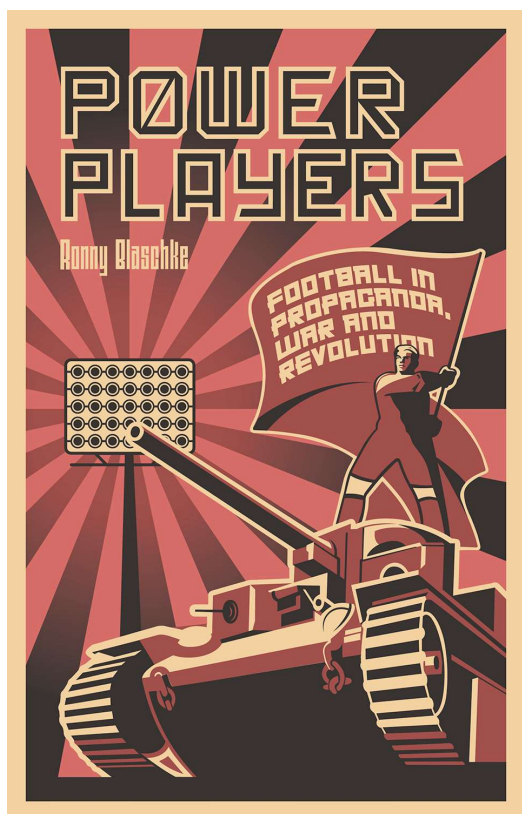




Title information



Power Players

Football in Propaganda, War and Revolution

By Ronny Blaschke

Key features

- *Power Players* exposes the political abuse of football
- Exhaustively researched across 15 countries and four continents with more than 150 interviews conducted
- Qatar, Russia, China – features many exclusive background reports on topics that regularly make the headlines
- Kosovo, Rwanda, Palestine – colourful reports on football locations that receive little attention in Europe
- Ronny Blaschke is one of Germany's leading sports journalists, and the recipient of many awards, including 'Football Book of the Year' and 'Sports Journalist of the Year'
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Power Players: Football in Propaganda, War and Revolution takes a fascinating look at the ugly side of the beautiful game. Football is increasingly becoming an instrument of political power. Dictators in the Middle East brutally bring players into line and present themselves in the stands as fathers of the people. In Syria, stadiums were used as military bases and internment camps. But football is often also directed against the state. In Yugoslavia, Ukraine and the Arab world, 'ultras' and hooligans have fought on the front line in revolutions, and gone to war. Award-winning journalist Ronny Blaschke brings these battles to life, having researched them across four continents. He traces how power in football is shifting as club investors from China, Russia and the Gulf States secure economic influence in Europe for their governments. Blaschke explores the interplay between politics, history, religion and football to shine a light on a subject poorly understood and seldom discussed.

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