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Ideally, scientific theory and scientific measurement should develop in tandem, but in recent years this has not been the case in economics. There used to be a time when leading economists, or their students, established or led statistical offices and took care that the measurements were consistent with the theory (and vice versa). Not anymore.

Macroeconomic theorists and macroeconomic statisticians do not even speak the same language any longer. They do use the same words, such as ‘consumption’, ‘investments’ or ‘unemployment’ but the meanings can often be different. This book maps the differences between macroeconomic theory and measurement and explores them in some detail while also tracking their intellectual, historical and, in some cases, ideological origins. It also explores the possible policy implications. In doing so, the book draws on two separate strands of literature which are seldom used in unison: macro-statistical manuals and theoretical macro-papers. By doing so, the book contributes to the effort to bridge the gap between them without compromising on the idea that a meaningful science of economics should, in the end, be based upon individual people and households and their social and cultural embedding instead of a ‘representative consumer’, or Robinson Crusoe figure. This work is essential reading for students, economists, statisticians, and professionals.

Responsible Innovation. For some, this expression is only an oxymoron or, worse, a means of masking with a sheet of virtue economic practices that would otherwise appear selfish and self-interested. For others, theorists and actors of innovation, this expression represents a formidable lever of action and a rich conceptual source from which to draw new ways of innovating. The articulation between different levels of norms – economic and ethical, to which we can add the legal dimension – is not new, and is the subject of an in-depth reflection, decades old, around the idea of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). By taking up some debates on CSR, most of which are foreign to the current authors of responsible innovation, this book examines the various justifications that CSR brings in order to convince economic players, subject to powerful market forces, of their responsible commitment. But these are not enough. The book also explores the specific contribution of the concept of responsible innovation to coping with the technological, social and political breakthroughs generated by innovation, and is based on philosophical resources such as the ethics of virtue and the ethics of “care”.

The key to bridging your global innovation gap In today’s global economy, it would be short-sighted to rely solely on local resources for new-product innovations. Instead, knowledge and activity critical to innovation most likely lie outside your company’s home territories--sometimes far outside. And this distance makes it harder than ever to obtain and integrate these resources, eating away at your competitive edge. How to tackle this challenge? In *Managing Global Innovation*, INSEAD’s Yves L. Doz and Keeley Wilson show you how to build and leverage a global innovation network. Drawing on extensive research and real-life company examples, they walk you through a set of practical frameworks for acquiring and integrating innovation-critical knowledge from multiple sources. You’ll learn to optimize your innovation footprint, improve communication and receptivity, and enhance collaboration in order to succeed on a global scale. Based on in-depth research within more than three dozen corporations--including Citibank, Essilor, GE, GlaxoSmithKline, HP Labs, HP Singapore, Nokia, Novartis, Shiseido, Siemens, Snecma, Synopsys, and Xerox--this book bridges theory and practice. *Managing Global Innovation* gives you the tools to harness critical expertise from around the globe--and channel it into your innovation programs.

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A sci-fi novel about a third-century Dacian, a young girl from year 1111, a modern-day Englishman and a mysterious starship.

Can one car transform a nation? The Ford Model T did do so a century ago when it replaced the horse, brought about a revolution in agriculture, became a stimulus to urbanization that eventually changed the landscape of America. Though the Maruti 800, the Tata Indica, the Hyundai Santro and the Maruti Alto, became engines of growth for India, these cars neither drove away the cow nor changed the way Indians travelled. Tata's Nano was expected to change all that and become the ultimate people's car, capturing the imagination of the middle class across nations and cultures. In spite of its petite dimensions, the Nano was meant to stand tall. Yet it did not. What caused it to fail and fall from grace despite being lauded as the 'right product at the right time' and 'the most significant new car since the Ford Model T was introduced 100 years ago'? But is it really all over or is there still hope for India's 'little wonder'? What will the people's cars of tomorrow be like? A Million Cars for a Billion People delves into the questions, concerns and doubts, as well as the many misconceptions and myths, that have gathered momentum over the years about India's automotive history and the industry's mission to create a true 'people's car'. The very first cars that came to India; the early beginnings of the industry; the nascent history of the automobile across nations like Germany, France, US, the UK, Italy, Japan and South Korea, is narrated with authority and charm, from the viewpoint of the quest for the ultimate people's car.

