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Diese Vatnik-Suppe stellt den russischen Politiker und ersten stellv. Stabschef der Präsidentialverwaltung Russlands Sergei Kirijenko vor. Er ist dafür bekannt, dass er für den Kreml sowohl im Inland als auch im Ausland Desinformations- & Propagandaoperationen durchführt.

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Auf den ersten Blick sieht Kirijenko genauso langweilig wie die meisten „Polittechnologen“ des Kremls aus: 2005—2016 leitete er das Kernenergieunternehmen Rosatom. Später spielte er eine führende Rolle bei der Verwaltung der von Russland besetzten Gebiete in der Ukraine.

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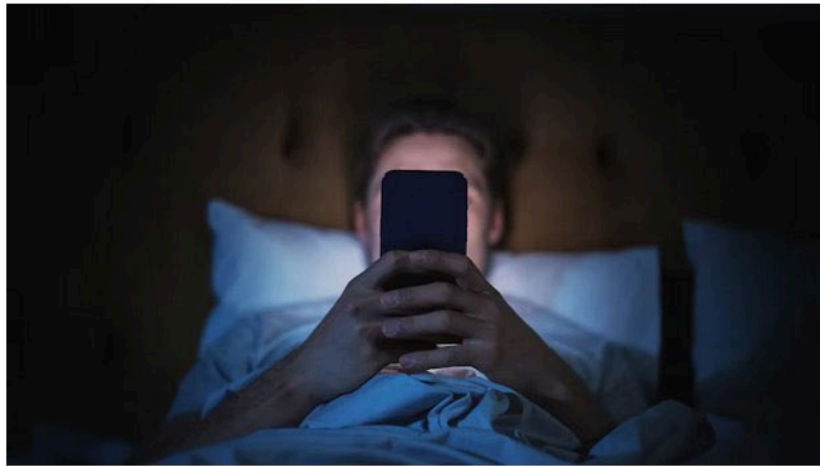


Was ist ein politischer Technologe? In 🇷🇺 sind das Spin-Doktoren & Propaganda-Architekten, die Leute beeinflussen, Narrative kontrollieren & Wahlen manipulieren, oft indem sie eine Opposition simulieren, Vorfälle inszenieren & Desinfo verbreiten, um Demokratie vorzugaukeln.
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Russian political technologists – experts in “information warfare” – prepare for US elections

24 October 2024



Russia’s political technologists were planning last year for influence operations designed to impact the upcoming US elections by exploiting concerns about immigration, identity politics and culture wars.

Das Konzept des politischen Technologen entstand in den 1990er Jahren, als 🇷🇺 vom Chaos zu zentralisierter Macht übergang. Politische Technologen kombinieren Manipulation, Medienbeherrschung & psychologische Operationen, um Zustimmung zu erzeugen & Dissens zu unterdrücken.



Wladislaw Surkow war ein Vorreiter der „Post-Wahrheits“-Politik, in der die Realität fluktuiert, Narrative sich ständig ändern & Verwirrung herrscht mit dem Ziel, die Leute zu ermüden, Widerstand auszuschalten & Alternativen zum Regime als sinnlos erscheinen zu lassen.

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Nach dem Sturz Surkows 2016 wurde Kirijenko schnell zu „Putins rechter Hand“. Er basierte die Innen- und Außenpolitik auf der Ideologie der politischen Technologie. Innerhalb  war es sein

Ziel, einen falschen Eindruck von „Konservatismus“ & „Traditionalismus“ aufzubauen.

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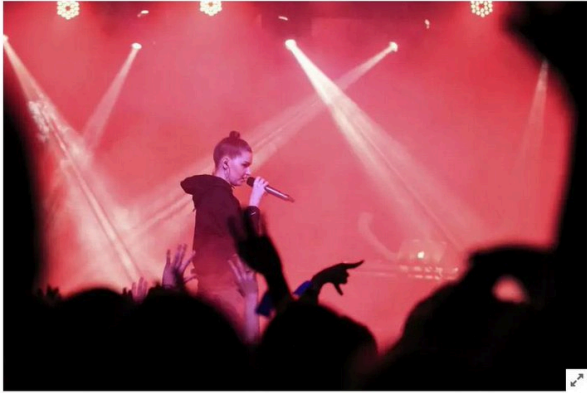
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Russia encouraged pro-Russian demonstrations throughout Ukraine.
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Former Prime Minister to Become Putin's Right-Hand Man

By Mikhail Fishman
Sep. 29, 2016



Sergei Kiriyenko

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Nach dem Beginn der Invasion der  2022 wurde Kirijenko auch für die von  besetzten Gebiete zuständig. Wie zuvor Surkow, bestand seine Hauptaufgabe darin, Unterstützung für die Besatzer zu generieren & zu fälschen, dass sie von der lokalen Bevölkerung unterstützt werden.

