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World economics and the industrial environment has recently created a fertile ground for the creation of new enterprises and start-ups. This book skilfully identifies the challenges of building a new business venture from an idea to a marketable product. It highlights • Robust methods for keeping up with innovation; • Designing new ways to grow, improve and market your product; and • Managing the changes in the business environment, market dynamics and other uncertainties. The volume is rich with examples and case studies of many small and large businesses. It further reflects on the business and entrepreneurship ecosystem, the challenges and opportunities in India, entrepreneurship and women, e-commerce, the new generation of entrepreneurs, and exit strategies for entrepreneurs. An essential guide for entrepreneurs and professionals working in business management and marketing communications, as well as scholars of business administration and financial sciences, this book by an industry expert offers many new and practiced approaches, examples and lessons for innovative thinking and breaking new ground in business.

SELF-MADE IS A TRULY DEFINITIVE GUIDE; A 'GO-TO' BOOK FOR ALL ENTREPRENEURS AT ANY STAGE OF BUSINESS. This authoritative, focused guide by two of the UK's brightest young entrepreneurs - The Apprentice runner-up, Bianca Miller and serial entrepreneur, Byron Cole - is a comprehensive toolkit for anyone who wants to make a success of running their own business.

Featuring interviews with well known entrepreneurs, entertainers and industry experts, the book covers every tier of the business development process, from start-up to exit, offering practical, implementable and global advice on the start up process. De-coding the jargon that is prevalent in business circles today, this book provides straightforward advice on converting an innovative business concept into a commercially viable proposition. It will help you to avoid the costly common mistakes of many who have gone before you, and create a sustainable enterprise that will flourish. Read Self Made and run your own business without fear of failure.

The Business-IT Wall Must Come Down. With A Seat at the Table, thought leader Mark Schwartz pulled out a chair for CIOs at the C-suite table. Now Mark brings his unique perspective and experience to business leaders looking to lead their company into the digital age by harnessing the expertise and innovation that is already under their roof: IT. In the war for business supremacy, Schwartz shows we must throw out the old management models and stereotypes that pit suits against nerds. Instead, business leaders of today can foster a space of collaboration and shared mission, a space that puts technologists and business people on the same team. For business leaders looking to unlock their enterprise's digital transformation, *War and Peace and IT* provides clear context and strategies. Schwartz demystifies the role IT plays in the modern enterprise,

allowing business leaders to create new strategies for the new digital battleground. It is time to change not only the enterprise's relationship with technology, but its relationship with technologists. To accelerate, enterprises must bring technology to the heart of their work, for just as technology is causing this disruption, it is technology that provides the solution. Unlike Napoleon, it is time for business leaders to come down from the hill atop the Battle of Borodino and enter the fray with the technologists, for that is where the war will be won or lost.

Many organizations are embracing knowledge management as a source of strategic advantage. But already people are asking: "what comes next?" Likewise almost every large organization is heavily involved in e-commerce and turning their organizations into e-businesses. At the moment most e-commerce is focused on selling traditional products and services through the new medium of the Internet. However, the more an organization evolves into an e-business, the more they can exploit knowledge flows between themselves and their marketplace. This book draws together the two strands of knowledge and e-business into the emerging field that this book has called k-business. A k-business is one that turns an organization's knowledge assets into knowledge products and services and uses the Internet to market and deliver them online. Despite its newness, the Delphi Group have forecast that within 5 years person-to-person information e-commerce (a major aspect of k-business) will be a \$5 billion business leveraging \$50 billion in sales of other products and services. Capitalizing on Knowledge aims to give professionals and managers early insights into how to develop successful k-businesses. It takes a critical and balanced view of the building blocks of a k-business including knowledge productizing, e-commerce enablers and Internet marketing. It draws on lessons from successes and failures in the dot.com landscape and of the early pioneers of knowledge markets. The writing style engenders interest and readability supported by diagrams, screen images, check lists and frameworks. There are 'points to ponder' to stimulate thinking and decision-making. Five case studies and over 50 illustrative examples provide insights into the application of the book's concepts. No other book brings all the elements of a k-business together in one place to provide a thought provoking yet practical companion for those who want to capitalize on their knowledge.

The Founder's Dilemmas examines how early decisions by entrepreneurs can make or break a startup and its team. Drawing on a decade of research, including quantitative data on almost ten thousand founders as well as inside stories of founders like Evan Williams of Twitter and Tim Westergren of Pandora, Noam Wasserman reveals the common pitfalls founders face and how to avoid them.

