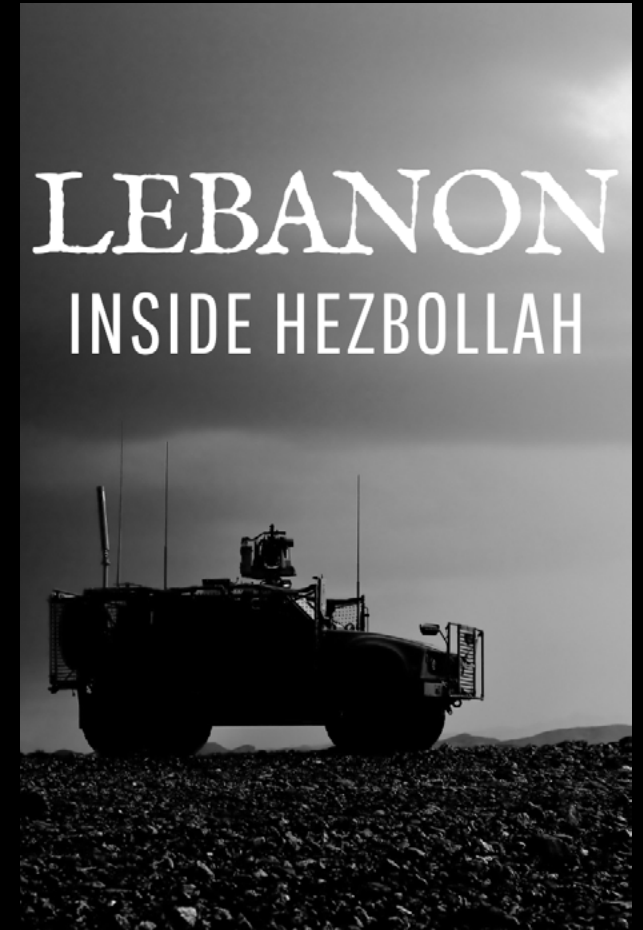
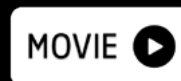
52' & 90'

How did Navalny become Putin's fiercest opponent? Where did he stand politically? Was he the democratic hope that his inner circle portrayed him to be? He was the world's best-known Russian opposition leader: Alexei Navalny.



52'

A new light on the unprecedented economic and financial crisis in Lebanon, jeopardizing the Middle East's stability. Major financial institutions are ready to help the country get back on its feet, but endemic corruption is wiping out any hope of finding a solution.



52'

At a time when Lebanon is going through one of its most acute existential crises, we look back at the history of Hezbollah, a controversial party supported by Iran. An inside account that includes unpublished testimonies of the Shiite fighters themselves.





52'

It was a 444 days ordeal for the American diplomats taken hostage in Tehran. 444 days of humiliation for the most powerful nation in the world, the United States. Within these 444 days, Iranian Islamists imposed their will on their country and the world.

MOVIE ▶



2x52'

Targeted assassinations, bombings, unidentified military attacks are piling up all over the Middle East. Can the “secret war” between Iran and Israel turn into a major regional if not global confrontation?

TRAILER ▶

MOVIE ▶



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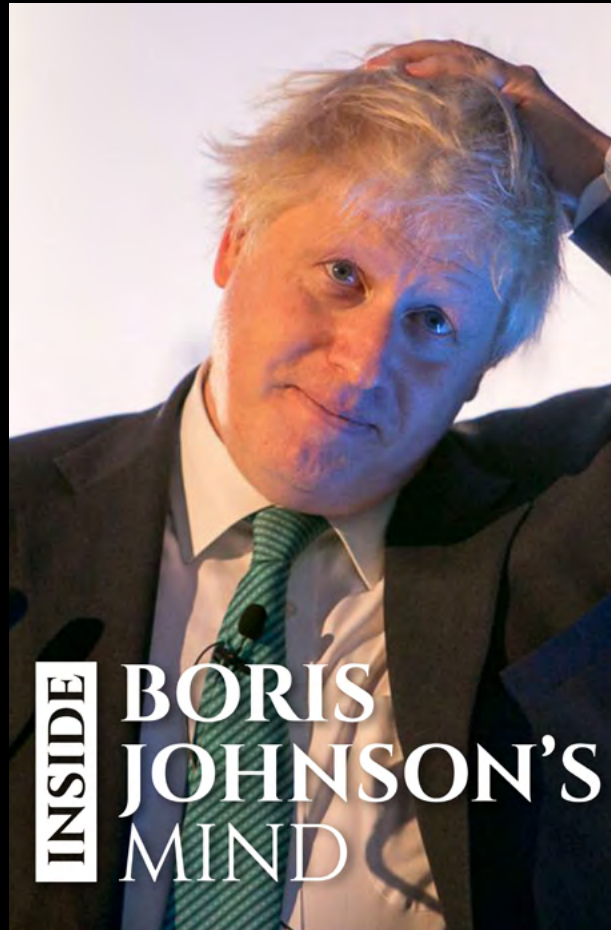
Even in wars, there are rules. One of them, universally recognized, is not to target civilians. What is the situation today? How are these “laws” applied in practice in countries like Ukraine, Iraq and Turkey where civil war rages?

MOVIE ▶



117x13'

The complex world of geopolitics broken down into ten minute, bite-sized chunks. You'll never sound uninformed at the dinner table ever again.



52'

Boris Johnson, the UK Brexit leader, left an indelible mark on his country – for better or for worse. While the UK is facing its first pandemic crisis on its own, what future is there for Europe and the country?



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Opportunistic and unscrupulous, Vladimir Putin's foreign policy has put Russia back at the center of global geostrategic issues. With many experts, the documentary questions the deep motivations of this new cold war.





52' & 90'

Host of the 2022 next football World Cup, Qatar is as tiny as it is immensely rich. Torn between Western modernism and Bedouin conservatism, ruled by the iron fist of a royal family, it sits on the planet gas field and is a major geopolitical Middle East player.



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Rooted in current news this investigation traces back Russia's intervention in Syria and sheds light on the war in Ukraine in a different way.



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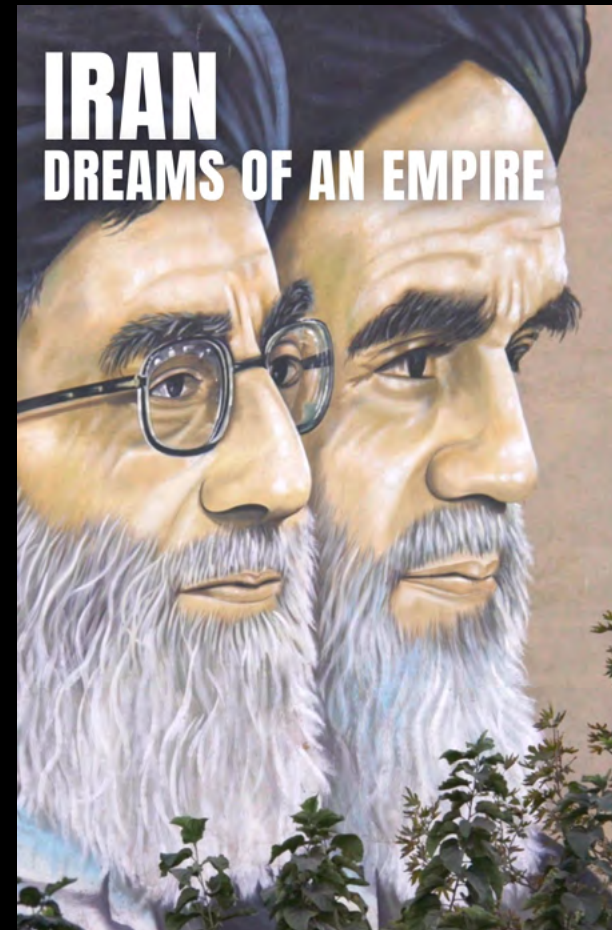
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This documentary is about 3 of the wealthiest and most powerful princes in the world fight for dominance. Beyond discussing the ego war, the movie delves into their power struggle and sheds a light on the stakes and strategies in this region of the world.



