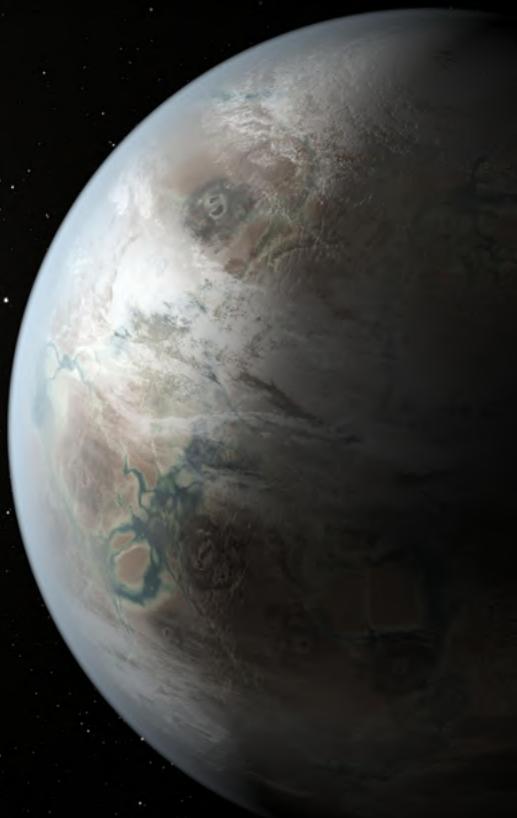


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DIGITAL TIMEBOMB

52' (ENG, GER) | 2025
werviewas medienproduktion, ZDF, arte

How easily can the internet break?

The internet seems invisible, yet it is highly physical: millions of processes occur daily in data centers, and undersea cables carry about 95% of global data traffic. This investigative documentary reveals the hidden world behind the web: How do data centers operate? Who controls this critical infrastructure and who might attack it? Recent sabotage in the Baltic Sea highlights the vulnerability of our digital lifeline. On land, power outages, construction accidents, and cyberattacks threaten system stability. Energy needs are rising sharply as AI technologies increase data centers' electricity consumption. Behind the "cloud" are server farms with high environmental impact. How do politics, research, and industry ensure digital sovereignty, sustainability, and security?



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50th Anniversary of Apple

THE APPLE-STORY

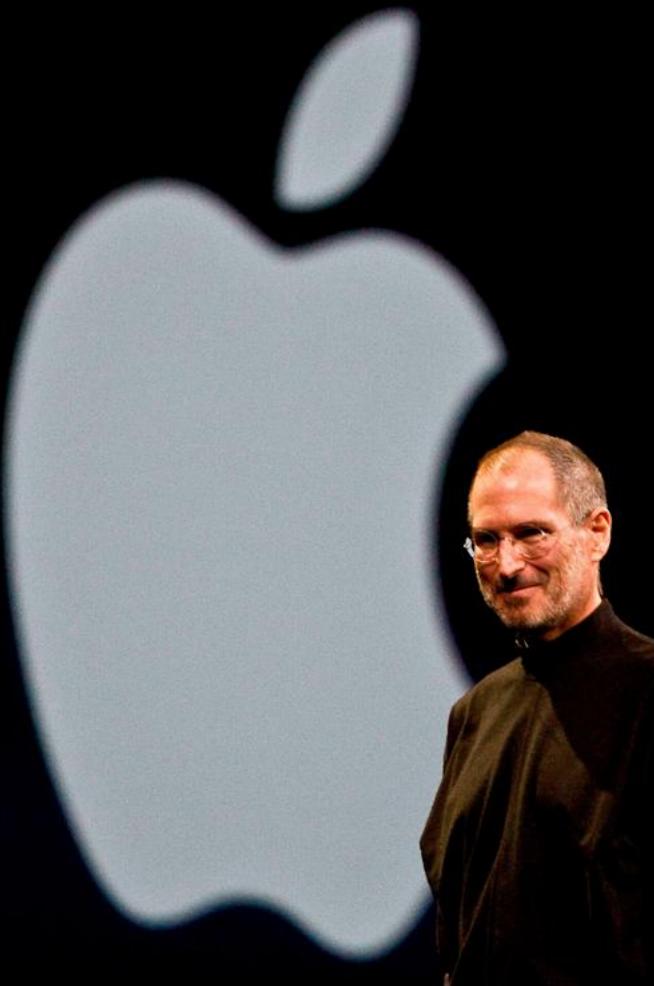
SELLING THE REVOLUTION

52' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q2 2026 | Spiegel TV, SWR, CBC

Fifty years after Apple was founded, its vision has transformed everything – how we communicate, work, create, and think.

