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a human reflection on capitalism, exploitation,
extraction and externalization

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*You must already have a permit to work in
the Netherlands to read this zine.

I extract
I exploit
I externalise

I am extracted
I am exploited
I am externalised

I/am/extract/ed
I/am/exploit/ed
I/am/external/ized

The image is a highly complex, abstract digital artwork. It features a dense, repeating pattern of text and symbols, creating a layered, almost three-dimensional effect. The text is rendered in various colors (red, green, blue, yellow, black) and sizes, suggesting a digital or cybernetic theme. The background is dark, and the overall composition is highly textured and intricate. The text appears to be a mix of words and phrases, some of which are repeated, creating a sense of rhythm and flow. The overall effect is one of a complex, interconnected digital space.

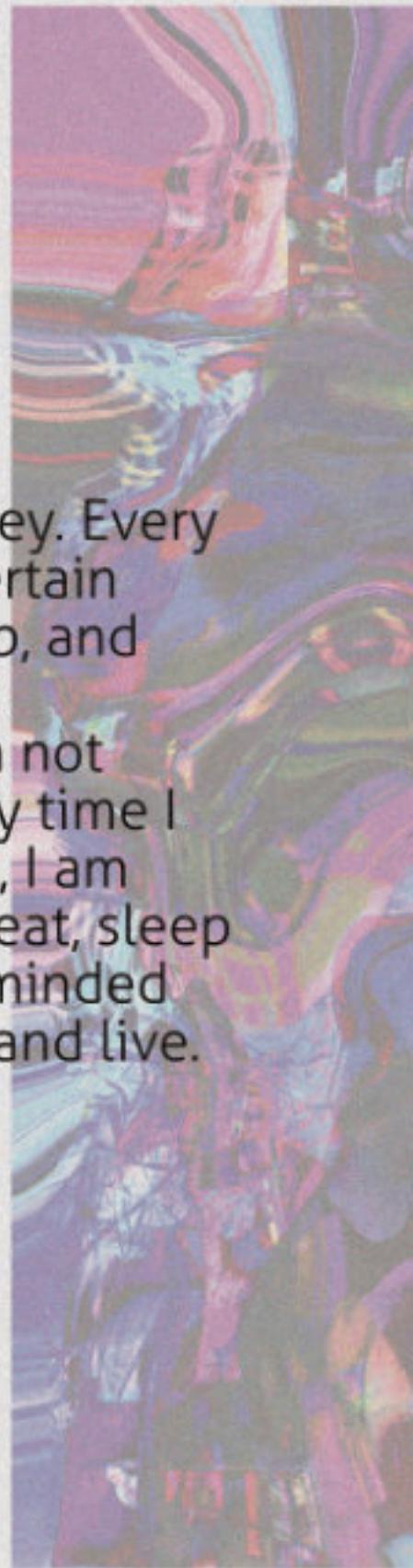
welcome to EX
a personal reflection on

I don't know how to talk about capitalism.
I don't know how not to talk about
capitalism. I want to say smart words, use
terms and figure out how exactly it works
and impacts me. but I also realise every
time I talk about racism, sexism, speciesism,
homophobia, transphobia, xenophobia,
I talk about capitalism.

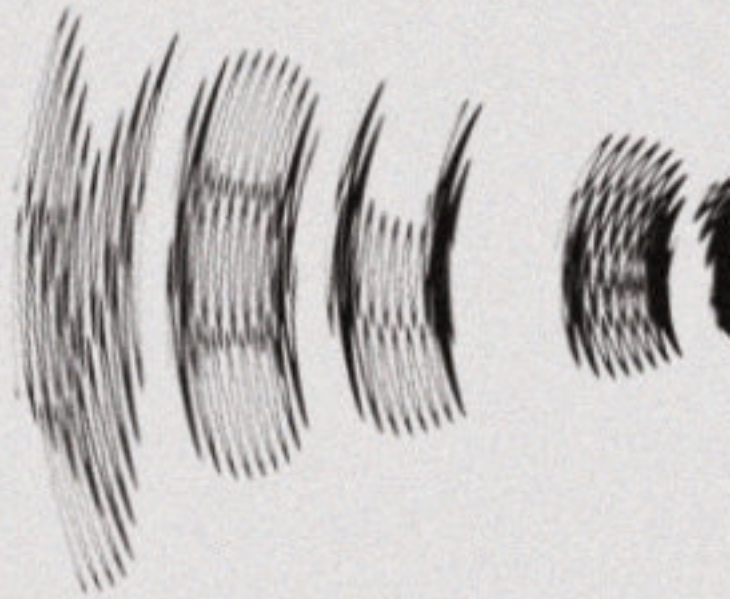
extraction works by

making its mechanisms

I work. Every time I work, I get money. Every day I work, I am rewarded with a certain amount that allows me to eat, sleep, and live here. every time I get sick, I am reminded that if I do not work, I am not entitled to eat, sleep and live. Every time I feel burn out and want to not work, I am reminded that I am not entitled to eat, sleep and live. Every time I work, I am reminded that I am not entitled to eat, sleep and live.