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The internationalization of the human society and mainly of the economy will continue. It will create threats but also big opportunities to most companies. This is where the book makes its contribution, putting forward suggestions for medium-sized companies to become a winner of internationalization. After a comprehensive introduction to internationalization and to strategic planning, concrete recommendations are made: The book first looks at going international for new markets. Then it shows how to develop an internationalization strategy for production and sourcing. Finally strategic planning in an international company is explained. The book is aimed at company executives, master students and participants of EMBA programs. It is intended to serve as a support for developing successful strategies for going and being international.

Life is seemingly only a feeling and nothing more. Unfortunately some have to learn that the hard way. Following the tragic loss of a sister, which some hold him accountable for; the collapse of his family; the sudden calling off of a wedding; a suicide attempt; some combat in Afghanistan; a bank robbery; and a stint in Alcoholics Anonymous, a young and successful architect and aspiring artist clashes with the thoughts that he's always believed kept him safe and protected, and with a feel that's constantly confirming to him that his life has become worse than death itself. After deciding to leave his home country of Canada; and to withdraw from his career and secure way of life, he heads off to France, which ultimately turns into an unexpected journey that takes him throughout Europe and into Asia where he stumbles across numerous characters, including a South American pet monkey of an ex-soldier transport truck fanatic from Bhutan, who all lead by example and inadvertently teach him how to acquire the feel that could finally make his dreams come true. Yet before that happens, he gets mixed-up with an unpredictable on-stress-leave madman banker from Doha, Qatar who takes him, and even the monkey hostage, and drags them to Bosnia and beyond. During the course of this journey the architect realizes that getting as close to death as possible without experiencing it, and seeing the world as a mere theatre are the only ways for him to possibly reverse his fortunes and to obtain the feel that's not only capable of painting the portrait of his visions, but also strong enough to see his destructive train of thoughts come to a crashing end.

The world's foremost expert on pricing strategy shows how this mysterious process works and how to maximize value through pricing to company and customer. In all walks of life, we constantly make decisions about whether something is worth our money or our time, or try to convince others to part with their money or their time. Price is the place where value and money meet. From the global release of the latest electronic gadget to the bewildering gyrations of oil futures to markdowns at the bargain store, price is the most powerful and pervasive economic force in our day-to-day lives and one of the least understood. The recipe for successful pricing often sounds like an exotic cocktail, with equal parts psychology, economics, strategy, tools and incentives stirred up together, usually with just enough math to sour the taste. That leads managers to water down the drink with hunches and rules of thumb, or leave out the parts with which they don't feel comfortable. While this makes for a sweeter drink, it often lacks the punch to have an impact on the customer or on the business. It doesn't have to be that way, though, as Hermann Simon illustrates through dozens of stories collected over four decades in the trenches and behind the scenes. A world-renowned speaker on pricing and a trusted advisor to Fortune 500 executives, Simon's lifelong journey has taken him from rural farmers' markets, to a distinguished academic career, to a long second career as an entrepreneur and management consultant to companies

large and small throughout the world. Along the way, he has learned from Nobel Prize winners and leading management gurus, and helped countless managers and executives use pricing as a way to create new markets, grow their businesses and gain a sustained competitive advantage. He also learned some tough personal lessons about value, how people perceive it, and how people profit from it. In this engaging and practical narrative, Simon leaves nothing out of the pricing cocktail, but still makes it go down smoothly and leaves you wanting to learn more and do more—as a consumer or as a business person. You will never look at pricing the same way again.

