Gino Caruso, boss of an Italian cartel, has apparently reached the goal of his dreams. With his newly founded bank in Frankfurt/Main and Geneva, he can finally join the big players. However, he soon discovers that different rules apply in the banking paradise of Switzerland. Only the strongest survive, and it's not long before Caruso tangles with a ruthless oil baron who could shake everything he's built up over the years.

Dangers lurk outside of Switzerland as well. The CIA continues to tirelessly try to bring Caruso down. When agents Dekker and Hallmayer manage to capture a businessman whose knowledge could be dangerous to Caruso, a race against time begins.

The mafia boss succeeds in exposing Dekker. But it is not only Dekker who now finds himself in the greatest danger: Caruso is willing to use any means to prevent the CIA from collapsing his empire – Dekker's family moves into the crosshairs of the mafia.

A merciless showdown is brewing ...



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