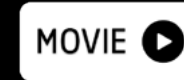
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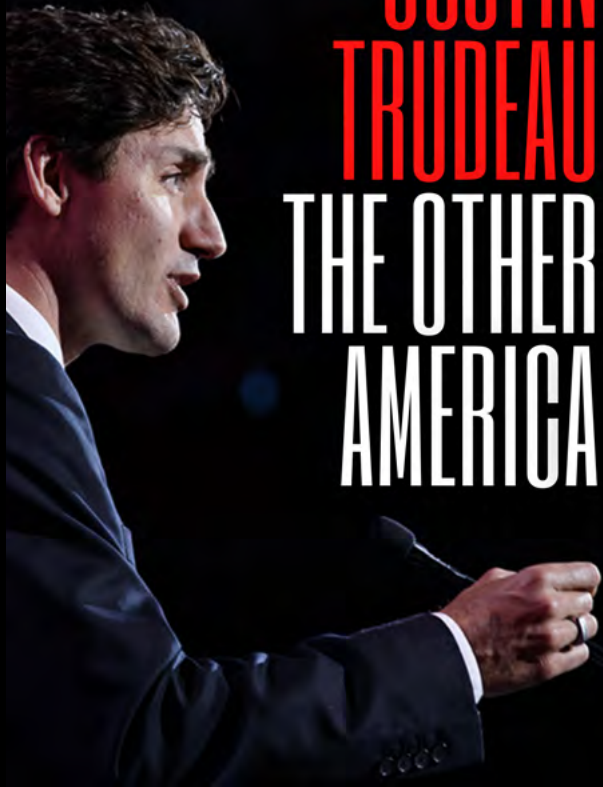
In Moscow, religious power and political power work hand in hand in building Russia's new ultra conservative and imperial identity. Kirill, the patriarch of the Russian Orthodox Church is Putin's ally. He leads his church, influences Russian society and participates in international debates.



52'

This film sets out to provide an in-depth analysis of the strategic objectives that Iran is pursuing in the Middle East, encompassing its role in Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Yemen, and its relations with Russia, the United States, France, and beyond.





# JUSTIN TRUDEAU THE OTHER AMERICA

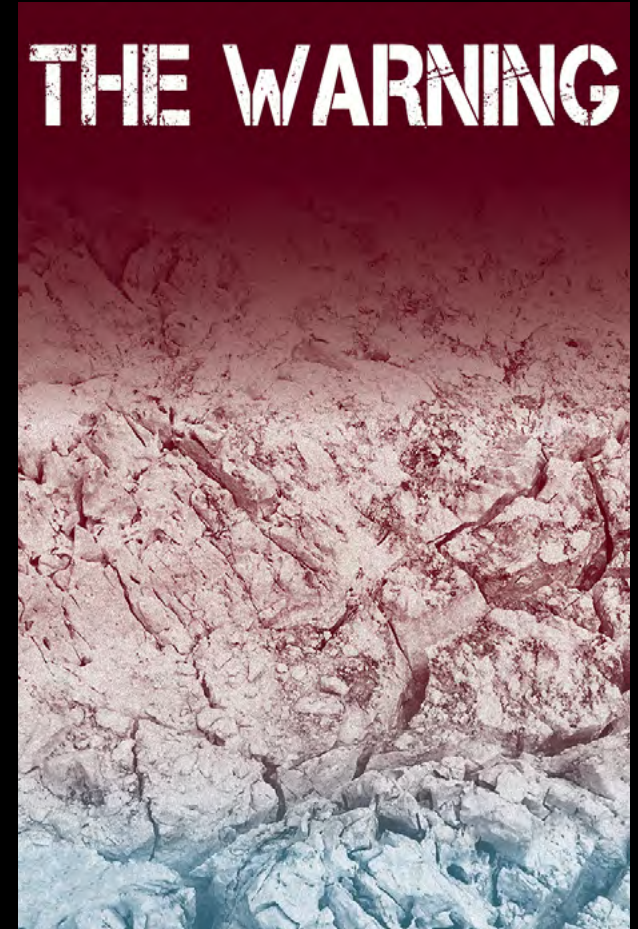
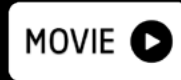
52'

Who is Justin Trudeau? Mr Nice Guy welcoming syrian refugees and celebrating diversity, or your nextdoor politician signing off on pipelines that are wrecking the Canadian environment and trampling the rights of Canadian First Nations?



52' & 70'

North Korea does indeed exist beyond the totalitarian varnish covering it. This movie sets out to meet the real North Koreans. We will observe this singular society and discover what makes them tick.

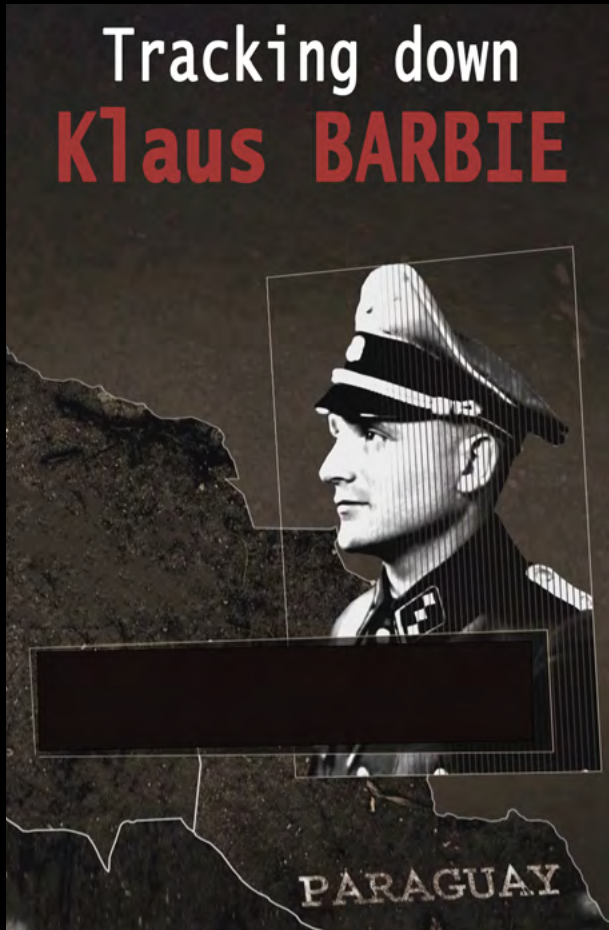


52' & 90'

The amazing and unknown story of how American secret services partnered with their erstwhile Russian adversary, Russia's main military intelligence organization the GRU; or how climate change forced the two rival blocs to collaborate.







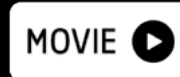
52'

This film uses historical archives to shed new light on the secret story of Klaus Barbie, head of the Gestapo in Lyon in 1943-44, and gives special attention to the scandalous protections that the German and American secret services provided him with.



52'

In 19th century Central America, a few entrepreneurial cowboys built an empire that enslaved populations and corrupted governments for over 100 years. The United Fruit Company thrived on unregulated capitalism; this film tells its story and that of its pioneers who feared neither God nor Man.



52'

Albert Londres Prize 2016 in the Audiovisual Press category, this film is a chilling investigation into the invisible weapon of Bashar al-Assad's regime: the kidnapping, torture and murder of tens of thousands of Syrians.





# AN UNFINISHED JOURNEY

44' & 75'

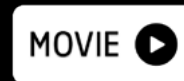
The story of several Afghan women who fled their country after the Taliban took over Kabul in August 2021, and are now living in exile in Canada. Former MPs, ministers and journalists, they are fighting to keep the spotlight on the plight of women in Afghanistan.



# THREE AFGHAN WOMEN Resisting Exile

59'

The story of three Afghan women who fled their country after the Taliban took over Kabul in August 2021, and are now living in exile in Canada. Former MPs, ministers and journalists, they are fighting to keep the spotlight on the plight of women in Afghanistan.





**ONLINE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
THE GLOBAL INVESTIGATION**

52' & 90'

A unique documentary at the heart of ongoing investigations into child sexual abuse, with key players and experts in cybercrime. Every day, millions of sexual predators and offenders log on to the Internet, while children are spending an increasing amount of time online.

