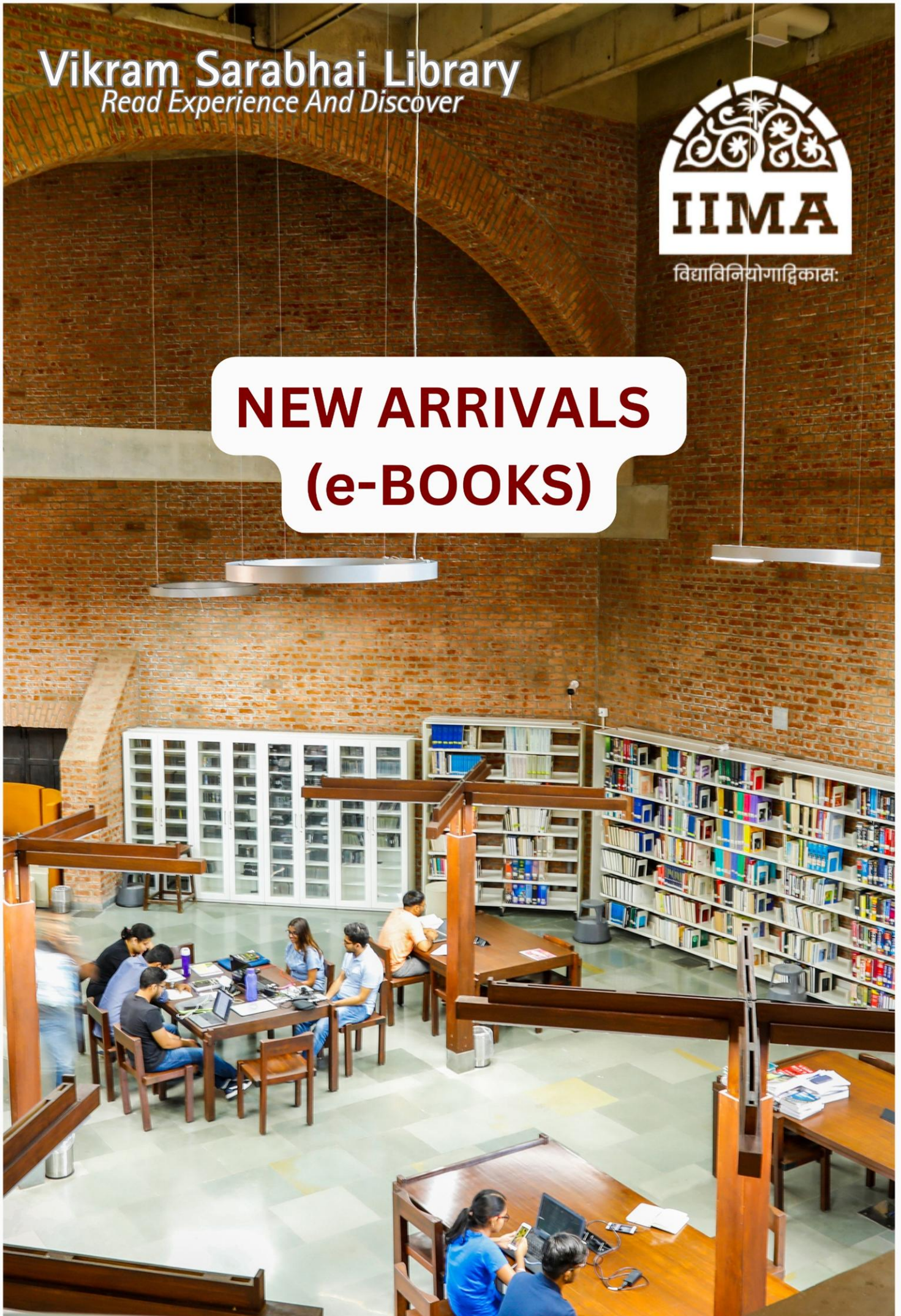


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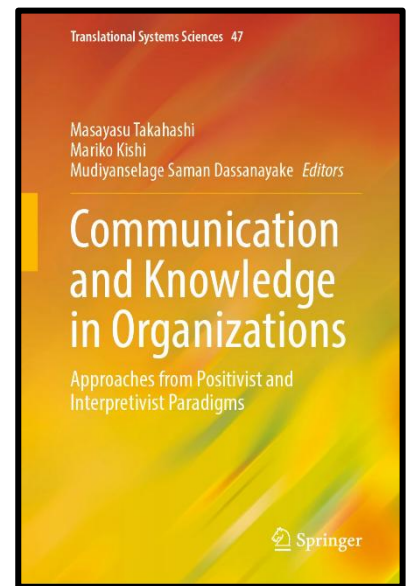
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Communication and Knowledge in Organizations

**Edited by Masayasu Takahashi, Mariko
Kishi, Mudiyansele Saman Dassanayake.**

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9789819506224



This book is an ambitious research work that incorporates recent findings on communication and knowledge in organizations and includes contributions from global researchers. It brings together researchers from various countries who are active in this field and describes research on communication and knowledge that considers the development of ICT under the positivist paradigm (Part I) as well as research on communication and knowledge that focuses on language under the interpretivist paradigm (Part II). By approaching research on communication and knowledge in organizations using these two paradigms, this book presents a clear and energetic overview of the characteristics of both.

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Proceedings of the Global Conference on Economic Diversification 2024

Edited by Keertana Subramani, Hamid Saeed, Fadi Salem.

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This book is a compilation of the papers and posters that have been accepted and presented at the Global Conference on Economic Diversification 2024. The main subject of the Global Conference on Economic Diversification (GCED) 2024 was to address methodological, theoretical, policy focused, and thought-leadership outcomes based on the EDI dataset and beyond. GCED brought together research scholars, academics, policy experts, and government decision-makers from around the world working on the frontiers of research and implementation of economic diversification. Accepted papers which were presented in this series, concluded either with rigorous research insights based on empirical analyses of important hypotheses pertaining to economic diversification or suggested policy recommendations based on in depth case studies and/or mixed method approaches. These insights thus is useful both for policymakers, economists in charge of macroeconomic stability, treasury officials and senior research faculty interested in the topic(s) of economic diversification, the resource curse, revenue diversification, and/or the commodity dependence trap.

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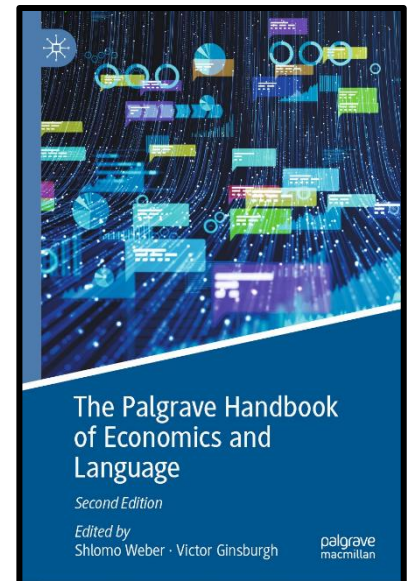
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The Palgrave Handbook of Economics and Language

Edited by Shlomo Weber, Victor Ginsburgh.

Springer
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9783031882401



This revised and updated handbook brings together methodological, theoretical, and empirical studies in the economics of language. With contributions from leading researchers, it examines the impact of linguistic diversity on economic outcomes and public policies. The interdependence of language and culture is highlighted through an analysis of the evolution of different languages and the economic consequences of linguistic diversity, as well as the impact of language on consumer behavior and the creation of gendered economic structures. Particularly attention is given to the impact of languages on macroeconomics, including the relationship between language and trade, and language and migrations. The challenge of globalization to minority languages and the growth of multilingual societies is also discussed, alongside the specific dynamics between economics and language at a regional level. It also addresses new developments in LLM (large language models). This book offers a detailed and original look at the role language plays within international and local economic systems. It will be of interest to students and researchers interested in the economics of language.

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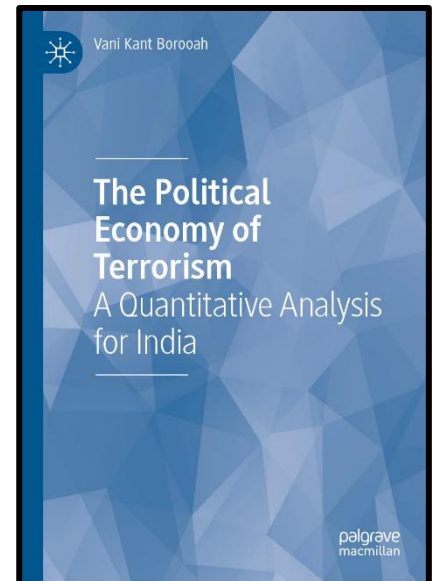
The Political Economy of Terrorism

By Vani Kant Borooah.

Springer

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9783032085535



This book examines the political economy of terrorism from a quantitative perspective. With a particular focus on India, it explores the different forms of terrorism, including contested sovereignty, revolutionary change, and secessionist movements. By evaluating terrorist activity in India over the last 20 years and comparing it with other areas that have seen political violence, the key drivers of terrorism are highlighted. The policy and economic responses to terrorism are then evaluated to consider the effectiveness of both deterrence-based and grievance-removing approaches to reducing terrorism. This book presents a detailed and considered analysis of the causes and responses to terrorism. It will be relevant to students, researchers, and policymakers interested in political economy. Vani Kant Borooah is Emeritus Professor of Economics at the University of Ulster.

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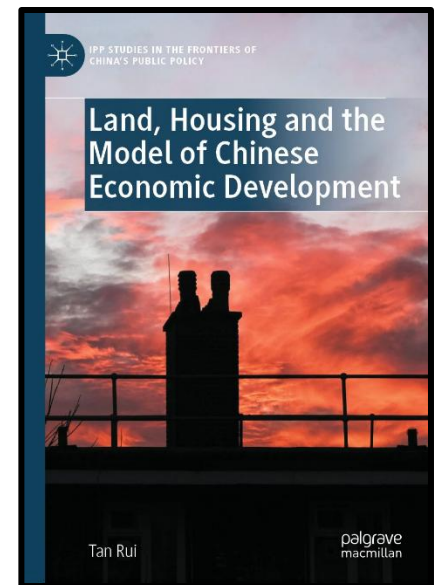
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Land, Housing and the Model of Chinese Economic Development

By Tan Rui.

