

Sheikh Mohammed And The Making Of Dubai Inc

Led by Dubai and Abu Dhabi, the UAE has become deeply embedded in the contemporary system of international power, politics, and policy-making. Only an independent state since 1971, the seven emirates that constitute the UAE represent not only the most successful Arab federal experiment but also the most durable. However, the 2008 financial crisis and its aftermath underscored the continuing imbalance between Abu Dhabi and Dubai and the five northern emirates. Meanwhile, the post-2011 security crackdown revealed the acute sensitivity of officials in Abu Dhabi to social inequalities and economic disparities across the federation. The United Arab Emirates: Power, Politics, and Policymaking charts the various processes of state formation and political and economic development that have enabled the UAE to emerge as a significant regional power and major player in the post Arab Spring reordering of Middle East and North African Politics, as well as the closest partner of the US in military and security affairs in the region. It also explores the seamier underside of that growth in terms of the condition of migrant workers, recent interventions in Libya and Yemen, and, latterly, one of the highest rates of political prisoners per capita in the world. The book concludes with a discussion of the likely policy challenges that the UAE will face in coming years, especially as it moves towards its fiftieth anniversary in 2021. Providing a comprehensive and accessible assessment of the UAE, this book will be a vital resource for students and scholars of International Relations and Middle East Studies, as well as non-specialists with an interest in the United Arab Emirates and its global position.

This book focuses on leadership as a visual discourse and explores the construction of this discourse within the context of Bedouin Arabia, and the Middle East more broadly. In it, the author considers business and organisational leadership from an aesthetic perspective and in the context of various geographical and historical settings. The book examines the work of a variety of artists, and examines how public representations of business and political figures are used as a tool of leadership. Using a Foucauldian perspective, the book explores the interconnected concepts of power and knowledge, examining how visual images are used in the Middle Eastern context for leaders to communicate with their followers and the public. The Bedouin business world provides a unique opportunity for the researcher to examine the interplay between culture, management and politics. The book will be of interest to academics working in the fields of aesthetics, leadership, management, culture, and the Middle East more broadly.

Tips, stories, and strategies for the job that never ends. When it comes to being a working parent, there are no right answers to the tough questions you grapple with, from how to get your toddler out the door to supporting your teen through struggles with their peers to whether or not to accept that big promotion—and the extensive travel and long hours that come with it. But there are answers that are right for you and your family. The HBR Working Parents Series Collection assembles the ideas and strategies you need to help you get ahead—and get through the day. Included in this set are *Managing Your Career*, *Getting It All Done*, and *Taking Care of Yourself*. This compilation offers insights and practical advice from world-class experts on the topics that matter most to working parents including making decisions at home and at work that align with your priorities; navigating tradeoffs—and managing the feelings that come with them; developing strategies for managing both the details of your day and the long-term view of your career; finding time for personal development; and making career choices that work for you—and your family. The HBR Working Parents Series supports readers as they anticipate challenges, learn how to advocate for themselves more effectively, juggle their impossible schedules, and find fulfillment at home and at work. From classic issues such as work-life balance and making time for yourself to thorny challenges such as managing an urgent family crisis and the impact of parenting on your career, this series features the practical tips, strategies, and research you need to be—and feel—more effective at home and at work. Whether you're up with a newborn or touring universities with your teen, we've got what you need to make working parenthood work for you.