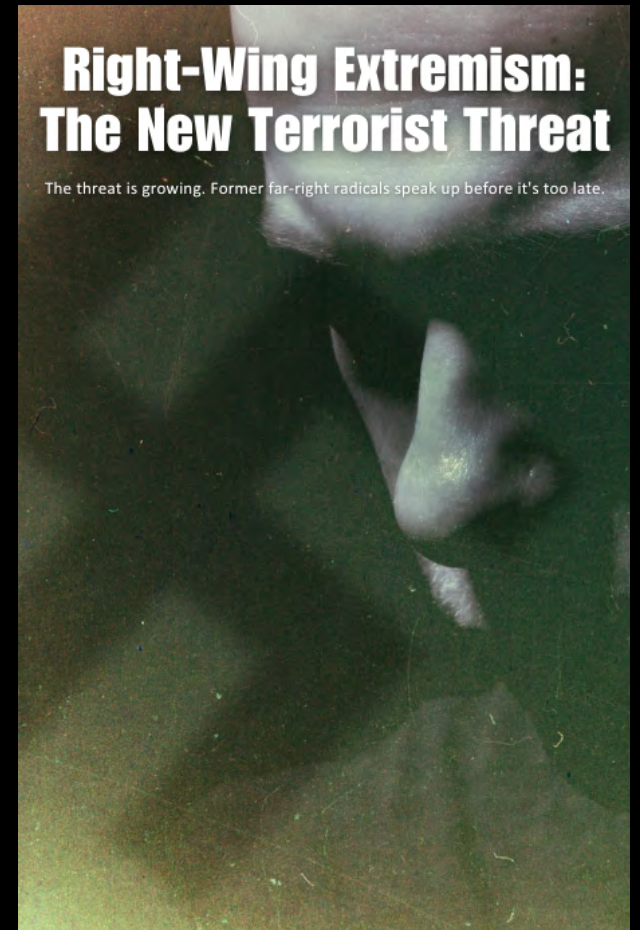


**UKRAINE  
War Trains**

Delivery March 2025

60'

Ukraine is a land of trains, with an extensive railway network inherited from the Soviet Union. Today, trains are one of the most important symbols in war-torn Ukraine, which has resolutely turned away from the Russian world to align itself with Europe.



**Right-Wing Extremism:  
The New Terrorist Threat**

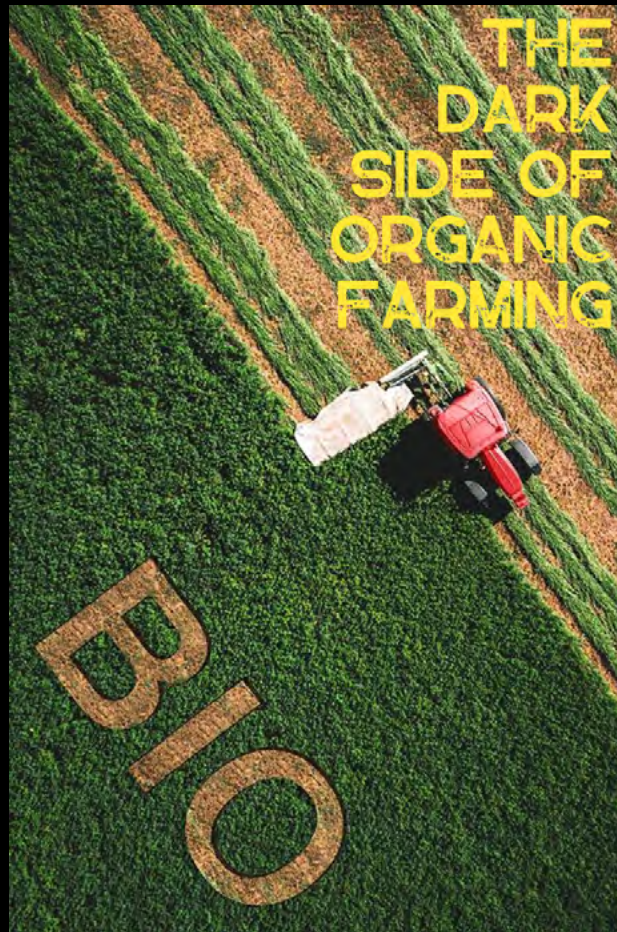
The threat is growing. Former far-right radicals speak up before it's too late.

Delivery March 2025

52' & 90'

This current affairs documentary investigates right-wing terrorism and how it's related to the political polarization across the Western World, through an ongoing investigation conducted by European intelligence services.





Delivery September 2024

52' & 90'

Organic farming is becoming increasingly mechanized and globalized. An international investigation inside the organic industry, filmed with hidden cameras and revealing the first in-depth study on the exact composition of the biopesticides that are produced by agrochemical giants.



52' & 90'

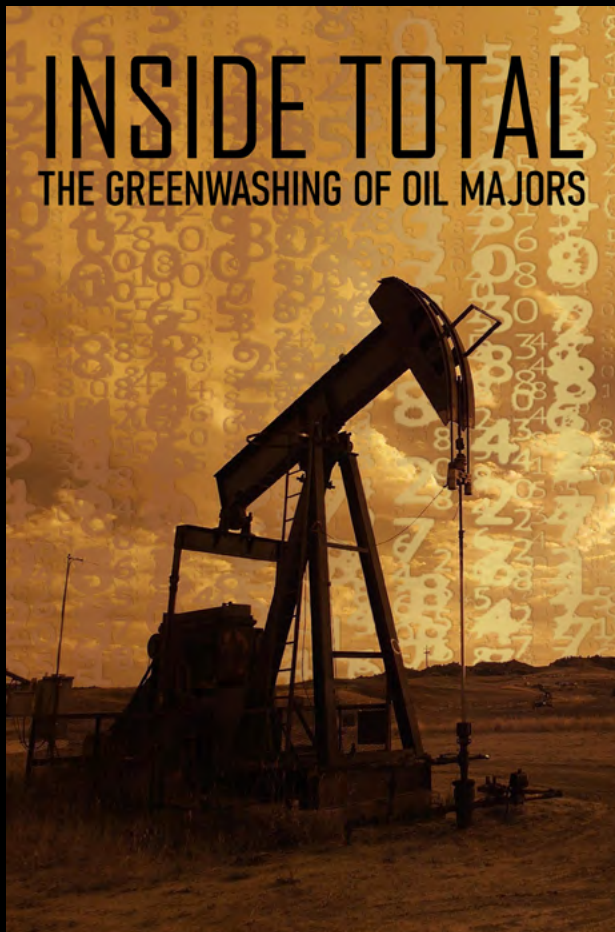
At the very heart of the uprising in Iran, this investigation closely follows current events and goes over the multiple stages of this political revolution, by giving voice to actors of the movement and opponents who are in exile. The outcome is unknown, but people are fighting for a peaceful democracy and the end of the theocratic regime.



52' & 90'

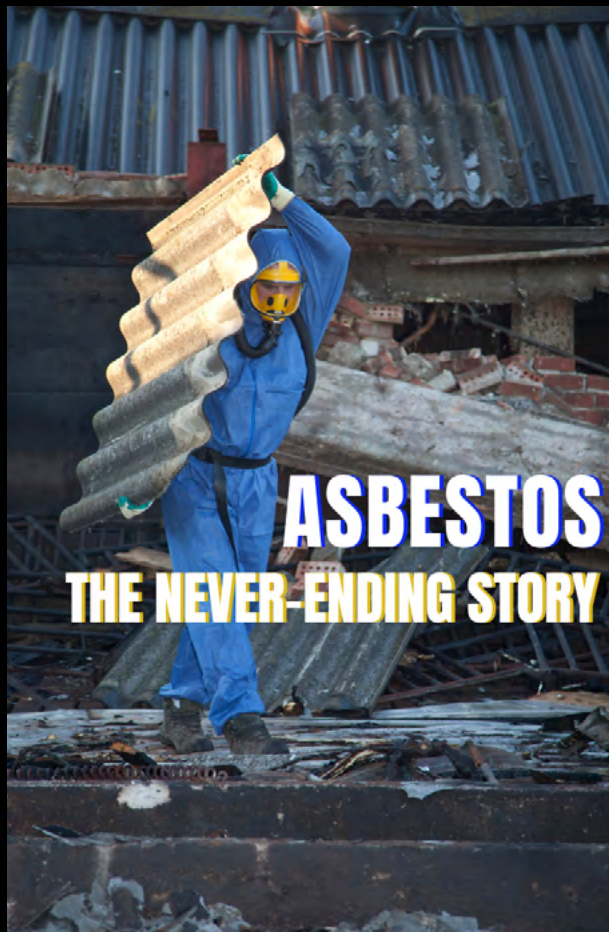
Ikea sells its legendary Billy bookcase every 5 seconds worldwide. But it has a cost: it depends on the uncontrolled exploitation of two resources, wood and human labor. Follow the steps of a sensational worldwide investigation, tracking the production chain of the furniture giant.





