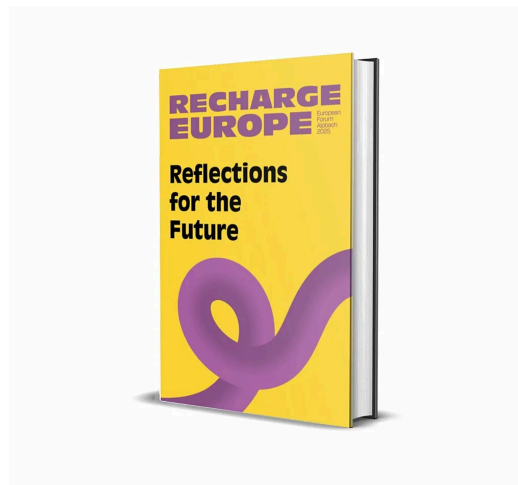# Alpbach Seminar Book 2025: Call for Stories

Dear Co-Authors!

We're thrilled to invite you to contribute a story to the Alpbach Seminar Book 2025 in the 80th year of EFA! This book project offers a unique platform for sharing your perspectives from the seminars and for the future we want to live in.

Mock-up:

→ All communication will be via the WhatsApp Group and there we build the final list of co-authors, **please request invite join**: martin@giesswein.org

Project Overview:

- **Theme:** We encourage you to explore themes such as your view on rebuilding Europe, a personal moment of truth, reflections on the seminar, impactful experiences, the implementation of learnings, technology's influence on our lives, and building a bold Europe in a sound world.
- **Format:** Creative or reflective writing (stories, poems, memoir, script, dialogue, etc.), fictional, professional, or academic articles/blog posts.
- **Length:** 1 to approximately 15 book pages.
- **Language:** Any language (please send drafts in English or German to the editors; final publication in your chosen language).
- **No Visuals:** The book will be primarily text-focused.

Editorial Process:

Start settling your story idea in the first days of your stay in Alpbach. Work on it in the second week after the seminars are over. Polish and deliver your story by September 12th to the editors via WhatsApp. We will review and contact you with any questions; we will not alter your content.

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Support:

- General information will be shared in our WhatsApp group
- On site Info session:
  https://www.alpbach.org/sessions/becoming-a-co-author-of-the-efa-seminar-book
- We will announce 1:1 support time during the week around lunch times in CCA cafeteria via WhatsApp
- You can find us in Alpbach wearing T-shirts with our book designs on them. Feel free to come and say hello!
- Individual editor support after EFA until Sept 12th will be provided 1:1 via WhatsApp with one of the editors

Additional Information:

- **Co-Authors:** Your names will appear in the Table of Content and at the beginning of your story.
- **Distribution:** The book will be available on EFA website as free pdf and as a paperback through Amazon Selfpublishing (including ISBN, expected price below 5 EUR).
- **Code of Conduct:** The EFA Code of Conduct applies and content can be inspiring, critical and inviting, but should not be excessively provocative.
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- **Earnings:** There will be no earnings for editors or authors. Potential Amazon revenue will cover costs or be donated.
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- **Withdrawal:** You can leave the process at any time. After publishing you can withdraw your story at any time. A new edition will be published without it (approximately 3 weeks processing time).

Previous Project 2024:

- **Download full book for free:** https://www.alpbach.org/blog/alpbach-seminar-book
- Book on Amazon: https://amzn.eu/d/atyIR5n

Official Links:

- EFA Blogpost: https://www.alpbach.org/blog/alpbach-seminar-book

You are welcome to **forward this information** to scholarship holders interested in becoming co-authors.

Any questions? Please contact Martin Giesswein martin@giesswein.org

We look forward to receiving your inspiring stories and are here to support you!

The editorial Team