

# **The Alibaba Way Unleashing Grass Roots Entrepreneurship To Build The Worlds Most Innovative Internet Company The Global Business Thought Leader Series**

A Wall Street Journal Bestseller Are You a Driver, an Explorer, a Crusader, or a Captain? Many factors shape the success or failure of a new business, whether it's a stand-alone startup or a venture inside a larger corporation. But the most important and least understood of these factors is the personality of the entrepreneur—the particular combination of beliefs and preferences that drives his or her motivation, decision making, and leadership style. And your builder personality is the one resource you can directly control in growing a business that wins. Simply put, who you are shapes how you build for growth. *Built for Growth* decodes the interplay between builder personality and new business success. Using a patented analytic methodology, authors Chris Kuenne and John Danner discovered four distinct types of highly successful entrepreneurial personalities—the Driver, the Explorer, the Crusader, and the Captain. Each is motivated, makes decisions, manages, and leads their businesses differently. Kuenne and Danner blend pioneering research and exclusive personal interviews to illustrate how each type handles the five dynamic challenges in building a business of lasting value: converting ideas into products, galvanizing individual talent for collaborative impact, transforming buyers into partners, aligning financial and other supporters, and scaling the business. With assessments and tools, including a brief Builder Personality quiz and in-depth

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profiles of each builder type, Built for Growth is the ultimate guide for how to play to your strengths, complement and compensate for your gaps, and build a successful business—from startup to scale-up. Its vivid stories and practical advice show how you can unlock the potential of your builder personality to shape your business, your team, and your ability to win in the marketplace. Please visit [builtforgrowthbook.com](http://builtforgrowthbook.com) to learn more and access the Builder Personality Discovery tool.

This fundamental guide on programmatic advertising explains in detail how automated, data-driven advertising really works in practice and how the right adoption leads to a competitive advantage for advertisers, agencies and media. The new way of planning, steering and measuring marketing may still appear complex and threatening but promising at once to most decision makers. This collaborative compendium combines proven experience and best practice in 22 articles written by 45 renowned experts from all around the globe. Among them Dr. Florian Heinemann/Project-A, Peter Würtenberger/Axel-Springer, Deirdre McGlashan/MediaCom, Dr. Marc Grether/Xaxis, Michael Lamb/MediaMath, Carolin Owen/IPG, Stefan Bardega/Zenith, Arun Kumar/Cadreon, Dr. Ralf Strauss/Marketingverband, Jonathan Becher/SAP and many more great minds.

The groundbreaking follow-up to the international bestseller a hands-on guide to putting McKinsey techniques to work in your organization McKinsey & Company is the most respected and most secretive consulting firm in the world, and business readers just can't seem to get enough of all things McKinsey. Now, hot on the heels of his acclaimed international bestseller The McKinsey Way, Ethan Rasiel brings readers a powerful new guide to putting McKinsey concepts and skills into action The McKinsey Mind. While the first book used case studies and anecdotes from former and

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current McKinseyites to describe how "the firm" solves the thorniest business problems of their A-list clients, The McKinsey Mind goes a giant step further. It explains, step-by-step, how to use McKinsey tools, techniques and strategies to solve an array of core business problems and to make any business venture more successful. Designed to work as a stand-alone guide or together with The McKinsey Way, The McKinsey Mind follows the same critically acclaimed style and format as its predecessor. In this book authors Rasiel and Friga expand upon the lessons found in The McKinsey Way with real-world examples, parables, and easy-to-do exercises designed to get readers up and running.

"If you look at Southwest Airlines, and I admire what they do, they've been the most successful airline in the industry."

--Gerard Arpey, CEO, American Airlines "Through extensive research Jody Hoffer Gittel gets to the bottom of what has sustained Southwest Airlines' positive employee relations and high performance through good and bad times." --Thomas A. Kochan, professor, MIT Sloan School of Management, MIT Global Airline Industry Program In an industry with losses in the billions, Southwest Airlines has an unbroken string of 31 consecutive years of profitability. The Southwest Airlines Way examines how the company uses high-performance relationships to create enormous competitive advantage in motivation, teamwork, and coordination among employees. It then goes further to show how any company can foster these powerful cooperative relationships and explains how to: Lead with credibility and caring Invest in frontline leaders Hire and train for relational competence Use conflicts to build relationships Make unions its partners, not its adversaries Build relationships with its suppliers