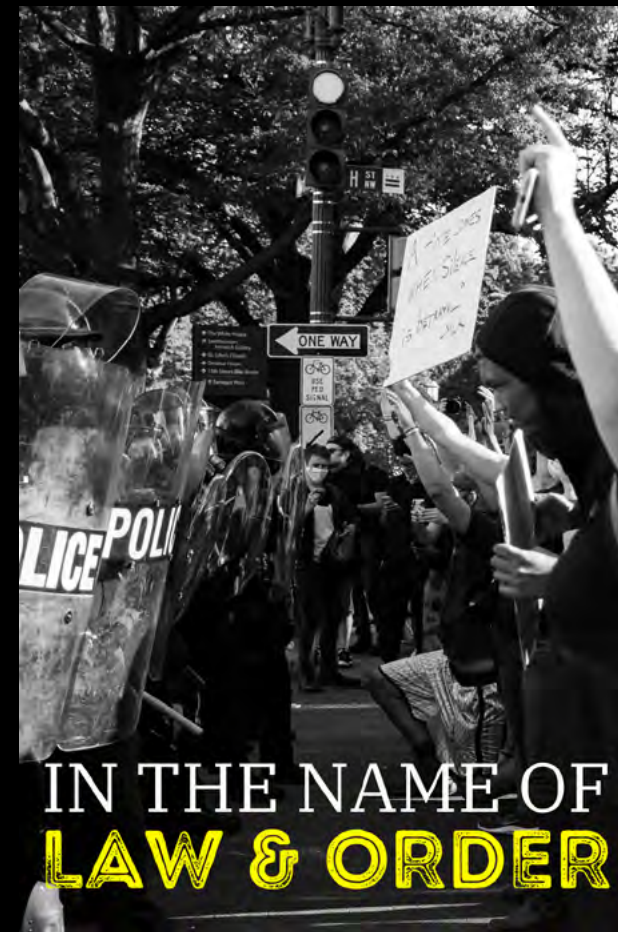
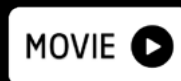
52' & 90'

An exclusive investigation on TOTAL, the world's largest oil and gas company, which is struggling to maintain its hegemony in a world where the climate crisis is becoming increasingly worrying. Never-before-seen interviews with Total's top experts and executives.



52' & 90'

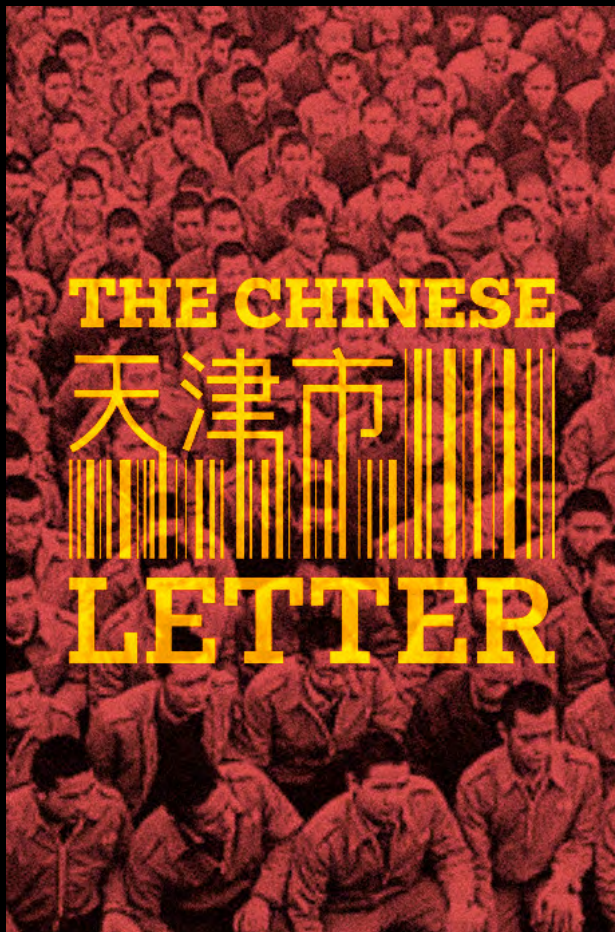
Asbestos has been banned for decades in Europe but its effects are still with us. Unscrupulous companies turn a profit whilst people die from exposure to the harmful substance. Will we ever be rid of asbestos?



2x52'

A new globalized phenomenon: cell phones recording images of over-equipped police facing unarmed furious crowds. The war of images on social media further polarizes police and protesters.



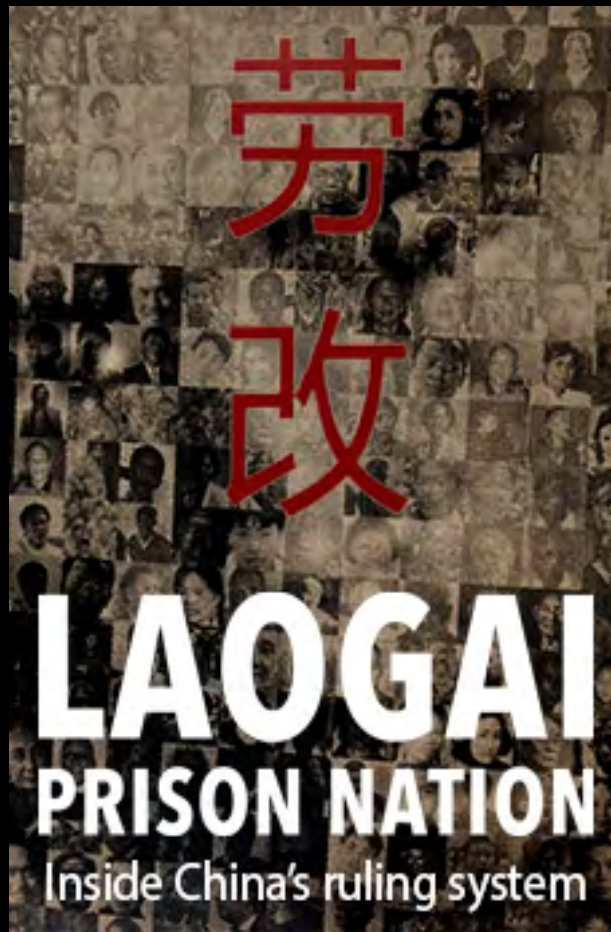


52' & 90' & 2x52'

An incredible investigation following a cry for help written in Mandarin and hidden in the instructions for a pregnancy test purchased in France. This investigation takes us to the heart of China and its prison factories.

TRAILER

MOVIE



2x52'

The incredible and untold story of the invention, development and improvement of China's surveillance and repression system over the decades. A new light on China's totalitarian power following the 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party.

MOVIE



52' & 90'

Climate change is another quieter but just as devastating pandemic hitting workers around the world. An investigation on the impact of global warming on pre-existing inequalities, creating new social boundaries between those who can protect themselves from the climate and those who cannot.

MOVIE



52' & 82'

Every year, pesticides are withdrawn from the market because considered too hazardous according to the recent scientific data. However, weedkiller and fungicide manufacturers have found a safe haven for their newly banned products: Brazil.



52'

4K

Heat waves, droughts, floods and fires, it confronts us with the reality of the violent climate emergency. One attractive solution is to plant trees. Looks good on paper, but what if?