Fons Trompenaars, author of global business bestseller "Riding the Waves of Culture: Understanding Cultural Diversity in Business", delivers a dynamic new take on creativity and innovation. A recent survey of global CEOs found that

leaders in every industry and in every part of the world are emerging from a period of retrenchment and moving

Bruce Greenwald, one of the nation's leading business professors, presents a new and simplified approach to strategy that cuts through much of the fog that has surrounded the subject. Based on his hugely popular course at Columbia Business School, Greenwald and his coauthor, Judd Kahn, offer an easy-to-follow method for understanding the competitive structure of your industry and developing an appropriate strategy for your specific position. Over the last two decades, the conventional approach to strategy has become frustratingly complex. It's easy to get lost in a sophisticated model of your competitors, suppliers, buyers, substitutes, and other players, while losing sight of the big question: Are there barriers to entry that allow you to do things that other firms cannot?

India is home to nearly a fifth of the global population, yet it contributes less than 4% of global GDP. The asymmetry between Gross and Per Capita GDP itself speaks volumes about the failure of the Indian State to ensure an equitable share of opportunities and provide structural enablement across the population. Human Capital deficiencies, such as skill-gaps viz-a-viz emerging technologies, low economic empowerment and rampant inequity douse the aspirations of the youth. In this milieu, digital technologies provide both challenges and opportunities for capacity building and upward social and economic mobility. India's transformation to an upper-middle-income economy depends on our ability to effectively leverage the four E's of development, namely Education, Electronics, Enterprise and Empowerment. Transformational Technologies introduces readers to a diverse range of disruptive technologies and highlights the enormous scope for ideation and action in enterprise, governance and academics.

An essential guide to building supportive entrepreneurial communities "Startup communities" are popping up everywhere, from cities like Boulder to Boston and even in countries such as Iceland. These types of entrepreneurial ecosystems are driving innovation and small business energy. Startup Communities documents the buzz, strategy, long-term perspective, and dynamics of building communities of entrepreneurs who can feed off of each other's talent, creativity, and support. Based on more than twenty years of Boulder-based entrepreneur-turned-venture capitalist Brad Feld's experience in the field, as well as contributions from other innovative startup communities, this reliable resource skillfully explores what it takes to create an entrepreneurial community in any city, at any time. Along the way, it offers valuable insights into increasing the breadth and depth of the entrepreneurial ecosystem by multiplying connections among entrepreneurs and mentors, improving access to entrepreneurial education, and much more. Details the four critical principles needed to form a sustainable startup community Perfect for entrepreneurs and venture capitalists seeking fresh ideas and new opportunities Written by Brad Feld, a thought-leader in this field who has been an

early-stage investor and successful entrepreneur for more than twenty years. Engaging and informative, this practical guide not only shows you how startup communities work, but it also shows you how to make them work anywhere in the world.

Find out where the new innovation hot spots are, what the next consumer waves will be, and where to catch them. Asia's innovation hot spots are fast emerging as first-choice destinations for bright, young entrepreneurs. From Taiwan to Singapore, technology center hubs are forming to rival the original Silicon Valley. Startup Asia gives you a close-up view into the key growth trends shaping entrepreneurship in China and India, plus the new frontier market of Vietnam. Showing how entrepreneurs and investors can start up in Asia and go global, the book provides a first-hand, on-the-ground tour of the new technology centers that are gaining momentum all over Asia. Interviews with the most successful venture capitalists and entrepreneurs reveal their winning strategies and show how a new generation of entrepreneurs in China and India are no longer looking to the West for their cues—but are instead crafting their own local business models and success strategies. Shows entrepreneurs and investors how they can pursue their dreams of launching successful start-ups in Asia. Reveals that many of the same venture investors that first funded young businesses in Silicon Valley moved into China, then India, and are now finding their way to Vietnam. Addresses the risks of doing business in Asia's developing markets, including lack of intellectual property protection, political and regulatory shifts, bribery, and corruption. From high-profile Forbes contributor Rebecca Fannin, Startup Asia is the essential guide for anyone looking to trek into this new frontier.