"Wir suchen immer das Beste im Menschen und wollen sein Potenzial zum Nutzen aller entwickeln. Krisen und Hindernisse werden uns nicht aufhalten oder bremsen. Wir werden weder zögern noch uns von Zweifel zurückhalten lassen. Anhand dieser Erinnerungen wird man erkennen, wie wir eine Nation aufgebaut haben." Diese bedeutende Sammlung von Anekdoten und Erinnerungen von Scheich Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum erscheint aus Anlass seines 50. Jubiläums im Dienst der Regierung, die 1968 mit seiner Ernennung zum Verteidigungsminister von Dubai begann. Diese Geschichten erzählen von der Vision hinter Dubais rasantem Wachstum von einem kleinen, geschäftigen Handelshafen zu einer internationalen Metropole im Herzen der globalen Wirtschaft. Sie dokumentieren die Entwicklung der Vereinigten Arabischen Emirate vom gemeinsamen Ideal zu einer Nation, in der mehr als 195 Nationalitäten in Frieden, Harmonie und Wohlstand leben und arbeiten. Sie enthüllen auch Einsichten von einem Mann, dessen Antrieb, Entschlossenheit und Erfolgswillen legendär geworden sind. In diesen Geschichten steckt das Herz von Scheich Mohammed, dem Staatsmann, dem Reiter, dem Dichter und dem Führer. Sie wurden mit der Absicht geschrieben, neue Generationen von Lesern zu inspirieren, zu informieren und die Errungenschaften dieser jungen, pulsierenden Nation und der Menschen, die sie geprägt haben, zu feiern. Diese Feier eines Lebens im Dienste der Nation ist unvermeidlich unvollständig. Wie Scheich Mohammed selbst sagt, gibt es noch so viel zu tun. Jedoch sind diese ersten fünfzig Jahre ein bemerkenswertes Erbe. Andere Titel, die von Scheich Mohammed geschrieben und von Explorer veröffentlicht wurden, sind *Zayed*, *Reflections on Happiness & Positivity*, *Flashes of Verse* und *Two Great Leaders*.

"Substitution for the Testimony of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed" by United States District Court Eastern District of Virginia. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten—or yet undiscovered gems?of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality

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Dubai is feted internationally as a beacon of modernity- glittering skyscrapers, a cultural melting pot, even a new player in the space race. The city's ruled by Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, an all-powerful multi-billionaire who counts the Queen and Donald Trump as friends. His kingdom's progressive propaganda defies a medieval underbelly. And nowhere is that more apparent than in the Sheikh's own palace, where numerous women have now risked their lives by sounding the alarm about what's really going on in the United Arab Emirates. Two of the Sheikh's daughters have attempted daring escapes from their father's iron rule, dreaming of a better life. Sheikha Latifa released her own extraordinary tell-all video online, and the Sheikh's youngest wife caused further scandal by laying out the Maktoum dynasty's dirty laundry in London's High Court. Sheikh Mohammed's attitudes towards women and human rights are reflected across the UAE, despite the country spending a fortune to promote itself as a model of harmony and equality. Here, women are still considered a possession. They are the ones charged if they report a rape. There is no minimum wage for workers. Corruption is commonplace. Censorship and propaganda is rife. Tom Steinfort has spent years uncovering the sins of Sheikh Mohammed, and the disturbing reality of life in Dubai. Now, he shares the brave stories of those who have experienced the horror first hand, and trusted him to raise the alarm.

The definitive account of the decade-long pursuit and capture of Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the terrorist mastermind of 9/11 Only minutes after United 175 plowed into the World Trade Center's South Tower, people in positions of power correctly suspected who was behind the assault: Osama bin Laden and Al Qaeda. But it would be 18 months after September 11 before investigators would capture the actual mastermind of the attacks, the man behind bin Laden himself. That monster is the man who got his hands dirty while Osama fled; the man who was responsible for setting up Al Qaeda's global networks, who personally identified and trained its terrorists, and who personally flew bomb parts on commercial airlines to test their invisibility. That man withstood waterboarding and years of other intense interrogations, not only denying Osama's whereabouts but making a literal game of the proceedings, after leading his pursuers across the globe and back. That man is Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, and he is still, to this day, the most significant Al Qaeda terrorist in captivity. In THE HUNT FOR KSM, Terry McDermott and Josh Meyer go deep inside the US government's dogged but flawed pursuit of this elusive and dangerous man. One pair of agents chased him through countless false leads and narrow escapes for five years before 9/11. And now, drawing on a decade of investigative reporting and unprecedented access to hundreds of key sources, many of whom have never spoken publicly-as well as jihadis and members of KSM's family and support network-this is a heart-pounding trip inside the dangerous, classified world of counterterrorism and espionage.