Apple didn't just build devices; it rewired human behavior itself. Our film tells this story through the people who lived it: companions like Andy Hertzfeld, Andy Cunningham, Bob Belleville, and German design pioneer Hartmut Esslinger – alongside digital natives who've never known a world without touchscreens, and acclaimed journalists who have defined our understanding of tech's last decade. From a suburban startup to global domination, from hippie idealists to a trillion-dollar empire. We explore both sides of this digital revolution: the democratization of creativity and connection, but also surveillance capitalism, exploited workers, and a generation of children growing up addicted to their screens. Apple set out to fight Big Brother, promising freedom against IBM's corporate machines. Did the revolutionary become the very monster it once sought to destroy?





SURVIVING AUSCHWITZ

THE SEVEN LIVES OF DANY DATTEL

52' (ENG) | 2025

Gruppe 5, gemini film & library, wiesefilm,
WDR, SWR, NDR, arte

It is a moving life story like few others.

For the first time, Dany Dattel travels to the fateful places of his life, to Auschwitz and to the children of his rescuers on the death march in Czechia. His odyssey also leads into the world of high-risk banking, opening a striking window onto postwar West German history with unscrupulous bankers and virulent anti-Semitism. For decades, Dany Dattel avoided any contact with the media, which made him a scapegoat. In front of our camera, however, he appears open, relaxed, even humorous, as he confronts his memories with remarkable clarity. His quiet triumph is captured in his own words: "At the Wannsee Conference, the Nazis decided to exterminate all Jews. They did not succeed. I'm still alive!" Four months after filming in Auschwitz, Dany Dattel passed away.





ANCIENT POMPEII

THE SECRETS OF VILLA OPLONTIS



2 x 45', 90' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q2 2026
Go Button Media, Autentic, ZDF, arte,
Curiosity Stream, Superchannel

Villa Oplontis near Pompeii was one of the most luxurious villas in the entire Roman Empire.

The Villa is said to have belonged to the notorious Sabina Poppaea, who came from one of the richest families in Pompeii and was considered the most beautiful woman of her time. In order to marry Sabina Poppaea, Emperor Nero not only had his first wife murdered, but also his mother. The magnificently furnished rooms of the villa have only been partially excavated until now, and unique treasures have been found there. Now another excavation has begun to uncover the luxurious reception rooms. The film accompanies the excavations and attempts to unravel the secrets of the villa and its legendary owner.

250th Anniversary of U.S. Declaration of Independence

INDEPENDENCE DAWN

2 x 45' (ENG), 90' (ENG, GER) | 2025 | Go Button Media, Autentic, ZDF, arte, Curiosity Stream, Superchannel



The American Declaration of Independence promised freedom for all, but who was to benefit from that freedom? Remembering the forgotten patriots who gave everything for an ideal from which they were often excluded.

Forgotten patriots of the American Revolutionary War tell their stories for the first time. Drawing from military pension files, voices of ordinary men, women, slaves, and youth describe how they fought, suffered, and persevered through a harrowing conflict to forge a new republic. Inspired by the words of founding fathers and standing arm-in-arm with the audacious George Washington, these unsung patriots breathe life into American lore. Why does 22 year-old minuteman William French take up arms after the first shots at Lexington and Concord? At battles like Bunker Hill, Brandywine, and Yorktown, men like James Potter Collins describe the chaos. Slaves like Prince Griswold put their lives on the line for a different kind of freedom. At home, women like Susannah Chandler struggle to protect their families; on the front, women like Deborah Sampson take up arms in disguise. In the aftermath of great victory, the values of the famous declaration spread like wildfire. But among those who fought, the freedoms they are granted are far from perfect.

MORAL DILEMMAS

LESSONS FROM LITERATURE

5 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Full delivery by Q4 2026
Autentic, BR, NDR, mdr, SWR, arte, FFF Bayern

Universal moral dilemmas – as urgent today as ever.