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The Viceroy How Sergey Kiriyenko became Putin's point man in the Donbas and plans to shape Russia's 'post-war image'

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Sergey Kiriyenko (right) and Denis Pushilin, the head of the self-proclaimed Donetsk People's Republic, at the opening of a humanitarian center in Donetsk. May 5, 2022.

Denis Pushilin's Press Service

So überwachte er zB die Scheinreferenden des Kremls in Donezk, Luhansk, Cherson & Saporischschja; inszenierte Abstimmungen, die unter militärischer Besatzung ohne Transparenz durchgeführt wurden um die Annexion zu rechtfertigen. Daher sein Spitzname „Vizekönig des Donbass“.

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Ukraine condemns 'sham' elections in Russian-occupied regions

8 September 2023

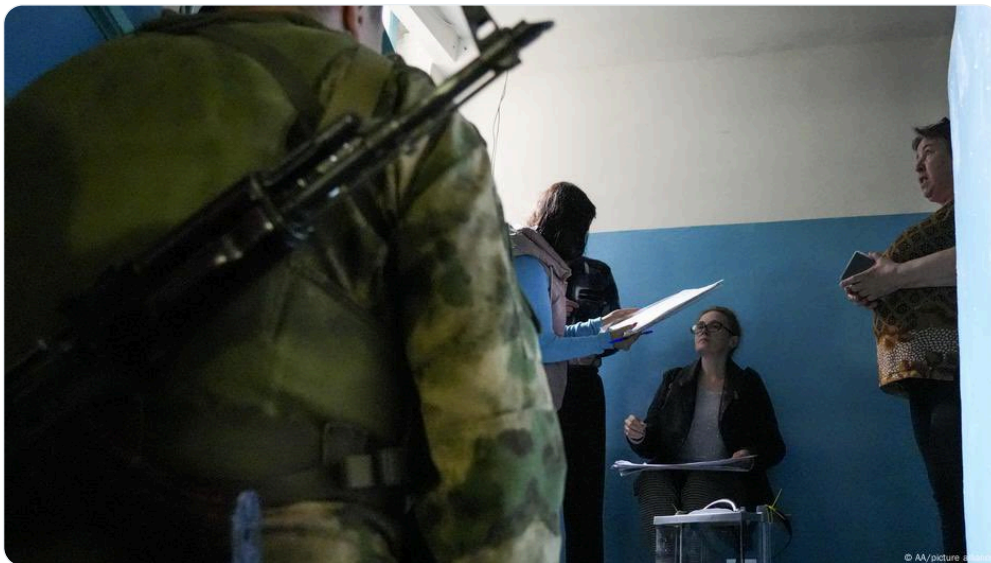
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The elections are taking place in regions of Ukraine that Russia claimed as its own last year

People living in Russian-occupied areas of Ukraine are being asked to vote in what the authorities are describing as local elections.







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Advertising campaign for “a wonderful life with Russia”. For another 4 days in the occupied Ukrainian territories, Russian soldiers come to people's homes and demand to vote for joining Russia. This is Energodar.



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Im Mai und Juni 2022 unternahm Kirijenko Propagandareisen in besetzte Städte wie Mariupol, wo er an der Enthüllung einer Statue, die die sowjetische Flagge schwenkt, teilnahm, & Cherson, wo ein Treffen die formelle Annexion des Gebiets am russischen Wahltag plante.

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Top Kremlin Official Unveils Pro-War Statue in Ukraine's Mariupol

May 5, 2022



The statue of babushka Anya in Mariupol.

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Occupied Kherson Ready for Vote to Join Russia, Official Claims

June 29, 2022



Russian servicemen standing guard near the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant (HPP) on the Dnieper River in Kakhovka, near Kherson, Ukraine.

SERGEI ILNITSKY / EPA / TASS

Southern Ukraine's occupied Kherson region is preparing to vote on officially joining Russia, a Moscow-backed official said Wednesday.

