

getAbstract and Capital name their books of the year

Lucerne / Frankfurt, October 16, 2019: For the 19th time, getAbstract, the leading provider of compressed knowledge, has presented the getAbstract International Book Award at the Frankfurt Book Fair.

In the English-speaking category, Dan Pontefract's **Open to Think** and Jonathan Tepper and Denise Hearn's **The Myth of Capitalism** won the jury's votes.

For the first time, the award was presented **and** in cooperation with leading German business magazine [Capital](#).

The winners in the English-speaking category:

Jonathan Tepper Denise Hearn: The Myth of Capitalism, Wiley

The jury says: Many authors have called upon their readers to challenge the system, and many have suggested alternatives. But few authors have managed to create such a compelling, readable case. In their analysis, the authors focus on a dearth of competition as the underlying cause for the "corrupted" state of capitalist economies. Even without specialist knowledge, the topic becomes accessible and understandable to the reader, but never drifts into the trivial.

[The summary can be found here.](#)

Dan Pontefract: Open to Think, Figure 1 Publishing

The jury says: The average worker has to make 20000 decisions in the course of a working day. Since Daniel Kahnemann's book *Fast Thinking, Slow Thinking*, more people are aware of how their thought process might be faulty. But how do we make the right decision? Pontefract's solution is simple: pause. To think more clearly and make better decisions, the consultant advises the reader to "dream, decide, do". This book is vital for anyone who wants to delve deeper into their own thought and decision-making processes.

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Arnhild Walz-Rasilier, getAbstract's Vice-President and initiator of the getAbstract International Book Award, and Patrick Brigger, co-founder and chairman of getAbstract, presented the awards in Frankfurt. Brigger said: "This year's winners paint a picture of future possibilities. At the same time, they encourage the reader to open up to new thinking, to question economic systems and foreign policy. The winners are all challenging, outstanding books that make a valuable contribution to the discussion around current topics. "

This year's jury consists of Arnhild Walz-Rasilier, Vice-President, and Andreas Neisser, Executive Editor, of getAbstract; Horst von Buttlar, editor-in-chief, and Monika Dunkel, editor, of [Capital](#).

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