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Arvoisa vastaanottaja!

Tapahtumia maailmalta ja lähialueelta. Tässä linkkejä muutamista.

UKRAINAN UUSIA KÄÄNTEITÄ

* Ruotsin puolustusvoimien komentaja kenraali Michael Claesson on sanonut, että Venäjä testaa pian Naton artiklan 5 mukaista kollektiivista puolustusopimusta ja Euroopan on oltava valmis käyttämään voimaa Moskovan pelottelemiseksi.

* Entinen merivoimien komentaja, amiraali lordi West, antoi vakavan varoituksen ydinaseuhkista ja sanoi Britannian olevan jo "käytännössä sodassa" Vladimir Putinin Venäjän kanssa.

* Ukraina on 100 miljoonan dollarin korruptioskandaalin keskellä.

* Sotilaslääkärit kertoivat The Telegraphille, että droonisodankäynti on tehnyt haavoittuneiden sotilaiden evakuoinnista lähes mahdotonta – luoden olosuhteet, jotka aiheuttavat tartuntojen lisääntymistä.

Linkit 1, 5, 6 ja 12

* Kuuntele ja katso haastattelu entisen Maltan ulkoministeri Evarist Bartolon kanssa. Evarist kirjoitti hiljattain artikkelin Euroopan "yhteisen kodin kangastuksesta" ja siitä, miten Yhdysvallat on aina vastustanut yleiseurooppalaista turvallisuusrakennetta. Hän tuo esille omiin kokemuksiinsa nojaten hämmästyttäviä kertomuksia EU:n neuvoston kokouksista, joissa taistelua suosittiin keskustelun sijaan. *Linkki 13*

GAZASSA ANKARAT AJAT

Viime viikolla Gazassa kuoli kymmeniä palestiinalaisia Isrealin iskuissa. Israel iski myös Libanoniin, armeijan mukaan Hamas käytti paikkaa suunnitellakseen ja toteuttaakseen iskuja Israelia vastaan, jotka Hamas kiisti.

Sääolosuhteet Gazassa vaihtelevat ja tuulet ja myrskyt vievät telttoja mukanaan. Satojentuhansien Gazan kaistalla siirtymään joutuneiden palestiinalaisten kärsimys pahenee. *Linkit 3, 4 ja 8*

MAAILMAN JOHTAJAT PERUSTAKAA KANSAINVÄLINEN ERiarvoisuuspaneeli (IPC)

Yli 600 taloustieteilijää ja eriarvoisuuden asiantuntijaa yli 70 maasta, kehotti G20 kokousta tukemaan pysyvän kansainvälisen epätasa-arvopaneelin perustamista.

Ryhmä tuki Stiglitz G20 -komitean näkemystä siitä, että maailmalla on edessään eriarvoisuushätätila. He ovat syvästi huolissaan siitä, että äärimmäiset vaurauden keskittymät johtavat epädemokraattisiin vallan keskittymiin, jotka purkavat luottamusta yhteiskuntiimme ja polarisoivat politiikkaamme. *Linkki 10*

KARIBIAN ALUE

Puerto Ricossa pitkään toimimattomana ollut Yhdysvaltain tukikohta on aktivoitu uudelleen, mikä on käynnistänyt suurimman alueellisen sotilaallisen vahvistumisen vuosikymmeniin.

Alueelle on saapunut maailman suurin lentotukialus, USS Gerald R. Fordin. Trump väittää, että alueella olevat veneet kuljettavat huumeita Yhdysvaltoihin.

Jotkut asiantuntijat epäilevät, että todellinen tavoite on tukea mahdollista Yhdysvaltojen sotilasiskua, jonka tarkoituksena on kaataa Nicolás Maduron hallinto Venezuelassa. *Linkit 7 ja 9*

NATO MYRKYTTÄJÄNÄ JA SAASTUTTAJANA

Vuonna 1999 NATO käytti köyhdytettyjä uraaniammuksia Kosovon sodassa. Lukuisat italialaiset sotilaat sairastuivat myöhemmin syöpään, ja joillekin myönnettiin korvauksia.

Sardiniassa on Euroopan suurin sotilasharjoitusalue, jossa testattiin tuhansia uraanikärkisiä ohjuksia. Nyt suhteettoman suuri määrä syöpiä sekä kammottavien epämuodostumien kanssa syntyneitä lapsia ja karjaa on johtanut syytöksiin NATO:n saaren saastumisen laajuuden salailusta.