Der Plan wurde vereitelt, als 🇺🇦 Streitkräfte Cherson in einer mutigen & brillanten Gegenoffensive befreiten. Selbst Elon Musk konnte dies nicht verhindern, obwohl er Berichten zufolge den Starlink-Zugang im Gebiet deaktivierte, um einen 🇺🇦 Drohnenangriff zu verhindern.

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Ukraine troops enter centre of Kherson as Russians retreat in chaos

Volodymyr Zelenskiy hails 'historic day' as locals raise Ukrainian flags around Svoboda Square

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Peter Beaumont, Luke Harding in Kherson region,
Pjotr Sauer and Isobel Koshiw in Kyiv

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Crowds cheer as Ukrainian troops enter Kherson city centre - video

In extraordinary scenes, crowds of jubilant residents greeted Ukraine's armed forces as they reached the centre of Kherson, as Russia's retreat from the key strategic city appeared to have descended into chaos.

Musk ordered Starlink shutdown during Ukraine's 2022 Kherson counteroffensive, Reuters reports

July 25, 2025 5:20 pm • 2 min read



by Tim Zadorozhnyy



A portrait of Elon Musk taken in Krakow, Poland, on Jan. 22, 2024, alongside Russia's national flag, is shown for illustration. (Beata Zawrzel/NurPhoto via Getty Images)

Übrigens soll Elon Musk angeblich direkt mit Kirijenko kommuniziert haben. Mehreren Quellen zufolge diskutierten sie Themen, die von Wirtschaft bis Geopolitik reichten. Hat Kirijenko vorgeschlagen, Starlink in der Ukraine abzuschalten – oder kam diese Idee von woanders?

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Elon Musk

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Elon Musk has been in regular contact with Putin for two years, says report

Alleged talks between billionaire and Russian president could have enormous security implications

Julian Borger

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📷 Elon Musk may be given a role in the US administration if Donald Trump is re-elected on 5 November. Photograph: Sean Simmers/AP

Elon Musk, the world's richest man who is now central to **Donald Trump's election campaign**, has been in regular contact with Vladimir Putin for the past two years, according to a report in the US.



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Replying to @EvaFoxU

Feels so long ago. A pleasant memory :)

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I've been up all night trying to think of any possible way to de-escalate this war

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Replying to @elonmusk and @EvaFoxU

Might be a good idea to take Starlink offline for the terminals used on the frontlines. Could encourage them to reconsider their position on advancing towards Crimea and leading the world further into the brink of total war.

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Unter Kirijenkos Leitung begann die Besatzungsverwaltung mit der gewaltsamen Russifizierung der eroberten Gebiete: Man führte russische Lehrpläne ein, verteilte russische Pässe, ersetzte Mobilfunknetze und setzte vom Kreml kontrollierte Verwaltungsstrukturen durch.

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Russia has banned the teaching of the Ukrainian language in schools in the occupied territories of Ukraine, Ukraine's Ministry of Foreign Affairs reported, calling it a continuation of Russia's long-standing effort to erase Ukrainian identity.



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A photograph showing a person in military-style clothing standing near a damaged car in a courtyard. A large Ukrainian flag (yellow and blue) is visible in the foreground, partially obscured by debris. The scene is dark and appears to be the aftermath of conflict.

A Ukrainian flag hangs in Donatek Ohlset on Dec. 25, 2022. Viktor Erishchen—Global Images Ukraine/Getty Images

Ukraine: Older People unable to afford food, medicines, other essentials

Older women, people over 70, and older people with disabilities at greater risk.

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Insight: They call it 'The Hole': Ukrainians describe horrors of Kherson occupation

By **Jonathan Landay** and **Tom Balmforth**

November 17, 2022 12:39 AM GMT+2 · Updated a year ago

Summary

- Residents describe detention, torture and death in Kherson
- Nine-month occupation ended on Friday as Russians retreated
- Among those detained were suspected resistance fighters
- Russia denies mistreating detainees
- U.N. officials say both sides have abused prisoners of war

KHERSON, Ukraine, Nov 16 (Reuters) - Residents in Ukraine's southern city of Kherson call the two-storey police station "The Hole". Vitalii Serdiuk, a pensioner, said he was lucky to make it out alive.

"I hung on," the retired medical equipment repairman said as he recounted his ordeal in Russian detention two blocks from where he and his wife live in a tiny Soviet-era apartment.