The definitive compendium for the Insurance Digital Revolution. From slow beginnings in 2014, InsurTech has captured US\$7 billion in investment since 2010 — a 10% annual compound growth rate is predicted until at least 2020. Three in four insurance companies believe some part of their business is at risk of disruption and understanding the trends, drivers and emerging technologies behind Insurance's Digital Revolution is a business-critical priority for all growth-minded firms. The InsurTech Book offers essential updates, critical thinking and actionable insight — globally — from start-ups, incumbents, investors, tech companies, advisors and other partners in this evolving ecosystem, in one volume. For some, Insurance is either facing an existential threat; for others, it is a sector on the brink of transforming itself. Either way, business models, value chains, customer understanding and engagement, organisational structures and even what Insurance is for, is never going to be the same. Be informed, be part of it. Learn from diverse experiences, mindsets and applications of technologies. Discover new ways of defining and grasping growth opportunities. Get the inside track from innovators, disruptors and incumbents. Be updated on the evolution of InsurTech, why it is happening and how it will evolve. Explore visions of the future of Insurance to help shape yours. The InsurTech Book is your indispensable guide to a sector in transformation.

Investment and portfolio strategies are some of the most exciting topics in finance. This book presents the most up-to-date topics and techniques in finance to facilitate the investment process for researchers and investors in selecting appropriate investment strategies with the emergence of new issues and concepts in financial areas. This book contains nine chapters divided into three sections: The first section, "Investment and Portfolio Strategies," discusses different investment strategies in portfolio selection. The second section, "Behavioral Finance and Investment Decisions," examines the application of behavioral finance in investment decisions. The last section, "Emerging New Trends in Finance," includes some new and interesting finance topics that can depict our vision for the future arena of finance.

Entrepreneur's guide for starting and growing a business to a public listing
Practical advice from some of today's top early stage investors and entrepreneurs
TechStars is a mentorship-driven startup accelerator with operations in three U.S. cities. Once a year in each city, it funds about ten Internet startups with a small amount of capital and surrounds them with around fifty top Internet entrepreneurs and investors. Historically, about seventy-five percent of the companies that go through TechStars raise a meaningful amount of angel or venture capital. Do More Faster: TechStars Lessons to Accelerate Your Startup is a collection of advice that comes from individuals who have passed through, or are part of, this proven program. Each vignette is an exploration of information often heard during the TechStars program and provides practical insights into early stage entrepreneurship. Contains seven sections, each focusing on a major theme within the TechStars program, including idea and vision, fundraising, legal and structure, and work/life balance
Created by two highly regarded experts in the world of early stage investing
Essays in each section come from the experienced author team as well as TechStar mentors, entrepreneurs, and founders of companies
While you'll ultimately have to make your own decisions about what's right for your business, Do More Faster: TechStars Lessons to Accelerate Your Startup can get your entrepreneurial endeavor headed in the right direction.

Showing how entrepreneurs and investors can start up in Asia and go global, the book provides a first-hand, on-the-ground tour of the new technology centers that are gaining momentum all over Asia. Interviews with the most successful venture capitalists and entrepreneurs reveal their winning strategies and show how a new generation of entrepreneurs in China and India are no longer looking to the West for their cues - but are instead crafting their own local business models and success strategies.

The need for the creation of an enabling political, legal and economic environment for women within Turkey is rising. A growing concern is shown at the ethnic divisions and local discrimination against women, which have spilled over into the labor market. This book lends a supporting voice to the economic and social empowerment of women globally, focusing on the real causes and the

unpredictable nature of the ongoing conflicts surrounding the issue. The authors bring to the forefront problems of development within various regions and the implementation of projects, which address the state of women, inequality and risks, that are inimical to their participation in the economy. Emphasis is laid on why women should be permitted access to the many opportunities in information technology and exchange, partnership growth and networking in this digital era. The oppressive policies of Turkey are scrutinized to unravel the dangers they pose to the corporate existence of women in the modern world. Furthermore, this book centers on the deliberation on regional politics and issues on gender and women's empowerment in modern Turkey whilst comparing with other countries. The work sheds light on salient issues and possible remedies within target countries and the concerted efforts made to create a reliable structure to discuss gender conflicts. Ample contributions from countries such as the US, Germany, Serbia, South Africa and United Kingdom are pivotal to comparing and examining the main debates. Addressing several global gender-related examples as well as Turkey's national principles, this book encourages full involvement of women and girls in deciding the fate of their country. This book serves as the rallying point of an array of informative and mind-expanding works of literature in regional studies, gender studies, migration economy, and area studies in countries like Turkey, USA, Serbia, UK, and India. Experts, students, and readers in the academic sphere may find this work educative and intellectually fulfilling.