Linkit 14 ja 15

- **Richard David Precht** - German philosopher and author. Hosts the TV show "Precht" on ZDF

"With the climate crisis as the overriding global challenge, we cannot cultivate enemy images and war rhetoric. Instead, the ecological catastrophe should unite all countries and cultures."

Marraskuisia luku- ja kuunteluhetkiä.

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1)

THE KYIV INDEPENDENT – November 20, 2025 – Ukraine war latest: Russia will test NATO's Article 5 soon, top Swedish general warns

Russia will soon test NATO's Article 5 collective defense treaty and Europe must be prepared to use force to deter Moscow, [Swedish](#) Chief of Defense Gen. Michael Claesson has said.

"I'm sure and I'm convinced that they would be ready to test [Article 5 of NATO](#) at any point in the Baltic states or in some other part of Europe as well," he said in an interview with Politico published Nov. 19.

"They are prepared to take enormous strategic risks to gain whatever they see possible to gain — we have seen it since Chechnya, we have seen it in Georgia, we have seen it in Crimea."

Claesson also said Europe was not prepared either mentally or militarily for a war with Russia, which he described as *"a systemic conflict... that will take a long time to solve."* ...

<https://kyivindependent.com/ukraine-war-latest-update-2025-11-20/>

2)

FRANCE24 – November 20, 2025 - US peace plan asks Ukraine to cede territory, government source says

A new US peace proposal for [Ukraine](#) would see Kyiv ceding land and more than halving its army, a source told AFP Wednesday, as a Russian strike in the west of the country killed 26 people, including three children.

The proposal appears to repeat [Russia's](#) maximalist terms to end the war – demands consistently rejected by Ukraine as tantamount to capitulation.

The surprise initiative comes as Russian missiles hit the western city of Ternopil, far from the front line, in one of the deadliest attacks on western Ukraine since the invasion began in 2022.

Meanwhile, Ukrainian President [Volodymyr Zelensky](#)'s efforts to re-engage US President Donald Trump's administration in the peace process during a surprise visit to Turkey fell flat after an American envoy thought to be joining him did not make the trip. ...

<https://www.france24.com/en/europe/20251120-us-peace-plan-asks-ukraine-to-cede-territory-sources-say>

3)

Le Monde – November 19, 2025 - Dozens killed in Israeli strikes in Gaza

The strikes on Wednesday were among the deadliest in Gaza since the truce entered into force last month, and came as Israel also announced a string of attacks targeting Hezbollah in Lebanon in spite of a nearly year-long ceasefire there.

https://www.lemonde.fr/en/international/article/2025/11/19/at-least-25-killed-in-israeli-strikes-in-gaza_6747635_4.html

4)

BBC – November 19, 2025 - Lebanon says Israeli strike killed 13 people near Palestinian refugee camp

... The Israeli military said it had targeted members of the Palestinian armed group Hamas "operating in a training compound... in the Ein el-Hilweh area". It said the location was used by Hamas to plan and carry out attacks against Israel, which Hamas rejected as "fabrication and lies". ...

Condemning the attack, Hamas said it had "no military installations in the Palestinian camps in Lebanon" and that the site targeted was an "open sports field". ...

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0l73j781y9o>

5)

The Mirror – November 17, 2025 - Russia-Ukraine war risks nuclear confrontation - as expert warns UK 'not safe'

Admiral Lord West, the former First Sea Lord, issued the dire warning about nuclear threats as he said Britain was already 'effectively at war' with Vladimir Putin's Russia

The former head of the Navy has warned that the Russia-Ukraine war risks spiralling into a nuclear confrontation. ...

Lord West told the Lord Speaker's podcast: "It's quite difficult to see how one's going to get out of this (conflict) because one doesn't want a full war between Nato and [Russia](#).

"They (Russia) would lose it. And the danger with them losing it is – would they then make that stupid mistake of going nuclear?" ...

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/russia-ukraine-war-risks-nuclear-36255143>

6)

Hindustan Times - November 16, 2025 - Trump's 6-Month Hunt For Zelensky's Replacement Exposed Amid Ukraine's \$100M Corruption Scandal?