The green-roofed police building at No. 3, Energy Workers' Street, was the most notorious of several sites where, according to more than half a dozen locals in the recently recaptured city, people were interrogated and tortured during Russia's nine-month occupation. Another was a large prison.

Two residents living in an apartment block overlooking the police station courtyard said they saw bodies wrapped in white sheets being carried from the building, stored in a garage and later tossed into refuse trucks to be taken away.

Reuters could not independently verify all of the events described by the Kherson residents.

Wie schon Surkow vor ihm leitet auch Kirijenko die globalen Trollfabriken des Kremls. Unter ihm sind Russlands Einflussoperationen raffinierter, verdeckter und technologischer geworden. Unter seiner Aufsicht stehen Organisationen wie die Social Design Agency und Structura.

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EXCLUSIVE

Russian trolls target U.S. support for Ukraine, Kremlin documents show

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A Russian police officer stands guard on Red Square outside the Kremlin in Moscow on April 3. (Maxim Shipenkov/EPA-EFE/Shutterstock)

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The Kremlin turned in earnest to undermining American support for Ukraine in January 2023. Sergei Kiriyenko, the Kremlin's first deputy chief of staff, called in the team of political strategists already working on campaigns to weaken backing for Kyiv in Europe, including Gambashidze, and asked them to expand their efforts, the documents show. The strategists employ dozens of troll farm employees and translators.

The Moscow spin doctors were soon ordered to create media content for Americans that would promote corruption allegations involving the Ukrainian leadership — “the sale and theft of weapons” given to Ukraine, one document shows.

The strategists were told to cultivate an environment in which “Americans are not ready to sacrifice their well-being for the sake of the conflict in Ukraine,” as well as representing Russia's increasingly close relationship with China as a new threat “created by the U.S.'s own activities.”

Erinnern Sie sich an das Anti-Selenskyj-Meme, das Elon auf X geteilt hat und das rund 100 Mio. Aufrufe erzielte, was das russische Propagandafernsehen sehr glücklich machte? Dieses

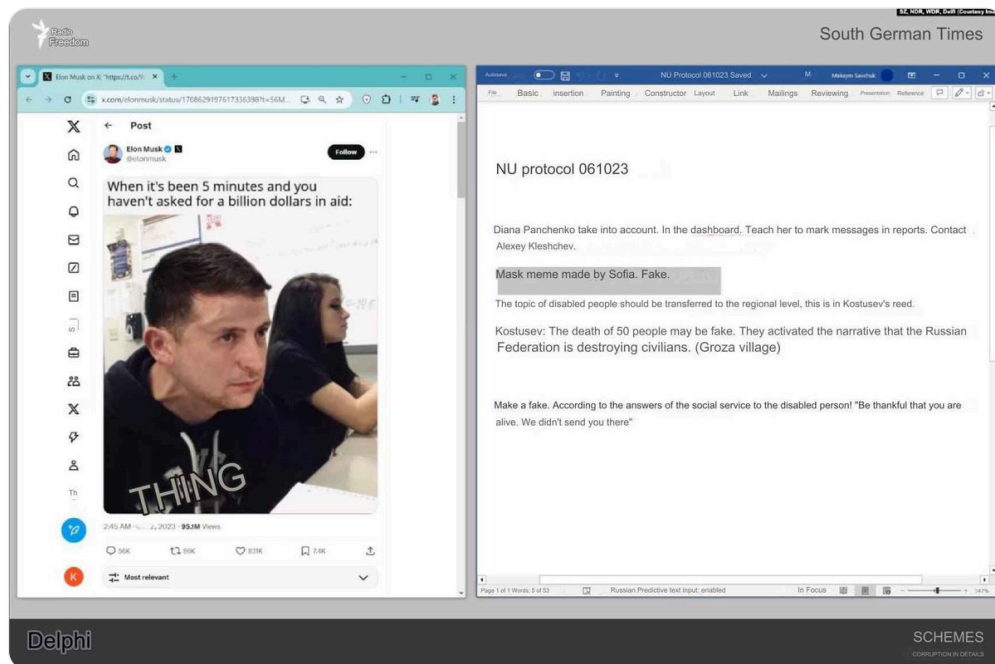
und Tausende andere wurden von den Propagandisten der Social Design Agency hergestellt.
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A trove of leaked records from a Russian disinformation campaign reveals how Moscow sought to discredit Ukraine and Western governments that support it while also trying to boost support for far-right political parties in the European Union.