# WHAT DO WE OWN?

The multiformal concept of ownership across the globe



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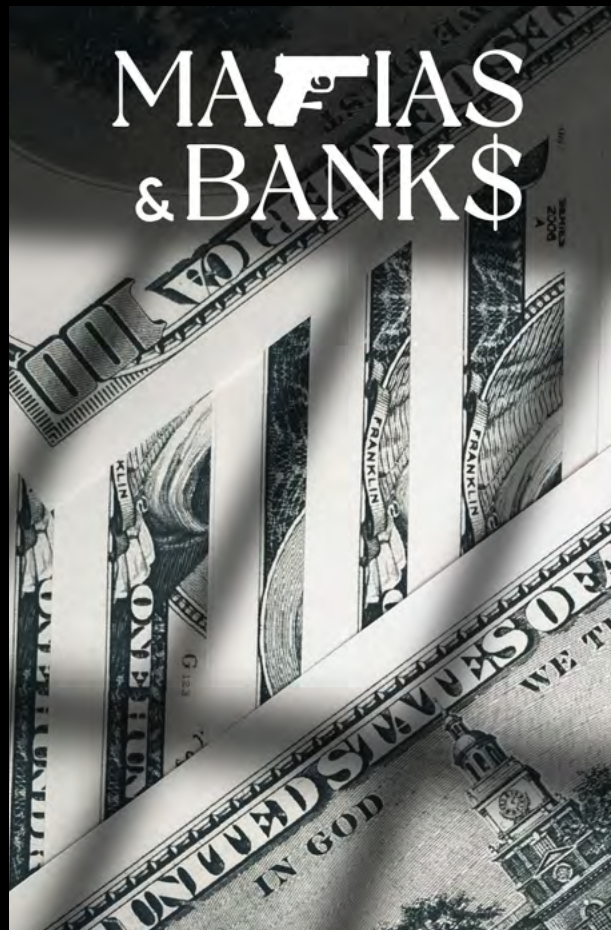
A series of discussions with international specialists who think the world through the prism of property. We will explore this multi-faceted concept with a loose temporality, through the ownership of body and mind, the idea of collective property and as a right of nature.





3x52'

Little is known about the Chinese triads, the world's most influential mafias. Thanks to exclusive interviews with key protagonists, this in-depth thriller investigation takes us right into the heart of the world's most powerful criminal organization, to reveal its far-reaching influence on geopolitics and economy.



3x52'

Mafias and Banks: two opposite worlds. They share the same taste for luxury, risk, and easy money yet they despise and fear each other and are both inextricably linked to the government.



52'

4K

The long-forgotten Documerica project, led by Nixon in the 1970s, aimed to draw a precise inventory of the environmental situation in the USA. What stands out from the 80,000 photographs taken is that the Glorious Thirties turned the American dream into a nightmare.





# WORK, WAGES & PROFIT



**THE COST  
OF MEAT**

## THE END OF A SYSTEM

Mass-Market retailing



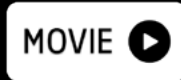
6x52'

From a founding text by Karl Marx, thinkers in economics and social sciences from around the world are invited to reflect on the origins of the terms that structure our lives. Our entire capitalist system is dissected to open up the discussions on the world of tomorrow.



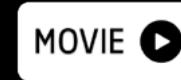
52' & 90'

An international investigation into the hell of factory farming, deciphering the limitless power of multinationals and the law of silence to maintain an institutional and global crime.



52' & 90'

Amazon, Walmart and other web giants are getting a chokehold on the distribution market, using algorithms and reducing their staff. What is the future of mass-market?





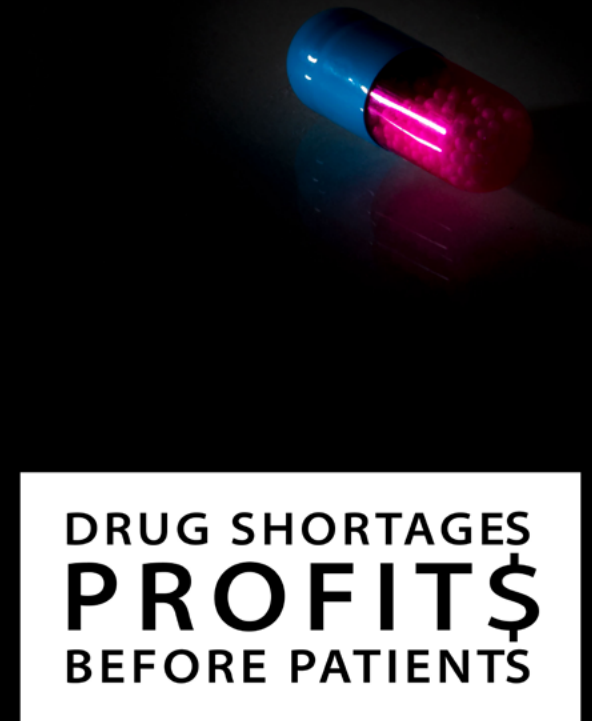
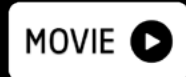
52' & 90'

From Trump to Bolsonaro, populism has been a method of conquering power. For the first time, this film sheds light on the hackers and people in power orchestrating chaos.



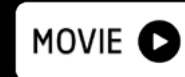
6x10' & 52'

This documentary deciphers the workings of Bitcoin, the first reliable cryptocurrency, revolution and investigates the identity of its creator.



52' & 90'

This international investigation, brought to light by the pandemic, explains how pharmaceutical groups speculate on medicine to cause drug shortages in order to raise their prices.





52'

4K

This historical investigation on radioactivity gives voice to irradiated soldiers, workers and children. From Marie Curie to Fukushima, the film measures the indifference and cynicism of the military and civil powers and the arrogance of the nuclear industry.

TRAILER ▶

MOVIE ▶

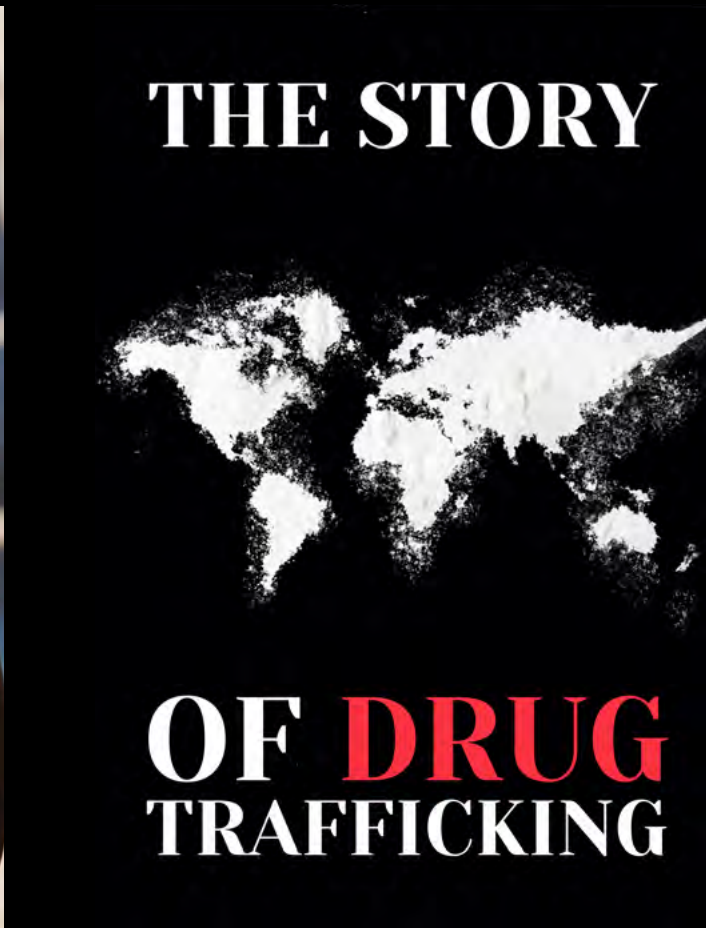


52'

Melania is both an ideal symbol of a conservative America and the evil embodiment of limitless ambition. Political journalist Laurence Haïm has observed her for the past years and is able to reveal a much more complex part of the personality and life of the mysterious lady.