This new, third edition of Bradt's *Romania: Transylvania* remains the only standalone English language guide to this legendary and enchanting region. Comprehensive chapter-per-county coverage is offered, including details to cater for the diverse range of travellers to the region, from city breaks to rural escapes, ski enthusiasts to charity volunteers. Thoroughly updated, this new edition reflects all the changes of the past few years, from improved transport infrastructure (in particular the regional airports at Cluj, Sibiu and Târgu Mures) to the completion of new motorway routes, such as that between Sibiu and Deva. Also covered are a number of striking new accommodation options: for example the sustainable guesthouse in Valea Zalanului owned by HRH The Prince of Wales, and the mountaintop retreat of Raven's Nest in the Apuseni Mountains. More attractions have opened up, such as Baroque palaces formerly owned by Hungarian aristocrats, seized under the Communist regime and now being restored by the descendants of their original owners. And the region is developing its offer for new types of tourism, such as summer rock festivals, notably the Untold Festival at Cluj and Electric Castle Festival at Bontida. Transylvania, literally the 'land beyond the forest', is a wild, wooded, intensely romantic region, filled with mountains, gorges and valleys, myths and legends, dragons, bears, wolves - and vampires. Bram Stoker called it 'one of the wildest and least-known parts of Europe' a description which remains true today. One of the most beautiful regions in central Europe and home to three UNESCO World Heritage Sites, Transylvania preserves its cultural and artistic treasures in a unique landscape, bordered on three sides by the Carpathian Mountains. The hay meadows of the lower Carpathians form a man-made, high nature-value grassland ecosystem of extraordinary diversity, offering a beautiful display of wild flowers. The Carpathians are home too to lynx, wild boar, and one of Europe's largest populations of brown bear. Other natural phenomena include the Scarisoara ice cave in the Apuseni Mountains and the Sfanta Ana volcanic crater lake in Harghita. Whatever your interests, with Bradt's *Romania: Transylvania*, you can discover all of the region's many and varied attractions.

This book examines the dramatic increase in automotive assembly plants in the former Socialist Central European (CE) nations of Czechia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland, and Slovakia from 1989 onwards. Enticed by relatively lower-wage labour and significant government incentives, the world's largest automakers have launched more than 20 passenger car assembly complexes in CE nations, with production accelerating dramatically since 2001. As a result, the annual passenger car production in Western Europe declined by more than 20% between 2001 and 2015, and alternatively in the CEE it increased by nearly 170% during this period. Drawing on case studies of 25 current and former foreign-run assembly plants, the author presents a rare historical account of automotive foreign assembly plants in the CE following this dramatic geographic shift. This book will expand the knowledge of policy-makers in Europe in relation to their pursuits of FDI and will be of great interest to scholars and students of business, economic history, political science, and development.

With this book, Thomas Menthe provides new insights into the era of value-selling, which has been the Number 1 method in selling complex products and services. Today, customers are expecting more while paying less and the value of your offer is defined by the customer not by the seller. Data is the new oil - the new digital age allows different ways with technology like machine learning to better analyze customer journeys, get insights, predict behaviors and personalize communication to improve customer retention. Digitalization will change the buying behavior much more towards e-commerce and self-service consultation with the support of sales robots. Value can be created from data, which needs to be structured, analyzed and used for the individual customer engagement. Does this mean the end of the sales representative and solution sales? Value is not based solely on product dimensions, much more emotional value created counts during the decision making process. The new era of value-selling explains, how value can be made tangible by the value quotient and ways to generate rational and emotional ROI for customers through story-telling and relationship benefits. Value is always first on the buyer's mind and the new value-selling concept will dramatically improve your business and show how to respond to the customer of tomorrow. Thomas Menthe (MBA) is a sales expert, experienced seller, recognized speaker and author of many publications about customer value, new ways of selling, selling strategy, leadership and coaching. His best selling book *Kundennutzen* has sold thousands of copies and others are available in their 4th edition. He served global companies like Bearing Point, Canon, Carlsberg, Cisco Systems, Global Knowledge, KWS, Microsoft, RIM, Xerox and others.

