Guides readers on the path to financial freedom, discussing how to not only weather but gain from fluctuations in the stock market, how to get more out of a 401k, and how to avoid paying hidden fees.

Irrespective of whether we use economic or societal metrics, the Internet is one of the most important technical infrastructures in existence today. It will serve as a catalyst for much of our innovation and prosperity in the future. A competitive Europe will require Internet connectivity and services beyond the capabilities offered by current technologies. Future Internet research is therefore a must. The Future Internet Assembly (FIA) is a successful and unique bi-annual conference that brings together participants of over 150 projects from several distinct but interrelated areas in the EU Framework Programme 7. The 20 full papers included in this volume were selected from 40 submissions, and are preceded by a vision paper describing the FIA Roadmap. The papers have been organized into topical sections on the foundations of Future Internet, the applications of Future Internet, Smart Cities, and Future Internet infrastructures.

Every 3rd issue is a quarterly cumulation.

Private placement life insurance (PPLI) was once the exclusive domain of wealthy investors willing to tackle the logistical challenges of the offshore insurance market. The investment portfolio, tax, and estate-planning applications, and ongoing investment potential of these policies made the effort worthwhile. In recent years, though, a number of U.S.-based insurance companies have developed similar policies that meet all U.S. insurance, investment, and tax regulations. PPLI is becoming a fundamental component of effective tax, trust, and estate planning, but few sources have been available to detail the best practices—until now. The PPLI Solution can serve as a resource for effective execution. Written by leading practitioners, the book will position advisers to capitalize as PPLI expands further into the high-net-worth market and becomes available to individuals with an investable net worth as low as \$1 million. Few investors—whatever their net worth—will want to venture into the PPLI market without guidance. The PPLI Solution addresses the needs of investment managers, consultants, attorneys, and accountants who want to achieve the broad understanding of PPLI's applications required of those providing advice. It can serve as an authoritative source for anyone—including investors—seeking to know more about PPLI's nearly perfect tax efficiency, solid creditor protection, and powerful means of creating wealth.

Discover new insights on how to setup, manage, and advise wealthy families and their family offices The Complete Family Office: A Guide for Affluent Families and the Advisors Who Serve Them, 2nd Edition represents the newest update to an

essential series. This book prepares the members of wealthy families to collectively manage, sustain, and grow their wealth across multiple generations. It also assists professionals who advise families to better serve their needs. This book teaches those who advise family offices and wealthy families on: · How to setup, structure, and advise a family office · Current compliance, fiduciary and risk management practices for a family office · Forward-thinking investment management, estate planning, and private trust company considerations · Fresh insights on philanthropy, legacy, and impact investing. Best practices to managing family wealth education and preparing next generation owners · New insights on family governance, strategic planning, and succession. Methods to create a family constitution, mission, and vision for families and their family offices. The Complete Family Office Handbook provides the most comprehensive, current research, practical guidance, and approaches from leading family offices from around the globe and illustrates, by way of practical case studies and examples, how families can effectively manage their wealth for the long term.

The PPLI SolutionDelivering Wealth Accumulation, Tax Efficiency, and Asset Protection Through Private Placement Life InsuranceJohn Wiley & Sons Imagine all you'd like to accomplish with your philanthropy. Now picture a large portion of your resources never reaching their intended use due to poor strategies, mismanagement, or unnecessary taxes. Today the opportunities in the philanthropic sector are greater and more varied than ever. Private foundations, which offer several estate and tax-planning advantages as well as unparalleled donor control, have become the vehicle of choice for more than sixty thousand individuals and families--and may be ideal for you. Creating a Private Foundation introduces the issues you need to understand and gives the big picture on how foundations work. It tells you exactly what is involved for you, for the causes you care about, for your finances and taxes, and for your heirs. Chapters address the practicalities as well as the implications of founding, funding, organizing, and operating an effective foundation, including growing its endowment, allocating its assets, and selecting professional foundation management help. Roger Silk, James Lintott, and their colleagues, leaders in the foundation consulting arena, have pooled their wisdom in this comprehensive guide for donors and your advisers. If you're looking to make a difference, there is no better guide.