TRAILER ▶

MOVIE ▶



3x52'

There are few commodities as global as drugs. How did this trade influence relations between states, global financial interests, secret diplomacies, secret special forces and mafias, on all continents for over a century and a half.

TRAILER ▶

MOVIE ▶



52'

This film is a rigorous investigation into a subject which has always been considered science fiction. UFOs exist, and officials from the Pentagon, NASA and from other prestigious institutions will prove it to you.

TRAILER

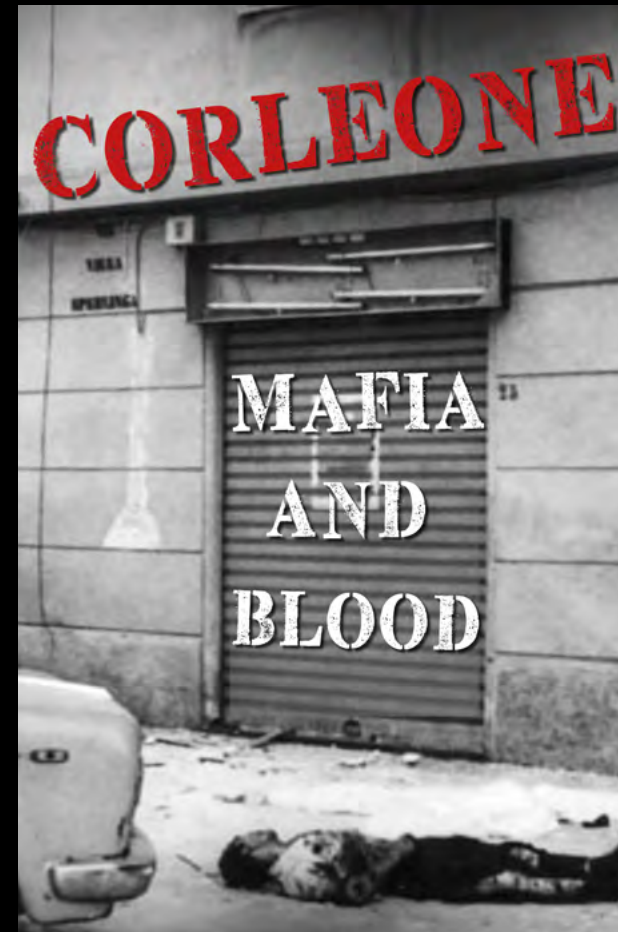
MOVIE



2x52'

For more than sixty years, Korea has been divided into two states, two diametrically opposed societies. Is reunification still possible? Beyond stereotypes, North and South Koreans tell their stories together.

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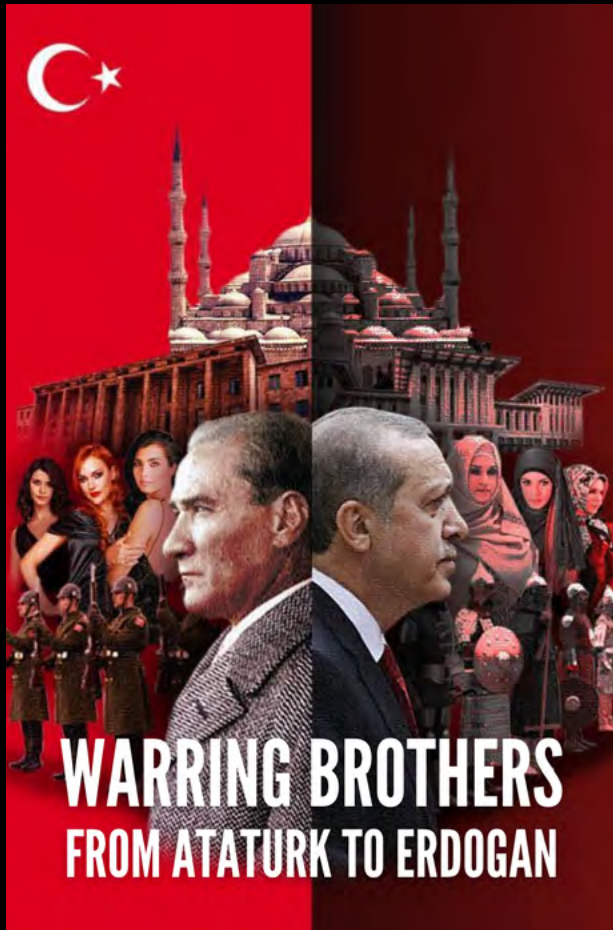


2x70'

This is the story of the rise and fall of Toto Riina, through interviews of prosecutors, judges, police officers, lawyers and his own inside-men who are now repentant and have accepted to cooperate with justice.

TRAILER

MOVIE



52' & 90'

The idea behind this film is straightforward: explaining why no one understands what's going on in Turkey anymore. And its goal? It's to free our gaze from preconceived notions and from the illusion of perspective.



52'

Gentle spouses, housewives confined to housework, sex slaves. It has long been thought that women in the Islamic State were only victims forced to obey their husbands, brothers or fathers. This overly reductive image does not reflect reality.



52'

They are omnipresent on the international art market. They spend millions in US dollars on works by Picasso, Modigliani, van Gogh or the French Impressionists. For the first time, wealthy and thus economically and culturally relevant people open their doors!





52'

In this parallel reality, where spies, paranoid and discreet geeks fight for territory, the film tells an invisible war, where viruses are terrifying weapons and information a key issue. A war that can destabilize our world, affect us all of us and where Russia advances its pawns with determination.



52'

As the Calais jungle was set to be razed in October 2016, there were over 1900 unaccompanied minors stranded there - many of whom had a legal case to enter the UK. Sue fought to get these children recognized and their cases heard.



52'

4K

After the March 2011 disaster, the Japanese authorities decided to build a gigantic 15-meter-high and 500 kilometers long anti tsunami wall, separating the land and the ocean. But what is the environmental and human impact of this wall?





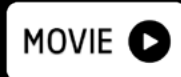
52' & 87'

Almost every sector of activity today depends on computer codes that are protected by patents from which large firms collect income. Can we free ourselves from these codes?



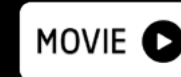
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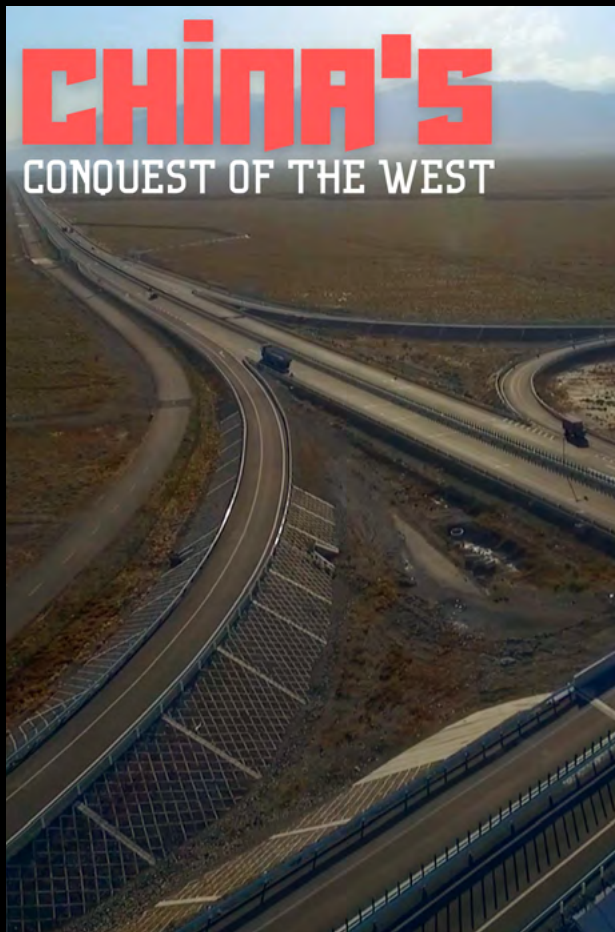
A documentary thriller about one of the world's most profitable illegal trades: Rhinoceros horn. At 50,000 euros per kilo, it sells for a higher price than gold or cocaine... When crushed into a powder and mixed with alcohol, it is said to be a miracle cure.



