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This research handbook provides a comprehensive, integrative, and authoritative resource on the main strategic management issues for companies within the e-business context. It covers an extensive set of topics, dealing with the major issues which articulate the e-business framework from a business perspective. The handbook is divided into the following e-business related parts: background; evolved strategic framework for the management of companies; key business processes, areas and activities; and, finally, emerging issues, trends and opportunities, with special attention to diverse Social Web-related implications. The articles are varied, timely and present high-quality research; many of these unique contributions will be especially valued and influential for business scholars and professionals interested in e-business. Many of the contributors are outstanding business scholars who are or have been editors-in-chief of top-ranked management and business journals or have made significant contributions to the development of their respective fields. Explains how companies must pinpoint business strategies to a few critically important choices, identifying common blunders while outlining simple exercises and questions that can guide day-to-day and long-term decisions.

We live in an exciting time. Technology, globalization and demographic shifts provide new potential for personal and business success. Yet, research tells that only 30% of our attempts to implement change succeed amid the turbulence we encounter both within and outside today's organizations. We need new ways of thinking and doing if we are to turn potential into performance. *Managing at the Leading Edge* provides a new evidence-based roadmap for leadership success in a dynamic context. *Managing at the Leading Edge* highlights lessons from the navigation and piloting practices used in high performing sailing. In the contemporary "white water" business environment, as at sea, achieving goals requires choosing a destination amidst uncertainty, adjusting to continually shifting conditions, converting the push and pull of environmental forces into momentum and using different skills at different times to negotiate hazards and achieve success. Easy-to-grasp and recall, this book proposes a framework of leadership with a dual focus on navigating and piloting. This framework is supported by new evidence-based insights about personal and organizational high performance. Systematic comparisons of high performing leaders and organizations with leaders and organizations that have not yet achieved this distinction illustrate how the principles of navigation and piloting apply. This research featured surveys of over 1,000 senior and mid-level leaders, the results of over a 100 interviews and the author's extensive consultation experience with a host of leaders and organizations. Through case studies, discussion of relevant research, practical tools and templates, *Managing at the Leading Edge* will help you learn:

- The critical tasks of leader navigating and piloting that lead to successful business change
- Leadership skills through which the critical tasks of navigating and

piloting are successfully executed including accountability, influence, problem solving agility and engagement • Strategies and tactics for managing points along a strategic initiative's leading edge through with resistance to change is converted into momentum and progress • The critical hand-offs between the navigating and piloting functions and these functions drive change at the leading edge as synchronized system of high performance leadership • Leadership practices that create organizational high performance Armed with leadership capabilities of high performance navigating and piloting you will be able to recognize and act on opportunities for enhanced leadership impact and achieve results that matter for you, your peers and your organization.

'This is a very business-like book in its approach. It has an impressive global reach in its authorship, focal areas and use of evidence; it hits all the major practical challenges of family firms in a spirit that is fresh and current; and it deals with the cutting-edge themes and issues that are uppermost in the minds of owners, executives, advisors and researchers in the field.' – Nigel Nicholson, London Business School, author, *Managing the Human Animal*, *Family Wars* and *The 'I' of Leadership* Acclaim for the first edition: 'The authors have taken a lot of pain in putting this handbook together. As the name indicates, this is an excellent handbook for researchers.' – *Global Business Review* 'The Handbook of Research on Family Business has collected and synthesized a broad variety of topics by notable researchers who share a common dedication to family business research. This Handbook provides a comprehensive treatment that advances the frontiers of knowledge in family business, provoking valuable thoughts and discussion. The Handbook will serve as both an authoritative and comprehensive reference work for researchers investigating family enterprises.' – A. Bakr Ibrahim, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada 'Although family business research is a young discipline it is both necessary and important. For the wellbeing and future development of our society the survival of prosperous and passionate family business entrepreneurs is indispensable. In order to help the families in business to better understand how to succeed with their enterprises we need qualified and updated research. This book is the answer!' – Hans-Jacob Bonnier, Bonnier Business Press Group, Sweden and 6th Generation Chairman of the Family Business Network – International 'This Handbook is a unique compilation of the most important and the best recent family business research. The field has grown so rapidly that this effort will be a mark for the research to follow. The Handbook of Research on Family Business will be the reference for scholars in family business for many years to come. It will also stimulate new ideas in research.' – John L. Ward, IMD, Switzerland and Northwestern University, US During the previous decade, the multi-disciplinary field of family business has advanced significantly in terms of advances in theory, development of sophisticated empirical instruments, systematic measurement of family business activity, use of alternative research methodologies and deployment of robust tools of analysis. This second edition of the Handbook of Research on Family Business presents