Would you rather earn interest than pay it, and eliminate the necessity of paying fees to banks and jumping through hoops to get loans? Are you frustrated with being over-taxed and/or being dependent on a volatile stock market? Do you suspect that the ultra-wealthy play by a different set of rules than you do, and that their secrets have been kept just out of your reach? What would it mean to you and your family if you knew these rules to play by them too?

This IBM® Redbooks® publication discusses in detail the facilities of DB2® for z/OS®, which allow complete monitoring of a DB2 environment. It focuses on the use of the

DB2 instrumentation facility component (IFC) to provide monitoring of DB2 data and events and includes suggestions for related tuning. We discuss the collection of statistics for the verification of performance of the various components of the DB2 system and accounting for tracking the behavior of the applications. We have intentionally omitted considerations for query optimization; they are worth a separate document. Use this book to activate the right traces to help you monitor the performance of your DB2 system and to tune the various aspects of subsystem and application performance.

Twelfth in a series of annual reports comparing business regulation in 189 economies, Doing Business 2015 measures regulations affecting 10 areas of everyday business activity: Starting a business Dealing with construction permits Getting electricity Registering property Getting credit Protecting minority investors Paying taxes Trading across borders Enforcing contracts Resolving insolvency Labor market regulations This year's report will present data for a second city for the 11 economies with more than 100 million inhabitants. These are Bangladesh, Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, and the United States. Three of the 10 topics covered have been expanded, with further plans to expand on five additional indicators in next year's report. Additionally, the Doing Business rankings are now based on the distance to the frontier measure where each economy is evaluated based on how close their business regulations are to the best global practices. This provides a more precise view of each economy's performance and its improvement over time. The report updates all indicators as of June 1, 2014, ranks economies on their overall 'ease of doing business,' and analyzes reforms to business regulation identifying which economies are strengthening their business environment the most. Doing Business illustrates how reforms in business regulations are being used to analyze economic outcomes for domestic entrepreneurs and for the wider economy. It is a flagship product produced in partnership by the World Bank and IFC that garners worldwide attention on regulatory barriers to entrepreneurship. More than 60 economies have used the Doing Business indicators to shape reform agendas and monitor improvements on the ground. In addition, the Doing Business data has generated over 2.000 articles in peer-reviewed academic journals since its inception. Job titles like "Technical Architect" and "Chief Architect" nowadays abound in software industry, yet many people suspect that "architecture" is one of the most overused and least understood terms in professional software development. Gorton's book tries to resolve this dilemma. It concisely describes the essential elements of knowledge and key skills required to be a software architect. The explanations encompass the essentials of architecture thinking, practices, and supporting technologies. They range from a general understanding of structure and quality attributes through technical issues like middleware components and service-oriented architectures to recent technologies like model-driven architecture, software product lines, aspect-oriented design, and the Semantic Web, which will presumably influence future software systems. This second edition contains new material covering enterprise architecture. agile development, enterprise service bus technologies, RESTful Web services, and a case study on how to use the MeDICi integration framework. All approaches are illustrated by an ongoing real-world example. So if you work as an architect or senior designer (or want to someday), or if you are a student in software engineering, here is a

valuable and yet approachable knowledge source for you.

