Diese #vatniksoup stellt den weißrussischen Politiker und Diktator Alexander Lukaschenko vor. Er hat sein Land an Russland verraten, verfolgt politische Oppositionelle und Dissidenten und regiert das Land mit eiserner Faust.

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Alexander wurde in der Weißrussischen SSR geboren & hatte eine unglückliche Kindheit mit seiner Mutter. Er wurde von den Mitschülern verspottet, weil die Identität seines Vaters nicht bekannt war. Es gibt ein Gerücht, dass sein Vater ein reisender Roma war. 2/19



No Fairytale Childhood

Young Sasha -- the boy destined to become Belarus's first president -- was reported to have had a difficult childhood. He was deeply disliked by his peers in the village, who tormented and mocked him as an extramarital scion and a bastard. Sasha repeatedly pledged to take revenge on all of them as soon as the opportunity presented itself.

Lukaschenko trat 1979 in die Kommunistische Partei der Sowjetunion ein & wurde später stellvertretender Vorsitzender einer Kolchose. Bis 1990 stieg er in den Rang eines Abgeordneten des Obersten Sowjets der Weißrussischen SSR auf. Er behauptete, gegen Korruption zu sein. 3/19



1993 beschuldigte er 70 hohe Regierungsbeamte der Korruption, einschließlich des Diebstahls von Staatsgeldern für persönliche Zwecke. Obwohl die Anschuldigungen unbegründet waren, traten einige hochrangige Beamte trotzdem beschämt zurück.
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The Government in Minsk remains largely packed with apparatchiks installed during the days of Kremlin power. Mr. Lukashenko's political star rose during the last year when he was made the head of the anti-gangster commission of the Belarussian Parliament. The polls have shown that most citizens feel Mr. Lukashenko, a former factory manager, is the first man to take resolute steps to rid the nation of corruption at the highest levels.

He submitted a list of 70 ranking officials, including two vicepremiers and the Defense Minister, who he said were corrupt and should be removed from office. The embarrassed Government ended the work of his commission prematurely, securing his fame and popularity. As chairman of the Belarus Supreme Soviet, Shushkevich, along with Russian leader Boris Yeltsin and Ukrainian leader Leonid Kravchuk, signed the 1991 declaration that dissolved the Soviet Union.

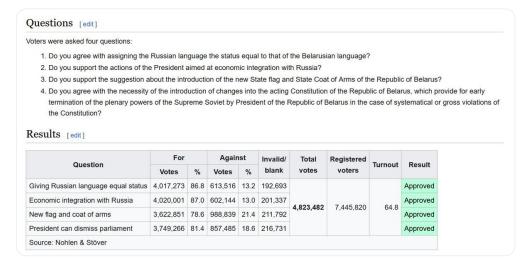
Shushkevich led Belarus from independence until he was defeated in a 1994 election by Lukashenko, becoming a prominent member of the opposition.

Nach dem Ende der UdSSR fanden in Belarus 1994 die 1. demokratischen Wahlen statt. Natürlich kandidierte Lukaschenko auf sehr populistische Weise & sagte, er sei "weder links noch rechts", sondern "auf der Seite des Volkes gegen diejenigen, die es berauben und betrügen". 5/19

Yet Mr. Lukashenko, who survived an assassination attempt during the presidential campaign, has little to offer in the way of an economic program -- other than to endorse monetary union with Russia. His main disagreement with Mr. Kebich has not been on the vital issue of sovereignty for the country or economic independence, but who could negotiate better terms with Russia.

"I am neither with the leftists nor the rightists," he said during the campaign. "But with the people against those who rob and deceive them."

Nachdem Lukaschenko die Wahl gewonnen hatte, begann er mit der Russifizierung von Belarus. Er hielt ein Referendum, das die wirtschaftliche Integration mit ermöglichte & ihm erlaubte, das Parlament aufzulösen. Das Referendum war keine freie & faire Abstimmung. 6/19



Lukaschenko wurde 2001 im 1. Wahlgang in einer Wahl wiedergewählt, die weithin als weder frei noch fair angesehen wurde. Putin unterstützte den weißrussischen Diktator, aber dafür musste Lukaschenko die Kontrolle über einen Abschnitt der Jamal-Europa-Gaspipeline aufgeben.