important research and conceptual developments across a broad range of topics. The contributors – notable researchers in the field – explore the frontiers of knowledge in family business entrepreneurship and stimulate critical thinking, enriching the repository of theoretical frameworks and methodologies. The Handbook takes a systematic and rigorous approach by providing in-depth insights into the dynamics of family business, its context and the significant role of stakeholders. Ultimately, this scholarly compendium of extant family business papers is an invaluable resource for researchers, educators, family business consultants, family business owner-managers and students.

This book addresses the fundamental issue: does the Chinese strategic mind have its own idiosyncrasies which differ considerably from those of the Western mind? It expounds and unravels the particular characteristics of the Chinese strategic mind: what they are, how they are evolved and what strategic implications they have. This book adopts a holistic approach to an analysis of Chinese strategic thinking, drawing upon the fields of literature (including the sources of both the Chinese and English languages), military studies, political science, history, sociology, psychology, philosophy, linguistics and business strategy. It combines a detailed consideration of these disciplines with a series of case studies to elucidate the formation, nature and crucial managerial implications of the idiosyncratic Chinese strategic mind.

Assembles leading theorists of a new paradigm of political theory, State Crimes Against Democracy , undertaking judicious and devoted hacking exposing the elusive nodes and circuitry that propagate elite dominance in world affairs, and what can be done to restore the demos to democracy.

Boost your performance with improved project management tactics Project Management ToolBox: Tools and Techniques for the Practicing Project Manager, Second Edition offers a succinct explanation of when, where, and how to use project management resources to enhance your work. With updated content that reflects key advances in the project management field, including planning, implementation, control, cost, and scheduling, this revised text offers added material that covers relevant topics, such as agility, change management, governance, reporting, and risk management. This comprehensive resource provides a contemporary set of tools, explaining each tool's purpose and intention, development, customization and variations, and benefits and disadvantages. Additionally, examples, tips, and milestone checks guide you through the application of these tools, helping you practically apply the information you learn. Effective project management can support a company in increasing market share, improving the quality of products, and enhancing customer service. With so many aspects of project management changing as the business world continues to evolve, it is critical that you stay up to date on the latest topics in this field. Explore emerging topics within the world of project management, keeping up to date on the latest, most relevant subject areas Leverage templates, exercises, and PowerPoint presentations to enhance your project management skills Discuss tips, reporting, implementation,

documentation, and other essentials of the project management field Consider how project management fits into various industries, including technology, construction, healthcare, and product development Project Management ToolBox: Tools and Techniques for the Practicing Project Manager, Second Edition is an essential resource for experienced project managers and project management students alike.