The documents obtained by a consortium of European media outlets and **shared with Schemes**, the investigative unit of RFE/RL's Ukrainian Service, highlight the internal operations of the Social Design Agency, a Moscow-based company that **the United States says** has led the propaganda campaign at the Kremlin's behest.

The campaign included a diverse mix of memes, falsified videos and government documents, and a network of websites impersonating legitimate news outlets across Europe to disseminate fake stories aimed at undermining Western support for Ukraine after Russia's full-scale invasion in February 2022.

The records state that one meme denigrating Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky **that was shared on X by its billionaire owner, Elon Musk**, and garnered 86,000 reshares was a creation of the Social Design Agency.





Kirijenko leitet die Präsidialdirektion für öffentliche Projekte, die staatlich kontrollierte Narrative im Internet koordiniert. Er leitet auch die berüchtigte  Online-Einflussoperation, Doppelgänger, die pro-Kreml-Propaganda im Internet verbreitet.

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Political bloc without borders and boundaries

Andrey Pertsev examines Sergey Kiriyenko's empire

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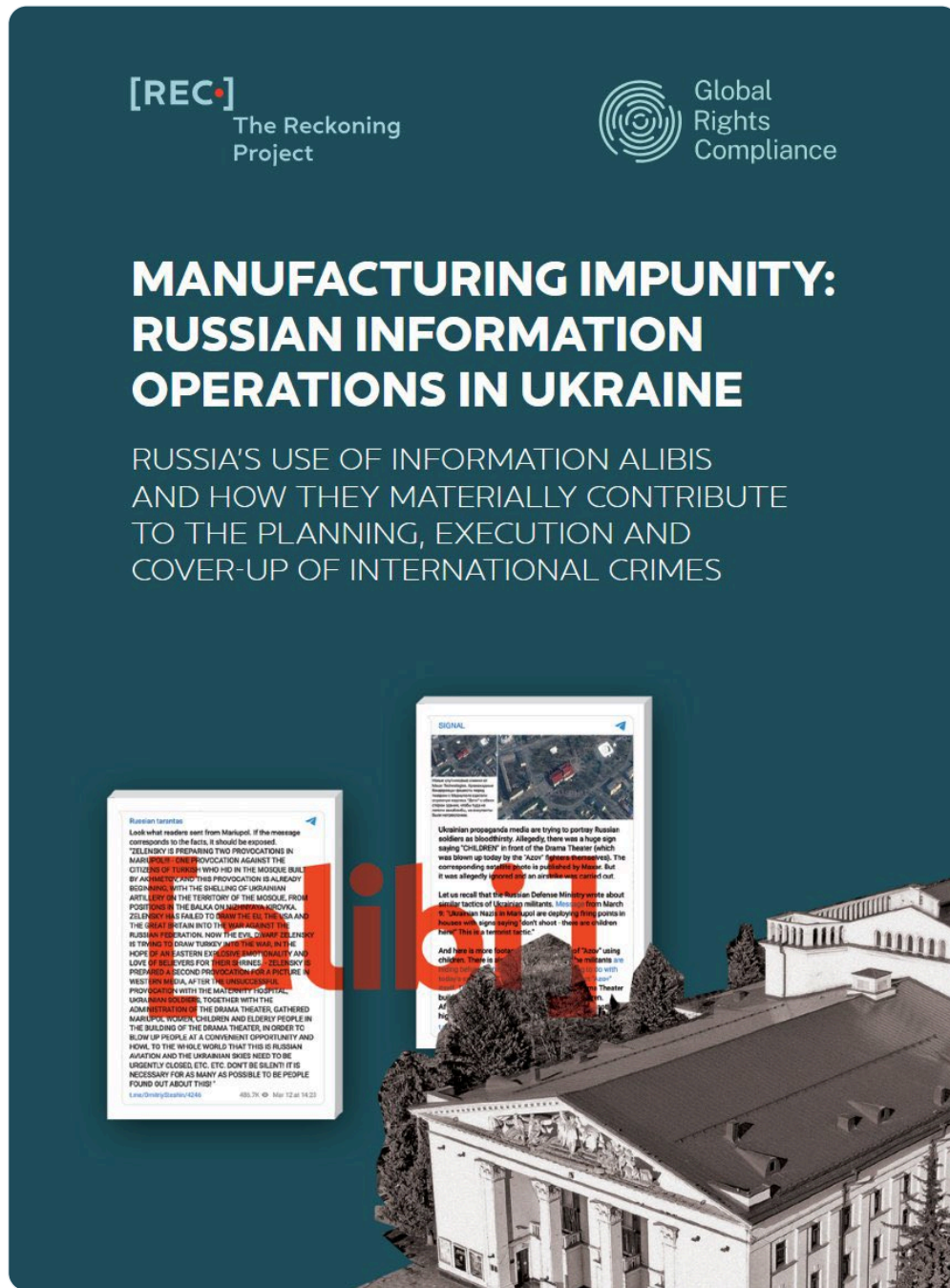
By Andrey Pertsev 08 March 2024