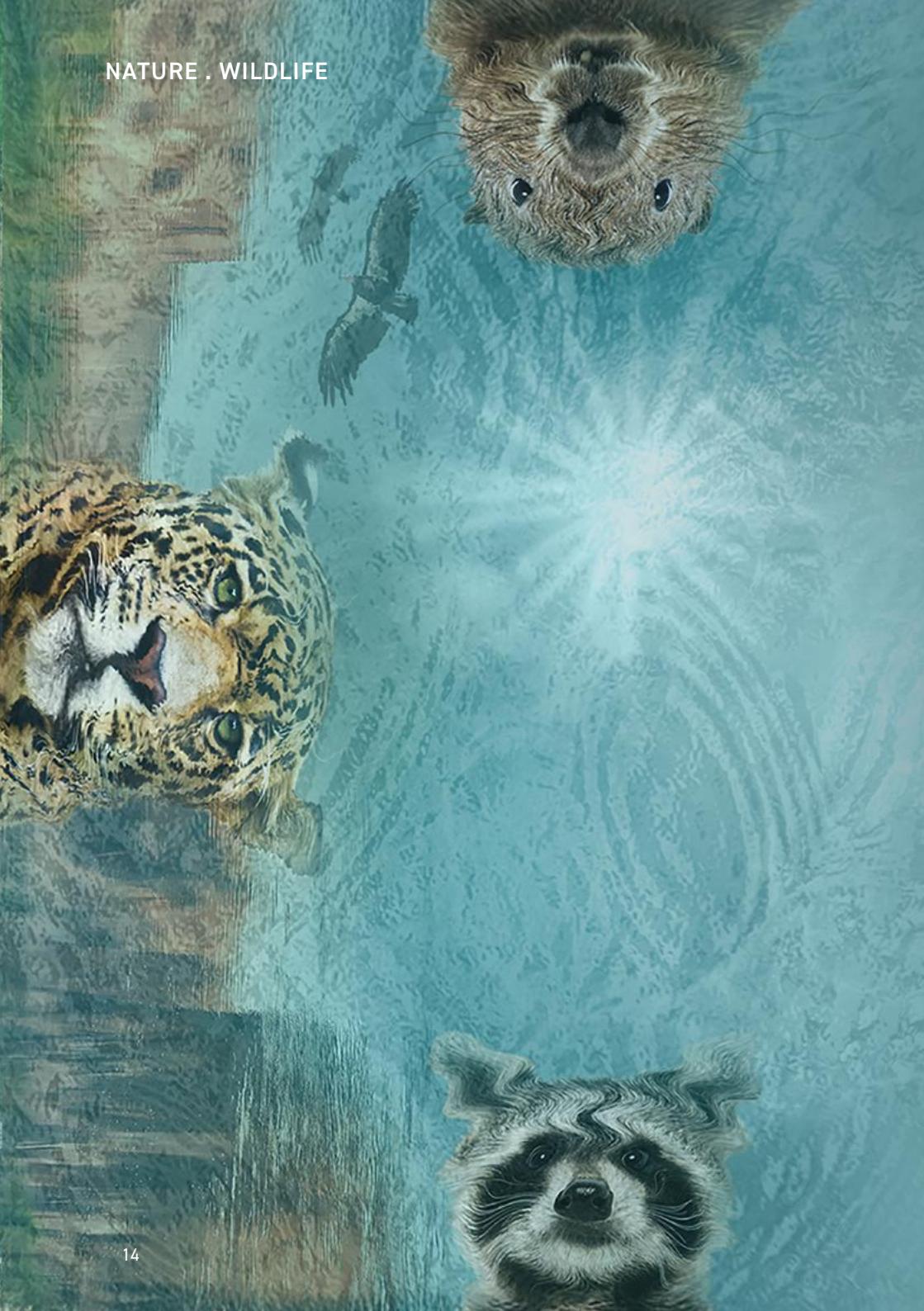
Are there innocent perpetrators? What carries more weight – love or political conviction? Can I be different and still belong? Does responsibility exclude freedom? The world is full of profound dilemmas, where essential moral questions rarely have simple answers. Nothing reveals human ambiguity and inner conflict more powerfully than literature. Drawing on five modern literary classics, this series explores universal moral dilemmas through bold, contemporary cinematic storytelling.

Episodes:

1. Inside the Mind of a Murderer: Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoevsky
2. Child or Life: Happening by Annie Ernaux
3. Divided Heaven by Christa Wolf (WT)
4. Giovanni's Room by James Baldwin (WT)
5. Les Choses humaines by Karine Tuil (WT)







A large, dark, winding river or canyon scene with a small fish at the bottom.

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THE MIGHTY COLORADO

52' (ENG, GER), 107' (ENG) | 2026
Terra Mater Studios, Fin & Fur Films, ServusTV

In the American Southwest, water shapes the rhythm of life.

The Colorado River links mountains, canyons, and deserts into a natural world rich with wildlife and unique habitats. Wildlife filmmaker Ben Masters follows its course from the Never Summer Mountains down into the dry lowlands. High in the peaks, the autumn rut of Rocky Mountain elk defines the season, while beavers create wetlands with their dams, storing water and reshaping entire landscapes. Trout migrate toward their spawning grounds, and with the hatching of giant salmonflies, an ancient natural spectacle rises from the river. Further south, at the base of the Vermillion Cliffs, a young California condor is growing up. At the same time, the film reveals how strongly human intervention is altering the Colorado River, creating a quiet conflict between wilderness and human demand.