Now in its fourth edition, Strategy Synthesis takes a truly global perspective. Retaining the unique 'paradox' approach of the previous editions whereby a series of contrasting viewpoints are provided to invite student and professional discussion and debate, this new edition takes the approach one step further to acknowledge the developmental role which China and India have had in the business world, and includes strategic thinking philosophies from these countries. Unlike many other books on the subject, the philosophy at the heart of Bob de Wit's Strategy Synthesis text is that an understanding of the topic of strategy can only be gained by grappling with a wider diversity of insights from many prominent thinkers, and the clear recognition that there is no simple answer to the question of what strategy is. This new edition bridges West and East, North and South, with examples, short cases, quotes, and insights from around the globe. Change management and organizational development is unthinkable without people. Human beings form its core as both subjects and objects of change. This volume attempts to cut through to the core of change management, to the people that stand at its heart and focuses on their intrinsic role in change management and organizational development. Topics covered in this volume encompass the human element within organizational change, how this impacts roles, dynamics of team interaction and affects the workplace in teaching and learning settings. It also addresses resistance to institutional and organizational change and the central role that agile management plays in this process.

This book examines India-China relations throughout history as well as in the context of current business cooperation and competition. It also explores geo-political and societal factors, such as religion or class models, that influence and shape bilateral relations, and provides thorough analyses and comparisons of networks between the two countries. This book will appeal to researchers and graduate students interested in India-China relations as well as Chinese and Indian business ties.

Emerging economies are expected to be in the driver's seat of the global economy in the medium and long term. Large multinational corporations will account for much of this activity. In this textbook, Andrei Panibratov explains how emerging market firms accumulate and exploit market knowledge to develop competitive advantages whilst operating globally. Chapters dedicated to the key emerging economies - Brazil, Russia, India and China (BRIC) - are enhanced by detailed case studies of large firms' activities. The book is divided into four parts, focusing on the following: An outline of the relevant terminology and the context of the international strategy of emerging market firms, providing an introductory

foundation for the whole book. A guide to the evolution of perspectives regarding international strategy, designed to illustrate the changes and trends in the recent academic research on internationalization. A country-by-country illustration of the internationalization of BRIC economies and firms, providing an overall picture of each country's global integration, outward investments, and strategies. The concepts and practices behind the strategies employed by different firms. Written by an established international business scholar, this book is essential reading for students of international strategy who wish to understand the importance of the emerging economies.

This book provides an overarching framework for cumulating the knowledge in the strategy process field. Provides an overarching framework within which to review the strategy process field. Identifies useful areas in which new research contributions can be made. Helps in the appropriate design of this research. Includes ten papers written by both North American and European scholars. Part of the Strategic Management Society series.

Golf is big business around the world. With high profile series such as the PGA, LPGA and European tours to the re-introduction of golf to the Olympics at Rio 2016, golf occupies a prominent place in the global sport community. This is the first book to introduce the fundamentals of golf business and management from a truly international perspective, covering key topics such as media, club management, sponsorship and retail, at elite and non-elite levels. With sections exploring the development of golf on every continent, including North America, South America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia, this book presents the latest thinking on current issues in golf, ranging from sustainability and innovation to global governance. Each chapter incorporates helpful features for students including learning objectives, discussion questions, guides to further reading, recommended websites and insights from industry voices. This book is essential reading for students of any golf-related degree course or professional accreditation programme, and will also be of interest to those studying or working in sport business, sport management and sport tourism. Underpinned by up-to-date literature, golf researchers will also find the book a useful starting point.

Marketing Planning provides an overview of the essential elements of marketing planning with a particular emphasis on the components of the marketing planning process, whilst highlighting the three core themes of environment, strategy and context. The book features an innovative running case study which follows a company through the entire process of marketing planning, stage by stage and chapter by chapter, finishing with a completed marketing plan.

This is the most authoritative and complete guide to planning, implementing, measuring, and optimizing world-class supply chain order fulfillment and customer service processes. Straight from the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP), it brings together up-to-the-minute knowledge and best practices for all facets of order fulfillment and customer service process management, from initial customer inquiry through post sales service and support.