The stories of lived experience of five Emirati women highlight their expertise and contributions to the fields of education and leadership; and makes their leadership perspectives and experiences accessible and engaging for all types of audiences.

In September 2003, the international embargo and sanctions imposed on Libya for more than a decade were raised by the UN Security Council. This book looks at the commitment of Libya's leader, Colonel Gaddafi, to seeing his country rejoin the international community after many years of isolation.

This book is a compendium of the speeches and interviews of Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, who reigned as Prime Minister of the State of Jammu and Kashmir from 1948 to 1953, and who was a large presence on the political landscape of India for fifty years. The volume is designed to enable a student of South Asian politics, and the politics of Kashmir in particular, to analyze the ways in which experiences have been constructed historically and have changed overtime.

An exploration of four cities that reflect a blend of Eastern and Western cultures traces the historical threads connecting St. Petersburg, Shanghai, Mumbai, and Dubai while discussing their conflicted embrace of modernity.

"MBS is the untold story of how a mysterious young prince emerged from Saudi Arabia's sprawling royal family to overhaul the economy and society of the richest country in the Middle East--and gather as much power as possible into his own hands. Since his father, King Salman, ascended to the throne in 2015, Mohammed bin Salman has leveraged his influence to restructure the kingdom's economy, loosen its strict Islamic social codes, and confront its enemies around the region, especially Iran. That vision won him fans at home and on Wall Street, in Silicon Valley, in Hollywood, and at the White House, where President Trump embraced the prince as a key player in his own vision for the Middle East. But over time, the sheen of the visionary young reformer has become tarnished, leaving many struggling to determine whether MBS is in fact a rising dictator whose inexperience and rash decisions are destabilizing the world's most volatile region. Based on years of reporting and hundreds of interviews, MBS reveals the machinations behind the kingdom's catastrophic military intervention in Yemen, the bizarre detention of princes and businessmen in the Riyadh Ritz-Carlton, and the shifting Saudi relationships with Israel and the United States. And finally, it sheds new light on the greatest scandal of the young autocrat's rise: the brutal killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi by Saudi agents in Istanbul, a crime that shook Saudi Arabia's relationship with Washington and left the world wondering whether MBS could get away with murder. MBS is a riveting, eye-opening account of how the young prince has wielded vast powers to reshape his kingdom and the world around him"--

This book traces the roots of modern-day Kashmir and the role of Sheikh Abdullah in its making. As the most influential political figurehead in twentieth-century Kashmir, he played a crucial role in its transformation from a kingdom to a state in independent India. He was enigmatic and complex, to say the least. Following his meteoric rise, he dominated the political scene for more than 50 years, with enduring impact. The volume presents a keen analysis of pre-Independence events which led to the emergence of a controversial and confused identity of the region. It also looks at other major themes in the political life of Kashmir, including the formation of the Muslim Conference, the plebiscite movement and the Kashmir Accord. A major intervention in the political life of South Asia, this book presents an inside-view of the history of

modern Kashmir through the life and times of Sheikh Abdullah. It will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of politics, history, and modern South Asia.

Malcolm Gladwell, host of the podcast Revisionist History and author of the #1 New York Times bestseller *Outliers*, offers a powerful examination of our interactions with strangers and why they often go wrong—now with a new afterword by the author. A Best Book of the Year: The Financial Times, Bloomberg, Chicago Tribune, and Detroit Free Press How did Fidel Castro fool the CIA for a generation? Why did Neville Chamberlain think he could trust Adolf Hitler? Why are campus sexual assaults on the rise? Do television sitcoms teach us something about the way we relate to one another that isn't true? *Talking to Strangers* is a classically Gladwellian intellectual adventure, a challenging and controversial excursion through history, psychology, and scandals taken straight from the news. He revisits the deceptions of Bernie Madoff, the trial of Amanda Knox, the suicide of Sylvia Plath, the Jerry Sandusky pedophilia scandal at Penn State University, and the death of Sandra Bland—throwing our understanding of these and other stories into doubt. Something is very wrong, Gladwell argues, with the tools and strategies we use to make sense of people we don't know. And because we don't know how to talk to strangers, we are inviting conflict and misunderstanding in ways that have a profound effect on our lives and our world. In his first book since his #1 bestseller *David and Goliath*, Malcolm Gladwell has written a gripping guidebook for troubled times.