FinTech and the Remaking of Financial Institutions explores the transformative potential of new entrants and innovations on business models. In its survey and analysis of FinTech, the book addresses current and future states of money and banking. It provides broad contexts for understanding financial services, products, technology, regulations and social considerations. The book shows how FinTech has evolved and will drive the future of financial services, while other FinTech books concentrate on particular solutions and adopt perspectives of individual users, companies and investors. It sheds new light on disruption, innovation and opportunity by placing the financial technology revolution in larger contexts. Presents case studies that depict the problems, solutions and opportunities associated with FinTech Provides global coverage of FinTech ventures and regulatory guidelines Analyzes FinTech's social aspects and its potential for spreading to new areas in banking Sheds new light on disruption, innovation and opportunity by placing the financial technology revolution in larger contexts

This open access book presents a comprehensive and up-to-date collection of knowledge on the state of crowdfunding research and practice. It considers crowdfunding models and their different manifestations across a variety of geographies and sectors, and explores the perspectives of fundraisers, backers, platforms, and regulators. Gathering insights from a wide range of influential researchers in the field, the book balances concepts, theory, and case studies. Going beyond previous research on crowdfunding, the contributors also investigate issues of community, sustainability, education, and ethics. A vital resource for anyone researching crowdfunding, this book offers readers a deep understanding of the characteristics, business models, user-

relations, and behavioural patterns of crowdfunding.

In *Build the Fort*, Heivly breaks down his personal fort-building experiences and uses them as an analogy to his journey as co-founder of MapQuest as well as The Startup Factory (a seed-stage investor & mentorship program). *Build the Fort* outlines five basic elements that are common to both fort-building and startups: * Socializing Your Idea without fear or inhibition, * Identifying and Marshaling the People You Trust, * Gathering the Minimal Resources Closest To You, * Acting on the Smallest and Simplest of the Idea, and * Build the Fort. Whether you are 16 or 60, *Build The Fort* will provide the reader a better understanding of the earliest micro-steps of starting your own business by overlaying Chris's 30 years of experiences in startups, investments, big-company intrapreneurship and community development.

Accelerators can be powerful tools to build and transform businesses in a short period of time, which is why they have spread like wildfire in the corporate world. *Designing the Successful Corporate Accelerator* gives readers the tools to design, create, and manage successful corporate accelerators that achieve results time and time again. Authors Jules Miller and Jeremy Kagan are seasoned professionals in this space, and combine global market research, interviews with accelerator leaders, and their own experience launching and running accelerators to share what works—and what doesn't. The first half of the book takes a broader look at corporate innovation as a whole and how accelerators fit in, then the second half offers practical advice for how to launch, run, and manage world-class accelerator programs. Perfect for executives, employees, founders, investors, intrapreneurs, and entrepreneurs, *Designing the Successful Corporate Accelerator* is a practical guidebook for anyone with a passion for corporate innovation and entrepreneurship.

"Aswath Damodaran is simply the best valuation teacher around. If you are interested in the theory or practice of valuation, you should have Damodaran on *Valuation* on your bookshelf. You can bet that I do." -- Michael J. Mauboussin, Chief Investment Strategist, Legg Mason Capital Management and author of *More Than You Know: Finding Financial Wisdom in Unconventional Places* In order to be a successful CEO, corporate strategist, or analyst, understanding the valuation process is a necessity. The second edition of *Damodaran on Valuation* stands out as the most reliable book for answering many of today's critical valuation questions. Completely revised and updated, this edition is the ideal book on valuation for CEOs and corporate strategists. You'll gain an understanding of the vitality of today's valuation models and develop the acumen needed for the most complex and subtle valuation scenarios you will face. This collection of expert articles explores the development drivers of new technology-based firms and projects. It provides perspectives for an in-depth understanding of how technological inventions lead to the creation of new and sustainable companies or business units. The authors address methods and concepts that help technology-based start-ups and entrepreneurial projects successfully develop innovative products and services.

Stories of vision and conviction, passion and persistence, struggles and setbacks of six individuals behind the startups that became major players in their domain.

Entrepreneurs ? from the Hindi heartland to Ivy League B-Schools and a college drop-out ? who were convinced that their ideas offered a better value proposition than all existing products and services. Uncommon stories of common individuals. These are

no super heroes or geniuses or heirs of super rich families or the 'lucky ones', rather they are the men who made mistakes, suffered deceit and setbacks, and fought against all odds to come up triumphant. Each of the stories is from a different field and presents a different face, yet the soul remains the same - ability to make things happen.