Military-Civil Fusion (MCF), this term seems like a counterpart to the American term civil-military integration (CMI), but in reality it is far deeper and more complex. Whereas, according

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to the U.S. Congressional Office of Technology Assessment, America's CMI is "cooperation between government and commercial facilities in research and development (R&D), manufacturing, and/or maintenance operations", China's Military-Civil Fusion strategy is a state-led, state-directed program and plan to leverage all levers of state and commercial power to strengthen and support the armed wing of the Communist Party of China, the People's Liberation Army (PLA). China's Military-Civil Fusion program is not new. Every leader since Mao Zedong has had a program to compel the "commercial" and "civil" parts of Chinese society to support the PLA. It has gone by different terms, Military-Civil Integration, Military-Civil Fused Development, etc. General Secretary Xi Jinping has elevated the concept to Military-Civil Fusion. But in all cases, it is the "Military" that comes first. Whereas in the United States there is a partnership for spin-off and spin-on technologies, with a goal of assisting commercial companies as well as the military, this is simply a happy coincidence when, and if, it happens in China. Since Xi Jinping's assumption of power, the role of the military, and the importance of MCF have markedly increased. General Secretary Xi has clearly switched the emphasis from Deng Xiaoping's famous statement. While most remember the first part of Deng's saying, "????", which is generally translated to "bide your time, and hide your capabilities", most Americans, and westerners, seem to forget there was more in his dictum. The full quote is: "????, ?????, ?????, ?????, ?????, ?????, ?????." It is the last four characters that now seem to have the emphasis, loosely translated- and achieve some goals/ get something done. This explains China's growing assertiveness and emphasis on the final piece of Deng Xiaoping's "Four Modernizations", the military. To date, most surveys and analysis of MCF have focused on concrete examples, of how it is or is not working. These are important aspects to

understand and study. However, what this report does is focus on how Military-Civil Fusion fits in to the CCP's and the PRC's overall national strategy; how it fits in with the other pieces which the CCP uses to guide the development path of the PRC; and rather than "looking down" to focus on the implementation of the program, but rather to "look up" to the strategies and policies that form the connective tissues within the greater system. This report is intended for both policy makers and practitioners, to help them better understand how MCF is intrinsically linked to the other national strategic-level programs in China, and help them better compete in the long-term by understanding the nature of the system with which we are competing.

This open access handbook presents a multidisciplinary and multifaceted perspective on how the 'digital' is simultaneously changing Russia and the research methods scholars use to study Russia. It provides a critical update on how Russian society, politics, economy, and culture are reconfigured in the context of ubiquitous connectivity and accounts for the political and societal responses to digitalization. In addition, it answers practical and methodological questions in handling Russian data and a wide array of digital methods. The volume makes a timely intervention in our understanding of the changing field of Russian Studies and is an essential guide for scholars, advanced undergraduate and graduate students studying Russia today.

Increasingly today, in every age group, consumers are committing to brands that show good citizenship--from fair employment practices, to social responsibility, to charitable giving. In fact, support of these generous and socially aware companies is so high that it is safe to say that good works and charitable giving are no longer optional for the company that aspires for financial success--they are necessary! Do

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Good documents the sea of change that has impacted the twenty-first-century marketplace more than even the most optimistic of business forecasters. Toms grew into a \$600 million company by giving away 35 million pair of shoes. Patagonia's profits have climbed year after year even as it funnels heavy investments into sustainability. From CVS's destocking cigarettes to Chipotle's ethical sourcing, customers have shown with their wallets the types of businesses they will support and that they will quickly call out negligence. Buyers today demand more than half-hearted pledges from companies who are clearly just trying to show less profits and decrease their taxes. By implementing the five-step model for the new rules of business laid out in Do Good--Trust, Enrichment, Responsibility, Community, and Contribution--companies can take the necessary steps to embed social consciousness into their DNA, in turn capturing both markets and hearts.