CSCMP and contributor Stanley Fawcett introduce crucial concepts ranging from customer order cycles to available-to-promise and supply chain RFID to global order capture networks. The Definitive Guide to Order Fulfillment and Customer Service imparts a deep understanding of each crucial process, helping readers optimize your most important customer contacts. Coverage includes: Basic concepts of order fulfillment and customer service, and their essential roles in meeting customer expectations Key elements and processes in order fulfillment and customer service, and interactions amongst them Principles and strategies for establishing efficient, effective, and sustainable order fulfillment and customer service processes The critical role of technology in managing order fulfillment and customer service processes Requirements and challenges of global order fulfillment and customer service processes Best practices for assessing the performance of order fulfillment and customer service processes using standard metrics and frameworks For all supply chain and operations managers, students, and other business professionals and decision-makers who are concerned with order fulfillment or customer service.

In this book, the fundamental differences of opinion within strategic management are not ignored or smoothed over. The authors carefully guide the students through the many, often conflicting, perspectives in the field of strategy, in order to help them become true strategic thinkers.

"This book illustrates, compares, and discusses models, perspectives, and approaches involved in the distribution, administration, and transmission of knowledge across organizations"--Provided by publisher.

Strategic management is challenging and dangerous. A complex web of differing theories and approaches, it continuously emerges and evolves. More intuitive than rational, it offers significant benefits if done well, potentially catastrophic results if done badly. Colin White's contemporary text reflects the challenges of formulating, implementing and monitoring strategy in practice, discussing theories and approaches in the context of real-world practice around the globe. By acknowledging the complex reality of strategy and presenting examples from a wide range of international organizations, this book will enable you to:

- Understand the challenges you will encounter when implementing strategy in practice.
- Develop your own strategic approaches and solutions to real-life situations and dilemmas.
- Acquire the latest thinking in this constantly developing subject.
- Appreciate the critical role of implementation, monitoring and risk within organizations.
- Consider the global nature of strategy for multinational corporations.

This text is accompanied by an extensive companion website for both students and lecturers. Visit www.palgrave.com/business/white for access to additional case studies, links to other sites, a searchable glossary of terms and a full complement of lecturer resources. COLIN WHITE is a Professor in the Graduate School of Management at La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia. The school, which he established, has an international reputation, with links to over 100 universities worldwide, and offers

teaching and training programs throughout Asia. Also available is a companion website with extra features to accompany the text, please take a look by clicking below - <http://www.palgrave.com/business/white/index.asp>

New core text for Managing Information modules examining the issue of information management from both a business and an IT perspective. Grounded in the theory, it takes a practical, problem-solving approach that provides students with tools and insights to understand how to formulate and implement information management strategies.

With stagnated demand in many home economies, the need to internationalize and exploit foreign market opportunities has never been more paramount for businesses to succeed at a global level. However, this process raises a number of questions, such as: can firms use their knowledge of one market in the next? Can firms pursue internationalization on several fronts at the same time? How should firms handle cultural and institutional differences between markets? This textbook provides students with the core research in international business and strategy, including organization, efficiency, external relationships and the challenges found in an increasingly multicultural world. Each part begins with a presentation of the issues and controversies faced in that particular area, followed by a synthesis of the research which provides avenues for future research. To facilitate and encourage further debate and learning, each part also includes at least one original case study. Compiled by two of the World's leading scholars of international business, and supplemented with critical commentaries and a range of integrative case studies, this comprehensive textbook provides advanced students of international business and strategy with a resource that will be invaluable in their studies and beyond.

Hospitality Experience offers students an exciting introduction to key aspects of hospitality management. The authors provide a refreshing focus on how hospitality experiences can be created and managed successfully. With a comprehensive overview of the hospitality industry, the textbook familiarizes students with the basics of hospitality management and offers analysis as well as cases and practical examples. Designed primarily for entry-level students at all levels, the book will also be of interest to professionals working in the business.