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MALLORCA

BEYOND THE BEACHES

52' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q2 2026

Doclights/NDR Naturfilm, Terra Mater Studios, ServusTV, NDR

Beyond the beaches, spectacular natural phenomena await discovery.

From the breathtaking Tramuntana mountain range, and ancient dry stone walls to hidden limestone caves and powerful springs, nature dominates the island. Wetlands and salt flats host rich birdlife, while dedicated conservation efforts are restoring species such as the nursehound and the monk vulture, showcasing Mallorca as a living sanctuary of natural and cultural heritage.





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ICE NOMADS

52' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q2 2026

Terra Mater Studios, Saint Thomas Productions,
ServusTV, arte, Ushuaïa TV, CNC



Born from a gigantic fracture, A23A emerged as an island of ice 300 meters thick and spanning 75 by 60 kilometres.

Thus began the extraordinary odyssey of an Antarctic fragment that became more than an iceberg — the protagonist of an adventure film. Over 40 years and more than 10,000 kilometres, its journey was shaped by groundings, storms, fractures and the pull of ocean currents, but above all by encounters: albatrosses, penguins, seals, whales and microscopic life flourished or perished in its wake. Wedged against an underwater wall, the ice leviathan finally fragmented, sending countless shards into fragile ecosystems. Its final breakup marked the end of one of the oldest icebergs of all time. The growing release of massive icebergs is expected to reshape polar marine environments and play a role in future sea-level rise.



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RIDDLE IN THE WIND

2 x 52' (ENG, GER) | 2025

Terra Mater Studios, Saint Thomas Productions, ServusTV, arte

Something strange is happening thousands of miles from the nearest landmass, on isolated volcanic islands in the so-called "Roaring Forties".

Certain animals are thriving while others are disappearing for mysterious reasons. To solve this riddle, mammal and bird specialists set up camp on these rugged islands that are constantly lashed by the Southern Indian Ocean lows in order to place an array of tagging devices on penguins, elephant seals, albatrosses, orcas and other large animals. The resulting data reveals a number of unexpected consequences of human activity that affect the birth and survival rates of ocean wanderers. Some scientists propose and implement a range of remedies.

Episodes: 1. Wings of Change | 2. Swimming Against Time



THE ARCHIPELAGO

2 x 52' (ENG, FRA, GER) | Delivery: Q3 2026 | Boréales, France TV

You'd think life in the tropics would be the same everywhere. Think again.

Life in the tropics has developed in many forms, and everywhere it has found a way to flourish: a young volcano isolated in the middle of the Indian Ocean (Mascarene Island), an archipelago made up of ancient volcanoes that are collapsing into the sea (Polynesia), a piece of sunken continent that has risen from the waters (New Caledonia), an island born of the collision of plates in the earth's crust (Guadeloupe) and a very old continental shelf (Guyana). The geological history of each of these environments has given rise to unique and very different forms of life, shaped by the trials and tribulations of their host land. How have animals and plants evolved to adapt to these ecosystems? What strategies have they developed? What alliances have they formed? How do they manage to seduce each other, educate their young, and conquer territories? And how do they live with humans? In each of these ecosystems, a fabulous story takes us to the heart of life and up close to exceptional animals and plants.





MATTERHORN

THE DEADLY PEAK

52' (ENG, GER), 30' (GER) | 2025 | NZZ, SRF



The Matterhorn is one of the most famous peaks in the world and also one of the deadliest.

Since its first ascent in 1865, more than 600 mountaineers have lost their lives here, seven in 2024 alone. Despite modern infrastructure and international fame, the Matterhorn remains the scene of numerous tragedies. Why do so many underestimate the risk? The documentary accompanies Anjan Truffer, mountain guide and rescue chief at Air Zermatt. It shows how hut warden Edith Lehner lives with the accidents on the mountain. And it follows mountaineer Meli Rüfenacht on her ascent of the Matterhorn one year after she witnessed a fatal fall. How do the bereaved cope with sudden loss? What strategies do rescue workers, who are confronted with death and trauma on a daily basis, develop? And which role does social media play?

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THE MONUMENTAL TRANS-IRANIAN RAILWAY

4 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q2 2026 | Millstream Films and Media



Completed in 1938, the Trans-Iranian Railway stands as one of the most extraordinary engineering achievements of the 20th century.

