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Silvia Pato is a Science Fiction, and Fantasy writer. She has published several stories, and novels of the genre, as well as in specialized magazines. She collaborates with various media such as Culturamas or El Cotidiano, where she writes a weekly opinion column.



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