Every time I complain about
I say words like limited b
cover the

If you are calling yourself

You are poor! You de

In that, the externalization
capitalism becomes inter
hard enough, certainly
exploitation. By making t
capitalism manages to t
obscure all the mechanis
people



it my poorness I feel shame.
budget, lack of finances to
word poor.

poor, it feels like a defeat.

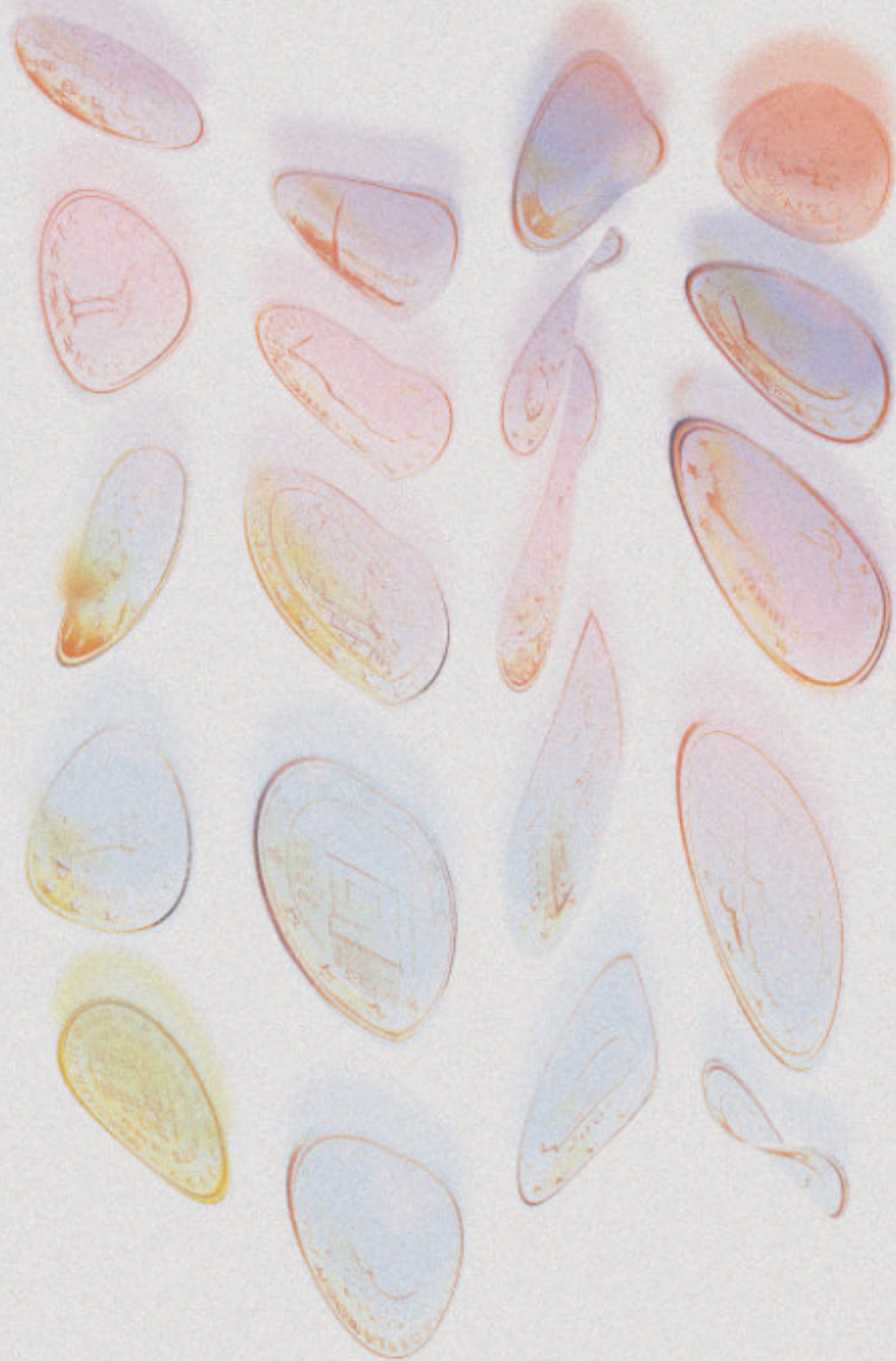
serve to be exploited!

