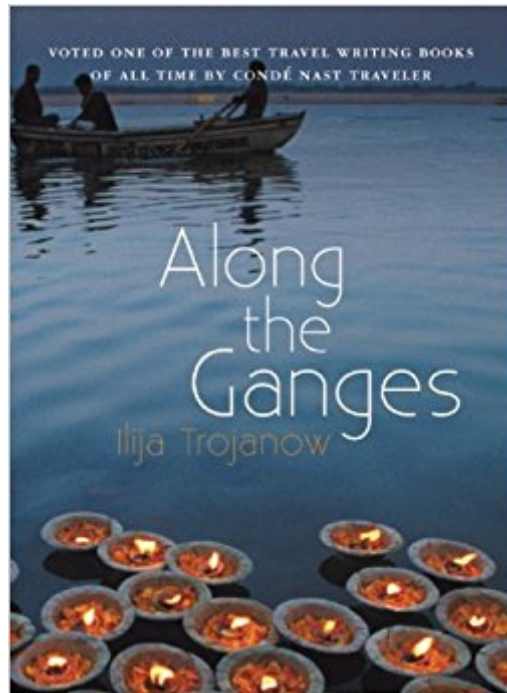




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Ilija Trojanow was born in Bulgaria in 1965. After fleeing his homeland via Yugoslavia and Italy, he was granted political asylum in Germany. He is a writer, whose is himself as traveller between the worlds, journeying on a quest that leads him through different cultures and religions. He is also the author of *Mumbai to Mecca* (Haus Publishing, 2007) and *The Collector of Worlds* (Faber).

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