This volume includes selected and reviewed papers from the 4th International Congress of Automotive and Transport Engineering, held in Cluj, Romania, in September 2018. Authors are experts from research, industry and universities coming from 14 countries worldwide. The papers are covering the latest developments in automotive vehicles and environment, advanced transport systems and road traffic, heavy and special vehicles, new materials, manufacturing technologies and logistics, accident research and analysis and innovative solutions for automotive vehicles. The conference is organized by SIAR (Society of Automotive Engineers from Romania) in cooperation with FISITA. Written by eminent scholars who are well known within their fields across Europe, this book explores changes in the international economic environment, their impacts on the strategy of firms and the spatial consequences of these changes in strategy. The economic environment in which major companies operate is subject to rapid and important changes. Such changes have their impact on the strategy of major and even smaller companies and changes in these firm's strategies often have important implications for the location choice of their activities, be it production, outsourcing, R&D or administrative activities. Addressing these issues in a clear yet rigorous manner, this book is an excellent resource for students and researchers working and studying in the areas of international business, corporations, business strategy, economic geography and business geography.

The volume includes selected and reviewed papers from the European Automotive Congress held in Bucharest, Romania, in November

2015. Authors are experts from research, industry and universities coming from 14 countries worldwide. The papers are covering the latest developments in fuel economy and environment, automotive safety and comfort, automotive reliability and maintenance, new materials and technologies, traffic and road transport systems, advanced engineering methods and tools, as well as advanced powertrains and hybrid and electric drives.

New Product Development is one of the most important challenges facing organizations today. The Product Development and Management Association (PDMA) Handbook of New Product Development 3rd Edition provides an exceptional review of cutting edge topics for both new and experienced product development leaders. It offers a comprehensive and updated guide to the practices, processes and tools critical to achieving and sustaining new product/service development success in today's world, delivering valuable information about the fundamentals as well as emerging practices such as venturing, virtual product development and the use of social media in NPD. As the premier global advocate for professionals and organizations working in the fields of new product/service development, PDMA has assembled in the Handbook unique content on the critical aspects of product development success including its 2012 Best Practices Research, Lessons Learned from its Outstanding Corporate Innovator Award Winners and keys to success from organizations with proven innovation track records. The 3rd Edition is an essential reference for anyone with responsibility for product development activities, from novices looking for fundamentals to experts seeking insights on emerging concepts, and is relevant for all functions and all product/service industries.

Over one million Americans are employed in manufacturing motor vehicles, equipment and parts. But the industry has changed dramatically since the U.S. "Big Three" motor vehicle corporations (General Motors, Ford and Chrysler) produced the overwhelming majority of cars and light trucks sold in the United States, and directly employed many people themselves. By 2003, most passenger cars sold in the U.S. market were either imported or manufactured by foreign-based producers at new North American plants (so-called "transplant" facilities). The Big Three now dominate only in light trucks, and are also now being challenged there by the foreign brands. The Big Three have shed about 600,000 U.S. jobs since 1980, while about one-quarter of Americans employed in automotive manufacturing (nearly 300,000) work for the foreign-owned companies. It is clear that the U.S. automotive industry has undergone many drastic changes that have had a net adverse effect on American interests. This book examines the causes of these changes. Congressional acts, increasingly stringent emission laws, the effects of NAFTA, labour unions and globalisation are all within the scope of this book.

The global automotive industry faces the most influential changes since the revolutionary introduction of mass production a century ago. Latecomer firms from Asia are challenging the western incumbents. They can change the rules of the game in the industry by leapfrogging several steps in their development process. This study seeks to contribute to the discussion of latecomer firms by gaining insights into the catch up processes of five automotive companies in the passenger car segment, namely BYD (PRC), Chery (PRC), Geely (PRC), Tata Motors (India) and Mahindra & Mahindra (India). Based on learning theories and the core processes of car manufacturers, the author develops a catch up framework in order to compare automotive latecomers. The Korean manufacturer Hyundai serves as an example for a successful catch up, and provides a contextual framing for catch up processes in the automotive sector. An analysis of empirical data provides evidence for the evaluation of the catch up status of the five challenger firms. The author emphasizes the influence of institutional settings in China and India and the role of business groups that can act as facilitators for the catch up process. Finally, the study clusters the catch up strategies of the five observed companies in order to compare their approach.