Lunsford found that today's students write more than ever before-- and make rhetorically appropriate choices in texts they create outside the classroom. This is the first handbook to help students build on the smart decisions they make as recreational writers in order to succeed in their academic and professional work. It is an all-in-one teaching tool and reference that shows students how to write effectively for any purpose.

The idea to write this book comes from my trips between the Mediterranean Sea and Atlantic Ocean, between North Africa, Europe, and the United States (about four trips per year that started on August 1969 and continues until now).

Like its Gulf neighbours, Bahrain has continued to offset the effects of the drop in oil prices with a host of measures, including moves towards subsidy reduction, now in place to ease the pressure. Despite the downturn, however, the country has continued to push ahead with many big-ticket projects. Counter-cyclical spending in the energy sector is expected to stand the broader economy in good stead in the years to come, as expansion boosts the country's refining capacity and provides a reliable supply of fuel for its heavy industries. Indeed, manufacturing continues to play a significant role, with the \$3bn project to build a sixth potline for Aluminium Bahrain representing the company's largest expansion since potline five came on-stream in 2005. The kingdom's financial sector has long been a dominant player in the region, and despite increasing competition from emerging financial centres in the region, continues to benefit from an advanced regulatory framework, an educated workforce and a relatively low-cost environment.

Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid was born on 15 July 1949. He has been involved in government administration since his early thirties, as a crown prince. What kind of a man is the ruler of this vitally important Dubai? This little book presents the background to the development of Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid's character, personality and abilities, as seen by a sympathetic Arab observer. Sheikh Mohammed is great in the fullest sense of the term. He is great in the depth of his faith, his work, his clear diction and irrefutable argument. He is great in his leadership, and he has a clear understanding of the subtle difference between the role of leadership and the personality of the leader. Moreover, he is great in his political thought and practical abilities which eclipsed many of those who boast of their theoretical ability.

Seize this moment to advance racial justice at your organization. In the wake of widespread anti-racism demonstrations across the world, many companies have spoken out forcefully. They've made unprecedented commitments to equity and launched ad campaigns and task forces to counter racism, especially anti-Black racism. But now comes the real test—harnessing the energy of this moment to further and sustain change for the better. *Racial Justice: The Insights You Need* from Harvard Business Review will help you combat racism and bias throughout your company, revitalize your diversity and inclusion efforts, and lead the conversations necessary to bring your organization a step closer to racial equity. Business is changing. Will you adapt or be left behind? Get up to speed and deepen your understanding of the topics that are shaping your company's future with the *Insights You Need* from Harvard Business Review series. Featuring HBR's smartest thinking on fast-moving issues—blockchain, cybersecurity, AI, and more—each book provides the foundational introduction and practical case studies your organization needs to compete today and collects the best research, interviews, and analysis to get it ready for tomorrow. You can't afford to ignore how these issues will transform the landscape of business and society. The *Insights You Need* series will help you grasp these critical ideas—and prepare you and your company for the future.

