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This book explores the use of Blockchain and smart contract technologies to develop new ways to finance independent films and digital media worldwide. Using case studies of Alibaba and in-depth, on-set observation of a Sino-US coproduction, as well as research collected from urban China, Hong Kong, Europe, and the USA, *Online Film Production in China Using Blockchain and Smart Contracts* explores new digital platforms and what this means for the international production of creative works. This research assesses the change in media consciousness from young urban audiences, their emergence as a potential participative and creative community within dis-intermediated, decentralised and distributed crowdfunding and crowdsourcing models. This research proposes solutions on how these young emerging local creative talents can be identified and nurtured early on, particularly those who now produce creative and artistic audiovisual content whether these works are related to film, Virtual Reality (VR), video game, graphic novels, or music. Ultimately, a new media content finance and production platform implementing blockchain is proposed to bring transparency in the film sector and open doors to emerging artists in digital media. Appropriate for both professionals and academics in the film industry as well as computer science.

This book analyzes extensive data on the world's rapidly changing and growing access to, use and geographies of information and communications technologies. It studies not only the spatial differences in technology usage worldwide, but also examines digital differences in the major world nations of China, India, the United States and Japan at the state and provincial levels. At the global level, factors such as education, innovation, judicial independence and investment are important to explaining differences in the adoption and use of technology. The country studies corroborate consistent determinants for technology usage for education, urban location, economic prosperity, and infrastructure, but also reveal unique determinants, such as social capital in the United States and India, exports in China and working age population and patents in Japan. Spatial patterns are revealed that indicate clusters of high and low technology use for various nations around the world, the countries of Africa and for individual states/provinces within nations. Based on theory, novel findings and phenomena that have remained largely unreported, the book considers the future of the worldwide digital divides, the policy role of governments and the challenges of leadership.

The book entitled "The internationalization of e-commerce: a case study of the Alibaba group" has been written by the Brazilian researchers Matheus Felipe Pereira de Souza and Elói Martins Senhoras. It is the 31st didactic book of the "Communication & Public Policies Collection" which aims to stimulate the development of textbooks fulfilling bibliographical gaps. This book brings into light 3 main discussions: International Business as a scientific field of study the internationalization process of e-commerce and, a case study of the Alibaba Group.

Whether you are studying at undergraduate or postgraduate level, our stellar team of expert authors will guide you through the key topics of human resource management from strategic and international perspectives. Starting with the fundamentals of each topic and progressing through to critical evaluation, the 3rd edition includes: Even more international case studies from across Europe, Asia, Australia and the Middle East – which bring the theory and academic underpinning to life A wide range of Reflective Activities that encourage you to consider the real-world implications of what you have learnt An updated companion website featuring a wealth of resources for lecturers and students, including an Instructor's Manual, PowerPoint slides, a Testbank, recommended journal articles and additional business cases

Now in its seventh edition, 'Digital Marketing' provides comprehensive, practical guidance on how companies can get the most out of digital media and technology to meet their marketing goals.

The official guide to making a bundle buying and selling through Alibaba.com, the world's largest online B2B marketplace Alibaba.com is the world's leading global business-to-business online marketplace. People around the world use it every day to import and export products for big profits. But newcomers are often overwhelmed by the sheer number of products and the quantity of information available. The Official Alibaba.com Success Guide shows you how to ramp up your business or build an entirely new business, using the Alibaba.com brand and web site as your supplier. This practical guide provides simple answers for complex questions, from navigating the site, to finding products at the right price, to branding, and much more. Plus, the book includes best practices for importing, locating and vetting suppliers, and protecting yourself against online fraud. • An answer-packed guide for all your questions about doing business through Alibaba.com • Officially licensed and supported by Alibaba.com, this is the only guide you need • Includes inspirational profiles of people who have used Alibaba.com successfully to launch new businesses or revive old ones • The first and only step-by-step guide to using Alibaba.com effectively Alibaba.com gives you the opportunity to make real money online. Here, you'll find a wealth of inside information that will help you use Alibaba.com safely and profitably.

