



GOLDRUSH - HOW TO SELL OFF A COUNTRY

by div



SYNOPSIS

GOLDRUSH tells the story of the Treuhandanstalt - the most expensive experiment and the greatest white-collar-crime since Worldwar II. It's a film about greed as the driving force of economic development. The trust agency 'Treuhand' was established to privatise the state owned enterprises of the GDR. Never before had there been an enterprise like the Treuhand that temporarily ran and speedily privatised 8,500 companies. With four million jobs at stake in East Germany, this was a novel and unique experiment and one under enormous pressure of time. It was doomed to fail. Over three million jobs were lost and 4.000 companies were closed. The Treuhand existed for 30 months. In this time it lost 250 million Marks a day - in the name of the Federal Republic. Furthermore, the Treuhand was defrauded out of at least 20 billion Marks. The scandal has never been entirely resolved and most of the perpetrators escaped prosecution or were never impeached. GOLDRUSH is not a historical piece -...

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR div · PRODUCER Thomas Kufus · SCORE Ulrike Haage · SOUND Florian Niederleithinger, Paul Oberle · EDITOR Andrew Bird · DOP Thomas Plenert · OTHER Julia Rose (Research)

Germany 2012

90 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

GOLDRUSCH - DIE
GESCHICHTE DER TREUHAND

FORMAL CATEGORIES

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Politics

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

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