

Good Morning, Europa:

A Suicide Note – and a Survival Guide

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Basic Information and Book Review

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About the Book

Good Morning, Europa is an engaged and courageous reflection on the disintegration of European civilization under the pressures of global oligarchies, neoliberal dogmas, and cultural and moral decay. With analytical precision and political clarity, it reveals how Europe's sovereignty and ethical coherence are being eroded—and offers concrete scenarios for civilizational renewal.

Drawing on decades of experience in international politics and institutional cooperation, the author exposes mechanisms of manipulation, the breakdown of trust, and the erosion of values. The book calls for the restoration of responsible solidarity, strategic autonomy, and human integrity within a multipolar world.

About the author

Gorazd Hladnik is a Slovenian author, strategist, and European thinker focusing on questions of sovereignty, peace, competitiveness, and the future of the European Union. He is the author of *Good Morning, Europe: A Suicide Note and a Survival Guide* and the founder of the Libertas Europa platform, a civic initiative promoting responsible leadership, democratic participation, and long-term strategic thinking in Europe. Learn more about his work at the civic platform Libertas Europa: www.libertas-europa.eu

With more than 25 years of experience in healthcare, pharmaceuticals, digital innovation, and international business, he has led companies, advised institutions, and participated in European professional networks. His work connects policy analysis, economic development, digital transformation, and human-centred governance.

Through his writing and public engagement, he seeks to encourage a broad European dialogue on how to rebuild trust, renew values, and strengthen Europe's capacity to act in an increasingly unstable world.

Intended Audience

- **Political and social decision-makers** seeking a realistic view of Europe's crisis;
- **Academics and researchers** aiming to understand the structure of civilizational processes;
- **Journalists and publicists** in search of a basis for public debate;
- **Conscious citizens** who refuse passivity and seek ways to restore true sovereignty.

Endorsement

“*Good Morning, Europa* is a broad political analysis of what the European Union and its member states have become. It offers a sharp critique of once noble ideals that have turned into empty promises, inflated bureaucracy, and arrogance—and exposes how institutionalized lobbying and corporate power have crushed the hopes of ‘ordinary’ citizens. At the same time, it is a call for solutions—direct democracy, a modular federation, and security de-escalation.”— **Pascal Lottaz**, Associate Professor, Kyoto University

Critical Review

Reviewer: Review prepared with the support of artificial intelligence

Good Morning, Europa is an ambitious and multi-layered work—at once an analytical essay, a civilizational manifesto, and a philosophical reflection. In an age of polarization and political fatigue, Gorazd Hladnik offers an intellectually demanding yet profoundly human vision of Europe’s renewal—not through slogans or bureaucratic reforms, but by re-anchoring civilization in dignity, knowledge, and responsibility.

The book’s greatest strength lies in its remarkable breadth and internal coherence. Hladnik connects history, economics, technology, ethics, and culture into a comprehensive framework for understanding both Europe’s decline and its possible renewal. His concept of a **modular federation** stands out as a realistic alternative to centralization, while his emphasis on **human capital** places knowledge, creativity, and quality of life above speculative profit.

Stylistically, the work is rich, expressive, and uncompromising—at times demanding, but intellectually rewarding. The most provocative chapters address **psychological violence** and the **information war**, highlighting manipulation and algorithmic control as new forms of aggression that undermine democracy and human integrity.

The book challenges both poles: it exposes the dependency of European elites on transatlantic influence while rejecting simplistic nationalism. In doing so, it opens the space for a **“third way”**—a European sovereignism grounded in ethics and humanity. It is not a neutral work, but a call to reflection and civic responsibility.

In its entirety, *Good Morning, Europa* stands as one of the rare contemporary attempts to reunite ethics, autonomy, and creativity into a coherent European strategy—a courageous and visionary work, and a wake-up call for a continent that has forgotten its soul and its strength.

Summary of Evaluation

Aspect	Rating	Comment
Conceptual originality	★★★★★	Rarely comprehensive, systemic approach to a European renaissance
Analytical consistency	★★★★	Strong, though sometimes lacking methodological distance
Language and style	★★★★½	Exceptionally powerful, though occasionally dense
Accessibility to general readers	★★★	Too complex for lay readers – a shorter brochure version is recommended
Political and strategic impact potential	★★★★★	Could become a reference work among academics and reformists

Conclusion

Good Morning, Europa is not merely an analysis—it is a call.

A call for European self-awareness and redefinition; for finding a path between populism and technocracy, between moral relativism and dogma.

For those who still believe that Europe is worth saving.

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