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This book explores the roles of land and housing in the China economic development. The real estate sector in China has two opposite effects on the urban economy. On one hand, it provides funds for urban development and on the other hand, its excessive expansion would depress the urban growth. To balance the two effects, the governments try to adjust their regulation policies dynamically. These policies to a great extent determine the rise and fall of urban economy. This book is divided in to four parts. The first part elaborates the relationship between the real estate sector and urban economy and explains the mechanism of the former's impact on the later. The second part investigates the interaction of the real estate sector and the industrial sector and the consequences. The third part discusses the real estate tax reform and the affordable housing system. At the last part, I discuss the prospect of China real estate economy through the case of Evergrand's debt crisis. The real estate sector is an essential part of China's model of economic development, so this book will interest those readers who want to know the Chinese miracle of growth. Tan Rui is an associate professor at the School of Public Administration, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, Guangzhou, P. R. C. He was a research fellow at Institute of Public Policy, South China University of Technology, during 2014-2023. He earned his PhD in economics in Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou.

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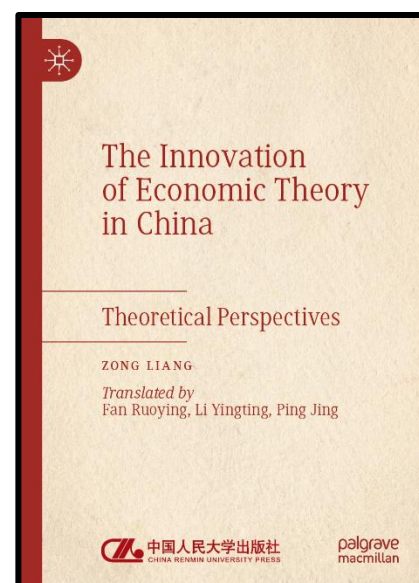
The Innovation of Economic Theory in China

By Zong Liang.

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This book presents an innovative economic theory that successfully integrates the "effective market" and the "capable government" into a unified model. Moving beyond the traditional view of market versus state, it demonstrates how these forces can work together organically, drawing key insights from China's economic development story. The work constructs a comprehensive rational synthesis model, assigning balanced weight to both market mechanisms and government action. It establishes corresponding macroeconomic goals and policy frameworks. Building on this foundation, the book offers a unified analysis of economic growth theory and identifies the optimal balance point between government intervention and market freedom. Ultimately, this groundbreaking contribution, rooted in China's successful practice, offers a vital new perspective for understanding modern economies. It positions China's economic model and theory for greater global influence, contributing fresh pathways for development within today's rapidly changing world and the pursuit of a shared future for mankind. Dr. Liang Zong is Chief Researcher at Bank of China and a Senior Fellow at the World Financial Forum. He serves on China's National Manufacturing Strategy Advisory Committee. A prolific author on global finance and the Chinese economy, his published works include *The End of Globalization?* and *RMB Internationalization: Theory and Prospects*. He holds degrees from China's leading universities.

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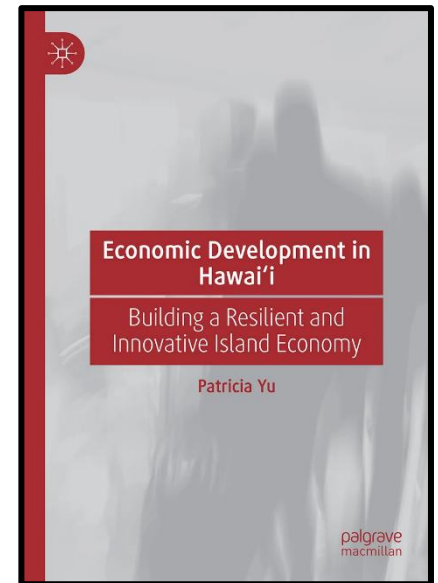
Economic Development in Hawai'i

By Patricia Yu.

Springer

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This book reimagines Hawai'i's economy by showing how localized innovation, community-led tourism, and regenerative development can build a more resilient and equitable future. Aimed at scholars, policymakers, and practitioners in economics, sustainability, and tourism, it critiques Hawai'i's long reliance on mass tourism and outlines pathways to diversify economic opportunities while safeguarding cultural and ecological resources. Topics include destination management, agritourism, regenerative tourism, Native Hawaiian stewardship, and applying microeconomic theory to policy. Drawing on recent data, case studies, and emerging public-private collaborations, it addresses a central question: How can Hawai'i's transition from an extractive economic model to one centered on community well-being and long-term sustainability? Combining academic insight with grassroots innovation, this book offers practical strategies for guiding Hawai'i's economic transformation in the mid-2020s and beyond. Patricia Yu is Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Hawai'i-West O'ahu. She teaches Hawai'i's economy, microeconomics, macroeconomics, the philosophy of social sciences, and environmental economics. Her research focuses on regional economics, housing markets, and environmental valuation, with a special emphasis on Hawai'i's unique economic challenges.

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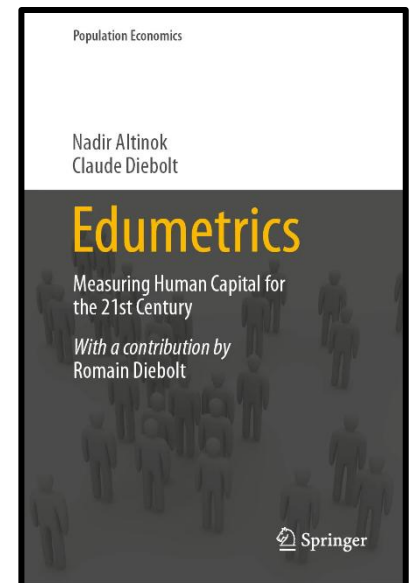
Edumetrics

By Nadir Altinok, Claude Diebolt.

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This book introduces edumetrics, a rigorous, interdisciplinary framework for measuring learning outcomes over time and across space. Based on Lord Kelvin's maxim that "to measure is to know," edumetrics redefines education as an empirical science that integrates economics, psychology, and social science to quantify cognitive and non-cognitive competencies. By harmonizing data from over 120 countries spanning half a century, the book transforms fragmented indicators into coherent measures of learning quality and equity. It critiques the limitations of traditional human capital theory and challenges the use of years of schooling as a proxy for skill. Through econometric analysis, historical inquiry, and global datasets, including Learning-Adjusted Years of Schooling, it reveals that educational structures, not just resources, shape productivity, adaptability, and social cohesion. At its core, the book addresses the paradox of why rising investments in schooling have not yielded proportional gains in learning. With its integration of theory, data, and historical perspective, it serves as both a methodological blueprint and a call to rethink how we define, measure, and value learning in the twenty-first century.

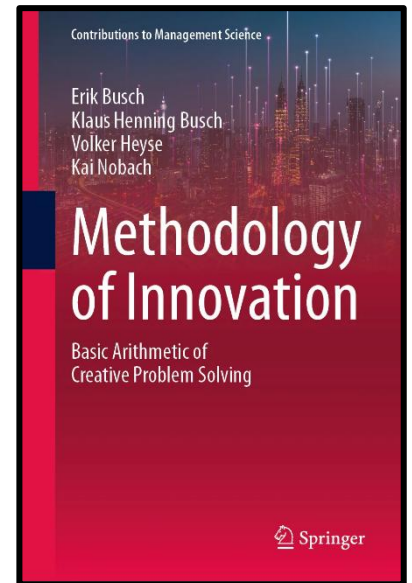
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Methodology of Innovation

**By Erik Busch, Klaus Henning Busch,
Volker Heyse, Kai Nobach.**

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This book provides a simple, holistic introduction to the innovation process. Translated from the German language 2nd Edition, *Methodik der Innovation: Grundrechenarten des kreativen Problemlösens* (Springer Gabler Wiesbaden 2024), the authors explain the process from recognizing creative problems to successfully solving them. The methodology used is based on a few basic building blocks, like the basic arithmetic operations in mathematics. This results in an understandable and practical read that clearly stands out from the almost unmanageable number of methods for finding ideas. It is easily accessible for a broad audience. The innovation process is illustrated with vivid, practical examples and comprehensively presented from the perspectives of methodology, technology, communication, business and management control. The translation was done with the help of artificial intelligence. A subsequent human revision was done primarily in terms of content.

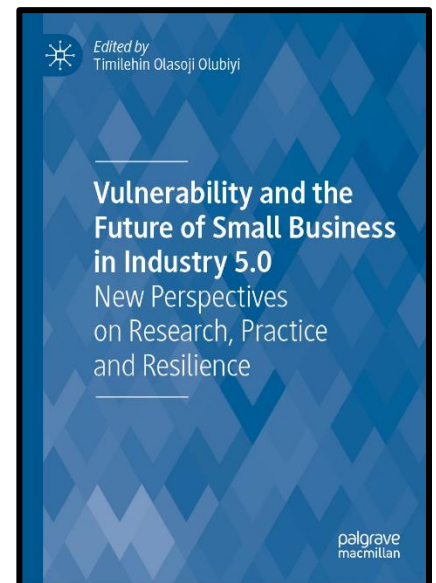
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Vulnerability and the Future of Small Business in Industry 5.0

Edited by Timilehin Olasoji Olubiya.

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This book is an impressive exploration of how small businesses must adapt to the changing paradigms of technology, risk, and resilience in Industry 5.0. With his vast experience and unique perspective, Dr. Olubiya brings together diverse academic voices and perspectives, offering new insights into the vulnerabilities that small businesses face in the 21st century." -Professor Johnson Egwakhe, Business Administration and Marketing Department, Babcock University, Nigeria Industry 5.0 is the next phase of the industrial revolution, focusing on the harmonious coexistence of humans and high-tech systems based on the principles of artificial intelligence. However, small businesses are still in the early stages of adopting Industry 5.0 technologies, and small businesses in developing countries still see it as a mystery because of their vulnerabilities. This book explores the vulnerabilities that exist within the SME ecosystem and the significance of small businesses in our daily lives. With a balance of theoretical and empirical chapters, this book will lead the way in exploring small businesses and their future in Industry 5.0, with particular relevance to emerging markets. With well-researched academic findings and forward-thinking insights from diverse authors, it will push forward research in the growing area of Industry 5.0 and artificial intelligence and will be vital reading for academics and practitioners interested in this field.