The McKinsey Way will reveal the problem-solving, communication, and management techniques of the world's most respected corporate doctor. Each rule will be coupled with anecdotes and lessons from actual McKinsey consulting projects. The McKinsey Way will open the door on this secretive company and let business people around the world learn the lessons that McKinsey teaches its own consultants to make them more effective and efficient. This book will allow people to take McKinsey's secrets and apply them in their own business life. Techniques include how to develop a toolkit of problem-solving techniques that can be used in diverse business situations; how to sell without selling; how to turn enemies into allies, and more. Anybody can take these lessons and use them in their own situations to be more successful, whether you want to be a guru, or just act like one!

Technology Ventures is the first textbook to thoroughly examine a global phenomenon known as technology entrepreneurship. Now in its second edition, this book integrates the most valuable entrepreneurship and technology management theories from some of the world's leading scholars and educators with current examples of new technologies and an extensive suite of media resources. Dorf and Byers comprehensive collection of action-oriented concepts and applications provides both students and professionals with the tools necessary for success in starting and growing a technology enterprise. Technology Ventures details the critical differences between scientific ideas and true business opportunities.

Humanity as never before shares a common destiny, whether it be in terms of the resources of the planet, the global environment, economic integration, or the movement of peoples, ideas, cultures. For better or worse humankind is a Community of Shared Destiny ??????. The People's Republic of China under the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party and its 'Chairman of Everything', Xi Jinping, has declared that it shares in the destiny of the countries of the Asia and Pacific region, as well as of nations that are part of an intertwined national self-interest. The Party, according to Marxist-Leninist-Maoist theory, is the vanguard of progressive social forces; it cleaves to the concept of shared destiny and its historical



role in shaping that destiny. Since its early days nearly a century ago it has emphasised the collective over the individual, the end rather than the means. It addresses majority opinion while guiding and moulding the agenda both for today, and for the future.

This book explores a society currently being transformed by the influence of advanced information technology, and provides insights into the main technological and human issues and a holistic approach to inclusion, security, safety and, last but not least, privacy and freedom of expression. Its main aim is to bridge the gap between technological solutions, their successful implementation, and the fruitful utilization of the main set of e-Services offered by governments, private institutions, and commercial companies. Today, various parameters actively influence e-Services' success or failure: cultural aspects, organisational issues, bureaucracy and workflow, infrastructure and technology in general, user habits, literacy, capacity or merely interaction design. The purpose of this book is to help in outlining and understanding a realistic scenario of what we can term e-Citizenry. It identifies today's citizen, who is surrounded by an abundance of digital services, as an "e-Citizen" and explores the transition from their traditional role and behaviour to new ones. The respective chapters presented here will lay the foundation of the



technological and social environment in which this societal transition takes place. With its balanced humanistic and technological approach, the book mainly targets public authorities, decision-makers, stakeholders, solution developers, and graduate students.

The official guide to making a bundle buying and selling through Alibaba.com, the world's largest online B2B marketplace Alibaba.com is the world's leading global business-to-business online marketplace. People around the world use it every day to import and export products for big profits. But newcomers are often overwhelmed by the sheer number of products and the quantity of information available. The Official Alibaba.com Success Guide shows you how to ramp up your business or build an entirely new business, using the Alibaba.com brand and web site as your supplier. This practical guide provides simple answers for complex questions, from navigating the site, to finding products at the right price, to branding, and much more. Plus, the book includes best practices for importing, locating and vetting suppliers, and protecting yourself against online fraud.

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- Officially licensed and supported by Alibaba.com, this is the only guide you need
- Includes inspirational profiles of people who have used Alibaba.com successfully to launch new businesses

or revive old ones • The first and only step-by-step guide to using Alibaba.com effectively Alibaba.com gives you the opportunity to make real money online. Here, you'll find a wealth of inside information that will help you use Alibaba.com safely and profitably. America's position as the source of much of the world's global innovation has been the foundation of its economic vitality and military power in the post-war. No longer is U.S. pre-eminence assured as a place to turn laboratory discoveries into new commercial products, companies, industries, and high-paying jobs. As the pillars of the U.S. innovation system erode through wavering financial and policy support, the rest of the world is racing to improve its capacity to generate new technologies and products, attract and grow existing industries, and build positions in the high technology industries of tomorrow. Rising to the Challenge: U.S. Innovation Policy for Global Economy emphasizes the importance of sustaining global leadership in the commercialization of innovation which is vital to America's security, its role as a world power, and the welfare of its people. The second decade of the 21st century is witnessing the rise of a global competition that is based on innovative advantage. To this end, both advanced as well as emerging nations are developing and pursuing policies and programs that are in many cases less constrained by ideological limitations on the role of government and the

concept of free market economics. The rapid transformation of the global innovation landscape presents tremendous challenges as well as important opportunities for the United States. This report argues that far more vigorous attention be paid to capturing the outputs of innovation - the commercial products, the industries, and particularly high-quality jobs to restore full employment. America's economic and national security future depends on our succeeding in this endeavor.