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Die von Kirijenko geleiteten Einflussoperationen hatten enorme negative Auswirkungen auf die . Ein Bericht von Global Rights Compliance 2024 stellte systematische Desinformation durch Kirijenkos Strukturen fest, die darauf abzielte, „Straffreiheit“ für  zu schaffen.

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Kirijenkos Taktik zielt nicht nur auf die  ab. In Moldawien haben  unterstützte Medien & Trollfabriken, die mit seinen Netzwerken verbunden sind, laut @IGTDS1 versucht die pro-europäische Präsidentin Maia Sandu & pro- Kräfte vor den Wahlen 2025 zu untergraben.

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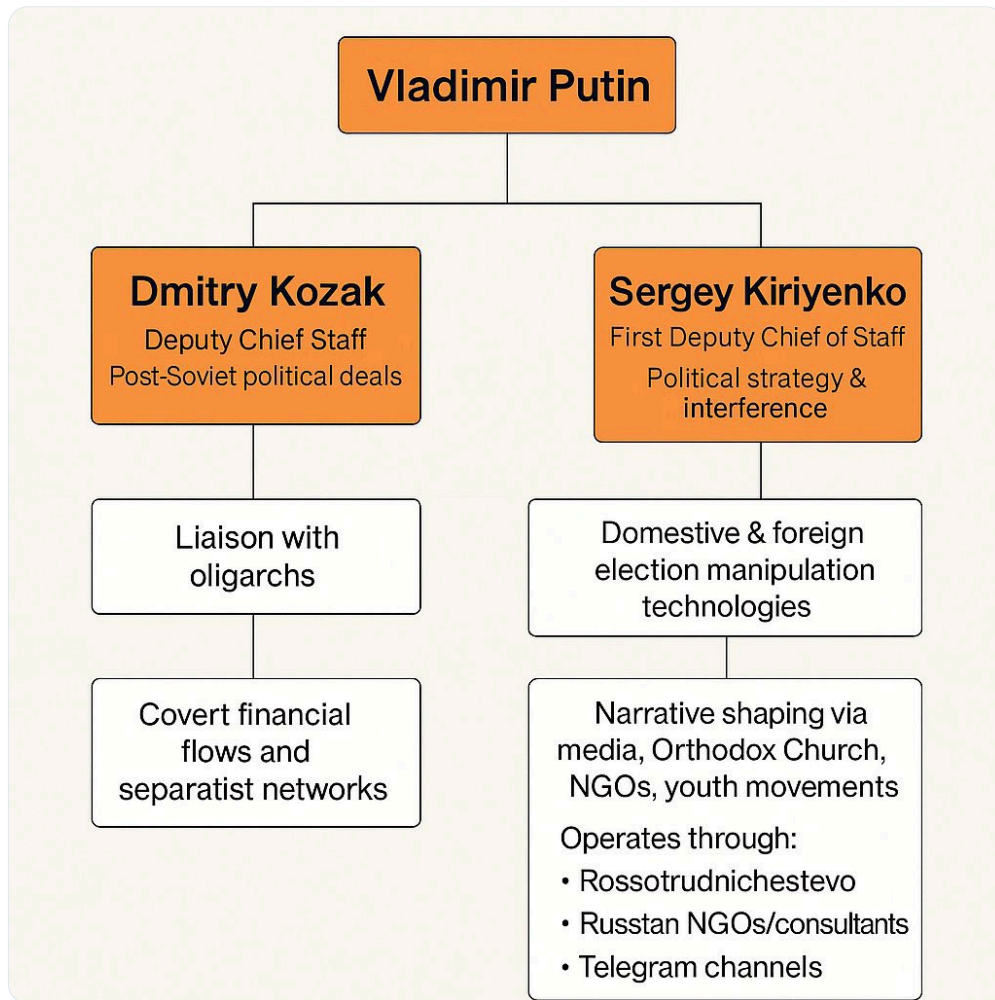
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Darüber hinaus ist Kirijenko nun auch Vorsitzender des Aufsichtsrats des wiederbelebten russischen Intervision Song Contest – einer vom Kreml unterstützten Alternative zum Eurovision Song Contest, der „traditionelle Werte“ fördert und sich gegen die „Woke“-Kultur wendet.