52' & 90'

Starbucks is now a part of our daily lives. Like McDonald's, its 22.000 coffeehouses present in 67 countries have made it a recognizable symbol of globalization. This investigative report explores the brand's appeal, what made its success and reveals the coffee giant's dark underside.





52'

China's "New Silk Roads" project is one of President Xi Jinping's grandest designs - perhaps even the grandest - a vast plan to create land and sea trade routes across the whole of Eurasia, stretching right into Europe.



52'

As a former CIA and NSA collaborator, Edward Snowden leaked the biggest mass surveillance scandal of the century. A secret meeting between him and global freedom and civil rights campaigners, Birgitta Jonsdottir and Larry Lessig turns into a freewheeling discussion about the future of democracy.

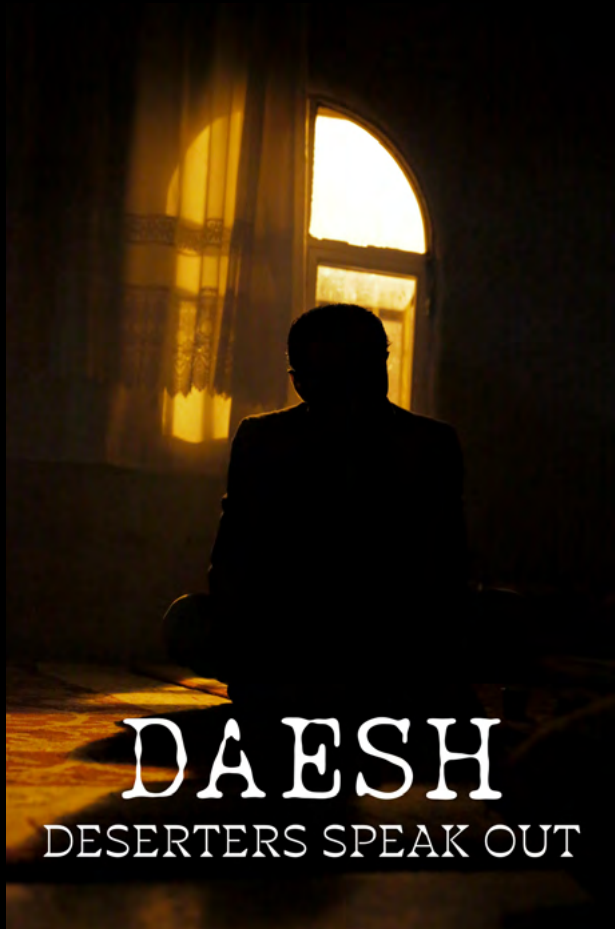


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The members of the Islamic State call them "lion cubs." They are between 4 and 16 years old. They were brainwashed and abused for many months in military and religious training camps. This rare documentary captures their stories.







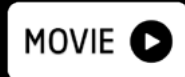
52'

Personal testimonies from Islamic State defectors and those who have helped them escape. This exceptional documentary reveals what daily life is like inside Daesh and looks at the conditions surrounding the dangerous work of exfiltration.



52'

Never in history have we ever witnessed such a massive destruction of the Middle East heritage. Never in history, have so many citizens around the world been involved in protecting, saving and rebuilding these masterpieces threatened with extinction.



52' & 90'

Estimated at 7 billion euros a year, art trafficking is the third largest traffic activity in the world, after that of drugs and weapons. It constitutes the grounds for a global clash between States, traffickers, auction houses, collectors and NGOs.

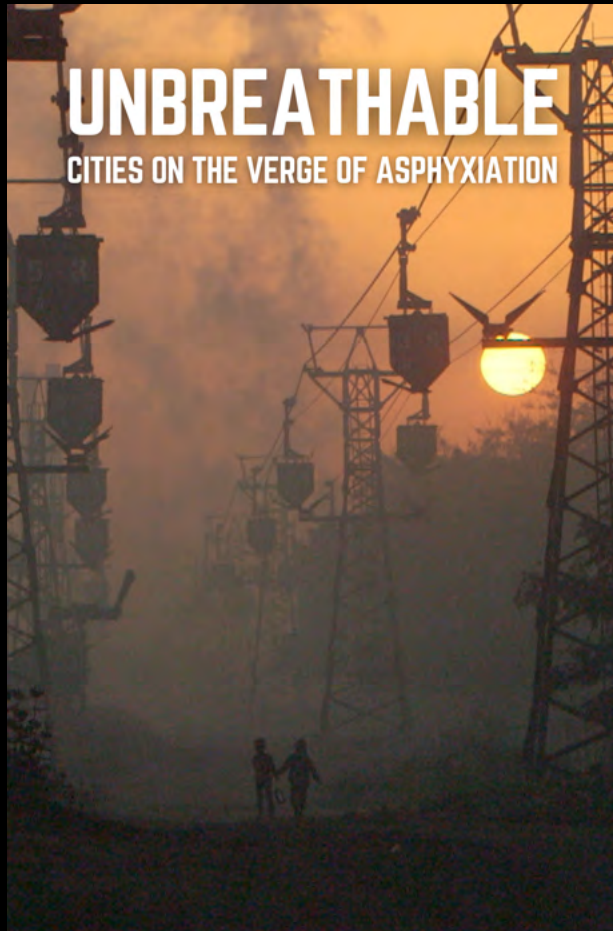




52' & 90'

The film takes us to Hamburg, Berlin, Paris, Istanbul, London, Toulouse, Lyon and other cities, and recounts how towns and cities are being built and transformed, and what space is being left in them for citizens.

TRAILER  MOVIE 



52' & 90'

Atmospheric pollution affects 9 out of 10 city dwellers, and kills 7 million people a year. Faced with this growing concern, how can people protect themselves? An investigation into pollution without borders.

TRAILER  MOVIE 



52' & 86'

The illegal recycling of electronics is a toxic business on a global scale. Why do three quarters of Europe's electronic waste disappear from the official recycling system?

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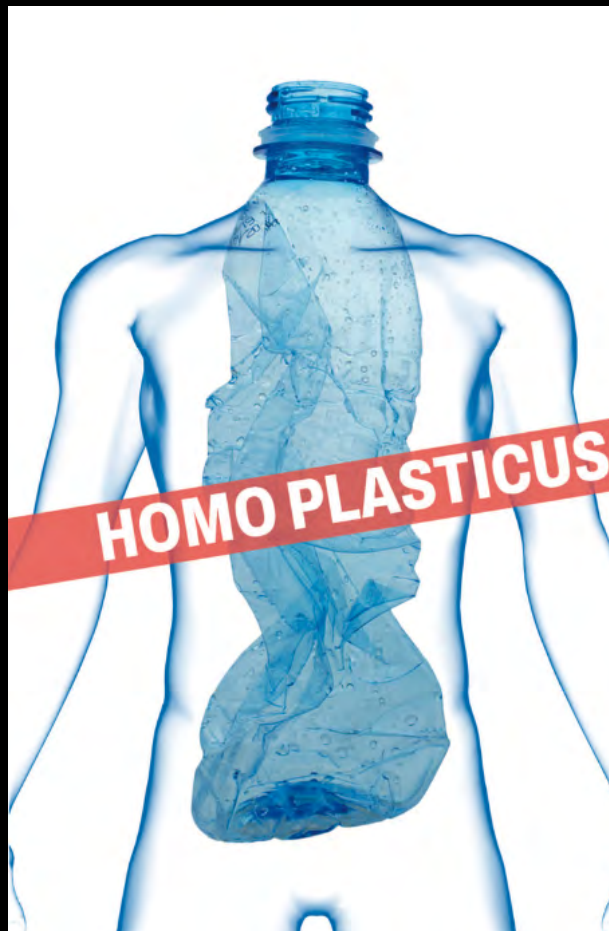
# FASTING

THE NEW INVESTIGATION

Delivery November 2024

52' 4K

Fasting is the new trend these days. There are different types of fasting methods, from detox to intermittent fasting, embraced by top executives and touted by «health coaches» of all kinds. The fasters walk, some self-proclaimed therapists thrive and arouse suspicion. This film takes a deep dive into a social phenomenon.