This book deserves to be read by all women who strive to achieve fulfillment in both their personal and professional lives. The authors deftly examine the reasons behind why so many articulate and well-educated women today feel overwhelmed and underappreciated. It is hardly news that, despite the feminine "revolution" that began in the 1970's, the majority of women have not found the enjoyment, lifestyle or satisfaction they once imagined. The reason they attribute to their problem is that they have taken on too much! But, that is just the tip of the iceberg. Career women, in particular, have come to believe it is their lot in life to be running on 8 cylinders day in and day out. Women are dancing to a frenzied beat, believing just because they can, they think they should. They have been taught if they are capable of doing something it shouldn't be necessary to look for help. This has led women to become frustrated by experiencing long days and

nightmarish schedules. Women are exhausted. Authors Barb McEwen and John Agno are North American's top coaches of Executive Women. They not only challenge women to get their supports in place, but to make the right choices so their health, family life, careers and relationships are not undermined. Fortunately they also give you the tools to do so. As you embrace these concepts and become a more effective leader, you'll learn how you can negotiate what you want and fine tune your time management skills. Since each of us has been given the gift of choice and the power to act, you are encouraged to take the time to complete a variety of workbook exercises which will help to determine your passions, purpose, and priorities in order to achieve the fulfilling life you want.

The world is being transformed physically and politically. Technology is the handmaiden of much of this change. But since the current sweep of global change is transforming the face of warfare, Special Operations Forces (SOF) must adapt to these circumstances. Fortunately, adaptation is in the SOF DNA. This book examines the changes affecting SOF and offers possible solutions to the complexities that are challenging many long-held assumptions. The chapters explore what has changed, what stays the same, and what it all means for U.S. SOF. The authors are a mix of leading experts in technology, business, policy, intelligence,

and geopolitics, partnered with experienced special operators who either cowrote the chapters or reviewed them to ensure accuracy and relevance for SOF. Our goal is to provide insights into the changes around us and generate ideas about how SOF can adapt and succeed in the emerging operational environment.

This book examines the nature of retail financial transaction infrastructures. Contributions assume a long-term outlook in their exploration of the key financial processes and systems that support a global transition to a cashless economy. The volume offers both modern and historic accounts that demonstrate the constantly changing role of payment instruments. It brings together different theoretical approaches to the study, re-examining and forecasting changes in retail payment systems. Chapters explore a global transition to a cashless society and contemplate future alternatives to cash, cheques and plastic, featuring the perspectives of academics from different disciplines in conversation and industry participants from six continents. Readers are invited to discover the innovation in payment systems and how it co-evolves with changes in society and organisations through personal, corporate and governmental processes. This book is open access under a CC BY 4.0 license. Presenting rigorous and original research, this volume offers key insights into the historical, cultural, social,

economic and political forces at play in the creation of world-class ICT innovations in Kenya. Following the arrival of fiber-optic cables in 2009, Digital Kenya examines why the initial entrepreneurial spirit and digital revolution has begun to falter despite support from motivated entrepreneurs, international investors, policy experts and others. Written by engaged scholars and professionals in the field, the book offers 15 eye-opening chapters and 14 one-on-one conversations with entrepreneurs and investors to ask why establishing ICT start-ups on a continental and global scale remains a challenge on the "Silicon Savannah". The authors present evidence-based recommendations to help Kenya to continue producing globally impactful ICT innovations that improve the lives of those still waiting on the sidelines, and to inspire other nations to do the same.

