

## Viet Duc

### Artwork "Daughter of the Phoenix – Hope is my path"

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Ho Chi Minh City General Publishing House respectfully introduces to readers the work " Daughter of the Phoenix - Hope is my path " by author Isabelle Müller .

" Daughter of the Phoenix – Hope is My Path " by Isabelle Müller tells the story of an extraordinary woman, a woman with Vietnamese blood flowing through her veins, who did not allow herself to be overwhelmed by misfortune, rose to take control of her life and eventually – despite all the constraints of fate – became a successful businesswoman in Germany.

With the challenging motto of life " From every stone they throw at our feet, we will build a road ", perhaps in situations where others would have collapsed, Isabelle did not give up. She is the youngest child of a Vietnamese mother and a French father, growing up in a poor, cramped French village. Despite having a brutal father and a living environment filled with racism, Isabelle inherited the will to live and the courage to look to the future from her Vietnamese mother.

Isabelle Müller's story is not only about finding happiness, but also about the path to finding it. It is about turning unhappiness into happiness, about learning to turn a negative spiral into a positive spiral. Even though she " certainly experienced bad things, including sexual abuse, psychological terror, exhaustion, exclusion, discrimination, poverty, betrayal ", in return, she always tells herself: " I also experienced true love, warmth, affection, encouragement, willingness to help, empathy, friendship, luck and happiness. And I am allowed to live well here on earth and enjoy this life. " It can be seen that, despite going through the worst years, being sexually abused by her own relatives, having to endure, having to keep quiet, not being able to tell anyone, living in despair for many years... that is the ultimate pain that Isabelle had to bear; However, she did not give up in adversity, trying to rise up and inspire people. The author encourages victims of sexual violence to break their silence to break the power of the perpetrators. In three and a half years, Isabelle Müller has given 150 speeches in 8 federal states in front of audiences, been a guest on television and radio, and was invited to the Federal President for her commitment.

The story of Isabelle Müller's life gives readers a lot of strength, hope, positive will to live and courage for everyone, especially girls who have been sexually abused and discriminated against. It will encourage people to question things in life and themselves many times to conquer their own fears, believe in one's dreams, especially when they are considered inaccessible to others, develop self-confidence. And despite going through many events and hardships, Isabelle is still optimistic and positive about what she has built, " With anger and hatred we destroy everything, but with patience and love we can build a temple from nothing. " This also implies forgiveness. The power of forgiveness can do miracles, "attitude makes

everything". Pain can be eternal, a scar deep in the heart, but forgiveness is the decision to liberate and save both us and others.

Isabelle Müller was born on May 25, 1964 in Tours (France), the youngest of five children. Her mother is Vietnamese and her father is French, and she grew up in poverty in a small village in France. After graduating from high school, she studied languages (German, English and Russian) at the Francois Rabelais University (Tours, France) and at the Centre d'Études Pratiques de Langues Vivantes (Tours, France). Since 1985, she has worked in Germany as an interpreter and translator. Together with her mother, Mrs. Dau Thi Cuc (nicknamed Loan), Isabelle Müller made trips to Southeast Asia in the 1990s to learn about her Vietnamese roots.

In May 2016, the author founded the LOAN Stiftung Charitable Foundation, which specializes in implementing educational projects for ethnic minority children in the poorest mountainous areas of Northern Vietnam.

The author will donate 100% of the entire proceeds from the book copyright to the LOAN Stiftung to help poor children in Vietnam have a better life. The book will be published in Germany, Europe, Canada, and the US at the JOYFUL BOOKSTORE. In addition, the JOYFUL BOOKSTORE system has also decided to donate a portion of the profits from the sale of this book to the LOAN Stiftung, founded by Isabelle, to help poor children in Vietnam.

At 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2022, author Isabelle Müller will have a meeting to introduce her work " Daughter of the Phoenix - Hope is my path ", and at the same time exchange and share intimately with readers. The meeting will be held at the main stage of Ho Chi Minh City Book Street - Nguyen Van Binh, District 1). We look forward to receiving the participation and information support of Newspaper and Radio reporters.