This book is concerned with strategy formulation issues in the relatively neglected field of entrepreneurial firms. It raises questions, such as what is the strategic role of entrepreneurship in small businesses? How does the top management in small firms perceive the processes associated with strategy formulation? How are business strategies formulated and implemented in SMEs and importantly, are there lessons that can be learnt by large corporations from the smaller ones? Using a sample covering a wide range of entrepreneurial firms in the UK, the author addresses the lack of strategic thinking in the management of small firms and provides recommendations for effective strategic management processes. Bob De Wit and Ron Meyer's innovative and extremely successful strategy text encourages critical and creative strategic

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The Seven Inconvenient Truths of Business Strategy is an antidote to a process of strategic planning that in many organizations is often sporadic, biased, poorly articulated and rarely implemented with total success. Drawing on a fundamental collection of definitive principles, the author offers a structure for strategizing; an indicator and explanation of strategic tools, and insights into collaborative techniques for carrying out the process successfully: formation, evaluation, alignment and implementation. It will help you ensure that your strategic process is always professional, relevant and timely. A case study, based on the story of Cadbury is woven through the chapters to provide a vibrant illustration of the value and application of the various techniques and processes described.

This book interweaves the theory of strategic management with the special requirements of Indian business environment. This fourth edition of the popular text in strategic management brings the current and updated content in the discipline in a lucid and reader-friendly manner. The content for this edition is thoroughly revised, rewritten, and updated with 36 cases (comprehensive and mini) of Indian organisations and companies. Salient Features: - New chapters dealing with sustainability in the context of strategic management, and methods of pursuing strategies. - Enhanced framework of strategy implementation in India - Learning objectives based content with new examples, illustrations and cases.

First in-depth analysis of broadband developments in Europe, combining qualitative and quantitative analysis, with chapter contributions provided by in-country experts.

The Growing Business Handbook is a superb reference tool for all businesses with growth potential, filled with invaluable insights and guidance from SME specialists in finance, HR, marketing, innovation, people and IT, as well as help on enterprise risk and useful legal advice. It is the reference source of choice to help you ensure and manage business growth, particularly in challenging economic conditions. Now in its 16th edition, this book looks at all the areas ripe for exploitation by your growing business and discusses ways you can manage the associated risks. It gives a comprehensive insight into the challenges involved in building a high-growth venture in 2015 and beyond.

Businesses often find themselves trapped in a competitive dogfight, scratching and clawing for market share with products consumers view as largely undifferentiated. Conventional wisdom suggests that dogfights are to be expected as marketplaces mature, giving rise to the notion that there are "bad" industries where it is unlikely that any company can succeed. But there are notable exceptions in which enlightened executives have changed the rules to grasp the holy grail of business: long-term profitable growth. Rather than joining the dogfights raging within their industry, companies such as Apple, FedEx, and Starbucks have chosen to become metaphorical cats, continuously renewing their

distinctive strategies to compete on their own terms. In *If You're in a Dogfight, Become a Cat*, Leonard Sherman draws on four decades of experience in management consulting, venture capital, and teaching business strategy at Columbia Business School to share practical advice on two of the most vexing issues facing business executives: why is it so hard to achieve long-term profitable growth, and what can companies do to break away from the pack? Sherman takes the reader on a provocative journey through the building blocks of business strategy by challenging conventional wisdom on a number of questions that will redefine management best practices: What should be the overarching purpose of your business? Do you really know what your strategy is? Is there such a thing as a bad industry? Where do great ideas come from and how do I find them? What makes products meaningfully different? What makes and breaks great brands? How and when should I disrupt my own company? What are the imperatives to achieving long-term profitable growth? Filled with dozens of illustrative examples of inspiring successes and dispiriting falls from grace, this book provides deep insights on how to become the cat in a dogfight, whether you are a CEO, mid-level manager, aspiring business school student, or curious observer interested in achieving sustained profitable growth.