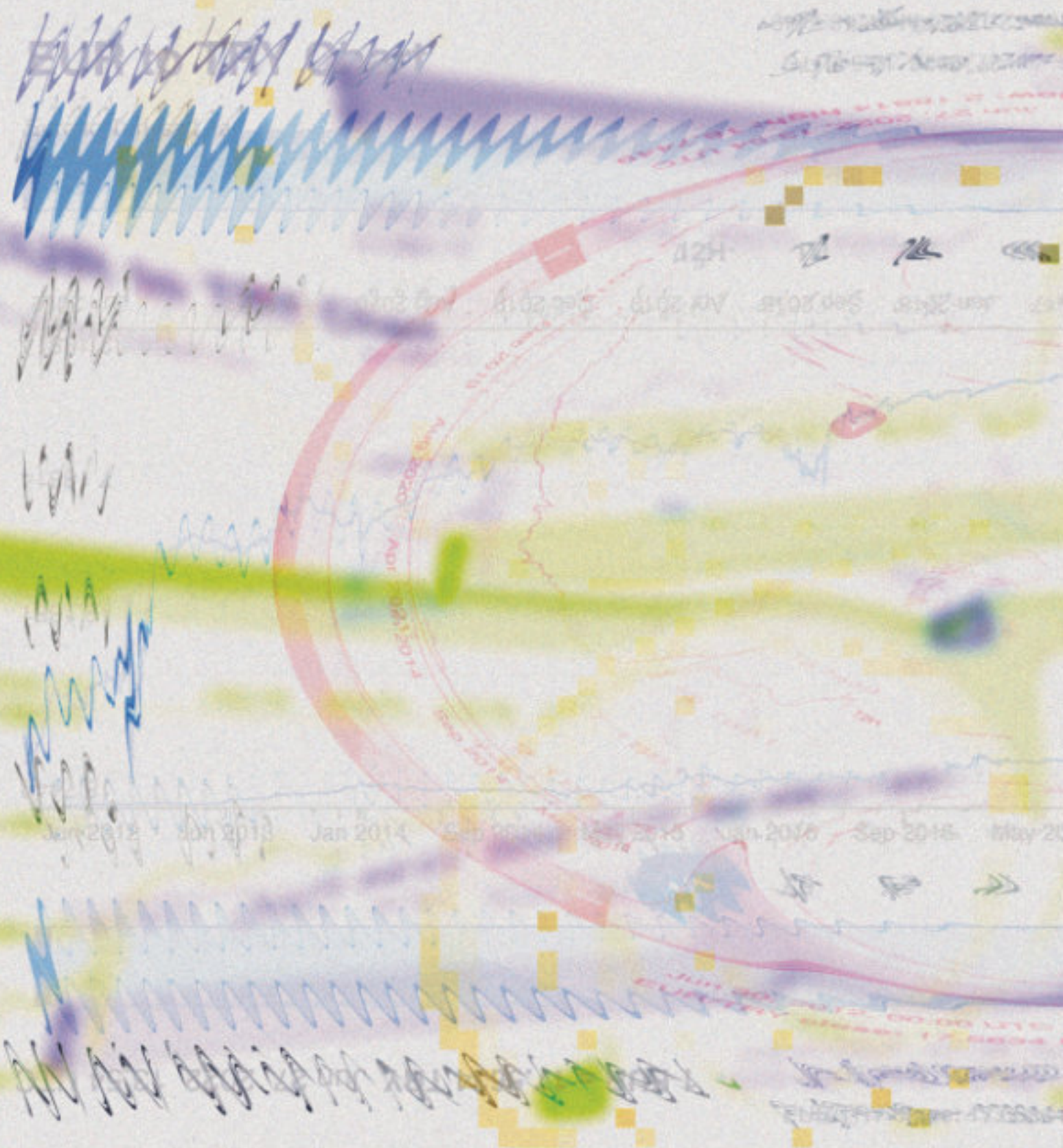
of value and the systems of
nalised again. If I don't try
it is my fault to accept
the word poor a dirty one,
ake more, make more, and
ns that it employs to make
e suffer.