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Lukashenko claims victory in Belarus election

MINSK, Belarus (AP) — Belarus' authoritarian president swept to another fiveyear term on promises to merge with Russia and stand up to the West. On Monday, international monitors denounced the election as unfair.

President Alexander Lukashenko won 75.6% of the vote in a preliminary count Monday, the state-run Central Election Commission said. The final results were to be announced Thursday.

Opposition leader Vladimir Goncharik had 15.4% of the vote and centrist politician Sergei Gaidukevich took 2.5%, election commission chairwoman Lidia Yermoshina told a news conference.

Monitors from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe said they recorded no violations on voting day Sunday — but said the election "failed to meet international standards."





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Friction or Fiction? The Gas Factor in Russian–Belarusian Relations

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Summary

- Throughout the post-Soviet period natural gas relations between Belarus and Russia have been chronically interwoven with political issues – in particular the proposed union of the two countries. Russia has supplied Belarus with heavily subsidized gas in exchange for military concessions and political loyalty.
- Despite a number of conveniently timed accords signed during the Yeltsin era, the Russian–Belarusian Union has remained largely academic.
- Putin, however, has proved more pragmatic than his predecessor, presenting his Belarusian counterpart with a stark choice: integration on Russian terms or higher gas prices
- Given Belarus's transit role for Russian gas exports to Europe, these political issues have important implications for supply security.
- They also shed light on the way in which Russian foreign policy is made and the relationship between the government and the state-owned gas monopoly Gazprom

 an issue of strategic concern given the government's current clampdown on the energy industry.

2004 hob Lukaschenko die Amtszeitbeschränkungen für Präsidenten auf, was ihm eine lebenslange Präsidentschaft ermöglichte. 2006 wurde er wiedergewählt. Dies führte zu massiven Protesten & er erklärte, die Opposition werde "vom Ausland finanziert" & werde "nicht gebraucht". 8/19



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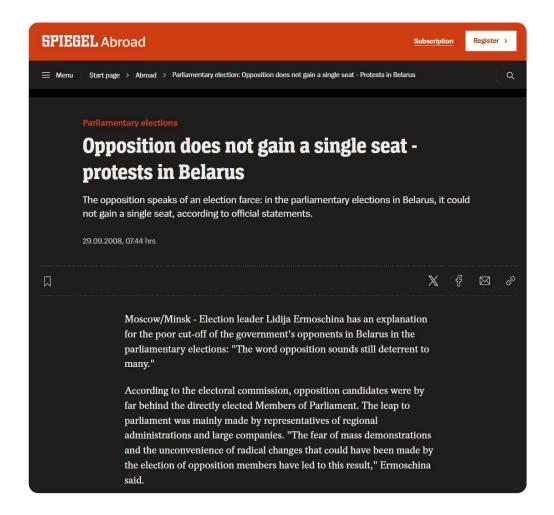
Incumbent declared winner of Belarus vote

Posted: Monday, March 20, 2006

MINSK, Belarus - Thousands of protesters thronged the main square of the Belarusian capital on Sunday in defiance of a government ban, refusing to recognize a presidential vote that gave a landslide - and largely expected - victory to the iron-fisted incumbent.

At the opposition demonstration in the capital's main square - the largest in years - protesters chanted "Long Live Belarus!" and the name of the main opposition candidate. Some waved a historic flag that President Alexander Lukashenko had replaced with a Soviet-style design, while others waved European Union flags.

Lukashenko won a third term with 82.6 percent of the vote, compared with 6 percent for Alexander Milinkevich, the main opposition candidate, the Central Election Commission chief said early Monday, citing a nearly complete preliminary count from Sunday's balloting. Turnout was 92.6 percent, the commission said.



In den 2000ern verbündete sich Lukaschenko mit anderen autoritären Regimen, zB Syriens Baschar al-Assad und dem iranischen Oberste Führer Ali Chamenei & Präsident Ahmadinedschad. Er schlug dem serbischen Präsidenten Milošević vor, der Union von 🚅 & Belarus beizutreten. 9/19







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The Statement of the Belarus President Alexander Lukashenko

April 15, 1999

Belgrade, April 14 (Tanjug) - Today in Belgrade Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic had talks with Belarus president Alexander Lukashenko. After the talks both presidents gave statements for the press.



