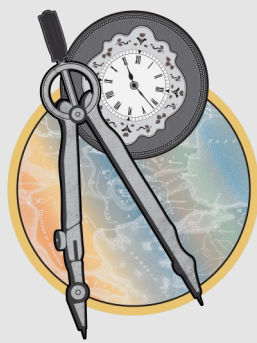


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The Editorial Project: Extinguished Countries *a series of guidebooks like no other*

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The ExCo project invites its community to delve into the concepts of identity, borders, and nations. By emphasizing our similarities and celebrating our differences, we strive to forge bridges connecting all people across the globe. To achieve this goal, we've employed a variety of storytelling techniques, including guidebooks, podcasts, and a curated library of thought-provoking books. These resources investigate the core principles of our project, exploring the concepts of self and other, the teachings of history, and the complexity of our identity.



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