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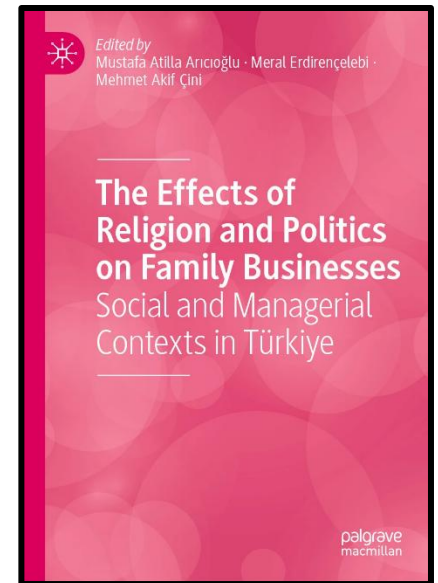
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The Effects of Religion and Politics on Family Businesses

Edited by Mustafa Atilla Arıcıoğlu, Meral Erdirençelebi, Mehmet Akif Çini.

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This book explores the intricate relationship between religion and risk management in family businesses, offering a unique perspective on how religious beliefs shape decision-making processes. Through in-depth interviews with family business managers, the study reveals how faith-based principles influence risk perception, ethical obligations, and crisis management. The findings highlight the role of religious teachings in guiding business practices, emphasizing the importance of moral boundaries and the preference for halal earnings over substantial profit. The book delves into the concept of tawakkul, illustrating how religious activities provide psychological support and resilience in uncertain times. It also examines the impact of religious beliefs on financial decisions, showcasing the avoidance of interest-based financing and dubious ventures. By presenting a comprehensive analysis of the interplay between religion and business, this book offers valuable insights for family businesses seeking to integrate spiritual values into their operations.

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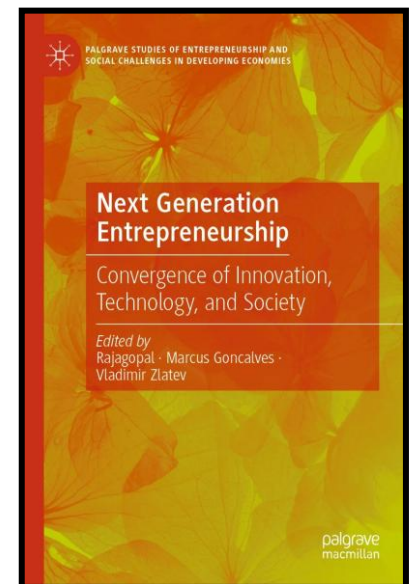
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Next Generation Entrepreneurship

**Edited by Dr. Rajagopal, Marcus Goncalves,
Vladimir Zlatev.**

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This edited volume has outgrown from collective thinking, business modeling, managing artificial intelligence, and machine learning with the emerging entrepreneurship across the regions. It is a think-tank to sync technology and entrepreneurship to move ahead with challenges in micro, small, medium and large enterprises. The observations are relevant to a diverse set of industries covering both local and global issues. A good read for everyone..." - S.D. Shibulal, Co-founder and Former CEO, Infosys and Co-founder, Axilor Ventures "Next-generation entrepreneurship is founded within the AI ecosystem, and it is must for every entrepreneur to know, access, and practice it. Articles in this volume are the outgrowth of global research on entrepreneurship, technology, and the symbiosis... A rich resource for all..." - Jose Ernesto Amoros, PhD, Associate Dean of the Faculty, Leader of the Entrepreneurship and Innovation, EGADE Business School, Tecnologico de Monterrey, Mexico This volume explores the evolving landscape of entrepreneurship, with a focus on the integration of innovation and technology in entrepreneurial practices and Industry 5.0. It discusses the role of entrepreneurship in economic development, the challenges faced by small and medium enterprises (SMEs), and the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) on managerial decisionmaking. It addresses the effect of transcending growth of information and communication technology on entrepreneurship to gain competitive edge.

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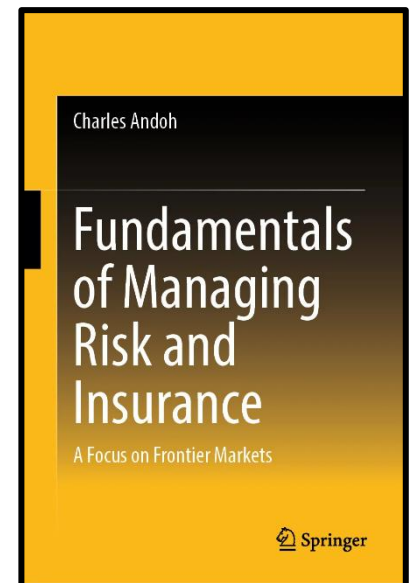
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Fundamentals of Managing Risk and Insurance

By Charles Andoh.

Springer
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This book offers readers a basic understanding of risk, insurance and its management in non-technical terms for an individual, a business or the home. This knowledge makes individuals or businesses conscious of the fact that a loss can occur in almost any activity and often helps to avoid the shock and disbelief that comes about as and when a loss occurs. By understanding these concepts, one can forecast potential losses and not only find ways to minimise their impact but also reduce the losses and their effects when they occur. Every purchaser of an insurance product needs a basic knowledge of insurance: the benefits of the product purchased, the principles that govern the insurance product, the implicit benefits of insurance policies, the regulations that govern insurance contract between the purchaser and the insurance company. This knowledge does not only assist readers with access to the full benefit of the product purchased and better participants on the insurance market but understand the value of the insurance. It also provides the intricacies involved in the management of claims and why some claims for certain products purchased are delayed. It solves the paucity of work that explains the work that insurers perform to a person with little or no knowledge of insurance but discusses other avenues for investment for insurance companies.

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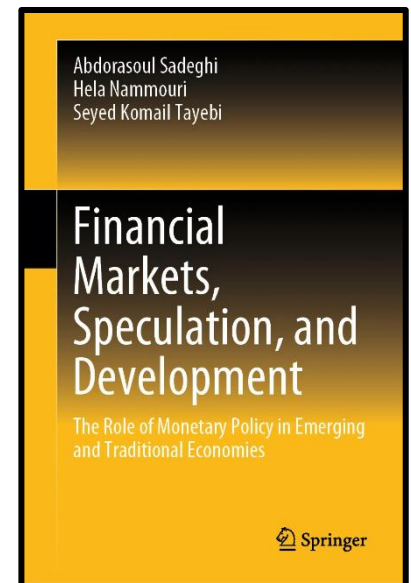
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Financial Markets, Speculation, and Development

**By Abdorasoul Sadeghi, Hela Nammouri,
Seyed Komail Tayebi.**

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This book offers a comprehensive and interdisciplinary exploration of the intricate linkages among financial markets, speculative behavior, monetary policy, and economic development. Bridging the domains of financial, monetary, and development economics, it provides a unique analytical framework that is both conceptually rigorous and empirically grounded. Designed primarily for researchers in Economics and Finance, the book also holds significant value for market practitioners and policymakers seeking deeper insights into the dynamic interactions across asset classes and policy instruments. Special attention is given to the evolving role of the cryptocurrency market and its implications for traditional stores of value such as gold and national currencies, including the US dollar, British pound, euro, and Japanese yen. The book critically examines how crypto assets may be perceived as a threat by central banks and governments, raising questions of sovereignty, regulation, and financial stability. In addition to theoretical discussions, a dedicated empirical chapter evaluates the proposed linkages through data-driven analysis, enhancing the book's academic contribution and practical relevance. By demystifying complex economic relationships and presenting them in an accessible manner, this work serves as a valuable resource for understanding how monetary policy and speculative motives influence capital flows and development outcomes across diverse financial landscapes.

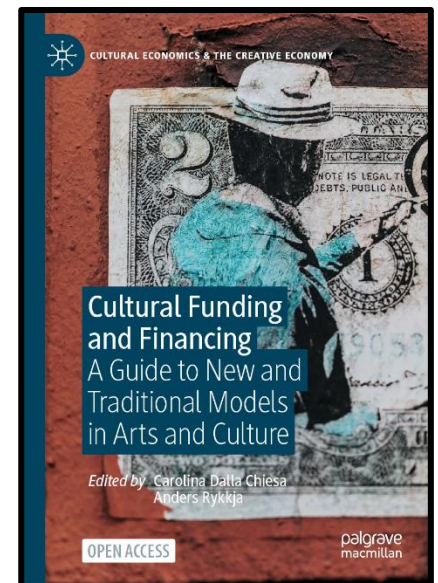
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Cultural Funding and Financing

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This timely and impressive book gives contemporary academic and multidisciplinary insights into the complex topic of funding and financing of art and culture, with contributions from 21 leading scholars in the field. Trine Bille, Professor of Cultural Economics, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark This timely collection of essays by a number of distinguished contributors will fill a significant gap in the cultural economics literature. Professor David Throsby, Distinguished Professor of Economics, Macquarie Business School, Macquarie University, Australia Cultural Funding and Financing is a timely and ambitious volume that offers one of the most comprehensive examinations to date of how artists and cultural organizations access resources in a rapidly evolving landscape. Joanna Woronkiewicz, Associate Professor, O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University, US This edited open access volume offers a comprehensive analysis of new and traditional funding models for the arts and culture. In the economic and political contexts of reduced art funding, the book takes an objective, pragmatic and heterodox approach to demonstrate how financial sustainability in the arts can be achieved via a range of top-down and bottom-up mechanisms which are valued either in terms of institutional or crowd-based legitimacy. The book aims to offer both a scholarly interpretation of funding and financing practices, as well as guidance for artists, creators, and cultural programmers.

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U.S. Corporate Profits, 1950-2024

By Ednaldo Araquém Silva.

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This book offers a regression-based analysis of corporate profitability in the United States over the period 1950 to 2024. Drawing on detailed analysis of 71 leading corporations across 11 key industries—from petroleum and natural gas to high-tech and government contracting—this book reveals a striking pattern: operating-profit markups have remained both high and remarkably stable over the past seven decades. Using a clear and accessible regression-based methodology, the author demonstrates how corporations have consistently maintained their ability to pass through costs, challenging common assumptions about volatility in profit margins. Written by a seasoned expert for professionals in a corporate accounting, corporate law, finance, taxation, and economic policy, this book provides: A robust empirical framework for analyzing long-term profitability Industry-specific insights into pricing power and cost pass-through A valuable resource for understanding corporate behavior across economic cycles Whether you're advising clients, shaping policy, or conducting research, this book offers essential insights into the enduring dynamics of corporate profitability.