My Story

From desert sands to a glittering metropolis: the inside story of Dubai's transformation. In just two decades; Dubai has reinvented itself from a small; poor and quiet fishing village to a dazzling city with a vibrant urban life. How did this happen? Home to more than 200 nationalities—particularly those from the Indian subcontinent—the emirate's choice to welcome expatriates has paid off. Cultivating an open and welcoming culture; Dubai manages to attract people from all over the world; heartily embracing any entrepreneurial contribution they wish to make. The emirate is now also known for its cosmopolitan melting-pot culture; and its enabling environment to conduct business; and this; along with the tax-free system and hassle-free infrastructure; makes it a much sought-after site for multinational enterprises who want a base in Asia. Unlike the Gulf emirates that can count on petroleum wealth; Dubai has wound its way to prosperity by planning carefully and executing those plans methodically. Its airline and luxury construction have made it a popular destination for luxury tourism. Projects like the Burj al-Arab; the Palm Jumeirah and the Burj Khalifa; along with events like the world's richest horserace—the Dubai World Cup—and the Dubai Shopping Festival; have sustained tourist interest and focused the world's attention on the emirate. Pranay Gupte draws on his deep knowledge of the region and its leading personalities to trace the city-state's extraordinary and fabulous journey.

Public policy is a set of principles used to uphold the well-being of citizens. These principles are often unwritten and form the basis of social laws. This book focuses on 'unlocking the black box of UAE Public Policy'. It presents several cases that give an insight into the UAE leadership, the areas the government has prioritized and how these fold into UAE Vision 2021. Viewpoints on provoking topics by thought leaders like Her Excellency Sheikha Lubna bint Khalid Al Qasimi, UAE Cabinet Member and UAE

Minister of State for Tolerance; Fadi Ghandour, Co-Founder and Vice Chairman of Aramex and Managing Partner, Wamda Capital and Christopher M. Schroeder, Venture Investor and Author. Under the leadership of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Prime Minister and Vice President of UAE and Ruler of Dubai, Dubai has grown from a tiny village by a creek to a globally recognized megapolis. Through these cases, you will get a glimpse of strategic decisions taken by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed and how these decisions taken by the UAE Government have led to the creation of one of the most connected cities and competitive countries in the world. The book is divided into six sections: Government leadership, national competitive advantage, social and sustainable development, national human capital development, entrepreneurship and government systems. The UAE 2021 Vision aims for UAE to be one of the top 10 countries in the world. The future focus for UAE is to increase competitiveness in foreign markets especially looking at trade, entrepreneurship and focusing on seven high-value adding innovation sectors like renewable energy, transport, education, health, technology, water, and space. One of the challenges this resource-rich country has had is moving away from oil dependency. By 2016, oil formed less than 30% of the UAE GDP, and the plan is to have a 20% dependency by 2021. The book covers a variety of cases that address many of these issues. This book can be used to teach public policy and help international industry leaders and academics understand the context of UAE and the role it plays in the global arena. This project is a series by the Academy of International Business - MENA chapter, supported by the Mohammed Bin Rashid School of Government, Dubai. For more information on AIB- MENA, go to: <http://www.uowdubai.ac.ae/aib>

Award-winning journalist Jim Krane charts the history of Dubai from its earliest days, considers the influence of the family who has ruled it since the nineteenth century, and looks at the effect of the global economic downturn on a place that many tout as a blueprint for a more stable Middle East. The city of Dubai, one of the seven United Arab Emirates, is everything the Arab world isn't: a freewheeling capitalist oasis where the market rules and history is swept aside. Until the credit crunch knocked it flat, Dubai was the fastest-growing city in the world, with a roaring economy that outpaced China's while luring more tourists than all of India. It's one of the world's safest places, a stone's throw from its most dangerous. In *City of Gold*, Jim Krane, who reported for the AP from Dubai, brings us a boots-on-the-ground look at this fascinating place by walking its streets, talking to its business titans, its prostitutes, and the hard-bitten men who built its fanciful skyline. He delves into the city's history, paints an intimate portrait of the ruling Maktoum family, and ponders where the city is headed. Dubai literally came out of nowhere. It was a poor and dusty village in the 1960s. Now it's been transformed into the quintessential metropolis of the future through the vision of clever sheikhs, Western capitalists, and a river of investor money that poured in from around the globe. What has emerged is a tolerant and cosmopolitan city awash in architectural landmarks, luxury resorts, and Disneyfied kitsch. It's at once home to America's most prestigious companies and universities and a magnet for the Middle East's intelligentsia. Dubai's dream of capitalism has also created a deeply stratified city that is one of the world's worst polluters. Wild growth has clogged its streets and left its citizens a tiny minority in a sea of foreigners. Jim Krane considers all of this and casts a critical eye on the toll that the global economic downturn has taken. While many think Dubai's glory days have passed, insiders like Jim Krane who got to know the city and its creators firsthand realize there's much more to come in the *City of Gold*, a place that, in just a few years, has made itself known to nearly every person on earth.