The Trans-Iranian Railway crosses the entire Iranian territory, linking the Caspian Sea to the Persian Gulf, overcoming rugged landscapes, mountain ranges, and desert regions. With over 1,000 bridges, 200 tunnels, and countless stations connecting cities and towns, the railway is now recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site – not only for its technical significance, but also for its cultural, social, and strategic impact. This 4-part documentary series follows the route of the Trans-Iranian Railway from north to south, telling a story that spans nearly a century – covering infrastructure, national identity, engineering, commerce, tourism, and geopolitics. Through archival footage, historical maps, vintage photos, contemporary images, and direct testimonies, the series weaves together past and the present, landscape and civilization, to reveal the spirit of an infrastructure that once united a country and now connects it to the world.

Episodes:

1. A Dream on Rails | 2. Bridges, Tunnels, and Mountains
3. Tracks Among the People | 4. The Corridor of the Future

THE SUM OF ALL CITIES

8 x 52' (ENG, GER, FRA) | 2026

DBcom Media, DBC2, Knowledge Network, Radio-Canada Explora

There are more than 10,000 cities around the world and 55% of the world's population — over 4 billion of us — call them home.

Cities are often defined by numbers; population, cost of living, crime rate, temperature, GDP... by themselves, those numbers are just that. Your basic statistics. But look behind a number and you'll find a story. And that story will lead you to another number. And that number reveals another story and that story connects to another number... and before you know it you've got the sum of a city. From the amount of shrimp eaten in Las Vegas, to the number of bird species in Panama City, and cosmetic surgery rates in Seoul. One city. One episode. Shot on location around the world. So go ahead. Name your city. We'll do the math.

Episodes:

- 1. Panama City | 2. Berlin | 3. Ulaanbaatar | 4. Seoul
- 5. Stockholm | 6. Marrakesh | 7. Las Vegas | 8. Whitehorse





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MILESTONES OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

6 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Full delivery by Q3 2026
Go Button Media, Autentic, Super Channel

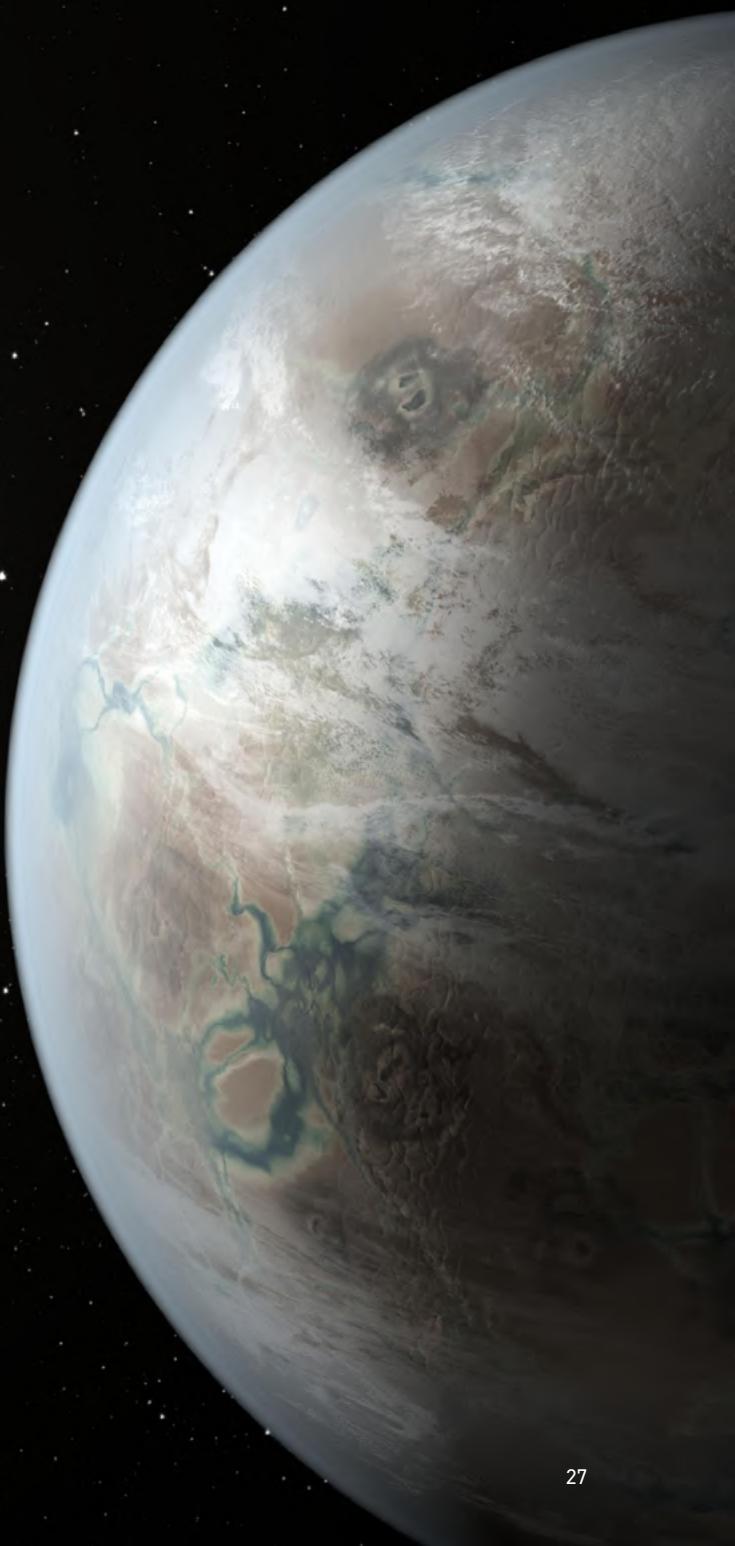
The solar system we know may seem eternal. Yet long before our Sun and planets began their elegant dance, billions of years of chaos and wreckage reigned supreme.

