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**WAGNER**  
AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE PRIGOZHIN  
SYSTEM

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From the moment last June when Yevgeny Prigozhin defied Vladimir Putin and shook the world, to his supposed death in the crash of his plane in August this year, the leader of the Wagner Group has focused the world's attention on his dramatic persona. However, his group of paramilitaries was operating in many fields in the service of Russian interests long before.

Investigators from the All Eyes on Wagner collective began tracking Prigozhin and his men around the world from the start of the attack on Ukraine in February 2022. They've gone right back to the origins to help us understand the ideology, methods and roadmap of this shadowy galaxy.

Lou Osborn and Dimitri Zufferey have analyzed all the world's territories in which Wagner operates, from its creation to the present day, and offer us a unique insight into what is a major threat to global stability and Western interests.

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**ALL EYES ON WAGNER:** Since the end of 2021, the collective All Eyes on Wagner has been working in the manner of [Bellingcat](#) to track down the Wagner group. Their work has revealed the Diamville and Bois Rouge companies (in the Central African Republic), transactions with European Union companies and the head of the Wagner group in Mali (Ivan Maslov). They also detected the

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GPCI network last February, which is behind the influence campaign against French correspondents (and helped French daily Libération write its article about it). Their method is [OSINT](#) (which got a lot of press with the war in Ukraine). They use satellite imagery, network analysis work on social networks, company registers or leaks in collaboration with the [Dossier Center](#) or [DDOSecrets](#) etc. and a network of local contacts to obtain information or documents.