The creation of fantasy environments bridges the gap between imagination and reality. These environments empower their creators and inspire viewers because they make marginalized areas visible to hegemonic powers. Simon Rodia's Watts Towers became an icon of defiant creativity after the Watts Rebellion, uniting the artistic community in South Central Los Angeles. Watts Towers resonated because they suggested the possibility of making dreams concrete. Rodia's visionary sensibility is also present in Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the ruler of Dubai. He built Dubai's economy on fantasy, creating an international symbol of bizarre luxury. Dubai makes the Middle East visible as a center of architectural innovation and challenges the rest of the world to match its feats of imagination. The relationship between fantasy and power, and the perils of succumbing to fantasy, are visible in these divergent examples of visionary environments.

'Mr Chaudhary's story offers lessons on turning dreams into reality, and is a must-read for all upcoming entrepreneurs' – Bidhya Devi Bhandari, President of Nepal

The man behind the immensely popular Wai Wai noodles (Wai Wai has sold more than a billion packets in India alone), Binod Chaudhary is one of Asia's most prominent businessmen. President of the Chaudhary Group which deals in banking, insurance, finance and housing, he has invested in hotels and real estate, and collaborates among others with India's Taj Group. In 2013, he became the first Nepali entrepreneur to be listed as a dollar billionaire by Forbes. His passion for growing his business, in the face of stiff challenges, is legendary. This memoir, already a massive bestseller in Nepal, tells Binod Chaudhary's inspiring success story in his own words.

This important collection of anecdotes and reminiscences from Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum is published to mark the occasion of his fifty years in public service, which began with his appointment as Dubai's Minister of Defence in 1968. These stories tell of the vision behind Dubai's meteoric growth from a small and bustling trading port to an international metropolis at the heart of global business. They record the evolution of the United Arab Emirates from a shared ideal to a nation where more than 195 nationalities live and work in peace, harmony and prosperity. And they reveal insights from a man whose drive, determination and will to succeed have become legendary. Within these stories lies the heart of Sheikh Mohammed the statesman, the equestrian, the poet and the leader. They are written with the intent to inspire and inform new generations of readers, and to celebrate the achievements of this young and vibrant nation and the people who shaped it. This celebration of a life in service is unavoidably incomplete. As Sheikh Mohammed himself indicates, there is still so much left to do. As a record of the first fifty years alone, however, it forms part of a remarkable legacy. Other titles written by Sheikh Mohammed and published by Explorer include *Zayed*, *Reflections on Happiness & Positivity*, *Flashes of Verse* and *Two Great Leaders*.

A delightful, well-written, and vastly informative ethnographic study, this is an account of Fernea's two-year stay in a tiny rural village in Iraq, where she assumed the dress and sheltered life of a harem woman. This volume gives a unique insight into a part of the Middle Eastern life seldom seen by the West. "A most enjoyable book about [Muslim women]--simple, dignified, human, colorful, sad and humble as the life they lead." --Muhsin Mahdi, Jewett Professor of Arabic Literature, Harvard University.

Book and 4 CDs. Dubai, a name mentioned in the same breath as Hong Kong and Singapore. Dubai, the extravagant commercial and trade centre of the Near East, the hub for goods, finances and service. Of course, Dubai is also mainly known for its many spectacular construction projects. From the famous landmark of the city, the Burj al Arab, one of the most luxurious hotels of the world, to Emirates Tower, Palm Islands, Hydropolis, the first underwater hotel offering more than one room, to World Dubai, the Dubai Mall, and finally several leisure parks and attractions. Music CDs: Another aspect of the variety of the Arab world. From

tradition to contemporary.