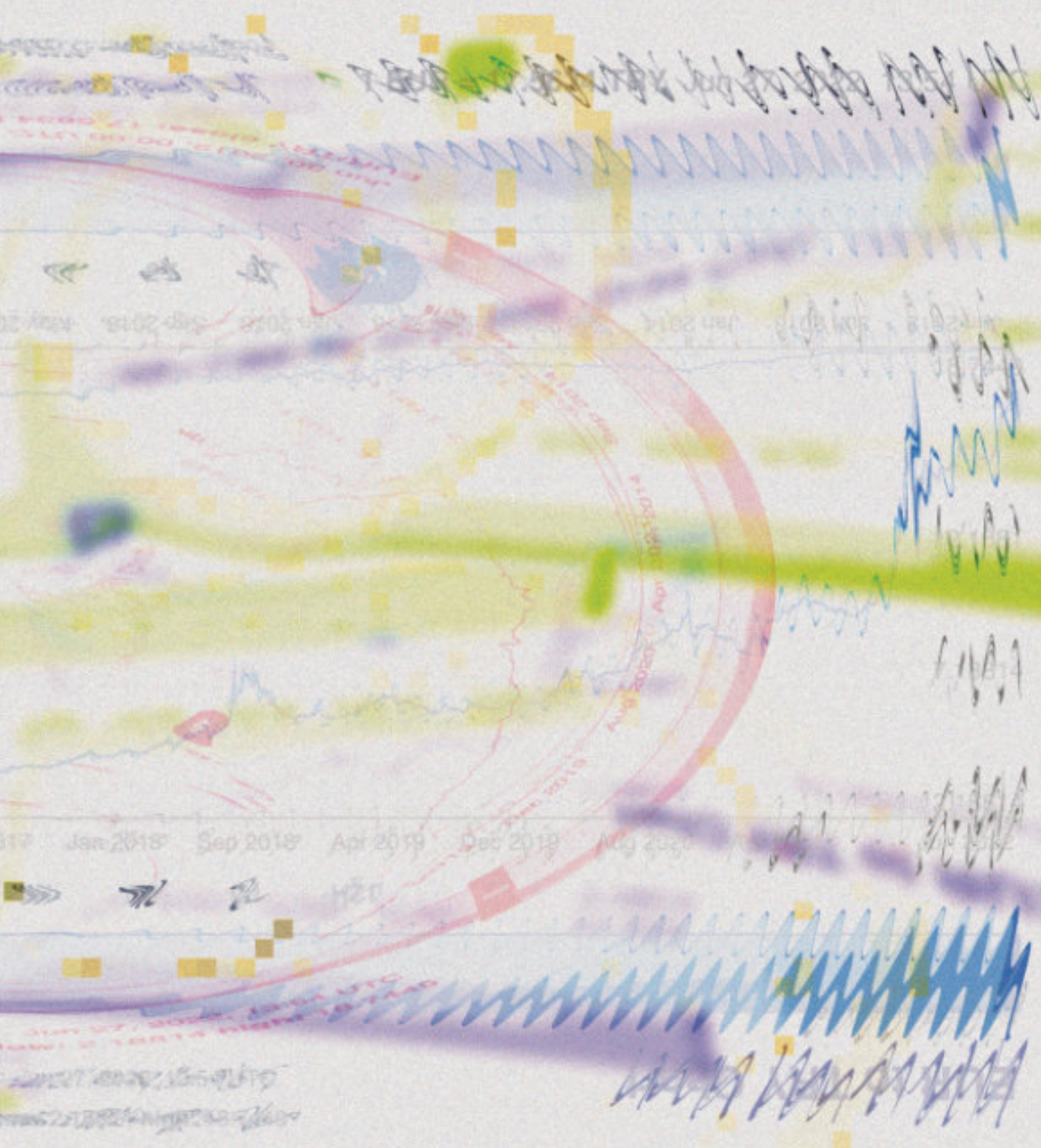
"How's the inflation in your country?"

"Oh I heard it's quite bad over there!"

"How's your family doing? It must be difficult."







I remember the first time going abroad. I was 17. Money was a big issue, going abroad was a big issue. The EU was supporting a school project, making my trip possible.

I remember getting a coffee at Starbucks at 5 euros. I remember feeling reckless, not listening my friends who were shocked to see I would pay 12.5 Turkish liras for just a cup of coffee.

A caramel latte.

5 euros = 90.951045 Turkish liras

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The value is taken from
labour,
pain,
politics,
geography,
humans,
nonhumans,
rocks,
oil,
minerals,

and many things else.

