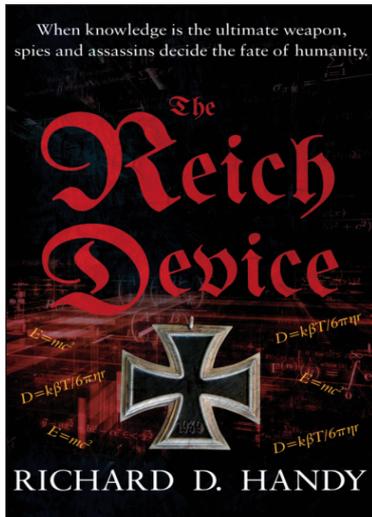




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THE REICH DEVICE

The race for new technology that will change the course of the world has begun...

Richard D. Handy blends fact and fiction in this rip-roaring Third Reich thriller

Set between the wars in 1930's Germany, *The Reich Device* is the first thriller by Richard D. Handy, an internationally respected expert on the hazards of nanotechnology.

In this thrilling new book, Handy makes use of real documents, including first-hand information directly from Albert Einstein's works in the 1920s and original letters that he wrote to President Roosevelt. He also draws on his real life experience of working with different agencies to create this believable historical fiction. "The plot is based on the premise that the Nazis were very close to developing weapons based on nanotechnology. If they had, our world would be very different now," observes Richard. "I work on the frontiers of nanotechnology, therefore I write authoritatively on both technology and espionage," adds the Devon-based author.

In *The Reich Device* we follow Professor Gustav Mayer as he makes a monumental discovery: a new technology a century ahead of its time. But his secret is not safe, the world is not safe – a new menace rises in 1930's Germany. Hunted by ruthless killers from the newly formed SS, a game of brinkmanship begins. A global trail of espionage leads from Berlin to New York, Cairo and London – but is it all a grand deception? What are German spies doing in South Africa? What does this have to do with big American corporations? Mayer is forced to work on fledgling rocket technology for the new regime in Berlin, but his captors suspect he conceals an even greater secret. Mayer is interrogated by the ruthless Commandant Kessler, and in a moment of delirium mutters a vital part of his secret; but it doesn't make any sense. Mayer is moved to the infamous V1 rocket site at Peenemunde – a smoke screen for a more deadly ultra top secret weapon but time is running out...

"There is a popular market for Reich-related thrillers at the moment," observes Richard, "and *The Reich Device* has a unique focus on the weapons that the Germans were close to actually making while being written by someone who is an expert in the field."

Currently residing in Devon, **RICHARD D. HANDY** is an internationally respected expert on the hazards of nanotechnology. Richard has drawn on his life experience of working with different agencies to create this believable historical fiction.



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