The definitive text on globalization, this book provides an accessible, jargon-free analysis of how the world economy works and its effects on people and places. Peter Dicken synthesizes the latest ideas and empirical data to blaze a clear path through the thicket of globalization processes and debates. The book highlights the dynamic interactions among transnational corporations, nations, and other key players, and their role in shaping the uneven contours of development. Mapping the changing centers of gravity of the global economy, Dicken presents in-depth case studies of six major industries. Now in full color throughout, the text features 228 figures. Companion websites for students and instructors offer extensive supplemental resources, including author videos, applied case studies with questions, lecture notes with PowerPoint slides, discipline-specific suggested further reading for each chapter, and interactive flashcards.
New to This Edition: *Every chapter thoroughly revised and updated. *All 228 figures (now in color) are new or redesigned. *Addresses the ongoing fallout from the recent global financial crisis. *Discussions of timely topics: tax avoidance and corporate social responsibility; global problems of unemployment, poverty, and inequality; environmental degradation; the Eurozone crisis; and more. *Enhanced online resources for instructors and students. By analysing the rationales for sustainability strategies, this book addresses a timely question for managers, academics and MBAs: 'when does it pay to be green?' Based on solid theoretical foundations and empirical research, it clarifies the elements involved in the formation and evaluation of sustainability strategies in firms.

Launched in 2011 to recognize the prolific contribution that PhD dissertations make to the field of Innovation Management, the ISPIM Dissertation Award selects three winners from the possible 100+ entries every year. Aided in the selection process by the generous support of Innovation Leaders, the ISPIM presents the awards at their annual Innovation Conference. With only three finalists being selected each year, many excellent submissions do not receive the recognition they deserve. To rectify this, the 2018 ISPIM Dissertation Award cast its spotlight beyond the top three dissertations and onto a much greater number of entries. Compiling the top 28 submissions received this year, 'New Waves in Innovation Management Research' is organized into six thematic sections that cover areas such as investments, collaboration, and creativity. Presenting a broad range of case studies and data from across global, this edited volume illustrates the breadth of research potential in the coming wave of innovation management. This book will be of interest to students, researchers and professional managers, alike, who are interested in or actively involved in the latest research on innovation management.

The rapid takeoff of the continent-sized national economies and the increasing expense of extraction have led to strong tensions in petrol prices and a race towards alternative driving systems. This book analyses the emergence of a second automobile revolution through the trajectories of automobile firms since the nineties.

This book deals with a specific type of translation that has been the subject of several books in Arabic, namely media translation, which has been gaining prominence lately. It is divided into two sections. The first deals with the history, importance, role, the major theories and types of translation. The second offers some applications in Arabic and English for the benefit of those working in the field of media translation. The book seeks to help those interested in studying the science and history of translation and those wishing to acquire skills for this profession and engage in it after achieving proficiency in the two languages: the target language and the source language. The book hopes to fill a void in the Arabic library, especially in the field of media translation. Adopted internationally by business schools and MBA programmes, The New Strategic Brand Management is simply the reference source for senior strategists, positioning professionals and postgraduate students. Over the years it has not only established a reputation as one of the leading works on brand strategy, but also has become synonymous with the topic itself. Using an array of international case studies, Jean-Noël Kapferer covers all the leading issues faced by brand strategists today. With both gravitas and intelligent insight, the book reveals new thinking on topics such as putting culture and content into brands, the impact of private labels and the comeback of local brands. This updated fifth edition of The New Strategic Brand Management

builds on its impressive reputation, including new information to enable students and practitioners to stay up to date with targeting, adding recent research and market knowledge to the discipline. With dedicated sections for specific types of brands (luxury, corporate and retail), international examples and case studies from companies such as Audi, Nivea, Toyota and Absolut Vodka; plus models and frameworks such as the Brand Identity Prism; it remains at the forefront of strategic brand thinking. 120 pages with 20 lines you can use as a journal or a notebook .8.25 by 6 inches.