The challenges to humanity posed by the digital future, the first detailed examination of the unprecedented form of power called "surveillance capitalism," and the quest by powerful corporations to predict and control our behavior. In this masterwork of original thinking and research, Shoshana Zuboff provides startling insights into the phenomenon that she has named surveillance capitalism. The stakes could not be higher: a global architecture of behavior modification threatens human nature in the twenty-first century just as industrial capitalism disfigured the natural world in the twentieth. Zuboff vividly brings to life the consequences as surveillance capitalism advances from Silicon Valley into every economic sector. Vast wealth and power are accumulated in ominous new "behavioral futures

markets," where predictions about our behavior are bought and sold, and the production of goods and services is subordinated to a new "means of behavioral modification." The threat has shifted from a totalitarian Big Brother state to a ubiquitous digital architecture: a "Big Other" operating in the interests of surveillance capital. Here is the crucible of an unprecedented form of power marked by extreme concentrations of knowledge and free from democratic oversight. Zuboff's comprehensive and moving analysis lays bare the threats to twenty-first century society: a controlled "hive" of total connection that seduces with promises of total certainty for maximum profit -- at the expense of democracy, freedom, and our human future. With little resistance from law or society, surveillance capitalism is on the verge of dominating the social order and shaping the digital future -- if we let it.

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Asia is a continent of contradictions and boundaries; it offers exciting business opportunities, but is also characterized by unpredictability and conflict. While flexibility and creativity are in the DNA of many startups in China, major players like Xiaomi and Alibaba have also emerged as global giants, challenging established global competitors. The authors of this book show that these companies are crossing various boundaries – between cultures, mindsets, and perspectives. At the same time, Western companies entering Asian markets face challenges that are very different from those on their



home turf. This book addresses the needs of current and future managers doing business in Asia, who need to understand the individual, social and business challenges that can arise from crossing boundaries. The respective case studies provide essential insights on how several Asian companies have made impressive strides towards becoming established players; how the revival of local brands and growing pride in local products has become a major challenge for global competition; how the need to actively practice corporate social responsibility in Asian markets is currently challenging many companies; and how the need for individual and team coaching among the members of management to support a company's development has grown tremendously, calling for new solutions.

A book for everyone who does business with China or in China. The history-making development of the Chinese economy has entered a new phase. China is moving aggressively from a strategy of imitation to one of innovation. Driven both by domestic needs and by global ambition, China is establishing itself at the forefront of technological innovation. Western businesses need to prepare for a tidal wave of innovation from China that is about to hit Western markets, and Chinese businesses need to understand the critical importance of innovation in their future. Experts George Yip and Bruce McKern explain this epic transformation and propose strategies for both Western and Chinese companies. This book is for everyone who does business with China or in China, or is interested in the development of the world's fastest-growing economy. Western CEOs can learn from

Chinese companies and can create an effective innovation process in China, for China and the world. Chinese CEOs can benefit from understanding the strategies of their peers as they strive to enter foreign markets. And all Western businesses should prepare for disruption from their new competitors. Yip and McKern provide case studies of successful firms, outline ten ways in which the managerial and innovative capabilities of these firms differ from those of Western firms, and describe how multinationals doing business in China can become part of the Chinese ecosystem of new knowledge and technology. Yip and McKern argue that these innovation capabilities will be the basis for creating world-class products and services to meet the challenges of a new era of global competition.

Der Markt fordert von Unternehmen immer schneller neue Produkte mit hoher Qualität zu niedrigen Preisen – eine Entwicklung, die sich weiter intensivieren wird. Wie kann Wertschöpfung unter diesen Bedingungen gelingen? Bisherige Strategie- und Managementverfahren bieten nicht immer eine angemessene Antwort auf diese Herausforderung. Eine Alternative ist die von W. Chan Kim und Renée Mauborgne entwickelte Blue Ocean Strategy®. Dieser Strategie widmet sich das vorliegende Buch eingehend. Der Schwerpunkt liegt dabei besonders auf den Unterschieden zu anderen Strategien und der Anwendung der Blue Ocean Strategy® in der Unternehmenspraxis. Das Buch hat drei Schwerpunkte: Erstens werden die theoretischen Grundlagen der Blue-Ocean-Strategie (BOS) erläutert. Zweitens analysieren

die Autoren die Implementierung der BOS in Firmen unterschiedlicher Branchen und Größen. Dazu zählen Fallbeispiele aus Unternehmen wie Nintendo, Samsung, AXA, Eckes Granini und RPR1. Einzelne Aspekte, wie die Umsetzung von BOS im Bereich E-Mobility, Pflege und Smart Home, aber auch das Thema Kundenbindung, werden vertieft diskutiert. Drittens finden Leser praxiserprobte Hinweise zur Umsetzung der Strategie. Sie werden an die verschiedenen Methodenbausteine herangeführt und können so das erlernte Wissen auf die eigene Situation anwenden. Abgerundet wird das Werk mit hilfreichen Checklisten und Tools.