Public relations is operating in an increasingly challenging and complex environment. Pressures from outside the organisation include new accountabilities, empowered stakeholders, increased public cynicism and a new communication landscape. Internally, there are increasing demands to demonstrate a return on investment, alongside a requirement to coach and counsel senior managers exposed to these environmental pressures. This context requires public relations professionals to be able to clearly articulate and demonstrate their own contribution to organisational effectiveness. This textbook provides public relations leaders with a framework to do this, as well as a checklist of essential capabilities which they must acquire and exhibit if they are to operate at the highest levels of any organisation. This short textbook is suitable for aspiring practitioners, MBA and other masters qualifications in public relations - especially for those students who wish to pursue a successful career as a professional PR specialist able to operate strategically at the top of successful organisations.

HR functions within both internal and external contexts. The understanding of both contexts is crucial for comprehending how and why they drive HR strategies and practices in organizations, as well as the rules and structures within which they work. Built around five major themes which impact upon the HR function, and mapping to the CIPD Level 7 Advanced module of the same name, *Human Resource Management in Context* enables students to understand the complex and changing organizational context in which HR operates today by providing a comprehensive breakdown of the concepts, theories and issues from globalization and government policy to demographic, social and technological trends. This fully updated 4th edition of *Human Resource Management in Context* includes a range of pedagogical features, balancing theory with practical analysis to form an engaging insight into the strategic side of HR. It includes enhanced emphasis on the impact of the external environment on the HR profession, a discussion of the impact of technology and social media, increased coverage of ethics and CSR and links to the HR Profession Map. Online supporting resources for lecturers include an instructor's manual, lecture slides, annotated web links and guidance for the chapter activities.

The second volume in the *Research in Management Consulting* series focuses on developing knowledge and value in management consulting. While there has been an exponential explosion in both the presence and role played by management consultants, the exact nature of their contribution —to client organizations, to our understanding of management and organization, to our comprehension of the increasingly complex dynamics associated with business in a global marketplace, and to the development of their own firms—remains ambiguous. Just as the business world is experiencing rapid and, at times, volatile change, the consulting industry itself is also facing

unprecedented change and challenge. Over the next decade, forecasts suggest a world of difference for management consulting, from different competitors and different types of projects and assignments, to different skill sets and different fee structures, to different client expectations.

Russian businesses in the post-Soviet period have been noted for their unusual, sometimes allegedly corrupt, business practices, and for their role in the enrichment of oligarchs. This book, which includes a wide range of case study examples, and which draws on the author's first-hand experience of running a Russian company, argues that a key to understanding contemporary Russian business is the importance of arbitrage, that is the ability to take advantage of price and cost differentials in different markets. The book argues that the conditions for such arbitrage advantages are often created by businesses which have special links to particular institutions; that arbitrage benefits are not available to all businesses in a sector, thereby providing unfair competitive advantages to some businesses; and that businesses' overall activities are often distorted by this system. The book includes an analysis of a wide range of different types of arbitrage activities in action. In the 21st century, advancements in the digital world are bringing about rapid waves of change in organizational management. As such, it is increasingly imperative to discover ways for businesses to adapt to changes in the markets and seize various digital marketing opportunities. *Improving Business Performance Through Innovation in the Digital Economy* is an essential reference source for the latest research on the impact of digital computing. It investigates new economic and entrepreneurial approaches to enhancing community development. Featuring research on topics such as business ethics, mobile technology, and cyber security, this book is ideally designed for knowledge workers, business managers, executives, entrepreneurs, small and medium enterprise managers, academicians, researchers, students, and global leaders seeking coverage on the management of sustainable enterprises.

Business model innovations are conceived and implemented by a special type of entrepreneur: business model pioneers. This book presents 14 compelling case studies of business model pioneers and their companies, who have successfully introduced new business ideas to the market. The examples range from industries such as retail, media and entertainment to services and industrial projects. For each example, the book provides information on the market environment at the time of launch and illustrates the driving forces behind these business models. Moreover, current market developments are highlighted and linked to the evolution of the business models. Lastly, the authors present the profile of a typical business model pioneer.