"In the dark, bewildering, trap-infested jungle of misinformation and opaque riddles that is the world of investment, JL Collins is the fatherly wizard on the side of the path, offering a simple map, warm words of encouragement and the tools to forge your way through with confidence. You'll never find a wiser advisor with a bigger heart." --Malachi Rempen: Filmmaker, cartoonist, author and self-described ruffian This book grew out of a series of letters to my daughter concerning various things-mostly about money and investing-she was not yet quite ready to hear. Since money is the single most powerful tool we have for navigating this complex world we've created, understanding it is critical. "But Dad," she once said, "I know money is important. I just don't want to spend my life thinking about it." This was eye-opening. I love this stuff. But most people have better things to do with their precious time. Bridges to build, diseases to cure, treaties to negotiate, mountains to climb, technologies to create, children to teach, businesses to run. Unfortunately, benign neglect of things financial leaves you open to the charlatans of the financial world. The people who make investing endlessly complex, because if it can be made complex it becomes more profitable for them, more expensive for us, and we are forced into their waiting arms. Here's an important truth: Complex investments exist only to profit those who create and sell them. Not only are they more costly to the investor, they are less effective. The simple approach I created for her and present now to you, is not only easy to understand and implement, it is more powerful than any other. Together we'll explore: Debt: Why you must avoid it and what to do if you have it. The importance of having F-you Money. How to think about money, and the unique way understanding this is key to building your wealth. Where traditional investing advice goes wrong and what actually works. What the stock market really is and how it really works. Why the stock market always goes up and why most people still lose money investing in it. How to invest in a raging bull, or bear, market. Specific investments to implement these strategies. The Wealth Building and Wealth Preservation phases of your investing life and why they are not always tied to your age. How your asset allocation is tied to those phases and how to choose it. How to simplify the sometimes confusing world of 401(k), 403(b), TSP, IRA and Roth accounts. TRFs (Target Retirement Funds), HSAs (Health Savings Accounts) and RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions). What investment firm to use and why the one I recommend is so far superior to the competition. Why you should be very cautious when engaging an investment advisor and whether you need to at all. Why and how you can be conned, and how to avoid becoming prey. Why I don't recommend dollar cost averaging. What financial independence looks like and how to have your money support you. What the 4% rule is and how to use it to safely spend your wealth. The truth behind Social Security. A Case Study on how this all can be implemented in real life. Enjoy the read, and the journey!

The IBM® Worklight® mobile application platform helps you to develop, deploy, host, and manage mobile enterprise applications. It also enables companies to integrate security into their overall mobile application lifecycle. This IBM Redbooks® publication describes the security capabilities offered by Worklight to address mobile application security objectives. The book begins with an overview of IBM MobileFirst and its security offerings. The book also describes a business scenario illustrating where security is needed in mobile solutions, and how Worklight can help you achieve it. This publication then provides specific, hands-on guidance about how to integrate Worklight with enterprise security. It also provides step-by-step guidance to implementing mobile security features, including direct update, remote disable, and encrypted offline cache. Integration between Worklight and other IBM security technologies is also covered, including integration with IBM Security Access Manager and IBM WebSphere® DataPower®. This Redbooks publication is of interest to anyone looking to better understand mobile security, and to learn how to enhance mobile security with Worklight. Related blog posts 5 Things To Know About Securing Mobile Apps with IBM Worklight Security made easy. IBM Worklight JSONStore

Designed for estate planning specialists and financial planners, International Estate Planning covers U.S. legal issues affecting estates, such as taxation, conflict of laws, community property and asset protection trusts. This eBook also provides analysis of selected countries chosen for their importance as potential sites for establishment of trusts or other investment vehicles (e.g., Bermuda and Liechtenstein), and as possible residences for U.S. nationals for business purposes. Each chapter is written by an expert in that country. Coverage includes: • U.S. estate, gift and income taxation of nonresident aliens • U.S. citizens with alien spouses - Qualified Domestic Trusts (QDOTs) • U.S. income taxation of foreign trusts • Separate chapters on U.S. tax treatment of foreign executives temporarily posted in the United States and of U.S. executives temporarily posted abroad • Conflict of laws rules used to determine which country's descent laws and taxes apply to specific dispositions of property • Use of trusts to safeguard assets • Will drafting for multiple jurisdictions, with suggested forms

Effect of treaties on estate planning

More and more digital devices are being used for informa tion processing and control purposes in a variety of systems applications, including industrial processes, power networks, biological systems and communication networks. This trend has been helped by the advent of microprocessors and the consequent availability of cheap distributed computing power. For those applications, where digital devices are used, it is reasonable to model the system in discrete-time. In addition there are other application areas, e.g. econometric systems, business systems, certain command and control systems, environmental systems, where the underlying models are in discrete-time and here discrete-time approaches to analysis and control are the most appropriate. In order to deal with these two situations, there has been a lot of interest in developing techLiques which allow us to do analysis, design and control of discrete-time systems. This book provides a comprehensive treatment of discrete time dynamical systems. It

covers the topics of modelling, optimization techniques and control design. The book is designed to serve as a text for teaching at the first year graduate level. The material included is organized into eight chapters.