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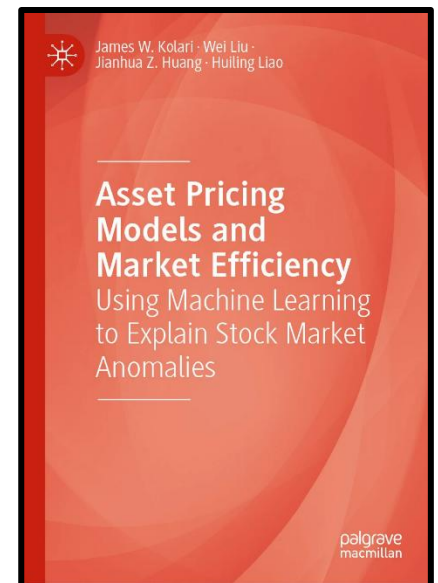
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Asset Pricing Models and Market Efficiency

By James W. Kolari, Wei Liu, Jianhua Z. Huang, Huiling Liao.

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This book shows that the stock market returns of hundreds of anomaly portfolios discovered by researchers in finance over the past three decades can be explained by a recent asset pricing model dubbed the ZCAPM. Anomaly portfolios are long/short portfolio returns on stocks that cannot be explained by asset pricing models, and their number has been steadily increasing into the hundreds. Since asset pricing models cannot explain them, behavioral theories have become popular to account for anomalies. Unlike the efficient market hypothesis that assumes rational investors, these human psychology-based theories emphasize irrational investor behavior. This book collects and analyzes a large database of U.S. stock returns for anomaly portfolios over a long sample period spanning approximately 60 years. The authors overview different asset pricing models that have attempted to explain anomalous portfolio returns in the stock market. They then provide a theoretical and empirical discussion of a new asset pricing model dubbed the ZCAPM and report compelling empirical evidence that reveals the ZCAPM can explain hundreds of anomalies. Implications to the efficient-markets/behavioral-finance controversy are discussed.

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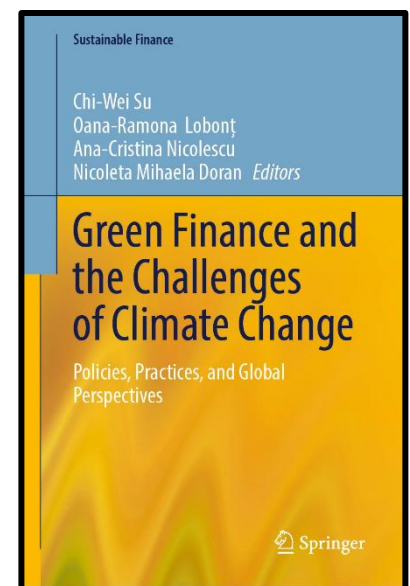
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Green Finance and the Challenges of Climate Change

Edited by Chi-Wei Su, Oana-Ramona LobonÈ», Ana-Cristina Nicolescu, Nicoleta Mihaela Doran.

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This book offers a comprehensive and interdisciplinary exploration of green finance as a key lever in addressing the global climate crisis and supporting sustainable development. It provides a timely analysis of financial innovations, regulatory frameworks, and strategic responses that shape the evolving green finance landscape across diverse regions and sectors. The edited volume bridges academic research, financial practice, and policy insight to assess how capital can effectively mobilise toward climate action. Key topics include low-carbon economic transitions, the role of financial institutions and central banks, technological innovation, carbon pricing, emissions trading systems, public-private partnerships, and the financing of renewable energy and sustainable agriculture. The book, incorporating robust empirical evidence, policy analysis, and innovative methodological approaches, identifies best practices and critical gaps that must be addressed to scale green finance. Written by an international consortium of scholars and practitioners, this volume is an essential resource for academics in finance, economics, sustainability, and environmental studies, policymakers, institutional investors, financial regulators, and professionals engaged in sustainable finance, climate risk management, and ESG investing.

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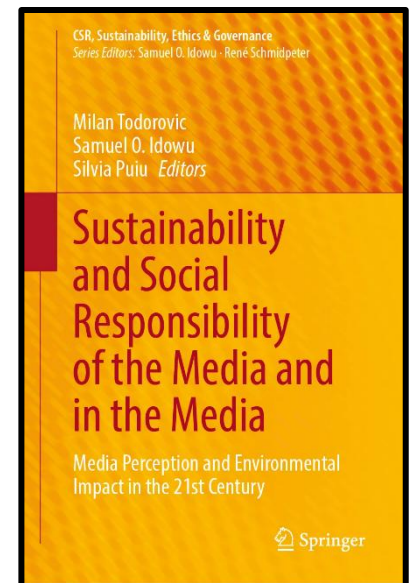
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Sustainability and Social Responsibility of the Media and in the Media

Edited by Milan Todorovic, Samuel O. Idowu, Silvia Puiu.

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This book addresses several relevant questions that keep coming up as the media sector develops and changes. Although the field of media is multifaceted, it is still dominated by very large commercial interests. The multitude of platforms, devices, formats, and technologies spread across different market segments, are often controlled within the same value and supply chain, are diagonally integrated, and are tightly regulated by a set of changing and evolving community rules. Therefore, this book discusses a wide range of issues related to notions of media in various corporate, independent, and operational contexts of ethics, ownership, authorship, originality, trustworthiness, economic, social, and even environmental sustainability. In this context, the book considers the notion of sustainability and social responsibility in media contexts from a variety of new, unbiased, and diverse perspectives, making it valuable for researchers and practitioners.

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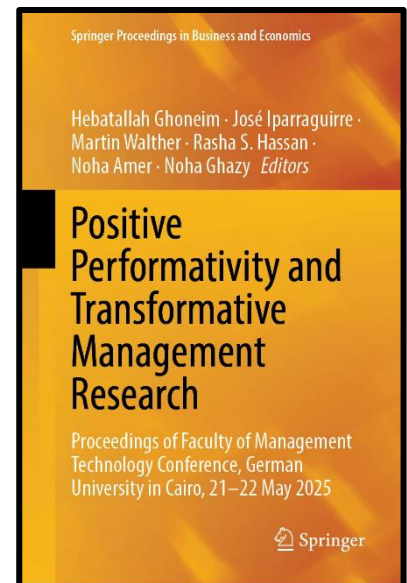
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Positive Performativity and Transformative Management Research

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ÏœIparraguirre, Martin Walther, Rasha S.
Hassan, Noha Amer, Noha Ghazy.**

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Featuring work presented at the 2025 Faculty of Management Technology Conference at the German University in Cairo, this proceedings presents a timely and comprehensive exploration of transformative forces shaping economies, industries, and societies in the 21st century. Drawing from interdisciplinary and international perspectives, the book compiles cutting-edge research on digital transformation, sustainability, social equity, and innovation. Chapters investigate the role of emerging technologies such as blockchain, AI, and digital payment systems in reshaping economic development, supply chains, and financial inclusion. It also examines how behavioral insights, remote work, and data visualization tools are influencing management practices and public policy. In addition to technological and economic themes, the volume gives significant attention to socio-political and environmental dimensions, including climate change financing, sustainable consumption, entrepreneurship among marginalized groups, and education expenditure impacts. By incorporating both empirical and bibliometric methodologies, the book provides a robust analytical foundation and identifies future research directions. This volume serves as a crucial resource for scholars, policymakers, and practitioners seeking to understand and navigate the complexities of a rapidly evolving global landscape.

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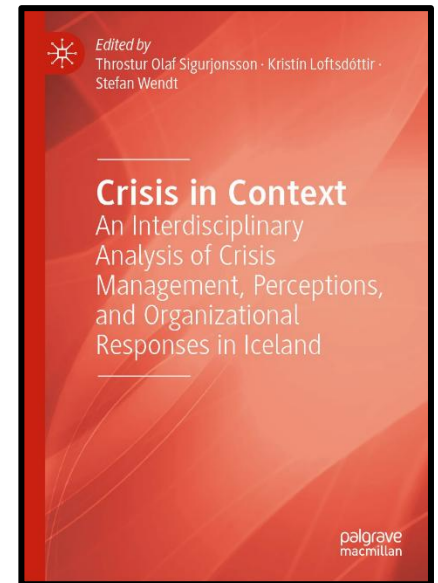
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Since the global financial crisis of 2008, there have been increasing frequency of global crises, including large-scale conflicts, the COVID-19 pandemic, the environmental crisis, and a general worsening of geopolitical tensions and structural inequality. Despite the global impact of these intersecting crises, the way in which they have been understood and responded to has been far from uniform. This edited volume focuses on the concept of 'crisis' through an interdisciplinary lens, analysing the term and comparing how it is being applied in different disciplines and across different sectors of society. The volume focuses on cases of crisis from Iceland, a small country with a high visibility in certain crises. This scope allows the contributors to cover a broad section of the Icelandic economy, government and society, offering a uniquely rounded analysis and extensive global comparison. It will be of great interest to scholars and students across different disciplines in social sciences, such as business, anthropology, sociology, change management, as well as practitioners and policymakers in the business of resilience and strategic crisis management. Throstur Olaf Sigurjonsson is a Professor at the University of Iceland.

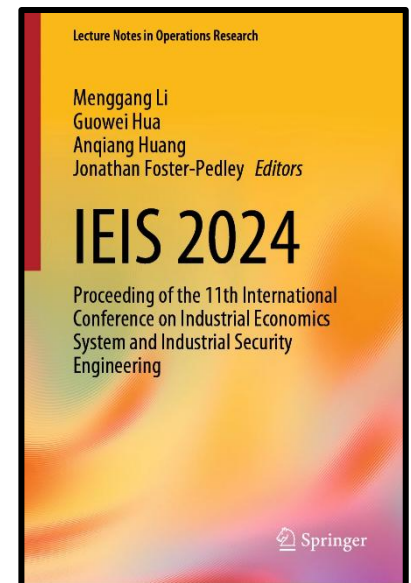
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IEIS 2024

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Anqiang Huang, Jonathan Foster-Pedley.**

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This book gathers peer-reviewed papers presented on the 11th International Conference on Industrial Economics System and Industrial Security Engineering (IEIS 2024). With the economic globalization, there have been many new phenomena, new situations and new challenges in the industries in many countries. This book covers a great deal of research achievements in industrial restructuring strategy, industrial organization, industrial policy, departmental economic research, industrial competitiveness, regional industrial structure, national industrial economic security theory and empirical research, and it emphasizes on combining theory with practice. It aims to discuss the problems in industrial economics and industrial security theories and practices. IEIS 2024 was held at Cape Town and Beijing in July 26-29, 2024. It is co-organized by Beijing Jiaotong University and Henley Business School Africa.

