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His books include *Paper and Iron: Hamburg Business and German Politics in the Era of Inflation 1897-1927* (1993), *Virtual History: Alternatives and Counterfactuals* (1997), *The Pity of War: Explaining World War One* (1998), *The World's Banker: The History of the House of Rothschild* (1998), *The Cash Nexus: Money and Power in the Modern World, 1700-2000* (2001), *Empire: The Rise and Demise of the British World Order and the Lessons for Global Power* (2003), *Colossus: The Rise and Fall of the American Empire* (2004), *The War of the World: Twentieth-Century Conflict and the Descent of the West* (2006) and *The Ascent of Money: A Financial History of the World* (2008).

Ferguson has written and presented five major television series, including *The Ascent of Money*, which won the 2009 International Emmy award for Best Documentary. His most recent books are *High Financier: The Lives and Time of Siegmund Warburg* (2010) and *Civilization: The West and the Rest*, also a major TV documentary series. *Civilization* will be published in the U.S. on November 1 and will air on PBS in 2012.

A weekly columnist for *Newsweek* and a contributing editor for Bloomberg TV, Niall Ferguson divides his time between the United States and the United Kingdom. He is currently working on a life of Henry Kissinger. The film based on his interviews with Kissinger won the 2011 New York Film Festival prize for Best Documentary.

The London *Sunday Times* called *Civilization* “a masterpiece ... a pulsing energy suffuses his account and fascinating facts burst like fireworks on every page”. In 2004 *Time* magazine named him as one of the 100 most influential people in the world.