This IBM® Redbooks® publication explores various implementations of z/OS® Identity Propagation where the distributed identity of an end user is passed to z/OS and used to map to a RACF® user ID, and any related events in the audit trail from RACF show both RACF and distributed identities. This book describes the concept of identity propagation and how it can address the end-to end accountability issue of many customers. It describes, at a high level, what identity propagation is, and why it is important to us. It shows a conceptual view of the key elements necessary to accomplish this. This book provides details on the RACMAP function, filter management and how to use the SMF records to provide an audit trail. In depth coverage is provided about the internal implementation of identity propagation, such as providing information about available callable services. This book examines the current exploiters of z/OS Identity Propagation and provide several detailed examples covering CICS® with CICS Transaction Gateway, DB2®, and CICS Web services with Datapower.

America's elite have been using cash value life insurance to stockpile wealth for centuries. Used correctly, it is better described as a personal bank on steroids, and a financial bunker for tough times. To be clear, this book is not about the typical garbage peddled by most insurance agents. Rather, an alternative to the risky investment strategies taught by Wall Street. It details a highly efficient form of cash value life insurance designed to supercharge your savings and stockpile wealth. A product so powerful it's responsible for the success of Walt Disney, JC Penney, Ray Kroc, and thousands of others. Here's what you'll discover: How the wealthy use this vehicle to create more wealth, take less risk, and create predictable income down the road Why banks and corporations place billions of dollars in this powerful vehicle How I earned over 300 percent returns leveraging my life insurance policies How you can create a safe, predictable foundation to enhance every financial decision you make How to win with taxes and keep more of the money you make While the information compiled into this book is valuable, you'll also find three case studies that show you exactly how it works. You'll be able to visually see how it grows, how it's accessed, as well as the future income that can be taken.

Influencers of this book are Nelson Nash, his book "Becoming Your Own Banker: Unlock the Infinite Banking Concept"; Pamela Yellen, her book "Bank on Yourself"; Dwayne Burnell, his book "Financial Independence in the 21st Century - Life Insurance * Utilize the Infinite Banking Concept * Compliment Your 401K - Retirement Planning With Permanent Whole Life versus Term or Universal - Create Financial Peace"; and my Father Dan Thompson, and his book "The Banking Effect: Acquiring wealth through your own Private Banking System." I was introduced to these financial strategies at a young age, and this is book represents the effort and energy on both the part of everyone of my mentors, these authors here, as well as my own diligence in learning about and implementing these very same strategies into my personal finances. This book is designed to simplify some of the concepts surrounding cash value life insurance, such as Infinite Banking and Bank on Yourself, and make them easier to understand, stripping them down to the core benefits of cash value life insurance.