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The attacks of September 11, 2001, were a calamity on a scale few had imagined possible. In their aftermath, we exaggerated the men who perpetrated the attacks, shaping hasty and often mistaken reporting into caricatures we could comprehend -- monsters and master criminals equal to the enormity of their crime. In reality, the 9/11 hijackers were unexceptional men, not much different from countless others. It is this ordinary enemy, not the caricature, that we must understand if we are to have a legitimate hope of defeating terrorism. Using research undertaken in twenty countries on four continents, Los Angeles Times correspondent Terry McDermott provides gripping, authoritative portraits of the main players in the 9/11 plot. With brilliant reporting and thoughtful analysis, McDermott brings us a clearer, more nuanced, and in some ways more frightening, understanding of the landmark event of our time.

City-making is an art, not a formula. The skills required to re-enchant the city are far wider than the conventional ones like architecture, engineering and land-use planning. There is no simplistic, ten-point plan, but strong principles can help send good city-making on its way. The vision for 21st century cities must be to be the most imaginative cities for the world rather than in the world. This one change of word - from 'in' to 'for' - gives city-making an ethical foundation and value base. It helps cities become places of solidarity where the relations between the individual, the group, outsiders to the city and the planet are in better alignment. Following the widespread success of *The Creative City*, this new book, aided by international case studies, explains how to reassess urban potential so that cities can strengthen their identity and adapt to the changing global terms of trade and mass migration. It explores the deeper fault-lines, paradoxes and strategic dilemmas that make creating the 'good city' so difficult.

Opportunity Dubai is the autobiographical account of a real-life business adventure in the modern city of Dubai. The author was a financial journalist in the city before deciding to join the internet revolution in 2000 by establishing the financial information website AME Info (www.ameinfo.com). However, this book is far more than the story of a relatively small business and its success (albeit a business that became a resource now used by millions of readers and sold for a multi-million dollar fortune in 2006). It is also an inside track on what is happening in modern Dubai, the focal point of hundreds of billions of dollars of investment, and a city whose GDP has quadrupled in a decade, outperforming any other in the world, including China. The author charts the progress of Dubai in the 2000s and setbacks such as the Second Gulf War and 9/11, which actually proved the source of a remarkable injection of repatriated capital into the increasingly ambitious projects of the Maktoum family under the leadership of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. Perhaps, as the trading hub of the Middle East, it should be no surprise that Dubai has been able to capitalise greatly on the Third Oil Boom. But Sheikh Mohammed's restless business vision never stands still. He created the Dubai Internet City in late 1999, just in time in fact to give the author of this book a dedicated free zone with 100 per cent ownership for his small business. And other developments such as the Burj Dubai and The World Islands proceed at an amazing pace. *Opportunity Dubai* asks where this is all leading to and whether it can be sustained. However, the author's own experience of prospering from the opportunities presented by this incredible city point in a positive direction; and many of his insights will benefit anybody thinking of joining this adventure, whether doing business in Dubai, buying a home there, or just taking up a job as an expatriate.

Herve Jaubert is a former french naval officer and marine engineer who served as a covert operative for the french secret service. In 2004, Dubai government offered a partnership to develop a submarine manufacturing company in Dubai. Unfortunately, due to a corrupt system and egomaniacal leaders, he became a scapegoat and victim of extortion, he was threatened with police torture, and eventually found himself under house arrest in Dubai with no passport. Using the skills he had developed as a spy for the counter espionage service, he escaped in 2008 in dinghy and sailed to India. *Escape from Dubai* is the real life account of his misadventures, from his first meeting with Dubai officials, to his lawsuit in Florida after Dubai officials found out he had escaped and was publishing his story.

A re-examination of the historical development of urban identity and community along the Swahili Coast.

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