Through a series of studies, the overarching aim of this book is to investigate if and how the digitalization/digital transformation process affects various welfare services provided by the public sector, and the ensuing implications thereof. Ultimately, this book seeks to understand if it is conceivable for digital advancement to result in the creation of private/non-governmental alternatives to welfare services, possibly in a manner that transcends national boundaries. This study also investigates the possible ramifications of technological development for the public sector and the Western welfare society at large. This book takes its point of departure from the 2016 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) report that targets specific public service areas in which government needs to adopt new strategies not to fall behind. Specifically, this report emphasizes the focus on digitalization of health care/social care, education, and protection

services, including the use of assistive technologies referred to as "digital welfare." Hence, this book explores the factors potentially leading to whether state actors could be overrun by other non-governmental actors, disrupting the current status quo of welfare services. The book seeks to provide an innovative, enriching, and controversial take on society at large and how various aspects of the public sector can be, and are, affected by the ongoing digitalization process in a way that is not covered by extant literature on the market. This book takes its point of departure in Sweden given the fact that Sweden is one of the most digitalized countries in Europe, according to the Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI), making it a pertinent research case. However, as digitalization transcends national borders, large parts of the subject matter take on an international angle. This includes cases from several other countries around Europe as well as the United States.

Digital Marketing: A Practical Approach 2nd Edition is a step-by-step guide to marketing using the Internet. Concentrating on the operational and functional aspects of this dynamic subject, the book is packed with tactical advice and real-life examples from those leading the field to help you succeed. Written as an accessible guide to equip you for the digital element of any contemporary marketing role, Digital Marketing covers all the key topics including search engine optimization and social media marketing. With real-world case studies to illustrate digital marketing in practice and exercises to help you analyse, plan and execute effective strategies within the workplace, this practical resource will prepare you to

undertake digital marketing across a variety of organizations. More than just a book, this complete package features an associated website at [AlanCharlesworth.eu/DigitalMarketing](http://AlanCharlesworth.eu/DigitalMarketing) which hosts the case studies for the book, offers further tips and advice and provides access to a wealth of extra material such as up-to-date references and web links. This new, second edition builds on the first edition's success by addressing the key recent developments in digital marketing including an expanded section on social media marketing and an appreciation of the impact of mobile devices. Moreover, it's been thoroughly updated throughout, with brand new cases and examples with an international range, all of which encourage the reader to quickly learn the practical applicability of the theory and practice of emarketing.

E-Commerce Strategy builds awareness and sharpens readers' understanding of the key issues about e-commerce strategies. To link theory of e-commerce strategy with practice in the real world, it brings together theoretical perspectives based on academic research, integrated use of technologies and large amount of cases, especially those of China. With regard to the innovative technical standards and frameworks, it proposes strategic analysis from a technical point of view. The book is intended for postgraduate students in e-commerce and computer science as well as government officials, entrepreneurs and managers. Prof. Zheng Qin is the Director of Software Engineering and

Management Research Institute, Tsinghua University, China; Dr. Shundong Li is a Professor at the School of Computer Science, Shaanxi Normal University, China; Dr. Yang Chang and Dr. Fengxiang Li are both Research Assistants at the School of Software, Tsinghua University, China.

Is your organisation in good shape for today's digital world? Has it effectively changed the way it works to keep up with the new connected consumer? Or is it still stuck on the digital business basics, losing relevance and falling behind in the race for customers? Get Fit for Digital Business will help you to assess where you are now, where you need to go and how you can get there. Leaning on two decades of business transformation experience, Rob Laurens describes the difference between just doing digital and being digital. He provides a practical six-step process that any leader can use to accelerate change, seize the opportunities and counter the threats that digital technology brings. This is people-first business transformation for the real world; the way to build core strength, speed and agility throughout your organisation. Free from digital jargon and corporate gobbledegook, it's a complete framework for leaders who don't have time for an MBA in digital business – but who do want to get their teams in great shape to survive and thrive in a digital world. Get Fit for Digital Business will help you to create an enterprise that is not just more

productive and profitable, but also happier and healthier – leaving you and your team feeling and performing better in every department.