Gain this exceptional knowledge by reading this book: Excellent strategic advice from the author of The PPLI Papers: Secure Wealth and Tax Compliance Through Private Placement Life Insurance Insights into International Tax Planning through Expanded Worldwide Planning (EWP) Comprehensive exploration of Private Placement Life Insurance (PPLI) Overcome obstacles inherent in your present asset structure Vital secrets for international families residing in multiple jurisdictions OpenGL® ES™ is the industry's leading software interface and graphics library for rendering sophisticated 3D graphics on handheld and embedded devices. The newest version, OpenGL ES 3.0, makes it possible to create stunning visuals for new games and apps, without compromising device performance or battery life. In the OpenGL® ES ™ 3.0 Programming Guide, Second Edition, the authors cover the entire API and Shading Language. They carefully introduce OpenGL ES 3.0 features such as shadow mapping, instancing, multiple render targets, uniform buffer objects, texture compression, program binaries, and transform feedback. Through detailed, downloadable C-based code examples, you'll learn how to set up and program every aspect of the graphics pipeline. Step by step, you'll move from introductory techniques all the way to advanced per-pixel lighting and particle systems. Throughout, you'll find cutting-edge tips for optimizing performance, maximizing efficiency with both the API and hardware, and fully leveraging OpenGL ES 3.0 in a wide spectrum of applications. All code has been built and tested on iOS 7, Android 4.3, Windows (OpenGL ES 3.0 Emulation), and Ubuntu Linux, and the authors demonstrate how to build OpenGL ES code for each platform. Coverage includes EGL API: communicating with the native windowing system, choosing configurations, and creating rendering contexts and surfaces Shaders: creating and attaching shader objects; compiling shaders; checking for compile errors; creating, linking, and guerying program objects; and using source shaders and program binaries OpenGL ES Shading Language: variables, types, constructors, structures, arrays, attributes, uniform blocks, I/O variables, precision qualifiers, and invariance Geometry, vertices, and primitives: inputting geometry into the pipeline, and assembling it into primitives 2D/3D, Cubemap, Array texturing: creation, loading, and rendering; texture wrap modes, filtering, and formats; compressed textures, sampler objects, immutable textures, pixel unpack buffer objects, and mipmapping Fragment shaders: multitexturing, fog, alpha test, and user clip planes Fragment operations: scissor, stencil, and depth tests; multisampling, blending, and dithering Framebuffer objects: rendering to offscreen surfaces for advanced effects Advanced rendering: per-pixel lighting, environment mapping, particle systems, image post-processing, procedural textures, shadow mapping, terrain, and projective texturing Sync objects and fences: synchronizing within host application and GPU execution This edition of the book includes a color insert of the OpenGL ES 3.0 API and OpenGL ES Shading Language 3.0 Reference Cards created by Khronos. The reference cards contain a complete list of all of the functions in OpenGL ES 3.0 along with all of the types, operators, qualifiers, built-ins, and functions in the OpenGL ES Shading Language.

Einstein Meets Magritte: An Interdisciplinary Reflection presents insights of the renowned key speakers of the interdisciplinary Einstein meets Magritte conference (1995, Brussels Free University). The contributions elaborate on fundamental questions of science, with regard to the contemporary world, and push beyond the borders of

traditional approaches. All of the articles in this volume address this fundamental theme, but somewhere along the road the volume expanded to become much more than a mere expression of the conference's dynamics. The articles not only deal with several scientific disciplines, they also confront these fields with the full spectrum of contemporary life, and become new science. As such, this volume presents a state-of-the-art reflection of science in the world today, in all its diversity. The contributions are accessible to a large audience of scientists, students, educators, and everyone who wants to keep up with science today.

IBM® DB2® Version 11.1 for z/OS® (DB2 11 for z/OS or just DB2 11 throughout this book) is the fifteenth release of DB2 for IBM MVSTM. It brings performance and synergy with the IBM System z® hardware and opportunities to drive business value in the following areas. DB2 11 can provide unmatched reliability. availability, and scalability - Improved data sharing performance and efficiency -Less downtime by removing growth limitations - Simplified management, improved autonomics, and reduced planned outages DB2 11 can save money and save time - Aggressive CPU reduction goals - Additional utilities performance and CPU improvements - Save time and resources with new autonomic and application development capabilities DB2 11 provides simpler, faster migration -SQL compatibility, divorce system migration from application migration - Access path stability improvements - Better application performance with SQL and XML enhancements DB2 11 includes enhanced business analytics - Faster, more efficient performance for query workloads - Accelerator enhancements - More efficient inline database scoring enables predictive analytics The DB2 11 environment is available either for new installations of DB2 or for migrations from DB2 10 for z/OS subsystems only. This IBM Redbooks® publication introduces the enhancements made available with DB2 11 for z/OS. The contents help database administrators to understand the new functions and performance enhancements, to plan for ways to use the key new capabilities, and to justify the investment in installing or migrating to DB2 11.