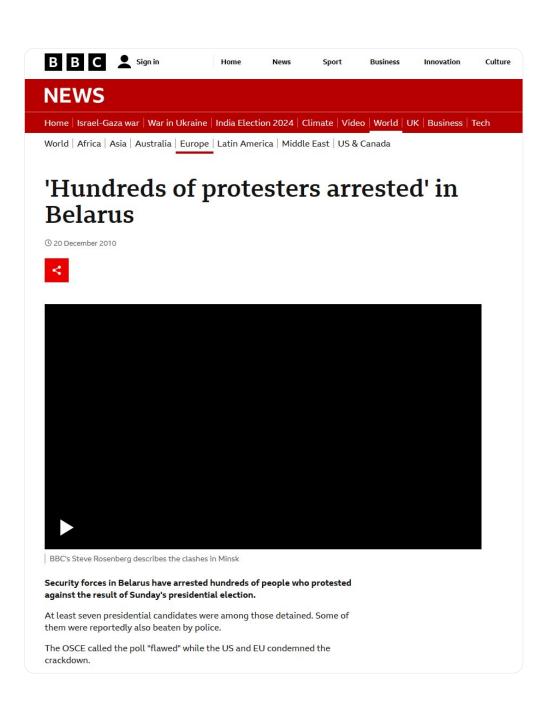
The statement of the Belarus president:

"Talks were long and serious, we analyzed all the problems of bilateral relations and the problems connected to the war on this wholesome land.

We have also discussed issues of the alliance with Russia and Belarus. I am the president of the High Council of Russia and Belarus Alliance, the body that reaches final decision about the Yugoslav initiative to join that alliance.

President Milosevic has already been in contact with the president of Russia and me talking about many issues, including the alliance with Belarus and Russia, about the wish of Yugoslavia to be in that alliance.

Während der Wahlen 2010 ging Lukaschenko hart gegen die Opposition vor. 2 Präsidentschaftskandidaten wurden verprügelt & min. 7 weitere Kandidaten verhaftet. Im Dez 2010 publizierten einige europäische Außenminister einen Leitartikel, in dem sie Lukaschenko kritisierten. 10/19



But President Alexander Lukashenko, who was re-elected for a fourth term with almost 80% of the vote, accused opposition supporters of "banditry".

"The vandals and hooligans lost their human face. They simply turned into beasts," he told a news conference in Minsk.

"You saw how our law-enforcers behaved. They stood firm and acted exclusively within the bounds of the law. They defended the country and people from barbarism and ruin."

"There will be no revolution or criminality in Belarus."

Several hundred people were detained when police dispersed at least 10,000 anti-Lukashenko demonstrators in the centre of the capital on Sunday night, officials said.

The New York Times

Opinion

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Lukashenko the Loser

By Carl Bildt, Karel Schwarzenberg, Radek Sikorski and Guido Westerwelle Dec. 23, 2010







There can be no business-as-usual between the European Union and Belarus' president, Aleksandr Lukashenko, after what has happened since the presidential election in Belarus last Sunday.

In recent months, hope had grown that his words could be taken seriously. He promised to invite international observers to the election, and he delivered on the promise. He talked about giving the opposition some space during the election campaign, and there were some improvements.

The E.U. responded by suspending sanctions and with a generous offer of conditional political dialogue, economic cooperation and the possibility of financial assistance. It would have been in the interests of both Europe and the people of Belarus to continue.

Then everything changed.

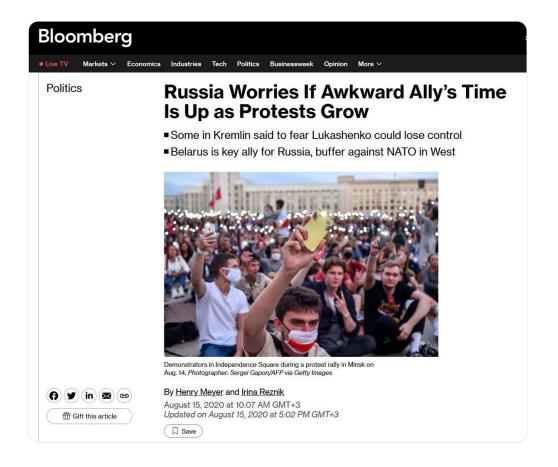
While the voting proceeded in an orderly fashion, the counting of the votes turned into a charade. The report of the independent observers assessed the counting as "bad" or "very bad" in nearly half the polling stations they could observe, and it is not unreasonable to assume that it was even worse in the others. It became obvious that there were orders not to count votes, but to deliver a predetermined result.