This handbook provides a comprehensive and unparalleled reference point for studying continuous business transformation. Asserting that change will be the new normal and highlighting the fact that business transformation can never be complete, this important resource is a tool for coping with ongoing change in order to become and stay resilient, the predominant concern of executives across industries. Containing case study material to illustrate issues and solutions, *The Palgrave Handbook of Managing Continuous Business Transformation* takes an interdisciplinary approach weaving together strategic concepts with real-life experiences, connecting human resource issues with shifts in information technology and linking customers with the businesses from which they buy. Structured into four parts; transformational shifts, achieving customer centricity, dealing with new technology and leading the change, this handbook is crucial reading for academics, scholars and practitioners of business transformation.

The book expounds the macro-level relationship between strategy, HRM, and performance, addressing important challenges that have constrained research and practice to date. Adopting a critical perspective, the first challenge is a narrow definition of

'performance' that has been largely driven by a managerialist, profit motive, with little regard for the human element. This book proposes adopting a more balanced approach towards measuring performance, encompassing both organizational financial performance as well as employee well-being. The second challenge is that HRM has largely been considered a universalistic phenomenon, rather than needing to be understood in the context in which an organization is operating. The book puts forward the argument for a more context-centric perspective, culminating in the development of the Contextual Strategic Human Resource Management Framework. The book emphasizes the importance of strategy, alignment, context, the role of actors, and a holistic conceptualisation of performance. Embedded in all chapters is a focus on achieving an appropriate balance between options, rather than providing a universalistic solution to all human resource management challenges.

It is difficult to overstate the importance of China to the world economy, and yet the majority of books either look at Chinese business by applying Western frameworks or models to the context of China or focus on a particular aspect of business in China. Authored by an academic expert on China, this new, completely revised edition of Chinese Business offers its readers a comprehensive and systematic body of knowledge of Chinese business. It has taken a holistic perspective, intending to achieve a balance between the academic and practical, between theory and practice and between traditional and current (Internet-based) industry. The framework of this book subsumes all the major factors that should be taken into consideration when Western companies contemplate a China strategy, including history, philosophy, ancient military classics, strategy and marketing, innovation, Internet business and human resources. The discussion of these factors is supplemented with insightful case studies. Chinese Business, Second Edition, can be used as a textbook for undergraduates and postgraduates at business schools and as a useful reference for researchers, senior executives, consultants and government officials involved in Chinese business.

StrategyProcess, Content, Context : an International Perspective Cengage Learning

Discussion on strategic management practices that have been applied in the South African steel industry, including theory on business rescue that was applied to turn around the industry

Superior program management begins with superior information and strategy Program Management for Improved Business Results, Second Edition is a practical guide to real-world program management, written to align with the rigorous PMI® PgMP® certification standards. The book explains the benchmarks and best practices that help shape a superior program manager, and provides case studies that illustrate the real-world application of management concepts. Written by a team composed of both industry professionals and academics, the book strikes a balance between theory and practice that facilitates understanding and better prepares candidates for the PgMP. Managers at all levels will learn the insights and techniques that are shaping modern management expectations. The Project Management Institute and the Product Development and Management Association both agree that program management is a critical element in the successful integration of business strategy and project management. The certification process is difficult, and few complete it – but demand for competent professionals is high. Program Management for Improved Business Results addresses this disconnect, preparing readers to fill the gaps and help businesses achieve the level

of program management integration required by professional organizations. Topics include: Aligning programs with business strategy Program planning, execution, and processes Management metrics and strategic and operational tools Roles, responsibilities, and core competencies The book focuses on both the macro and the micro levels, explaining the successful integration of business strategy with project portfolios as well as the managing of a single program. Case studies present both issue-oriented and comprehensive perspectives, and guidance includes real, actionable steps. For professionals seeking improved program outcomes, Program Management for Improved Business Results is a roadmap to exceptional management skills. (PMI and PgMP are registered marks of the Project Management Institute, Inc.)

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