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Russia to relaunch Soviet-era Eurovision Song Contest rival in Moscow under Putin's orders



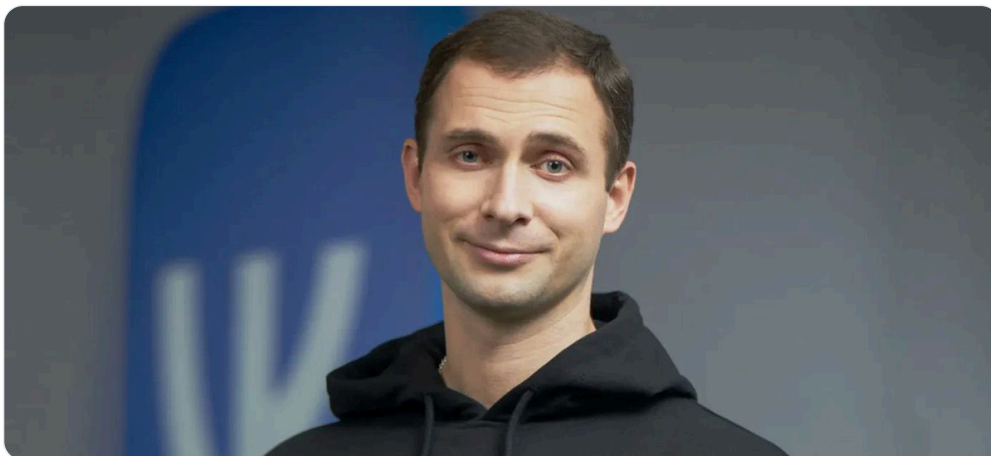
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Wie es in Russland Tradition ist, wurde Kirijenkos Sohn Wladimir 2021 zum CEO von VK, Russlands führendem sozialen Netzwerk, ernannt. Die Kreml-Führung behält gerne alles in der Familie, insbesondere wenn es um die Kontrolle wichtiger Medienplattformen geht.

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Vladimir Sergeevich KIRIYENKO is the CEO of VK Company Limited. VK Company Limited is a Russian internet company, with a major presence in the Russian speaking segment of internet. VK projects collectively had the largest audience in Russia and captured the most screen time. VK's sites reach more than 90 % of Russian internet users on a monthly basis and the company is in the top 5 of largest internet companies, based on the number of total pages viewed. It controls and operates the three largest and most popular Russian social networking sites, VKontakte, Odnoklassniki and Moi Mir, as well as the email service and internet portal mail.ru. Vladimir Sergeevich KIRIYENKO is therefore involved in economic sectors providing a substantial source of revenue to the Government of the Russian Federation. The Russian government is increasing its influence over media and social networks. VK Company is controlled by Gazprom Media (a State-owned company which is the major source of income to the Russian Government). Vladimir Sergeevich Kiriyenko therefore supports Vladimir Putin's aim for greater control over the internet. Vladimir Kiriyenko therefore actively supports, materially or financially, or benefits from Russian decision-makers responsible for the annexation of Crimea or the destabilisation of Ukraine. As VK Company is owned by the State-owned Gazprom group, the revenue it generates is an important source of revenue for the Russian Government. Vladimir Kiriyenko is the son of Sergei Kiriyenko, currently First Deputy Chief of Staff of the Presidential Office. Sergei Kiriyenko is reported to be Vladimir Putin's domestic policy curator.

—  Swiss SECO Sanctions/Embargoes, 2024-08-23

Fazit: Kirijenko verband bewährte politische Technologie mit moderner Informationskriegsführung. Innenpolitische Repression, Manipulation im Ausland und digitale Propaganda wurden unter ihm zu einer nahtlosen Methode, um das Regime zu schützen & Chaos zu exportieren.

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