Nach seiner Wiederwahl für eine 6. Amtszeit 2020 gab es in ganz Belarus massive Proteste. Die Demonstranten beschuldigten Lukaschenko des weit verbreiteten Wahlbetrugs. Die Oppositionskandidatin Swiatlana Zichanouskaja behauptete, sie habe 60-70% der Stimmen erhalten. 11/19



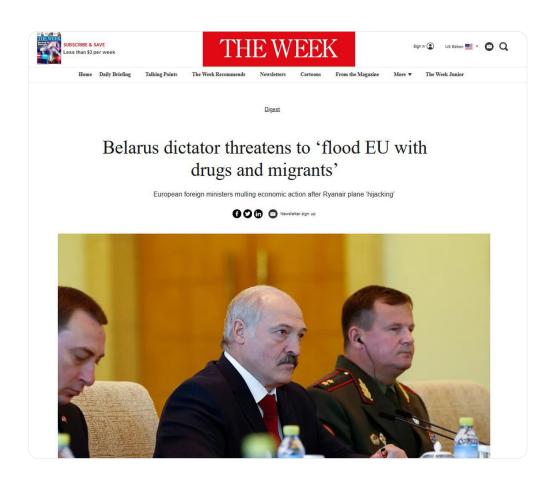


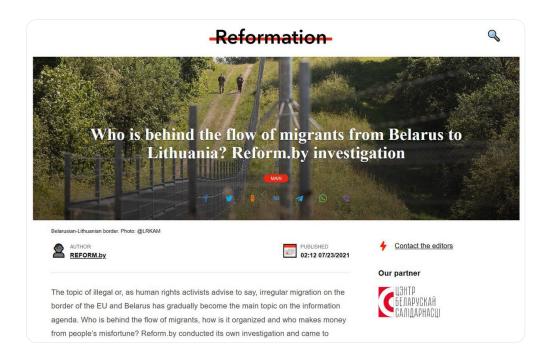
Wie Janukowitsch plante auch Lukaschenko nach wäre er "ehemaliger Präsident" geworden. Im Aug 2020 erklärte das Europäische Parlament Lukaschenko zur Persona Non Grata in der EU & erklärte, er sei nicht mehr Präsident. Lukaschenko schwor später aus Rache... 12/19



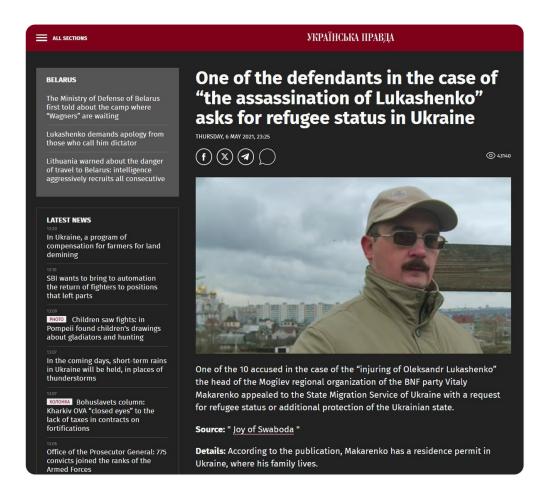


...Europa mit "Drogen und Migranten" zu "überschwemmen". Kurz darauf begannen belarussische Tourismusagenturen im Nahen Osten zu werben, nämlich für eine problemlose Einreise in die EU und ihre Länder mit guten Sozialsystemen. Flüge von Bagdad nach Minsk wurden verdoppelt. 13/19





Nach der Wahl wurde Alexander extrem paranoid, trug überall eine kugelsichere Weste & Waffe. Im Jahr 2021 behauptete der FSB, dass die "ukrainischen Nationalisten" einen Militärputsch und ein Attentat auf Lukaschenko geplant hätten.