Motoring the Future: VW and Toyota Vying for Pole Position deals with the challenges facing the global car industry today, analyzing Volkswagen and Toyota, with some surprising results. The book provides insights into each car manufacturer's corporate culture, products, production, leadership and technologies, as well as some thoughts on the future of the car. These two opponents vying for pole position could hardly be more different: Toyota, with a focus on manufacturing excellence, is dominant in its home market, the USA and south-east Asia, whereas VW, with its strategy of product excellence, leads in western Europe, Brazil and China. Industrial dominance will be important to them in the future, with both companies needing to master the next steps in product and manufacturing excellence. The race is by no means over, offering a deep insight into the challenges for carmakers moving away from fossil fueled combustion to alternative energy vehicles for the mass market. Major players are trying to answer the key question: How will the car of the future look? VW and Toyota now need to keep ambitious competitors at bay. Timing is everything: US manufacturers are focused on their own revival; Korean and Chinese players are progressing surprisingly fast. However, it looks like the battle for pole position will likely remain between Toyota and VW. *Motoring the Future* offers updates on Volkswagen's and Toyota's next generation vehicles, both plotting a new course into the future. In this thoroughly revised edition the book, new facts and material have extended the scope to American manufacturers and to new competitors from the Far East.

This book introduces new inventory models to support decision-making when cost of externalities are jointly considered along with costs of logistics. Internalization of cost of externalities gives rise to new logistics costs estimates and functions which managers, researchers, lecturers and students should refer in facing with logistics issues. This book focuses on freight transports of industrial production systems. Logistics play a key role for industries since it reveals a critical function designed and managed to pursue economic goals. A large amount of literature is available providing models, which can be used to minimize logistic costs. However, these models usually neglect externalities. *New Models for Sustainable Logistics: Internalization of External Costs in Inventory Management* is comprised of three chapters. Chapter 1 provides a taxonomy of external costs figures as well as data set enabling the reader to perform reliable estimates of freight transport external costs. To this purpose, a full scale case study is developed. Chapter 2 describes a new sustainable inventory management model whose cost functions include externalities. The classical 'Economic Order Quantity' model is re-formulated and the new concept of Sustainable Order Quantity (SOQ) is defined. Finally, in Chapter 3 the SOQ model is formulated for different inventory management applications referred to both deterministic and stochastic production environments. Numerical examples are also provided.

Engaging and thorough, *MARKETING, 12th Edition* shows students how marketing principles affect their day-to-day lives, as well as their significant influence on business decisions. Core topics include the social marketing phenomenon, entrepreneurship, C.R.M., global perspectives, and ethics, as well as in-depth discussions on key tools of the trade, such as metrics and the marketing plan. Intriguing coverage of newsworthy events clarifies the readings for students and gets them thinking about their own decisions in the consumer marketplace. Loaded with helpful learning features like detailed appendices, cases, vignettes, boxed features, and videos, *MARKETING, 12th Edition* gives students countless opportunities to develop and apply critical thinking skills while acquiring the marketing knowledge essential in the business world. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Companies now operate in an environment in which the consumer is more powerful than ever, and this manual for change demonstrates how managers and entrepreneurs can make this new-found consumer power work for them. Proposing to close the gap between what customers want and what companies promise, this argues that impersonal environments must change to foster interaction and that consumers must be allowed deeper insight into the process by which companies create goods and services for them. Why limit involvement to new product testing, the book asks, when the target demographic could be on the invite list for the next board meeting? Other tools, methods, and inspirations for listening to and understanding the customer are included, as well as examples of how other companies have managed to take advantage of the consumer revolution by using marketing innovations that once seemed radical. Forward-thinking executives and managers can benefit from this unique perspective on a key issue for companies who have not yet tapped the well of consumer power.