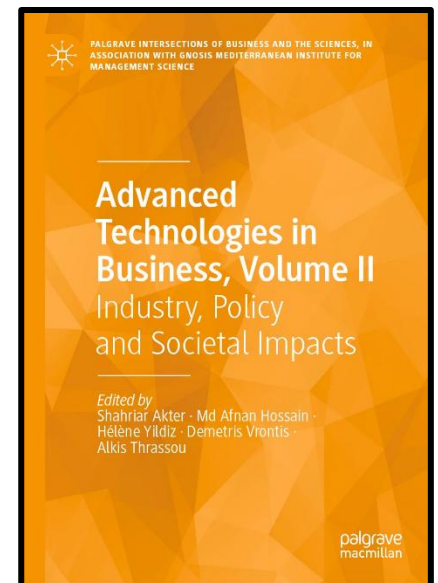
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Advanced Technologies in Business, Volume II

**Edited by Shahriar Akter, Md Afnan
Hossain, Hélène Yildiz, Demetris Vrontis,
Alkis Thrassou**

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This two-volume work explores how advanced, technologically orientated business research aims to foster organizational and industry evolution, along with sustainable progress of enduring societal implications. As businesses increasingly embrace transformative technologies, their profound and far-reaching societal consequences necessitate a cross-disciplinary scientific approach coupled with an artistic and imaginative lens. Against this backdrop, authors in this book navigate the intricate web of impacts on employment and leadership, business model innovation, advanced data driven decision making, digital transformation, data ecosystems and analytics, AI-led e-commerce and branding, and virtual reality. The topics cover an array of geographic regions and industries, including professional services, education, fashion, sports, and hospitality & tourism. Business technology theory and science are ultimately geared towards practicable application, and are contextualized by sustainability and socioeconomic advancement. This second volume explores the role of advanced business technologies in industry and policy, elucidating also the art and fiction of their societal impact, while the first volume investigates their strategic, managerial and marketing impacts.

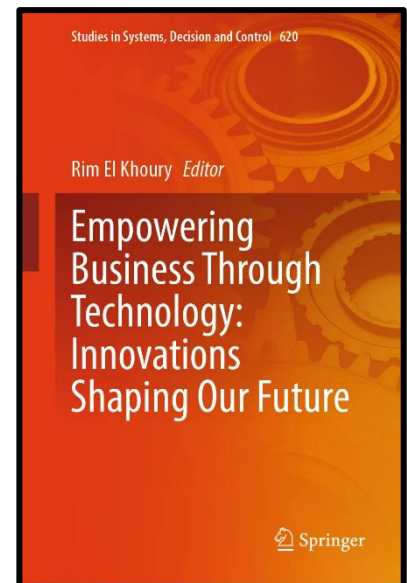
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Empowering Business Through Technology: Innovations Shaping Our Future

Edited by Rim El Khoury.

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This book offers a comprehensive exploration of how emerging technologies are transforming businesses and shaping the future of industries worldwide. By focusing on practical applications and strategic insights, this book unpacks the profound ways in which innovations like artificial intelligence, blockchain, big data, and the Internet of Things are driving efficiency, enhancing decision-making, and redefining customer engagement. In an era of rapid technological evolution, businesses face both unprecedented opportunities and complex challenges. This book addresses these dualities by examining how technologies empower businesses to adapt to disruptions, foster innovation, and remain competitive in a globalized economy. It covers a wide range of critical topics, including digital transformation strategies, cybersecurity, data-driven decision-making, and the integration of sustainability into technology-enabled operations. These themes are explored through case studies, frameworks, and forward-looking perspectives, offering readers actionable insights into navigating the complexities of a digital-first world. One of the key contributions of this book is its human-centered approach to technology. It emphasizes not only the technical aspects of innovation but also the societal and ethical dimensions, such as ensuring equitable access to digital tools, addressing workforce transitions, and balancing technological progress with environmental sustainability.

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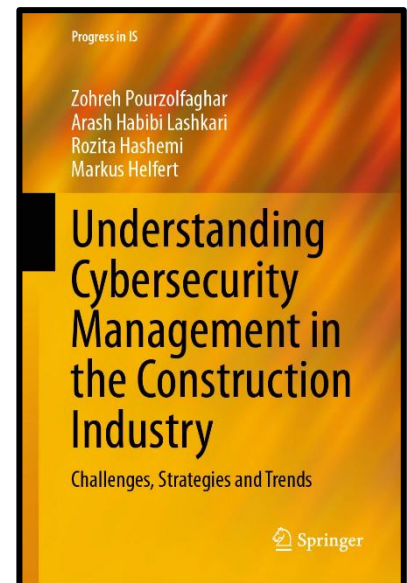
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IT/SYSTEMS

Understanding Cybersecurity Management in the Construction Industry

By Zohreh Pourzolfaghar, Arash Habibi Lashkari, Rozita Hashemi, Markus Helfert.

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This book offers a comprehensive overview of buildings' digital information security, focusing on various phases of building projects and their associated challenges. It covers digitalization in the industry, emphasizing security and privacy concerns. The book explores various phases of construction projects, including design, construction, and operation from a digital information perspective, information security vulnerabilities, impacts, and mitigation measures. Additionally, it discusses the tools and platforms to support digitalization and will review them from the information security point of view. The book also addresses existing security platforms/devices for households and analyzes their affordability and viability. In its last section, the book discusses the applicability and challenges of the current security solutions for complex buildings. The book will appeal to IT and construction professionals wanting to learn more about cybersecurity in this industry.

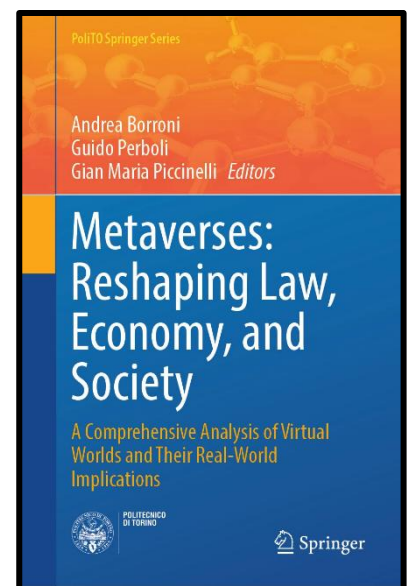
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Metaverses: Reshaping Law, Economy, and Society

**Edited by Andrea Borroni, Guido Perboli,
Gian Maria Piccinelli.**

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This volume offers an in-depth analysis of the metaverse and its implications with other, more advanced technologies through an interdisciplinary approach that bridges the social sciences with the hard sciences. The interaction among the latest technologies emerges as a pivotal element of contemporary transformation, marking the transition to a new era in which the boundary between the real and the digital becomes increasingly blurred while the physical dimension progressively yields space to the immaterial. This scenario raises issues of great theoretical and practical significance, prompting questions about the future of human interactions, economic dynamics, and governance models. The contributions gathered in this volume explore the critical implications and challenges that arise across different fields of knowledge, offering a nuanced reflection on the relationship between law, economics, and technological innovation. Through a multiplicity of perspectives, the text outlines the contours of a constantly evolving digital ecosystem with profound repercussions for society, ethics, and institutions.

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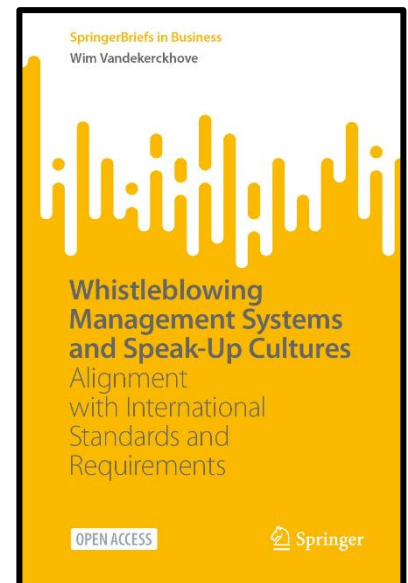
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LEGAL ASPECTS

Whistleblowing Management Systems and Speak-Up Cultures

By Wim Vandekerckhove.

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This open-access book explains how whistleblowing channels can be operated according to the best international practices and standards. Using guidance from the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the ISO37002 standard, the author discusses the benefits of a whistleblowing management system. He also uses the EU Whistleblowing Directive (2019/1937) to discuss data management and confidentiality. Finally, the book discusses the common pitfalls in handling whistleblowing reports. The analysis and guidance presented in this book builds on research into trust and speak-up cultures, as well as first-hand experience in assisting organizations to improve their whistleblowing reporting processes.

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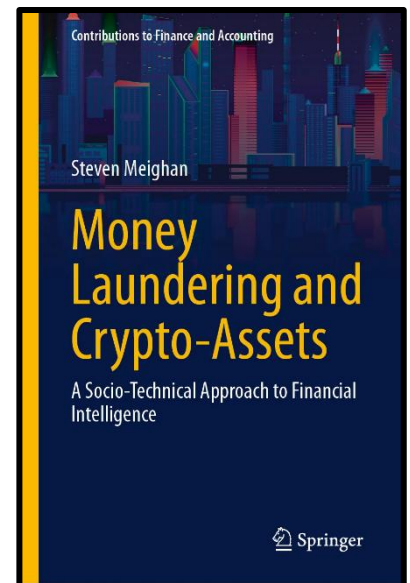
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LEGAL ASPECTS

Money Laundering and Crypto-Assets

By Steven Meighan.

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In an era where digital finance is both a tool for innovation and a battleground for financial and organized crime, this book delves into the exploitation of cryptocurrency for illicit purposes-and how it can be effectively regulated. The author presents a pioneering analysis of the evolving relationship between money laundering, anti-money laundering efforts, and crypto-assets. By focusing on Ireland's Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU), this book examines 2,719 suspicious transaction reports (STRs), expert insights, and legislative developments to introduce a new socio-technical framework for detecting and understanding crypto-laundering. With global relevance for financial intelligence units, regulators, compliance professionals, and law enforcement, this book offers practical strategies and theoretical depth for navigating the intersection of digital finance and financial crime.