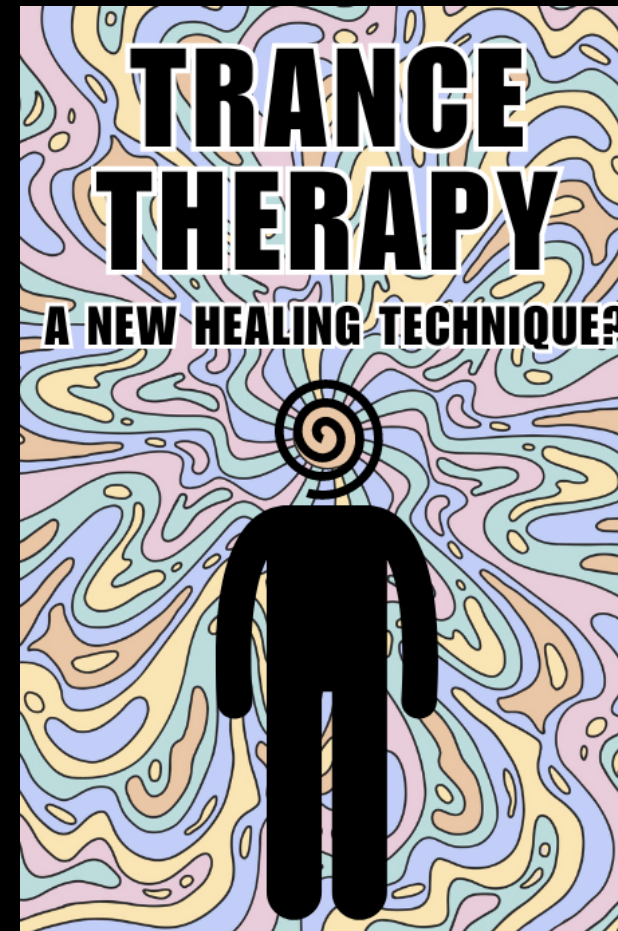


# HOMO PLASTICUS

Delivery January 2025

52'

Micro- and nano-plastics are everywhere. However, what we don't know is that scientists have found some of them lodged in our vital organs: liver, lungs, intestines, placenta... The list goes on and on. Is this colonization harmful? Is Homo Sapiens becoming Homo Plasticus?



# TRANCE THERAPY

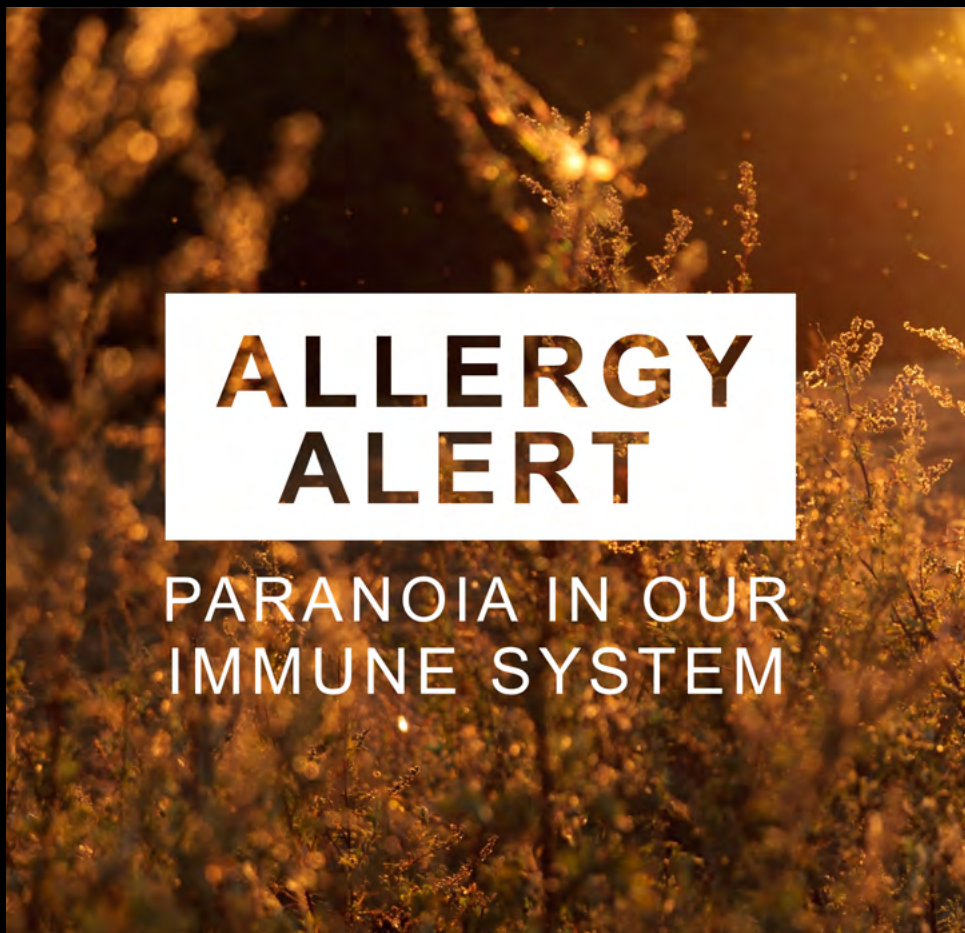
A NEW HEALING TECHNIQUE?

Delivery June 2025

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Trance states, utilized for healing for centuries, now intrigue scientists. Whether induced by psychedelics or other methods, trances offer access to expanded consciousness and potential healing for psychiatric disorders like depression, addiction, or PTSD. Exploring these states illuminates the intricacies of the human mind.





# ALLERGY ALERT

PARANOIA IN OUR IMMUNE SYSTEM

52'

By 2050, 1 out of 2 will suffer from an allergy. Follow the best international scientists who are finding innovations like immunotherapy, biotherapy or hypoallergenic cats to fight soaring allergy rates!



# SCIENTISTS SEARCHING FOR YOUTH

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What if science could reverse the aging process? Follow researchers who are deciphering its mechanisms with the promise to find the elixir of youth for longer and healthier lives!





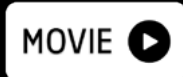
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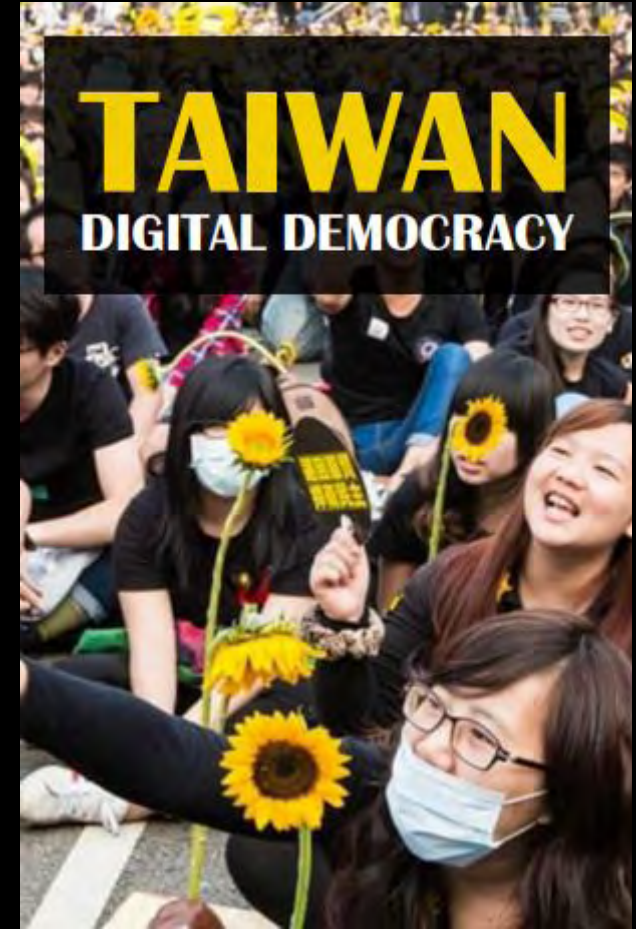
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