

#### Exhibition and Book Presentation

Opening: Monday, 11 September 2017, 7.30 p.m.

Welcome: Dr. Karl Müller (Austrian Ambassador), Dr. Rita Severis (CVAR - Severis Foundation) and Dr. Hubert Faustmann (FES)

Artist talk: Dr. Efi Kyprianidou (Open University of Cyprus)  
The talk will be in English

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Exhibition: 12 - 24 September 2017  
Monday-Thursday & Saturday: 10:00-18:00, Friday: 10:00-20:00  
Closed: Sunday

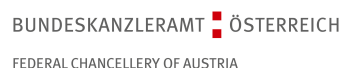
*Cornelia Mittendorfer uses photography to pose questions about how to perceive and depict traumatic events. Taking Cyprus as an example, green line examines the complexity of one of the violent and still unresolved conflicts of the present day. The focus is on how spaces change, including their repurposing and secularisation during the more than 40 years since the occupation of the North. The photographs are accompanied by portraits of the people who have entrusted their stories to the artist. This work deals not only with destructive power, but also with a resistance to destruction. Together, the photos and essayistic texts create a space that is fragmented yet resonant, where memories echo with fault lines and contradictions.*

*Rolf Sachsse follows the common thread of doubling in Mittendorfer's work to develop his interpretation of the pictures and text. Yiannis Papadakis locates the conflict in its geopolitical framework.*

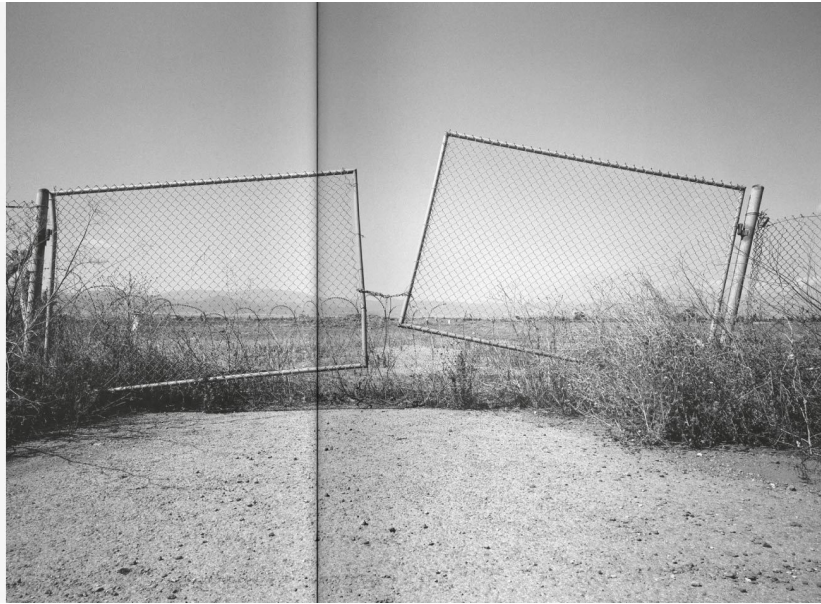
**Cornelia Mittendorfer. green line. evocative of an archeology of desperation and desire** EDITOR Rolf Sachsse TEXT Cornelia Mittendorfer, Rolf Sachsse, Yiannis Papadakis DESIGN Martina Gaigg DETAILS German/English, Paperback, 25 . 21 cm, 192 pages, 105 ill. in b/w. Euro 33,- ISBN\_978-3-903153-57-8

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«Green Line from the South looking towards Morphou/Guestfurt in the North» (2014)  
 «Green Line from Sidon area in Akrotiri/Morphou/Guestfurt in Nicosia» (2014)



Ypsoni/Tajant (North). This village, once majority Greek Cypriot, is now inhabited by the Turkish Cypriot refugees of Sidon from the South. Sidon was already named Tajant by the Turkish Cypriots in 1958. The refugees took the name of their village with them. (2015)  
 Ypsoni/Tajant (North) / in dem ehemals überwiegend griechisch zypriotischen Dorf Sidon starb die türkisch zypriotische Witwe von Eochel aus dem Sidon. Inzwischen schon 1958 nannten zypriotische Tajant genannt worden ist. Die Witwe haben ihren Namen übernommen. (2015)



Lefkisa (North). Lefkisa is the name for the northern part of Nicosia, located in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. Inside the Venetian fortress walls. (2015)  
 Lefkisa (North) / Lefkisa ist die Name für den nördlichen Teil von Nicosia, der in der Türkischen Republik Nordzypern liegt. Innerhalb der venezianischen Festungsmauern. (2015)

Ypsoni/Tajant, North. (2015)







At the barber in Strovolos, a suburb of Nicosia (Cyprus). After the war in 1974, many Greek Cypriots fled here from the North. (2014)

Immer Barber in Strovolos, einem Vorort von Nikosia (Zypern). Nach dem Krieg 1974 kamen sehr viele aus dem Norden geflüchtete Zyperngriechen hierher. (2014)



TURKAN and TUNNY KANAY fled from Pafos (South) to Famagusta. Turkan was a seamstress, while Tunny was a seaman, a police officer, and a driver of lorries and buses. It used to be that family relationships were measured by passing down the father's name. In 1974, everyone in the North had to take on a new name. So they combined elements of their first names to form a new family name. The population in the South did not recognize these names. Because of this some people have two names: one for the North and one for the South. (2014)

TURKAN und TUNNY KANAY sind aus Pafos (Südlich) nach Famagusta geflüchtet. Turkan war Schneiderin, Tunny Seemann, Polizist, LKW- und Busfahrer. Früher haben sich die Verwandtschaftsbeziehungen in der Pflanzfamilie des väterlichen Namens abgemessen. 1974 mussten im Norden alle einen neuen Namen annehmen. So haben sie aus ihren Erstnamen einen Familiennamenelement zusammengesetzt. Die Bevölkerung im Süden erkennt diese Namen nicht an. Deshalb haben manche Menschen zwei Namen: einen für die Nordseite und einen für die Südseite. (2014)

MILITSIA (Little Hawk Team) APOSTOLIDOU still remembers being discriminated against in school because her Greek parents had fled to Cyprus after the foundation of the Republic of Turkey in 1923 and were poor. A child of very strict parents, she found more love with her godmother SIFA and by her own choice in an arranged marriage. (2015)

MILITSIA (die kleine Hawk-Team) APOSTOLIDOU erinnert sich noch immer an die Diskriminierung in der Schule, weil ihre griechischen Eltern aus der Gründung der Republik Türkei 1923 nach Zypern geflüchtet und arm waren. Jeder hat sie mehr bei ihrer Godmutter SIFA gefunden, als bei ihrem Vater. Sie hat sich selbst für eine arrangierte Heirat entschieden. (2015)



Nicosia, UN Buffer Zone. A view into a former car wash area. Military operations take place there. (2015)

Nikosia, UN Pufferzone. Ruine eines ehemaligen Karoschneiderei, dort finden militärische Übungen statt. (2015)



Lefkara (North), a few metres from the Green Line. (2015)

Lefkara (Nord), ein paar Meter von der Green Line entfernt. (2015)