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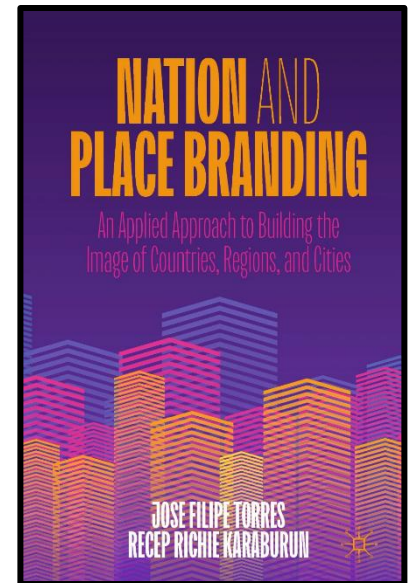
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MARKETING

Nation and Place Branding

By Jose Filipe Torres, Recep Richie Karaburun.

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In an age of global competition, where cities, regions, and countries vie for investment, talent, tourism, and influence, this textbook offers a comprehensive roadmap to building strong, credible, and resilient place brands. Moving far beyond logos and slogans, it introduces a practical, policy-driven approach grounded in strategy, governance, and authenticity. Drawing on over two decades of real-world experience with place branding clients across continents, the authors present a rich mix of theory, frameworks, and case studies—from Stockholm to Tulsa to Australia—making this book an indispensable guide for students and professionals alike. Through the lens of the proven 14 Steps to Nation and Place Branding framework, readers are guided through every stage of building a place brand—from laying the foundations and engaging stakeholders to shaping digital identity and managing reputational risk. The book delves into essential marketing principles like segmentation, positioning, and integrated communication, while also addressing complex political realities, governance challenges, and the growing role of digital platforms, AI, and user-generated content in shaping perceptions. Whether you're a university student studying destination branding, placemaking, or event management—or a professional working in tourism, economic development, public diplomacy, or destination marketing—this textbook provides the tools to build impactful brands rooted in place, powered by people, and aligned with long-term national goals.

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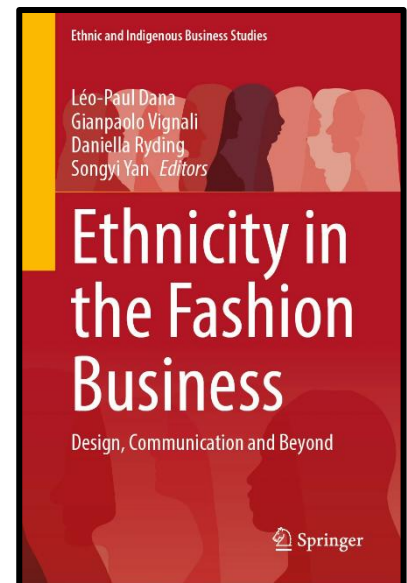
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MARKETING

Ethnicity in the Fashion Business

Edited by Léo-Paul Dana, Gianpaolo Vignali, Daniella Ryding, Songyi Yan.

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This book demonstrates the multi-disciplinary nature of the contemporary fashion industry. Edited and authored by leading scholars and industry experts, this comprehensive volume explores how ethnicity influences every facet of fashion—from design and production to marketing and consumption. Drawing on theoretical frameworks, with practical application, this book examines how designers incorporate ethnic motifs and traditions into their collections while navigating issues of cultural appropriation and authenticity. The role of ethnicity in shaping fashion communication and business strategies, including advertising campaigns, social media branding, and runway presentations is further examined. Moreover, it sheds light on the business dynamics of ethnic fashion markets, exploring the challenges, opportunities and future directions faced by entrepreneurs and enterprises within diverse consumer market.

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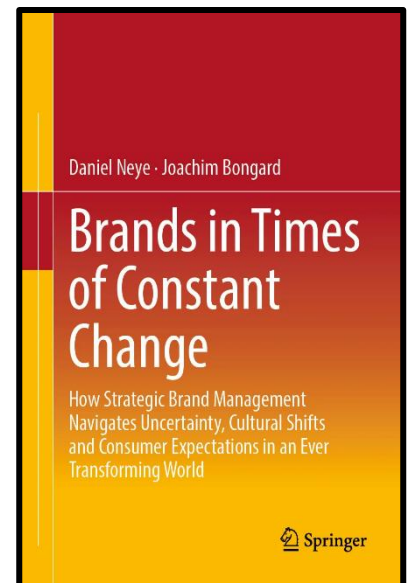
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MARKETING

Brands in Times of Constant Change

By Daniel Neye, Joachim Bongard.

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The world is in a constant state of crisis — with brands right in the middle of it. Whether it is climate change, artificial intelligence, political conflicts, or societal upheavals: companies must act faster, more flexibly, and more responsibly than ever before, while remaining profitable at the same time. But how does modern brand management navigate a brand through these challenging times? What is needed are strategic approaches that enable a future-proof brand management without neglecting the pressing social, ecological, and economic challenges of our time. All of this is critically discussed and reflected by the two authors in this book. In addition to the fundamentals of strategic brand management, they explain—using examples and visionary concepts—what holistic brand management looks like today and in the future. In this context, the fundamental societal role of brands, as well as the political and ethical dimensions of economic action in general, are also addressed. Because at this turning point in time brands must broaden their horizons, recognize and successfully master the complex social, ecological, and economic challenges of the present in order to secure and shape their own future.

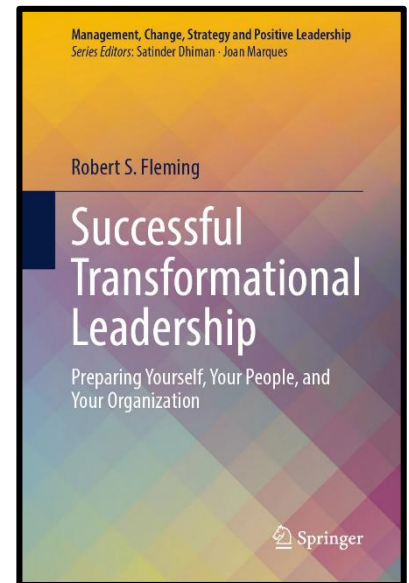
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Successful Transformational Leadership

By Robert S. Fleming.

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The focus of this book is on transformational leadership, which enables an organization to achieve its full potential and to meet and exceed the expectations of its stakeholders. It provides both aspiring and incumbent organizational leaders with valuable guidance and practical insights regarding preparing for and pursuing a successful career in organizational leadership. The author provides examples of transformational leadership in a variety of contemporary organizations and considers the unique management and leadership challenges faced by contemporary leaders and their organizations. This book is a valuable preparation tool for those preparing to assume leadership roles and responsibilities, as well as an informative and useful reference/resource for professionals to consult at various points throughout their careers.

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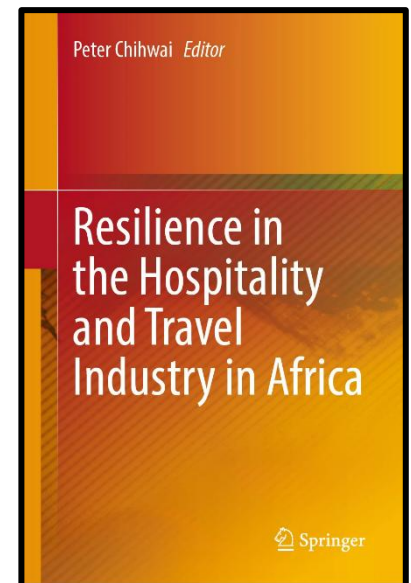
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OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

Resilience in the Hospitality and Travel Industry in Africa

Edited by Peter Chihwai.

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This book examines the resilience of the tourism, hospitality, and travel industries in Africa, addressing a notable gap in academic research. It explores how these sectors have adapted to various challenges, with a special focus on the impact of COVID-19 and the subsequent journey towards recovery and sustainability. Key topics include resilience strategies in hospitality and travel, food production and consumption aligned with Sustainable Development Goals, food waste management, and the effects of erratic weather on tourism. The book offers unique insights into changing customer preferences, the performance of tourism accommodations post-COVID-19, and business strategies that influence industry resilience across Africa's diverse regions. Providing original research and insights dedicated exclusively to resilience in the African context, this book includes contributions from all 52 African countries. Its comprehensive coverage of varied topics makes it a valuable resource for academics, researchers, and industry professionals. By addressing both theoretical and practical aspects, it aims to enhance understanding and contribute to the future resilience and sustainability of Africa's tourism and hospitality sectors.

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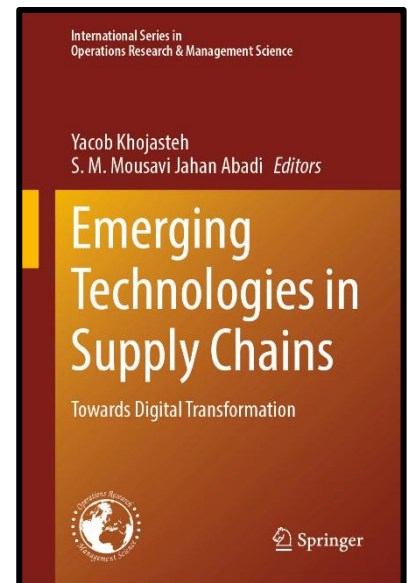
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OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

Emerging Technologies in Supply Chains

**Edited by Yacob Khojasteh, S.M. Mousavi
Jahan Abadi.**

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This book presents a comprehensive examination of emerging digital innovations and their implications for supply chain management. Bridging theory and application, this book provides valuable insights into how technological advancements are influencing practice, policy, and research across global supply networks. The book begins with an overview of emerging technologies and their practical applications in supply chains. It then explores the use of blockchain to enhance traceability and observability, followed by a detailed look at data-driven analytics for building resilient and adaptive supply chains. The final section focuses on the transformative role of artificial intelligence in optimizing supply chain operations. This book can be used as an essential source for students and scholars who are interested in pursuing research or teaching courses on the rapidly evolving field of digital transformation in supply chains. It also provides valuable insights for managers and practitioners seeking to enhance their knowledge and effectively navigate the digital transformation of their supply chain operations.