Whispers in Washington are exploding into a political firestorm as a former Ukrainian prime minister claims U.S. officials have quietly spent six months interviewing Kyiv insiders—"auditioning" potential successors to Volodymyr Zelensky. The allegations land just as Ukraine is rocked by its biggest corruption scandal in years, a \$100 million energy-kickback scheme striking at Zelensky's closest circle and sparking outrage across Kyiv. With anti-corruption agencies defying pressure and foreign partners demanding answers, questions grow over whether Washington is losing confidence in Zelensky as Russia intensifies its winter offensive.

<https://www.hindustantimes.com/videos/trumps-6-month-hunt-for-zelenskys-replacement-exposed-amid-ukraines-100m-corruption-scandal-101763316493525.html>

7)

YouTube/MIRROR NOW – November 15, 2025 - US Preparing For A War In The Caribbean? Dormant Puerto Rican Base Reactivated Amid Tensions

A long-dormant U.S. base in Puerto Rico has been reactivated, triggering the largest regional military buildup in decades. Over 10,000 U.S. personnel, advanced jets, drones and warships now operate near Venezuela under Operation Southern Spear. Meanwhile, Iran, China and Russia are boosting support for Caracas as Venezuela mobilises 200,000 troops, pushing the Caribbean toward a potentially volatile confrontation.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xnfm-UOaEmg>

8)

Anadolu Ajansi – November 14, 2025 – Storm brings flooding risks to Gaza, threatening fragile tents sheltering hundreds of thousands of Palestinians

Civil Defense urges Palestinians to ensure their tents firmly secured, especially in areas near coast that are exposed to strong winds

The suffering of hundreds of thousands of displaced Palestinians in the Gaza Strip is worsening as a weather depression accompanied by rain and a cold air mass reached the enclave area at dawn on Friday, amid warnings of the risk of flooding and the collapse of worn-out tents and shelter centers.

The Palestinian Meteorological Department said Palestine is being affected by a low-pressure system accompanied by a relatively cold to cold air mass and heavy rainfall, sometimes with thunderstorms. ...

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/storm-brings-flooding-risks-to-gaza-threatening-fragile-tents-sheltering-hundreds-of-thousands-of-palestinians/3743805>

9)

THE CONVERSATION – November 14, 2025 - Trump's Latin America strategy risks creating a military quagmire

The arrival of the world's largest aircraft carrier, the USS Gerald R. Ford, in the Caribbean basin on November 11 has intensified fears of a large-scale conflict in the region. The carrier [has been deployed](#) as part of US president Donald Trump's campaign against boats in the Caribbean and Pacific allegedly transporting drugs bound for the US.

But some experts suspect that the real objective is to support a possible US military strike aimed at [toppling the regime](#) of Nicolás Maduro in Venezuela. ...

There are many uncertainties surrounding this scenario. On the Venezuelan side, civil-military coordination in wartime would be highly complex. Large-scale exercises have seen [hundreds of thousands](#) of regular troops, militia members and police simulating possible wartime scenarios. But their logistics have never been tested in real life.

Another uncertainty concerns the cohesion of combatants. Trump's hardline posture towards Venezuela could trigger a "rally round the flag" effect, reinforcing loyalty to the government in the early stages of war. But the ideological commitment of militia members in a protracted scenario is another question. ...

<https://theconversation.com/trumps-latin-america-strategy-risks-creating-a-military-quagmire-269680>

10)

WORLD INEQUALITY DATABASE - November 14, 2025 - 500 economists and inequality experts from seventy countries support call for new 'IPCC for inequality'

Hundreds of the world's leading economists and other experts on inequality from seventy countries are urging world leaders to establish an International Panel on Inequality (IPI) inspired by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). The IPI is the central recommendation of the [G20's first ever report on global inequality](#), which will be presented to leaders at next week's G20 Leaders Summit in Johannesburg.

We write to you as more than 600 economists and inequality experts from over 70 countries, to call on you to support the establishment of a permanent International Panel on Inequality to address the global inequality emergency, as recommended by the Extraordinary Committee on Inequality report to the G20, led by Professor Joseph Stiglitz.

We are experts from a broad range of disciplines, including economists, political scientists, climate scientists, sociologists, epidemiologists, anthropologists, historians, geographers, philosophers. Our diversity reflects a key fact: high levels of economic inequality have a negative impact on every aspect of human life and progress, including our economies, our democracies and the very survival of the planet. ...

