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Moves in Modernity

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This book discusses from a multidisciplinary perspective the various ways in which modernity affects youth culture in the present as well as historically. The title suggests two aspects of modernity: on the one hand the various social and cultural movements that answer or react to changes within modernity and, on the other, the changing face of modernity itself. Johan Fornäs (Stockholm) maps the basic concepts. Michael Mitterauer (social historian, Vienna) gives a historical view of the changing conditions for youth in 20th-century Europe. Alberto Melucci (sociologist, Milan) depicts recent movements within youth culture and discusses the subject of identity formation. Thomas Ziehe (social pedagogue, Frankfurt) discusses psychological phenomena among young people today, related to the concept of individualization.

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