From planets, asteroids, and moons forged from stardust, to volcanoes unleashing fiery destruction on Mars, and a cataclysmic collision that turned early Earth molten and gave birth to our Moon, this series explores the defining milestones of our Solar System. Through breathtaking visuals and scientific discoveries, the film reveals how chaos became structure and how destruction became the driving force behind creation. Each milestone uncovers the powerful forces and dramatic events that shaped the planets, moons, and asteroids we see today. And as the Solar System continues to evolve, one question remains: what fate awaits our Sun and its ever-orbiting system?

Episodes:

- 1. How It Begins | 2. The Great Divide: The Inner vs. Outer Planets
- 3. The Moon – Earth's Silent Partner | 4. A Tale of Two Worlds
- 5. The Era of Bombardment | 6. How it Ends





HOME FROM SPACE

2 × 52' (ENG, GER), 90' (GER) | Delivery: Q3 2026
Spiegel TV, arte, Curiosity Stream

Built in orbit by nearly 300 astronauts from 26 countries, the International Space Station stands as a powerful symbol of what humanity can achieve together.

Facing injuries, perilous spacewalks, and critical technical failures, astronauts from around the world assembled the largest and most expensive object ever, overcoming linguistic, cultural, and ideological differences along the way. As they worked side by side in space, Earth below was shaken by wars, terror attacks, and environmental disasters. The astronauts witnessed these crises unfold, often able only to watch in disbelief as humanity damaged its own home. "Home from Space" is a thrilling and inspiring story about human harmony and daring feats, shaped by technology and science, but also by intercultural friendships and extraordinary adventures.



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HEAVY LIFT III

6 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Full delivery by Q2 2026
Millstream Films and Media