In years past, the keywords for leaders were confidence, single-minded purpose, and strategic planning. But today's vastly complex, globalized, and fast-evolving world requires a different kind of leadership. This game-changing book details a new approach—entrepreneurial leadership—developed at Babson College, the number-one school for entrepreneurship in the world. Entrepreneurial leadership is inspired by, but is separate from, entrepreneurship. It can be applied in any organizational situation, not just start-ups. Based on two years of extensive research, it embraces three principles that add up to a fundamentally new worldview of business and a new logic of decision making. First, rapid change and increasing uncertainty require leaders to be "cognitively ambidextrous," able to shift between traditional "prediction logic" (choosing actions based on analysis) and "creation logic" (taking action despite considerable unknowns). Guiding this different way of thinking and acting is a new view of business, where simultaneous creation of social, environmental, and economic value is the order

of the day. Finally, entrepreneurial leaders leverage their understanding of themselves and their social context to guide effective action. Each chapter offers concrete examples of how educators across all disciplines are integrating these ideas into their courses—and even their entire curricula. The New Entrepreneurial Leader lays out a comprehensive new paradigm for reinventing management education in order to mold leaders who will shape social and economic opportunity.

"Live Your Life Insurance" shows you exactly how you can take advantage of one of the most common, but misunderstood, financial tools. In it, you'll discover exactly how you can use your life insurance to benefit you while you are alive - and help you build financial security. In addition, it will reveal ways to make the best of your policy no matter what age you are. Most people don't realize what a powerful tool they have in their life insurance policies - this book will be your guide.

Swiss Annuities and Life Insurance examines the key characteristics of Swiss annuities and life insurance, and explains how the use of these products can help you achieve asset protection, growth, and, in some cases, significant tax planning opportunities. Swiss annuities and life insurance are an excellent alternative investment, particularly for high-net-worth individuals. With this expert guidebook, you too will learn how to safely capitalize on these attractive products. AS SEEN ON PUBLIC TELEVISION New for 2021—The complete action plan from Ed Slott, "the best source of IRA advice" (Wall Street Journal), to help you make sure your 401(k)s, IRAs, and retirement savings aren't depleted by taxes by the time you need to use them. If you're like most Americans, your most valuable asset is your retirement fund. We diligently save money for years, yet most of us don't know how to avoid the costly mistakes that cause a good chunk of those savings to be lost to needless and excessive taxation. Now, in the midst of a financial crisis, there is more need than ever to protect your assets. The New Retirement Savings Time Bomb, by renowned tax advisor Ed Slott, shows you in clear-cut layman's terms how to take control over your retirement savings plan. This easy-to-follow plan helps you place your assets to avoid the latest traps set out by congress in addition to any that might be set down the road, so you can keep your hard-earned money no matter what. And, it's fully up-to date with information on the SECURE Act and everything you need to know about how the coronavirus relief bills will affect your savings down the road. This book is required reading for every American with savings and investments who is planning to retire, be it five years from now or fifty.

Family offices are private organizations that assume the daily administration and management of a wealthy family's personal and financial affairs. Historically, these repositories of great wealth were shrouded in secrecy, their activities conducted behind closed doors. Recently, family offices have acquired a considerably higher public profile: they represent a mere 7 percent of the world's ultra-high-net-worth population—yet control a staggering 50 percent of the wealth.

As only a select few families now hold a disproportionate amount of global wealth, there are significant social implications to how such assets are managed and used. This book provides an insider's view for anyone looking to understand family offices and how to best serve and advise them. The veteran practitioners William I. Woodson and Edward V. Marshall offer a thorough guide to family offices: why wealthy families create them, what they do, and how to manage them effectively. They present these insights through a series of problem-based learning cases that follow a single family's journey from the time of a significant liquidity event; through the creation, staffing, and management of their family office; and on to its succession. Each case study is supported by detailed background reference material. The cases and background materials are drawn from the authors' practical knowledge, network of industry experts, and experience advising family offices large and small. They shed light on the unique issues that ultrawealthy families face and the solutions they adopt to address them throughout the life cycle of a family office. This book is the definitive resource for practitioners and students, as well as family principals, advisers, service providers, and all others who engage with the world of family offices. Commitment is one of the most researched concepts in organizational behavior. This edited book in the SIOP Organizational Frontiers series, with contributions from many scholars, attempts to summarize current research and suggests new directions for studies on commitment in organizations. Commitment is linked to other concepts ie. satisfaction, involvement, motivation, and identification and is studied across cultural lines. Both the individual and group levels of building and maintaining commitment are discussed.