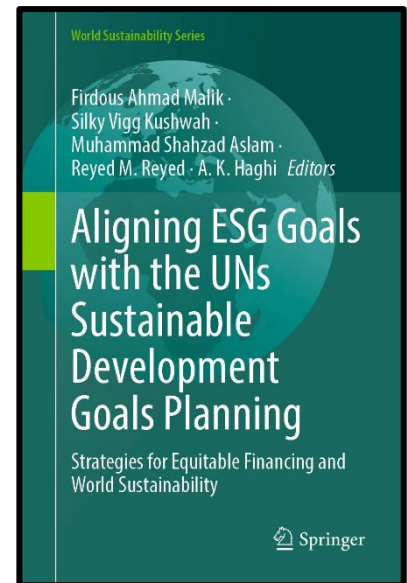
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Aligning ESG Goals with the UNs Sustainable Development Goals Planning

**Edited by Firdous Ahmad Malik, Silky Vigg
Kushwah, Muhammad Shahzad Aslam,
Reyed M. Reyed, A. K. Haghi.**

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This book questions through a critical lens how resources can be mobilized to advance the development of environmental resilience and economic growth, examining new financial mechanisms, policy frameworks, and strategic partnerships. Using case studies, emerging technologies, and regional perspectives, this book provides an analysis of effective ways to carry out Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) goals in enduring harmony with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Intended for policymakers, academics, and business leaders, this book emphasizes that equitable and transparent financing is vital to a carbon neutral future and a more inclusive society. This book explores the intersection between ESG and SDG planning, and publishes actionable insights for integrating sustainable development into the flow of financials, thereby accelerating a long-term global sustainability.

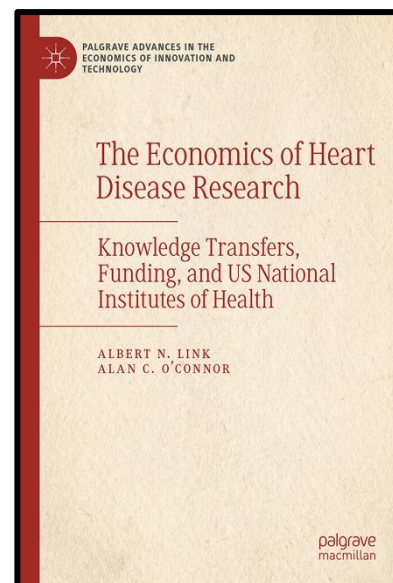
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The Economics of Heart Disease Research

By Albert N. Link, Alan C. O'Connor.

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There is a conspicuous void of analyses about the economic and policy analysis of heart disease research funding in the United States and in other countries. This book discusses the economic and policy dimensions of heart disease research—the leading cause of death in the United States and globally—and it provides a comprehensive overview of the contributions of the primary US funding agency for heart disease research, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) within the US National Institutes of Health (NIH). It offers policymakers metrics to evaluate the effectiveness of the US Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program—a key funding program within NHLBI. It includes information focused on health policy, reauthorizations of the NHLBI's programs, and more. The resulting book provides a useful structure to help decision makers understand the use and allocation of resources that support health research.

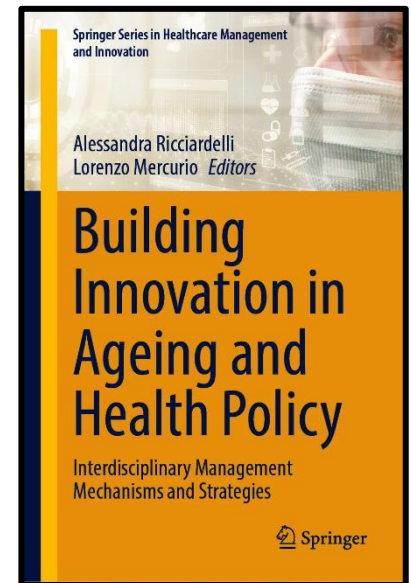
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Building Innovation in Ageing and Health Policy

Edited by Alessandra Ricciardelli, Lorenzo Mercurio.

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This book offers a data-driven analysis of aging, exploring demographic trends and their impact on decision-making in healthcare. It explores the clinical, economic and environmental factors influencing multimorbidity, frailty, and disability to stratify disease progression and prognosis for a more personalized approach to care. The book also examines behavioral and psychological determinants, outlining trajectories for active and healthy aging. It addresses the challenges and opportunities of the Silver Economy, focusing on work, participation, retirement, and welfare strategies that adapt to an aging population. Finally, the book advocates for mainstreaming aging into health policy, proposing innovative institutional mechanisms for more sustainable, future-oriented healthcare systems. Featuring case studies, practical strategies and insights, and policy frameworks to improve quality of life and demands of tomorrow's aging population, this book is essential reading for professional and practitioners as well as researchers, scholars, academics and policy makers in healthcare, public policy, and economics.

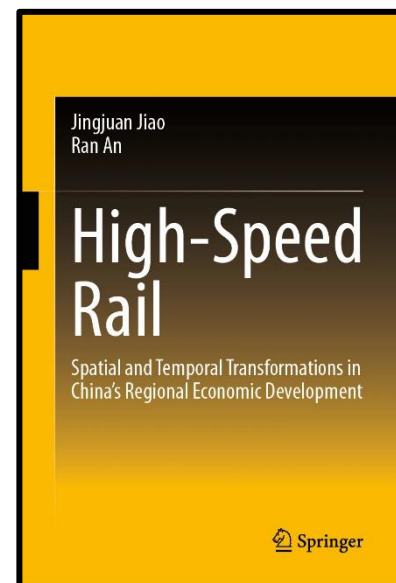
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High-Speed Rail

By Jingjuan Jiao, Ran An.

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This book meticulously examines the profound and multifaceted impact of high-speed rail(HSR) on China's regional economic development, adopting a distinctive spatio-temporal perspective. It delves deeply into how HSR has served as a catalyst for transformations in the way spatial and temporal perceptions are shaped, redefining the landscape of economic activity. Furthermore, it explores the intricate spatial patterns that have emerged in areas such as industrial agglomeration, tourism, and enterprise entry, all of which have been significantly influenced by the advent of HSR. Additionally, the book meticulously examines the temporal dynamics of these changes, tracing their evolution over time and illuminating the long-term implications for China's economic landscape.

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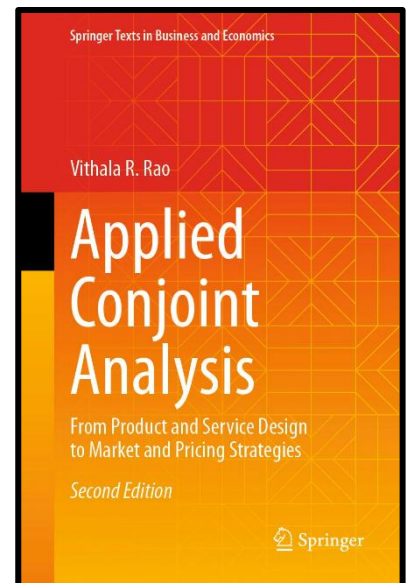
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RESEARCH METHODS

Applied Conjoint Analysis

By Vithala R. Rao.

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This book provides different applications and methods of conjoint analysis in marketing. It gives an introduction into the basic ideas of conjoint analysis and describes the steps involved in designing a ratings-based conjoint study. This new revised second edition offers newer methods for estimating utility functions for products with multiple attributes such as Best-Worst Scaling, incorporating non-compensatory aspects, and auction methods. It features new chapters on advanced methods of analysis (e.g., machine-learning based and others) and conjoint analysis with other types of data such as eye tracking, visual design evaluations, search data and GPT, among others. While the focus of the book is on methods in marketing, these methods are also applicable for other business and social sciences. This book is useful to academics, researchers, and scholars applied marketing science. This book is also suitable as a textbook for quantitative marketing coursework.

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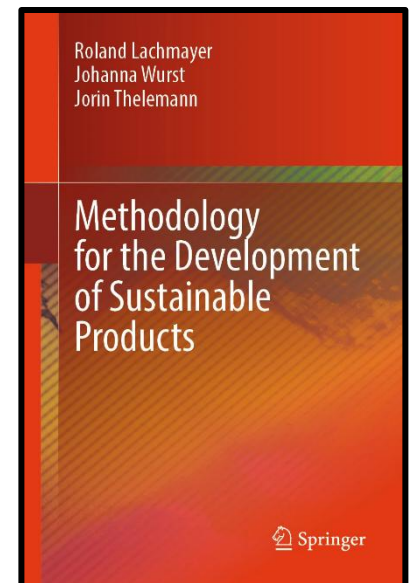
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Methodology for the Development of Sustainable Products

By Roland Lachmayer, Johanna Wurst, Jorin Thelemann.

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The book "Methodology for the Development of Sustainable Products" offers readers various ways in which proven methods of product development can be usefully supplemented from a sustainability perspective. It combines familiar and successfully established methods with new approaches that we have researched and tested in practice in recent years, with a focus on sustainable solutions. Starting with primarily strategic considerations on systems and business models as well as relevant norms and standards, concrete methods and techniques are presented in the further course of the book, which are supplemented by case studies in the individual chapters. The content of this book is based on many years of practical experience from life, 15 years of working in industry, as well as research and teaching, and also in terms of working with young people. In addition to our students, it is primarily aimed at practitioners – from engineers to managers – as well as all readers with an interest in technology.

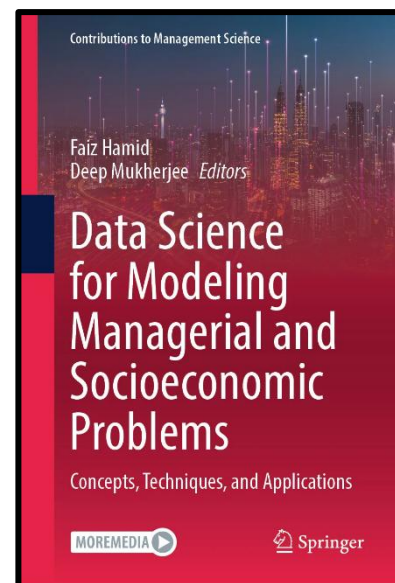
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Data Science for Modeling Managerial and Socioeconomic Problems

Edited by Faiz Hamid, Deep Mukherjee.