At the same time, he and his lawyer plan to appeal to the Office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine to, on the one hand, to report the political motives of the criminal case against him in Belarus and to ask for failure, and on the other hand, to obtain information about extradition.

Makarenko stressed that the case against him is clearly political and falsified. He assured that he had not taken any actions that could be qualified as a conspiracy or assassination.

Belarus does not exclude that it was included in the list of defendants in the case in order to promote the emphasis on the "Ukrainian trace".



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Russia alleges assassination plot against Belarus leader Lukashenko

The opposition denounced news of the plot as a 'provocation.'

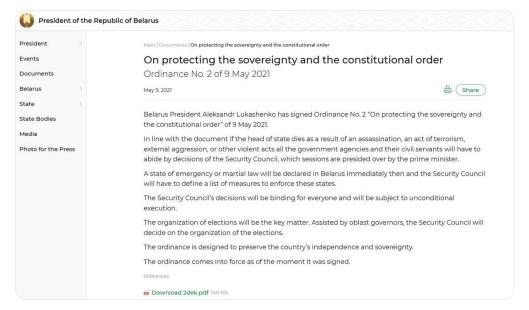
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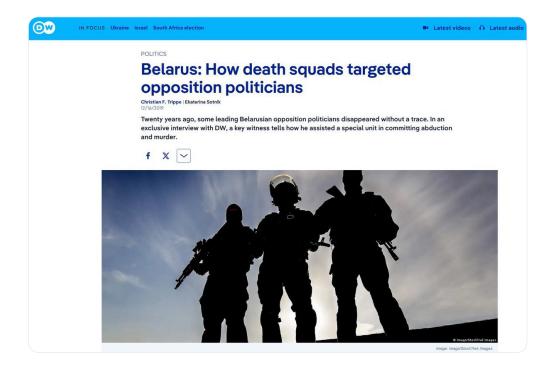
Belarus' President Alexander Lukashenko with his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin | Mikhail Metzel/AFP via Getty Image:

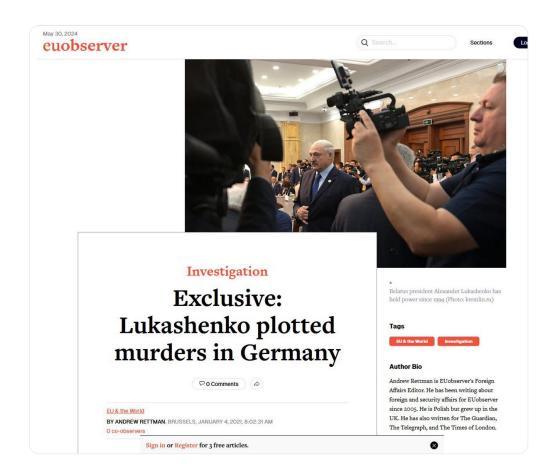
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Um seine Kumpel zu schützen, bildete Lukaschenko einen Sicherheitsrat mit engen Verbündeten. Dann erließ er ein Präsidialdekret, in dem es hieß, dass im Falle der Unfähigkeit des Präsidenten, sein Amt auszuüben, das Kriegsrecht verhängt werde & der Rat die Macht übernimmt. 15/19



Unter Lukaschenko wurden Tausende von Menschen in Belarus Opfer von Folter, sexuellem Missbrauch & anderen Formen der Unterdrückung. Mehrere Oppositionelle sind einfach verschwunden. Der belarussische Geheimdienst hat sogar geplant, Dissidenten im Ausland zu ermorden. 16/19





Lukaschenko hat es geschafft, Weißrussland in eine kremlfreundliche Diktatur zu verwandeln, indem er die Opposition vollständig zerschlug, Beamte & Politiker durch seine Freunde ersetzte und die Verfassung so änderte, dass er auf unbestimmte Zeit an der Macht bleiben kann. 17/19



Die Geschichte von Lukaschenkos Aufstieg an die Macht ist wichtig, denn so etwas könnte auch in vielen anderen Ländern passieren, die heute als demokratisch gelten. 18/19



Wir haben bereits gesehen, wie Viktor Orban Ungarn mit ähnlichen Strategien wie die von Lukaschenko übernommen hat. Dasselbe Schicksal war auch für die Ukraine geplant:

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