

Black Money in Dar es Salaam

A Novel about Love and Corruption



Rushwa means "corruption" in Swahili. But Paul Mansfeld does not know this when he, as an expert on railways, takes a job for the rehabilitation of the railway line from the Indian Ocean to Lake Tanganyika. Soon after his arrival in Dar es Salaam, he realises that bribery was involved in the awarding of the contract. At the same time, he learns that the public prosecutor in Germany is carrying out investigations into alleged corruption cases involving the firm he works for. His refusal to play along with the corruption plot draws him ever deeper into the murky underworld of Tanzanian politics.

In papers published by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists, Paul finds the names of Tanzanian businessmen and politicians who keep offshore accounts in Switzerland. He has hotel manager Vivien Chimagu on his side, but will he make it out alive?

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The website 'www.rushwa.de' shows documents (in German language) and photos of historical events on the background of the story. It presents photos of locations where the actions in the take place. In addition, anybody interested in events related to the story can find here recent media reports (mainly in English).