Conviction, passion, willingness to take risks, hard work, perseverance, and team building remain the underlying thread in each story. "What makes this book good is that the stories are not about business heirs, but about common people who took a risk, made a start and reached their goals." — Hindustan Times ?? "The authors have presented six inspirational stories in an episodic format. The narrative moves like cinematic shots from one stage to another, from one struggle to another to the final victory." — The Tribune

Demand for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in Malaysia has been growing extensively, involving various involvement from industry and academia. Research related to the improvement of TVET in Malaysia, as well as the sustainability of TVET especially in the Industrial Revolution 4.0 era are among the topics of interest presented in this book. The input from this research provides better insight on the current situation of TVET in Malaysia as a whole, opening up various research fields to be explored in the future by other researchers. The development of education on an international level has sparked the idea for educators and academia to find solutions on issues of education relevant to the 21st century, hence this book shares the strategies and efforts needed to strengthen the education in various regions and make sure it is on par with education in developed countries.

Don't you think it would have been great if someone whom you trust could be with you from the very first day of your entrepreneurial journey? Finance is regarded as the lifeblood of business, and believe me, with every passing milestone of your business, you will realize this fact even better. This book shall prove to be a long-term knowledge partner in your growth trajectory. Small and medium businesses (SMEs) always face difficulties, at least, in the initial one to three years to have a full-time finance resource to bounce off your idea, process and vision. This book will always be there as your financial advisor as and when you need it most.

øLarge organizations are seen to be struggling to keep up with today's fast changing market and technological developments. However, an increasing number of firms have started to engage in corporate venturing as a way to enhance their inno

IS YOUR COMPANY 'INVESTOR READY'? Getting investment is tough.

Competition is fierce. There are new start-ups around every corner fighting for their slice of the pie. In this book, Julie Barber shares her proven six-step process to showcase your company at its best and wow your potential investors. The six Investor Ready steps outlined in this book will enable you to: - Communicate your company Vision to investors - Ensure the Structure and Scalability of your start-up supports your Vision - Prove your Market fit and impact - Provide business Numbers that give investors confidence - Build your ideal Investor Profile and find investors who match it - Create a Pitch and Business Plan that will wow potential

investors

This book responds to the growing demand for a scientific approach to the concept of startups, which are a manifestation of the digital revolution and an innovation-driven economy. With a focus on digital enterprises, the author presents empirical research carried out over 4 years in collaboration with the Startup Poland Foundation, and provides a developed universal definition of a startup. This book highlights the necessity of a clear definition, in order for startups to be treated as a permanent economic phenomenon, rather than a temporary whim. Addressing the crucial need for an effective startup management methodology and more education on this form of entrepreneurship, *Digital Startups in Transition Economies* offers guidance for those researching entrepreneurship and innovation, as well as entrepreneurs, public institutions, startup accelerators and technology transfer centres.

The definitive playbook by the pioneers of Growth Hacking, one of the hottest business methodologies in Silicon Valley and beyond. It seems hard to believe today, but there was a time when Airbnb was the best-kept secret of travel hackers and couch surfers, Pinterest was a niche web site frequented only by bakers and crafters, LinkedIn was an exclusive network for C-suite executives and top-level recruiters, Facebook was MySpace's sorry step-brother, and Uber was a scrappy upstart that didn't stand a chance against the Goliath that was New York City Yellow Cabs. So how did these companies grow from these humble beginnings into the powerhouses they are today? Contrary to popular belief, they didn't explode to massive worldwide popularity simply by building a great product then crossing their fingers and hoping it would catch on. There was a studied, carefully implemented methodology behind these companies' extraordinary rise. That methodology is called Growth Hacking, and its practitioners include not just today's hottest start-ups, but also companies like IBM, Walmart, and Microsoft as well as the millions of entrepreneurs, marketers, managers and executives who make up the community of Growth Hackers. Think of the Growth Hacking methodology as doing for market-share growth what Lean Start-Up did for product development, and Scrum did for productivity. It involves cross-functional teams and rapid-tempo testing and iteration that focuses customers: attaining them, retaining them, engaging them, and motivating them to come back and buy more. An accessible and practical toolkit that teams and companies in all industries can use to increase their customer base and market share, this book walks readers through the process of creating and executing their own custom-made growth hacking strategy. It is a must read for any marketer, entrepreneur, innovator or manager looking to replace wasteful big bets and "spaghetti-on-the-wall" approaches with more consistent, replicable, cost-effective, and data-driven results.

