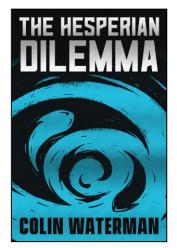
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THE HESPERIAN DILEMMA

by Colin Waterman

"Telepathy is not all it's cracked up to be. I hear a lot of stuff I can't understand, and things I do understand that worry me sick"

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This powerful new Sci-Fi novel contemplates the nature of sacrifice and explores many of today's political and ecological concerns. It is also a rip-roaring adventure across the solar system that will keep readers on the edge of their seats.

Maura is an oceanographer who hoped to find some form of life under the ice on Europa (the second moon of Jupiter). She couldn't have anticipated finding aliens with paranormal powers – nor that the neo-fascist colonists from Earth would try to destroy these indigenous life forms.

She teams up with a computer scientist called Geoff, a specialist in Artificial Intelligence. Their relationship deepens and together they strive to save the aliens from extermination – a mission which may pose an existential threat to their home planet.

Ultimately Maura faces a terrible choice: should she offer herself in a sacrifice which may save countless lives but will, forever, transform her relationship with both her partner, and her precious baby daughter?

"I acted impulsively. As a result, I killed dozens of people who were nominally my enemy, but also my two closest friends ... She died trying to save me."

The Hesperian Dilemma is a Sci-Fi adventure, a credible depiction of the future but also a story of hope, love and very human dilemmas. A 'must-read' for fans of classic Sci-Fi or contemporary romantic fiction.



About author Colin Waterman: After Colin retired from his career as a successful professional engineer, he set about applying his design and problem-solving skills to the field of creative writing. He has had poems accepted in *The Stares Nest* and *Obsessed with Pipework*, and an account of his travels in Tibet appeared in *Real Travel* magazine. His science fiction novel *The Hesperian Dilemma* tackles the urgent theme of where technology is taking us. He says if it adds to the growing pressure for mankind to find a sustainable way forward then he will consider his job done. He enjoys sailing, skiing and recently crossed his home city of Gloucester on a zip-wire while dressed as a chicken.

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NB: An extract from *The Hesperian Dilemma* was recently included in *Anthology House*, a visionary ecology project from Asei Arts of New York City — a collaborative envisioning of the opportunity to make our world a better place.

Media opportunities: Extracts/serialisation. The author is available for interviews.

Local interest (UK & Ireland): GLOUCESTERSHIRE: The author has lived in Gloucester since 1991. SURREY: He was born in Sutton and attended school in Dorking. HAMPSHIRE: He graduated from Southampton University. IRELAND: The main female character in the book is from Cork.