In this book, the world's foremost experts on pricing integrate theoretical rigor and practical application to present a comprehensive resource that covers all areas of the field. This volume brings together quantitative and qualitative approaches and highlights the most current innovations in theory and practice. Going beyond the traditional constraints of "price theory" and "price policy," the authors coined the term "price management" to represent a holistic approach to pricing strategy and tactical implementation. They remind us that the Ancient Romans used one word, *pretium*, to mean both price and value. This is the fundamental philosophy that drives successful price management where producer and customer meet. Featuring dozens of examples and case studies drawn from their extensive research, consulting, and teaching around the world, Simon and Fassnacht cover all aspects of pricing following the price management process with its four phases: strategy, analysis, decision, and implementation. Thereby, the authors take into account the nuances across industry sectors, including consumer goods, industrial products, services, and trade/distribution. In particular, they address the implications of technological advancements, such as the Internet and new measurement and sensor technologies that have led to a wealth of price management innovations, such as flat rates, freemium, pay-per-use, or pay-what-you-want. They also address the emergence of new price metrics, Big Data applications, two-sided

price systems, negative prices, and the sharing economy, as well as emerging payment systems such as bitcoin. The result is a “bible” for leaders who recognize that price is not only a means to drive profit in the short term, but a tool to generate sustained growth in shareholder value over the longer term, and a primer for researchers, instructors, and students alike. Praise for Price Management “This book is truly state of the art and the most comprehensive work in price management.” - Prof. Philip Kotler, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University “This very important book builds an outstanding bridge between science and practice.” - Kasper Rorsted, CEO, Adidas “This book provides practical guidelines on value creation, communication and management, which is an imperative for businesses to survive in the coming era of uncertainty.” - Dr. Chang-Gyu Hwang, Chairman and CEO, KT Corporation (Korea Telecom)

This book combines scientific research and professional insights on brand and marketing strategy development in major emerging growth markets. It presents a detailed outline of the Brazil, Russia, India and China (BRIC) markets to understand their cultural and socio-economic complexity. With emerging markets at the center, major paradigm shifts are explained such as 'one world strategies'. The author reveals the importance of market-driven positioning that uses local differences and consumer preferences as opportunities without contradicting a corporation's global positioning. Professionals in international marketing and business strategists will find the hands-on guidance to 25 new success strategies particularly useful. This book is also a must-read for people dealing with branding and marketing in a 'glocalized' world.

Transylvania, literally the 'land beyond the forest', is a wooded, intensely romantic region steeped in myths and legends. A rural paradise, Bram Stoker called it 'one of the wildest and least known parts of Europe' and created the immortal Dracula from its reputation. The Bradt guide details the many attractions of this warm and hospitable region - considered by many as the most beautiful in Eastern Europe. It covers popular tourist options such as staying in a Transylvanian castle, hiking trails, bear tracking, horse-cart driving plus Dracula, wildlife, cultural and historical tours.

Help your students achieve marketing success by delivering the best up-to-the-minute coverage of key marketing topics available in this complete, yet brief, latest edition of ESSENTIALS OF MARKETING by award-winning instructors and leading authors Lamb/Hair/McDaniel. ESSENTIALS OF MARKETING, 7E uses a fresh, streamlined design to focus on captivating examples and innovative applications that ensure students not only understand marketing concepts, but also know how to effectively apply them to real-world practice. This edition now visually illustrates key marketing concepts and showcases the customer experience with an engaging writing style punctuated by the most recent marketing statistics and figures. A new appendix and exercises emphasize building a professional marketing plan with an integrated internet focus to further prepare students for success. This book's concise 15-chapter format offers unequalled flexibility to make this course your own with outside projects and readings, while still providing the comprehensive coverage students need. Powerful teaching and learning tools form part of the book's hallmark Integrated Learning System organized around the book's learning objectives. All-new videos produced specifically for this edition feature fascinating stories of marketing success, while a myriad of exceptional online and in-book tools answer the needs of a variety of learning and teaching styles. ESSENTIALS OF MARKETING, 7E's lively coverage and broad-based appeal is designed to create a learning experience that leaves your students saying, Now that's marketing! Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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