What do great enterprises have in common? What sort of person starts them? A single idea can help you find the next big thing, but it takes time to trawl through hundreds of business books to find inspiration. With insightful commentaries on the landmark writings of old and new, *50 Business Classics* presents the great entrepreneur stories, the best management thinking and the proven ideas on strategy, innovation and marketing - in one volume. *50 Business Classics* presents the key ideas from classic texts such as *My Years with General Motors* and Michael Gerber's *The E-Myth Revisited* to contemporary business lessons from the rise of tech giants like Google, Apple and Amazon. It contains revealing biographies of luminaries like Steve Jobs and Warren Buffett, as well as lesser-known stories including creation of publishing giant Penguin and Chinese behemoth Alibaba. Here you'll find the texts and ideas that matter in: · Entrepreneurship · Leadership · Management · Strategy · Business history · Personal development · Technology and innovation Summarising the smartest thinking for today's professional success, *50 Business Classics* provides inspiration and insights for entrepreneurs, executives and students of business and management alike.



Doing business in China is tougher than you think. Not only is the culture vastly different, but China's experience in manufacturing is still developing. It will be a few years before the majority of manufacturers are up to world standards. In the meantime, quality, contract laws, schedules and logistics must be closely monitored. As a result, the things Westerners must do to be successful are far different from dealing with American or European manufacturers. The best way to quickly come up to speed on these differences and how to handle them is to learn from the experience of others. Through over 20 extraordinary executive interviews, Rosemary Coates captured the essence of sourcing and manufacturing in China. '42 Rules for Sourcing and Manufacturing in China (2nd Edition)' is a pragmatic approach that every businessperson headed to China must read. For business people who are experienced in doing business in China, or for first-time visitors, this book will provide valuable insights from real executives and experts. These executives offer their personal experiences and recommendations about sourcing and manufacturing in China. Going beyond simple cultural do's and don'ts, you will discover: how business is really done how you can make things happen in China the mistake westerners often make, and how to avoid them what made these executives successful Based on her 25 years of supply chain experience, much of

it spent living and working across Asia, Rosemary Coates has become an expert on doing business in China. Her own personal experiences in China are interwoven into this book.

China's cities are home to 10 percent of the world's population today. They display unprecedented dynamism under the country's surging economic power. Their remarkable transformation builds on immense traditions, having lived through feudal dynasties, semicolonialism, and socialist commands. Studying them offers a lens into both the complex character of the changing city and the Chinese economy, society, and environment. This text is anchored in the spatial sciences to offer a comprehensive survey of the evolving urban landscape in China. It is divided into four parts, with 13 chapters that can be read together or as stand-alone material. Part I sets the context, describing the geographical setting, China's historical urban system, and traditional urban forms. Part II covers the urban system since 1949, the rural–urban divide and migration, and interactions with the global economy. Part III outlines the specific sectors of urban development, including economic restructuring, social–spatial transformation, urban infrastructure, and urban land and housing. Finally, part IV showcases urbanism through the lens of the urban environment, lifestyle and social change, and urban governance. The Chinese City offers a critical

understanding of China's urbanization, exploring how the complexity of the Chinese city both conforms to and defies conventional urban theories and experience of cities elsewhere around the world.

This comprehensive book contains a wealth of up-to-date statistical information, case studies, and suggested further reading to demonstrate the diversity of urban life in China.

This report is an important resource to explore critical and emerging policy opportunities to realize urban sustainability for the Asian and Pacific region.

It informs policies and actions from a sustainable development perspective, putting cities at the centre of development policy debates. It identifies future policy pathways for urban decision makers and stakeholders to reimagine the built and natural environments in Asian and Pacific cities and offers policy solutions across different types of cities to achieve the global development agendas. The solutions address four major development challenges – natural resource management, climate change, disaster risk and inequalities – through a focus on the key means of implementation to accelerate the achievement of the 2030 Agenda.

The definitive biography of Henry Kissinger—at least for those who neither revere nor revile him Over the past six decades, Henry Kissinger has been America's most consistently praised—and reviled—public figure. He was hailed as a “miracle

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