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This book leverages statistical analysis, data mining, and machine learning techniques to address managerial and socioeconomic problems. With the advent of modern technologies, massive amount of data, especially big data, proliferate from business transactions and users. Consequently, there is an ever-increasing demand for analyzing the data and gaining valuable insights. This book comprises 15 chapters: the first ten chapters cover methods from Statistics and Econometrics, while the next five chapters delve into selected Machine Learning techniques. By bringing together the expertise of eminent researchers from reputed universities worldwide, this volume provides a cohesive guide to understanding and applying data science methodologies to real-world problems. The book assumes basic knowledge of probability and statistics. Each chapter presents a blend of theoretical insights and practical case studies, ensuring that readers not only learn the techniques but also see their relevance and implementation in real-world scenarios. The chapters not only cover the theoretical underpinnings in a student-friendly language but also provide step-by-step guides for implementation using various software tools such as R, Python, Matlab, and SPSS. This is to instill confidence in the reader to apply such techniques to real-life problems.

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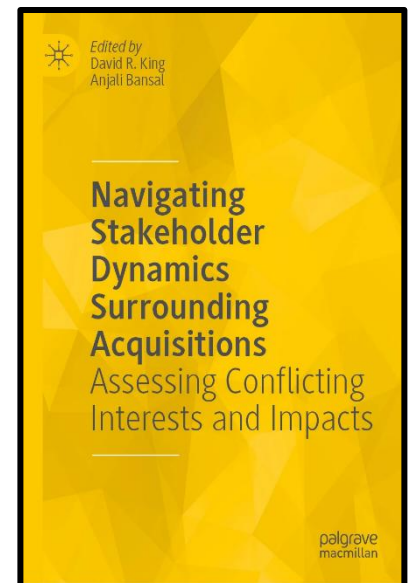
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STRATEGY

Navigating Stakeholder Dynamics Surrounding Acquisitions

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This book examines various stakeholder perspectives and actions that impact the performance of an acquiring firm. Among the perspectives that the book will explore are those of suppliers, customers, competitors, and society. By integrating information on stakeholder impacts and reactions to acquisitions, this volume offers insights into why acquisitions often fall short of their intended goals. For strategy researchers, it will identify paths of scholarly investigation to better understand why Navigating Stakeholder Dynamics Surrounding Acquisitions is critical for managers implementing firm strategies. David R. King is Higdon Professor of Management at Florida State University, USA. His research focuses on complementary resources, merger and acquisition (M&A) integration and performance, technology innovation, and defense procurement. Anjali Bansal is Assistant Professor of Human Resource Management at IIM Lucknow, India. She is an avid researcher in mergers and acquisitions (M&A) and elaborates on integration, HR policies, stakeholders' sensemaking, and managers' sensegiving during M&A. In addition, Anjali also researches in the area of leaders' communication and decision-making during change.

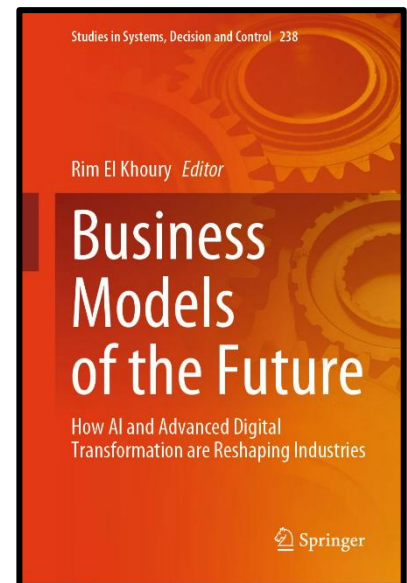
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Business Models of the Future

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This book provides a comprehensive guide to how digital disruption is fundamentally reshaping existing business models across industries. With the pervasive impact of technologies like AI, IoT, analytics, and blockchain, it has become crucial for organizations to transform digitally to survive and thrive. The book begins by establishing an understanding of key drivers like mobility, big data, and cloud computing that are enabling new digital business paradigms. It then analyzes challenges as well as opportunities presented to companies in this climate of rapid change. Readers are equipped to assess their organization's position through frameworks examining data-driven strategies and what adaptive, customer-centric organizational structures most digital enterprises share. How agile practices and a culture of experimentation can smooth large-scale digital evolutions is also revealed. Practical guidance is offered on navigating common obstacles to transformation like legacy infrastructure constraints or privacy regulation compliance. Ultimately, this comprehensive resource empowers professionals across functions with holistic insights and actionable best practices to strategically lead their enterprises through ongoing digital upheaval and capitalize on new opportunities. For any seeking to drive innovation amid today's climate of disruption, it presents an indispensable roadmap.

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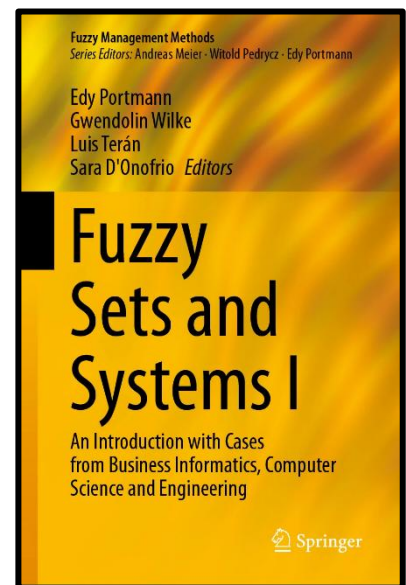
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MATHEMATICS / STATISTICS

Fuzzy Sets and Systems I

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In an era where digital transformation demands ethical foresight and human-centered design, this first volume of a comprehensive trilogy explores how individuals can navigate complexity through responsible technological engagement. By integrating design science research with fuzzy systems theory, it offers a foundation for embedding ethical behavior and sustainable thinking into personal decision-making. The book presents experimentally grounded insights into the scalability and efficiency of human-centric information systems. Volume I introduces fuzzy sets and systems through the ethical lens of the honorable merchant, a holistic concept from medieval Europe. Focusing on the individual level, it explores how humanistic principles inform leadership and responsibility in business informatics, computer science, and engineering. Topics include approximative measurements, reputation management, knowledge carriers, data warehousing, and phenotropic interactions. A responsible actions framework concludes the volume, offering practical guidance for ethically navigating uncertainty in individual contexts.

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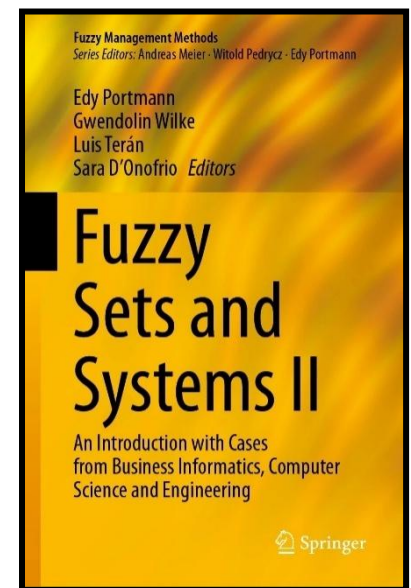
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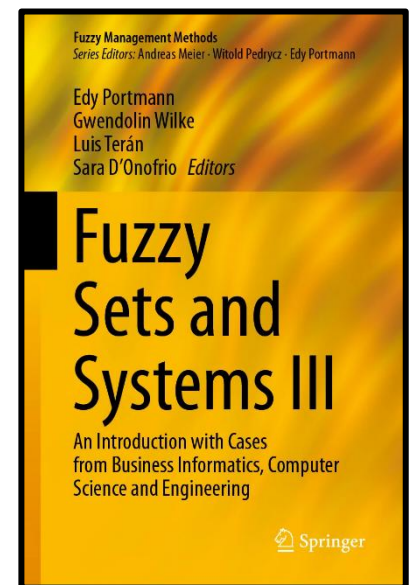
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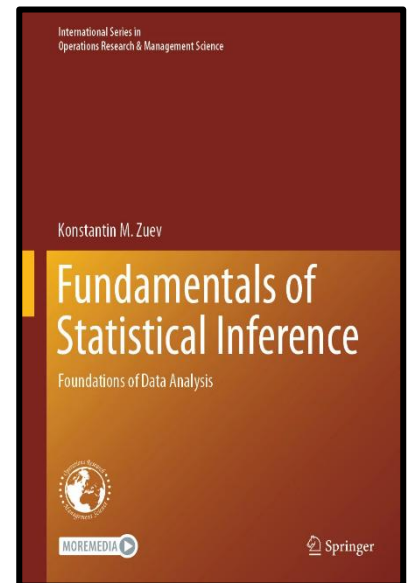
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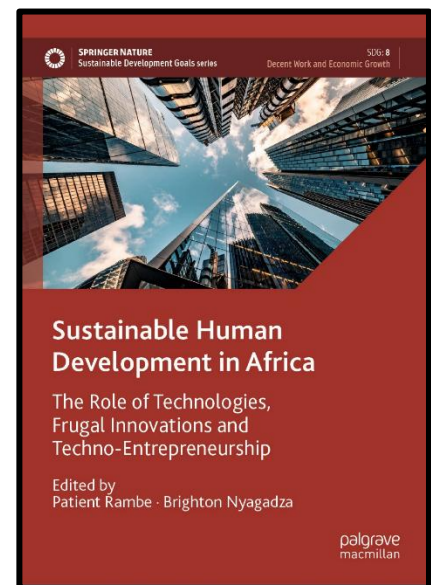
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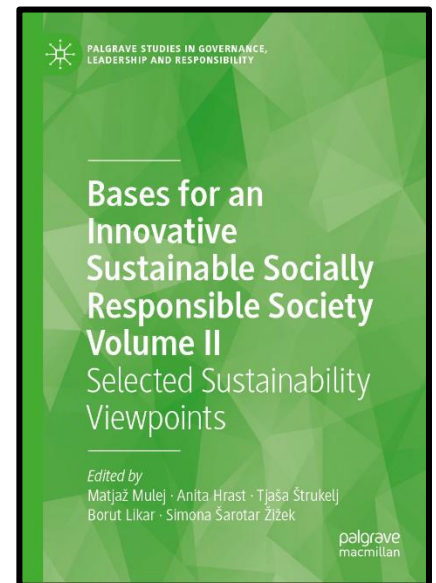
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