<https://wid.world/news-article/500-economists-and-inequality-experts-from-seventy-countries-support-call-for-new-ipcc-for-inequality/>

11)

The Guardian – November 11, 2025 - What happens if the Greens overtake Labour in the polls? All bets are off

They may lack Labour's party machine, but Zack Polanski's burgeoning popularity could have seismic consequences for British politics

... In the [most recent YouGov poll](#), the Greens are still four points behind Labour. But that's down from 12 points in August, just before Polanski was elected, and other polls have put them almost at parity. If both parties stick to their current trajectories – Labour drowning in pre-budget gloom and recriminations and the Greens surfing an optimistic wave of voters looking for a British equivalent to New York's upbeat new socialist mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani – then the psychologically important crossover point could be only weeks away. Though polls are only ever a snapshot of a moment in time, revealing very little about the results of a general election that could still be four years away, that would nonetheless be a seismic moment. ...

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2025/nov/11/greens-overtake-labour-polls-zack-polanski>

12)

The Telegraph – November 10, 2025 - Gas gangrene returns to Ukraine in echoes of First World War trench warfare

Military medics say Russian drone strikes make evacuation almost impossible – creating conditions that cause infections to surge

Ukrainian medics are reporting cases of gas gangrene, a condition once closely associated with the trenches of the First World War and long thought to have been all but eradicated in Europe.

The bacterial infection, which destroys muscle tissue at a deadly pace, has made a resurgence in Ukraine due to the harsh realities of modern trench warfare.

Military medics told The Telegraph that drone warfare has made evacuating wounded soldiers almost impossible – conditions that are causing infections once consigned to the history books to spread with alarming speed. ...

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/global-health/terror-and-security/gas-gangrene-ukraine-war-russia-trenches-europe/>

13)

YouTube/Neutrality Studies – November 9, 2025 - They Never Wanted Peace: How US Channels Warfare Through Vassals | Evarist Bartolo

To find answers, today I'm talking again to Evarist Bartolo, a former Foreign Minister of Malta. Evarist recently wrote an article about this very "Mirage of the Common Home" and how the United States has always opposed a pan-European security structure. This and the Euro-American relationship is what we want to discuss today. Drawing from his direct experience, Evarist shares stunning accounts from inside EU Council meetings where fighting was favored over talking. We explore the structural dominance of NATO, the dangerous loss of diplomatic memory, and the West's belligerent response to an emerging multipolar world.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7d3wVgTmS3Q>

14)

DW (Deutsche Welle)– November 7, 2025 - Depleted uranium: The forgotten legacy of the Kosovo War

In 1999, NATO used uranium ammunition during the Kosovo War. Numerous soldiers subsequently developed cancer, and some were awarded compensation. In Kosovo, the soil remains poisonous to this day.

"I can vividly remember the last day," said Emerico Maria Laccetti, former colonel of the military division of Italian Red Cross.

During the Kosovo War in 1999, he was stationed in [Albania](#), just a few hundred meters from the border with [Kosovo](#). He was the commander of a field hospital for refugees from the province, which at the time belonged to [Serbia](#).

"We stood on containers and watched the bombings," he said. *"It was like a perverse New Year's Eve fireworks display. Even at a distance, you could feel the air pressure, the shock waves going through your body. But no, we were not told about the specific dangers of the weapons being used."*

... In response to questions about the health risks posed by DU ammunition, NATO only gave a written statement. *"We take health and environmental issues very seriously,"* it said.

In 2001, a committee on DU concluded that the use of DU ammunition in Kosovo *"did not cause any lasting health risk to the population,"* citing independent findings.

NATO refers to UN reports from 2014. *"This is scientific evidence; it was reliable, and we stand by it,"* the military alliance said in a statement.

However, this contradicts the rulings of Italian courts on lawsuits filed by approximately 500 Kosovo War veterans who developed cancer after coming into contact with depleted uranium ammunition. ...

<https://www.dw.com/en/depleted-uranium-the-forgotten-legacy-of-the-kosovo-war/a-74633178>

15)

YouTube – February 6, 2019 - How NATO Turned Sardinia Into A Radioactive Nightmare

Secret Sardinia: The island of Sardinia is home to two completely different worlds. On the one side sits the villas of the super-rich, with coastal mansions valued in the hundreds of millions. Yet on the other sits Europe's largest military exercise ground, where amour piercing uranium-tipped missiles were tested by the thousand. Now, a disproportionate number of cancers and children and livestock born with hideous deformities have led to accusations of a cover up as to the extent of NATO's polluting of the island.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sKOP9m2n84Q>