A practical guide to profiting from the high yield municipal market This unique guide to the high yield municipal bond market sheds some much-needed light on this esoteric but profitable corner of the fixed-income world. It fills the void between the general reference handbooks on municipal bonds and the superficial treatment of do-it-yourself bond guides, with an emphasis on practical trading applications. Having witnessed the beginning of the modern high yield taxexempt institutional market, author Triet Nguyen documents its historical evolution, outlines a conceptual framework for high yield tax-free investing, one that takes into account both interest rate and credit cycles, and reviews the latest historical data on municipal defaults, including for the first time the non-rated sector. Current distressed opportunities are also discussed. Along the way, Nguyen takes the time to discuss in detail the pros and cons of investing in prepackaged high yield vehicles—from mutual funds to hedge funds to exchangetraded funds—with frank and objective insider tips on how these slickly marketed products really work. For the truly committed investor who wants to do his or her own homework, Nguyen and a group of industry experts go over the key investment considerations for several major classes of high yield tax-exempt bonds. Offers unique insights into the risk/return, trading, and liquidity characteristics of high yield municipal instruments Includes interesting case

studies to fully illustrate the high yield investing process Written by an insider of both the asset management industry and the broker-dealer community Investing in the High Yield Municipal Market will put you in a better position to profit in this arena and help you excel in today's tough financial environment. Clients nearing retirement have some significant challenges to face. And so do their advisers. They can expect to live far longer after they retire. And the problems they expect their advisers to solve are far more complex. The traditional sources of retirement income may be shriveling, but boomers don't intend to downsize their plans. Instead, they're redefining what it means to be retired—as well as what they require of financial advisers. Planners who aren't prepared will be left behind. Those who are will step up to some lucrative and challenging work. To help get the work done, Harold Evensky and Deena Katz—both veteran problem solvers—have tapped the talents of a range of experts whose breakthrough thinking offers solutions to even the thorniest issues in retirement-income planning: Sustainable withdrawals Longevity risk Eliminating luck as a factor in planning Immediate annuities, reverse mortgages, and viatical and life settlements Strategies for increasing retirement cash flow In Retirement Income Redesigned, the most-respected names in the industry discuss these issues and a range of others.

The Committee on an Assessment of Concepts and Systems for U.S. Boost-Phase Missile Defense in Comparison to Other Alternatives set forth to provide an assessment of the feasibility, practicality, and affordability of U.S. boost-phase missile defense compared with that of the U.S. non-boost missile defense when countering short-, medium-, and intermediate-range ballistic missile threats from rogue states to deployed forces of the United States and its allies and defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack. To provide a context for this analysis of present and proposed U.S. boost-phase and nonboost missile defense concepts and systems, the committee considered the following to be the missions for ballistic missile defense (BMD): protecting of the U.S. homeland against nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction (WMD); or conventional ballistic missile attacks; protection of U.S. forces, including military bases, logistics, command and control facilities, and deployed forces, including military bases, logistics, and command and control facilities. They also considered deployed forces themselves in theaters of operation against ballistic missile attacks armed with WMD or conventional munitions, and protection of U.S. allies, partners, and host nations against ballistic-missiledelivered WMD and conventional weapons. Consistent with U.S. policy and the congressional tasking, the committee conducted its analysis on the basis that it is not a mission of U.S. BMD systems to defend against large-scale deliberate nuclear attacks by Russia or China. Making Sense of Ballistic Missile Defense: An Assessment of Concepts and Systems for U.S. Boost-Phase Missile Defense in Comparison to Other Alternatives suggests that great care should be taken by the U.S. in ensuring that negotiations on space agreements not adversely impact

missile defense effectiveness. This report also explains in further detail the findings of the committee, makes recommendations, and sets guidelines for the future of ballistic missile defense research.

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