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FOUR DOCUMENTA FIFTEEN PUBLICATIONS WITH HATJE CANTZ AS OFFICIAL PUBLISHING PARTNER

Together with Hatje Cantz as partner publishing house, documenta fifteen will be presenting four publications in German and English in June 2022: a handbook, a family guide, a magazine, and an Anthology of literary texts.

The *Handbook* is a companion to the exhibition, a reference work, and an innovative art guide. It introduces the concept of the exhibition, illuminating central aspects and introducing the protagonists of documenta fifteen. The Family Guide *Walking, Finding, Sharing* invites visitors to experience in five word-and-image tours the lumbung values of Humor, Local Anchor, Independence, Generosity, and Transparency. The two issues of the magazine *majalah lumbung*, entitled *Harvesting* and *Sharing*, provide a foundation for documenta fifteen in the form of short stories and features by Indonesian authors. Finally, *lumbung erzählen* (lumbung storytelling) presents seven literary texts by international novelists on collective work and forms of community.

The four publications are centered around documenta fifteen principles – like collectivity, sustainability, and shared resources – not only in terms of content, but also in their production process, appearance, and mode of distribution. Thus, for the *Handbook*, international authors were invited who are familiar with the respective artistic practice and cultural context of the participants they present. For the anthology *lumbung erzählen*, seven international publishers have joined forces to make editions in additional languages possible. All four titles are produced sustainably following the guidelines of the “Blue Angel” eco-label and printed on 100% recycled paper with certified ink.

The four publications will be available in bookstores at documenta fifteen in Kassel from June 15, 2022.

The documenta fifteen Publications at a Glance

The Exhibition Companion: documenta fifteen Handbook

Under the guiding principle of lumbung, the Indonesian collective ruangrupa is less concerned with individual works than with forms of collaborative working. As a reference work, companion, and innovative art guide, the *Handbook* offers orientation for these comprehensive processes; it is aimed at visitors to the Kassel exhibition as well as those interested in collective practice. All the protagonists at documenta fifteen and their work are

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presented by international authors who are familiar with the respective artistic practice and cultural context. Entitled “lumbung,” the book introduces the mindset and cultural background of documenta fifteen illustrating the artistic work processes with numerous drawings. A chapter on Kassel presents and explains all the locations of the show, including the artists and collectives represented here.

Handbook

English | approx. 320 p. | approx. 200 ill. | 15 x 20,5 cm | Softcover with flaps
€ 25,00 [D], € 26,00 [A] | ISBN 978-3-7757-5282-4 | June 2022

Also available as a German edition

Handbuch | ISBN 978-3-7757-5281-7

The Family Guide: Walking, Finding, Sharing. An Illustrated Companion to documenta fifteen

Inspired by the tours featured in travel guides or educational offerings at public museums, *Walking, Finding, Sharing* offers children and families, but also comic fans and experienced exhibition visitors, alternative perspectives on documenta fifteen. Here eight international illustrators and authors have reinvented ruangrupa’s universe for documenta fifteen and stimulate the imagination of readers and visitors alike with their visual worlds. Five tours invite you to experience the lumbung values of Humor, Local Anchor, Independence, Generosity, and Transparency, offering complementary ideas and aspects to the exhibition.

With entertaining stories, *Walking, Finding, Sharing* encourages you to find your own approach to these values, so each path is to be understood as a suggestion and can be explored spontaneously, completely or only in part. This original book will also appeal to and inspire younger visitors.

Walking, Finding, Sharing

Texts and illustrations by Julia Kluge, Nadine Redlich, Malwine Stauss, Carmen José, Rita Fürstenau (Rotopol); Isabel Minhós Martins, Bernardo P. Carvalho; Jules Inés Mamone (Femimutancia); Verónica Gerber Bicecci; Innosanto Nagara

English | approx. 96 p. | approx. 80 ill. | 20 x 26 cm | Hardcover

€ 15,00 [D], € 16,00 [A] | ISBN 978-3-7757-5284-8 | June 2022

Also available as a German edition

Gehen, Finden, Teilen | ISBN 978-3-7757-5283-1

The Magazine on the lumbung practice: majalah lumbung

As part of documenta fifteen, ruangrupa in Indonesia is publishing two issues of a magazine, *majalah* that hones in on the core idea of the exhibition – collective working. The lumbung component in the title refers to the communal rice barn where Indonesian farmers store surplus crops to share. The two issues, *Harvesting* and *Sharing*, will be published together in

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one volume to accompany the exhibition. With short stories and features by leading journalists, researchers, and writers from Indonesia, *majalah lambung* touches on topics such as cosmology or architecture, food or eating together, thereby forming a foundation for the content featured at documenta fifteen. The individual contributions are conveyed through numerous illustrations and an attractive layout in magazine quality.

majalah lambung

English, German | approx. 320 p. | approx. 200 ill. | 20 x 26 cm | Softcover
€ 28,00 [D], € 32,00 [A] | ISBN 978-3-7757-5285-5 | June 2022

Seven Short Stories in one Anthology: lambung erzählen

Whether “tequio” in Mexico, “ubuntu” in South Africa, or “mutirão” in Brazil; there are many names for the common good around the world: Within the context of documenta fifteen and its core idea of collectivity, seven novelists – Azhari Aiyub, Cristina Judar, Nesrine A. Khoury, Mithu Sanyal, Panashe Chigumadzi, Uxue Alberdi, and Yásnaya Elena Aguilar Gil – from different parts of the world will contribute new narratives on collective work and communal forms. Seven international publishers have also joined forces to provide this global perspective on the exhibition theme in various language editions.

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Texts by Azhari Aiyub, Cristina Judar, Mithu Sanyal, Nesrine A. Khoury, Panashe Chigumadzi, Uxue Alberdi, Yásnaya Elena Aguilar Gil
German | 208 p. | 13 x 20,5 cm | Softcover
€ 18,00 [D], € 18,00 [A] | ISBN 978-3-7757-5286-2 | June 2022

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