As the Internet has matured in technology and reach, we have seen an explosion in tech startups all over the world. Not only are some of these startups changing the world and how we live in it, they are also proving to be the engines of job

creation—an aspect that will be critical in the future. To support these startups, new ecosystems are popping up all over the globe to help grow these companies, aided by governments, successful entrepreneurs, and venture capitalists. In *Startup Capitals*, Zafar Anjum brings you a ringside view from the world's top ten startup cities of the world. Well-researched and highly insightful, this book lays bare the engines of innovation and the lessons that can be learnt from these burgeoning startup capitals.

Timely, practical, comprehensive manual for financing entrepreneurial ventures, with a strong European perspective.

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Make the leap and become an entrepreneur today Are you living for the weekend? Are you dissatisfied at work? Are you itching to do something that is important to you? How can you avoid the pitfalls that many first-time entrepreneurs have fallen into? How do you explore whether entrepreneurship is right for you without giving up your day job? *Employee to Entrepreneur* is your guide to leaving your job behind and building something for yourself. Author and employee-turned-entrepreneur Steve Glaveski, shows you how to navigate the challenges, find the entrepreneurial success that is right for you and become a better person along the way. *Employee to Entrepreneur* combines storytelling with a step-by-step framework to teach you how to effectively explore and leverage entrepreneurship to gain freedom, fulfillment and financial security. understand what you want to do by first understanding yourself explore if entrepreneurship is right for you without giving up your day job avoid the common pitfalls faced by first-time entrepreneurs fund, test and prioritise your ideas in a fast and cost-effective way develop the mindset to succeed in your business. If you're ready to leave your cushy employee life behind and build a business and a life you believe in, reading this essential guidebook is your first step to making it happen.

The book focuses on smart computing for crowdfunding usage, looking at the crowdfunding landscape, e.g., reward-, donation-, equity-, P2P-based and the crowdfunding ecosystem, e.g., regulator, asker, backer, investor, and operator. The increased complexity of fund raising scenario, driven by the broad economic environment as well as the need for using alternative funding sources, has sparked research in smart computing techniques. Covering a wide range of detailed topics, the authors of this book offer an outstanding overview of the current state of the art; providing deep insights into smart computing methods, tools, and their applications in crowdfunding; exploring the importance of smart analysis, prediction, and decision-making within the fintech industry. This book is intended to be an authoritative and valuable resource for professional practitioners and researchers alike, as well as finance engineering, and computer science students who are interested in crowdfunding and other emerging fintech

topics.

Turn cyber intelligence into meaningful business decisions and reduce losses from cyber events Cyber Intelligence-Driven Risk provides a solution to one of the most pressing issues that executives and risk managers face: How can we weave information security into our business decisions to minimize overall business risk? In today's complex digital landscape, business decisions and cyber event responses have implications for information security that high-level actors may be unable to foresee. What we need is a cybersecurity command center capable of delivering, not just data, but concise, meaningful interpretations that allow us to make informed decisions. Building, buying, or outsourcing a CI-DR™ program is the answer. In his work with executives at leading financial organizations and with the U.S. military, author Richard O. Moore III has tested and proven this next-level approach to Intelligence and Risk. This book is a guide to: Building, buying, or outsourcing a cyber intelligence–driven risk program Understanding the functional capabilities needed to sustain the program Using cyber intelligence to support Enterprise Risk Management Reducing loss from cyber events by building new organizational capacities Supporting mergers and acquisitions with predictive analytics Each function of a well-designed cyber intelligence-driven risk program can support informed business decisions in the era of increased complexity and emergent cyber threats.

Commercial Due Diligence (CDD) is about telling the difference between superior businesses and poor businesses, which is why this book is a mixture of business strategy, marketing analysis and market research. However CDD is not about the bland application of analytical techniques, it's about understanding how businesses and markets work and what is really important for profits and growth. Commercial Due Diligence is written by someone with over 25 years' experience of practical strategic analysis who nonetheless has a strong academic grounding. For the first time here is a book that deals with the essentials of strategic analysis with the practitioner's eye. If you are in the business of formulating company strategy, and you want to see how to apply the theories and understand in practical terms what works, when, and what can go wrong, this is the book for you.

Citing a small percentage of startup companies that survive their first year, a guide based on new research with 350 companies and numerous business leaders and investors explains why most startups fail while identifying nine key factors that enable success. 30,000 first printing.

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