



And The Weak Suffer What They Must: Europe, Austerity & the Threat to Global Stability

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Random House, 2016. Soft cover. Condition: New. 336pp. The crisis in Europe is not over, its getting worse. In this dramatic narrative of Europes economic rise and spectacular fall, Yanis Varoufakis, former finance minister of Greece, the emerging rock star of Europes anti-austerity uprising (Telegraph), shows that the origins of the collapse go far deeper than our leaders are prepared to admit ? and that we have done nothing so far to fix them. In 2008, the universe of Western finance outgrew planet Earth. When Wall Street imploded, a death embrace between insolvent banks and bankrupt states consumed Europe. Half a dozen national economies imploded and several more came close. But the storm is far from over. From the aftermath of the Second World War to the present, Varoufakis recounts how the eurozone emerged not as route to shared prosperity but as a pyramid scheme of debt with countries such as Greece, Ireland, Portugal and Spain at its bottom. Its woeful design ensured that collapse would be inevitable and catastrophic. But since the hurricane landed Europes leaders have chosen a cocktail of more debt and harsh austerity rather than reform, ensuring that the weakest citizens of the weakest nations pay...



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