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On April 4, 2005, their debut single "Adrenalin" was released. Shortly after, on July 25, 2005, the second single "Dach" followed. On August 8, 2005, their debut album "Wilder Westen" was released. The CD was produced by Olaf O.P.A.L. The band gained recognition through live performances at the Boarderweek in Val Thorens. On September 10, 2005, they performed as the opening act alongside New Model Army and the Beatsteaks at the final concert of Die Toten Hosen's "Friss oder stirb" tour. They also performed in August 2005 at the Taubertal Open Air Festival on the "Sounds For Nature" stage. In May 2006, ELKE reached second place in the *Jägermeister Rock:Liga*. Twelve competitors tried to win the prize of the *JägerMeisterschale* through various live performances. The winner was determined by audience applause. ELKE missed the victory by only 0.3 dB, and Deichkind was declared the winner. In addition, their performance was declared the best rock show of the evening by the jury, consisting of MTV presenter Markus Kavka and actor Jürgen Vogel. In January 2007, their second album titled "Wir müssen hier raus" was released. In addition to the track "Ich mag dich," the song "Traumfrau" was also released from the album. For the film "Die Welle," which was released in theatres in March 2008, the band provided a cover version of the Ramones song "Rock 'n' Roll High School," which represents the opening scene of the film. Actor Jürgen Vogel sings the entire song in this film. The album titled "Häuser stürzen ein" was released on July 4, 2008. Farin Urlaub wrote a track titled "Warum auch immer" for the album. They also accompanied Billy Idol on his Germany tour in the summer of 2008 and served as the opening act for some concerts by Iggy Pop & The Stooges in addition to their performances at Rock am Ring and Rock im Park.

After their separation in 2009 and various solo projects by the band members, the band reunited in 2022 and played their first joint shows in Meppen and Berlin. In addition to the initial summer festivals in 2023, they are also recording the new EL*KE album.