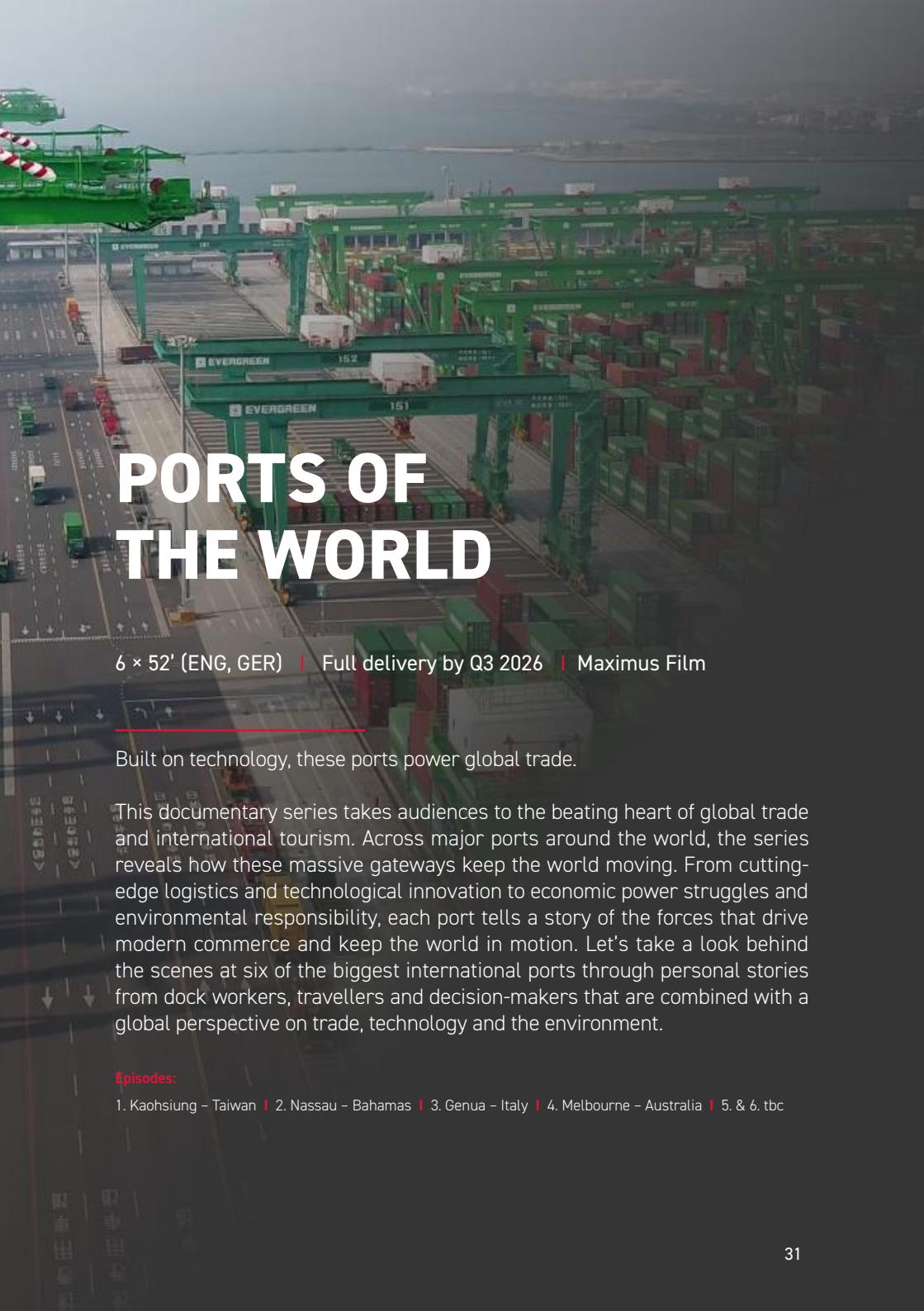
When massive loads must be moved, engineering is pushed to its absolute limits.

Spectacular new episodes reveal how some of the biggest man-made objects on Earth are transported across land and sea. From towering infrastructure to fragile historic landmarks, these enormous loads push technology, logistics, and human ingenuity to their limits. This thrilling engineering series goes behind the scenes of monumental heavy-lift operations, including the construction of the Brenner Base Tunnel, the salvage of the collapsed Baltimore Bridge, the installation of the largest wind farm in the United States, the extraordinary ships that carry other ships, the world's biggest cranes, and the delicate relocation of the Kiruna stave church in Sweden.

Episodes:

1. The Longest Tunnel | 2. Baltimore Bridge Collapse | 3. Kiruna Stave Church Move
4. The Biggest Wind Farm | 5. Sinking Ships | 6. Giant Cranes





PORTS OF THE WORLD

6 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Full delivery by Q3 2026 | Maximus Film

Built on technology, these ports power global trade.

