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LÄNDERFOKUS NIGERIA:

# ELNATHAN JOHN

**Be(com)ing Nigerian – A Guide**

21st January 2021, 7.30 p.m.

VHS-Forum im Rautenstrauch-Joest-Museum\*

**“This one na wahala oh!”**

**Postcolonial Reflections on Power,  
Politics and Corruption.**

22nd January 2021, 7 p.m.

Großes Forum, Alte Feuerwache Köln\*

\*Tickets: 8€/6€ Euro, at the box office



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With his blunt satire, writer Elnathan John presents a provocative guideline for Nigerians. His book shockingly portrays how power is exerted, negotiated and abused in private and public spaces, in politics, economy and religious institutions. Elnathan John describes manners and cultural practices in Nigeria amusingly and concretely. He holds a mirror up to the Nigerian community and simultaneously invites Nigerians to humorously reflect upon their behaviour.

Elnathan John is a writer, lawyer and one of the most prominent satirists of Nigeria. His writings have been published in numerous collections. He has been nominated for the Caine Prize twice. His debut novel, *Born on a Tuesday*, won the Betty Trask Award and he was a judge for the Man Booker Prize 2019.



### stimmen afrikas invites to:

#### Reading and Discussion about the book:

##### *Be(com)ing Nigerian – A Guide.*

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Elnathan John reads from his book *Be(com)ing Nigerian: A Guide* (Cassava Republic Press 2019). Zainab Mohammed (journalist, Deutsche Welle) will moderate the reading and the following discussion with the audience.

### Sonnenblumen Community Development Group e. V. invites to: Talk and Discussion. "This one na wahala oh!"

#### Postcolonial Reflections on Power, Politics and Corruption – An evening with Elnathan John

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How important is a careful, nuanced reading of our histories for filling the gaps in our narratives? How do we avoid replacing one type of misrepresentation or injustice with others? Randall Hutchins, Executive Director of SCDG e. V., will be discussing these issues and more with Elnathan John.

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