



THE WOUNDEROUS WORLD OF LAUNDRY

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SYNOPSIS

Behind the fluffy towels and crisp white sheets of Berlin's finest hotels belies a tale of brilliant entrepreneurship: A company takes the dirty laundry of the German hotels to Poland and brings it back clean the very next day. Outside of Germany, labour is cheaper and regulations are less constricting. But far-beyond this fascinating capital venture remains the harsh reality of everyday life of the hard-working Polish workers, through whose hands the white sheets pass. While Beata struggles to raise her three children on her meager salary, the more mature Monika reminisces about her unrealized childhood dreams of becoming a doctor, compelled to watch her teenage daughter Marta gradually follow in her footsteps.

FESTIVALS

59 Berlinale FORUM

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Hans-Christian Schmid

Germany 2009

96 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

DIE WUNDERSAME WELT DER WASCHKRAFT

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Politics, Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

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