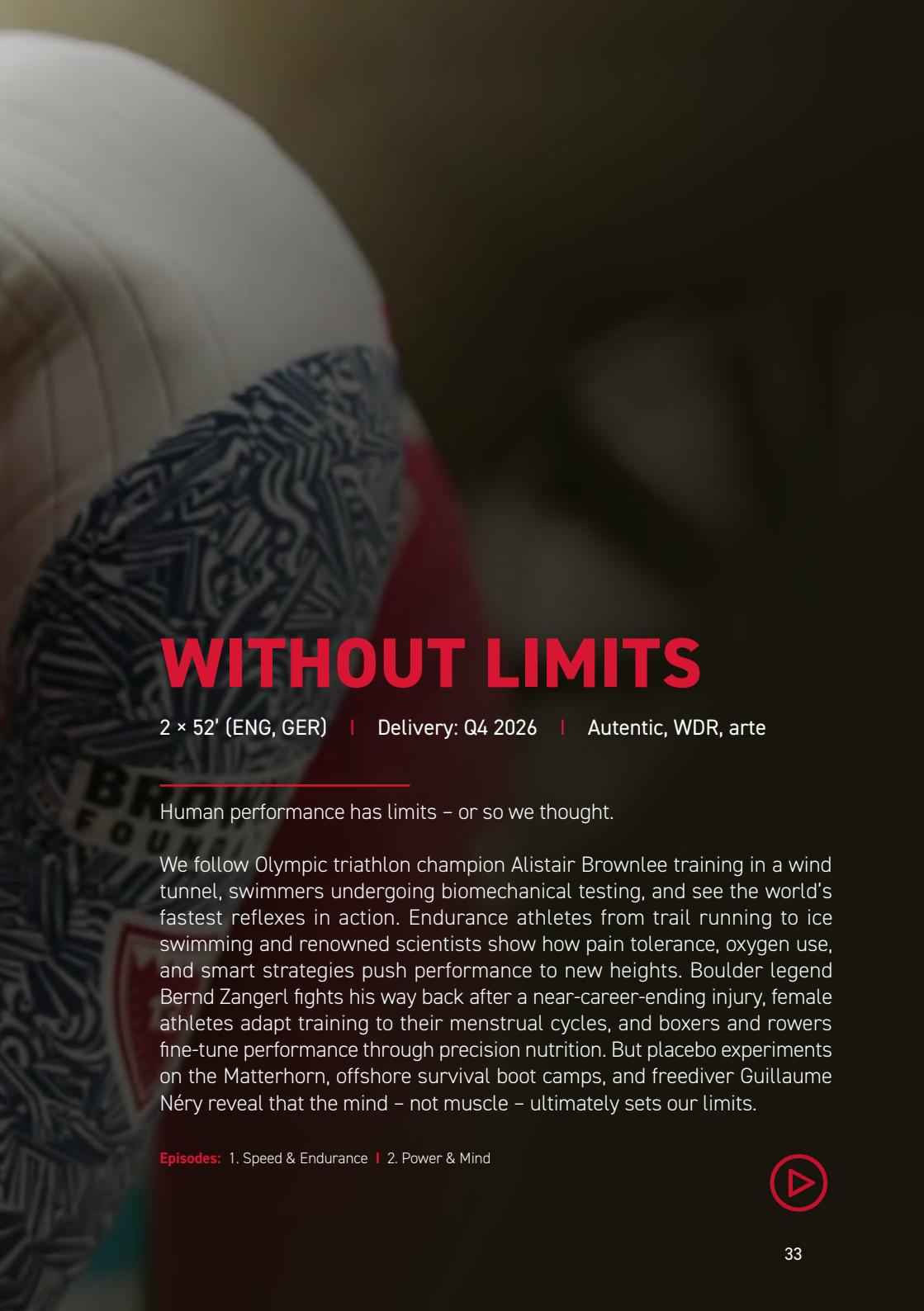
This documentary series takes audiences to the beating heart of global trade and international tourism. Across major ports around the world, the series reveals how these massive gateways keep the world moving. From cutting-edge logistics and technological innovation to economic power struggles and environmental responsibility, each port tells a story of the forces that drive modern commerce and keep the world in motion. Let's take a look behind the scenes at six of the biggest international ports through personal stories from dock workers, travellers and decision-makers that are combined with a global perspective on trade, technology and the environment.

Episodes:

1. Kaohsiung – Taiwan | 2. Nassau – Bahamas | 3. Genua – Italy | 4. Melbourne – Australia | 5. & 6. tbc

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WITHOUT LIMITS

2 x 52' (ENG, GER) | Delivery: Q4 2026 | Autentic, WDR, arte

Human performance has limits – or so we thought.

We follow Olympic triathlon champion Alistair Brownlee training in a wind tunnel, swimmers undergoing biomechanical testing, and see the world's fastest reflexes in action. Endurance athletes from trail running to ice swimming and renowned scientists show how pain tolerance, oxygen use, and smart strategies push performance to new heights. Boulder legend Bernd Zangerl fights his way back after a near-career-ending injury, female athletes adapt training to their menstrual cycles, and boxers and rowers fine-tune performance through precision nutrition. But placebo experiments on the Matterhorn, offshore survival boot camps, and freediver Guillaume Néry reveal that the mind – not muscle – ultimately sets our limits.

Episodes: 1. Speed & Endurance | 2. Power & Mind







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SCIENCE OF HOPE

52' (ENG) | 2026 | Autentic Studios, ProSieben, FFF Bayern, Deutsche Stiftung für Engagement und Ehrenamt

In these trying times, holding on to hope may seem foolish. But who are we without hope?

From Jane Goodall (Ph.D., DBE, Founder of the Jane Goodall Institute and UN Messenger of Peace) to paralympic athlete Wojtek Czyz, extreme sailor Boris Herrmann and Tibetan Buddhist Yongey Mingyur Rinpoche, each of our protagonists has faced dramatic turning points in their lives — accidents, disasters, strokes of fate — yet emerged stronger than before. And we want to understand why! With insights from leading experts such as neuroscientist Tali Sharot, we uncover the science behind these inspiring journeys, revealing how hope empowers resilience and fuels change.



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