[Foreword] The annual International Agriculture Innovation Conference (IAIC) series started in October 2016 as an assembly platform for leading researchers, educators, and developers to present, discuss, and examine various challenging issues relating to agricultural production and innovation. In January 2018, the International Association for Agricultural Sustainability (IAAS) took IAIC under its wing with expectations that IAIC expands its influence by inviting more agriculture-related professionals to participate in conferences. I sincerely welcome you to join our conference and to share your ideas on agriculture sustainability with us. First, I would like to thank the 2018 conference participants who successfully helped us create the IAIC. The IAIC 2018 would not have been successful without their support and cooperation. Next, I especially appreciate the assistance and support from the other Organizer of IAIC 2018- Institute of Agricultural Planning of CAU, China. Last but not least, the keynote speakers of IAIC 2018. This book would not have been published without their efforts and contributions. In order to improve current agricultural circumstances and attain environmental sustainability, agriculture innovation has become the primary strategy nowadays toward achieving these goals. The concept of adapting agricultural innovation to every phase of agricultural production and management is the foundation for this book. This is the sequel of book?Case Studies: Insights On Agriculture Innovation 2017?which collects information on various agricultural innovation ideas and technologies that have been applied or are being developed for agricultural operations and management in different countries. I believe this book will provide you with new and inspiring ideas about the future of agriculture development, and illustrate how innovations in methods and techniques influence agriculture production, environmental sustainability, and the quality of people's lives around the world. (Dr. Cheng-I Wei, Chairman of IAAS) [Contents] Foreword Preface

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Develop an understanding of the core principles of information systems (IS) and how these principles make a difference in today's business environment with Stair/Reynolds' PRINCIPLES OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS, 14E. Completely reorganized for clarity and focus, this fresh new edition provides engaging new chapter opening cases and a new chapter on AI and automation. You explore the challenges and risks of cybercrime, hacking, internet of things, and artificial intelligence as you examine the latest IS research and learn from memorable examples. You can even maximize your employability as you learn how to use IS to increase profits and reduce costs in organizations while studying the latest developments in big data, business intelligence, cloud computing, e-commerce, enterprise systems, mobile computing, strategic planning, and systems development. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

By July of 2011, Yun 'Jack' Ma had achieved his goal of creating one of the world's leading e-commerce companies. Ma founded the Alibaba Group and took advantage of growing internet usage in China to launch the leading B2B, C2C and B2C sites in the country and capture a huge market. Despite his success, Ma had a troubled relationship with Yahoo!, the largest investor in the Alibaba Group. Ma's decision in January of 2011 to transfer Alipay (the Alibaba Group's online payment unit) from the Alibaba Group to a company under his personal control was just making matters worse. When Ma founded Alibaba.com in 1999, he faced competition from a number of other Chinese B2B web portals. This case study discusses this topic.

In the last decade, the use of data sciences in the digital marketing environment has increased. Digital marketing has transformed how companies communicate with their customers around the world. The increase in the use of social networks and how users communicate with companies on the internet has given rise to new business models based on the bidirectionality of communication between companies and internet users. Digital marketing, new business models, data-driven approaches, online advertising campaigns, and other digital strategies have gathered user opinions and comments through this new online channel. In this way, companies are beginning to see the digital ecosystem as not only the present but also the future. However, despite these advances, relevant evidence on the measures to improve the management of data sciences in digital marketing remains scarce. Advanced Digital Marketing Strategies in a Data-Driven Era contains high-quality research that presents a holistic overview of the main applications of data sciences to digital marketing and generates insights related to the creation of innovative data mining and knowledge discovery techniques applied to traditional and digital marketing strategies. The book analyzes how companies are adopting these new data-driven methods and how these strategies influence digital marketing. Discussing topics such as digital strategies, social media marketing, big data, marketing analytics, and data sciences, this book is essential for marketers, digital marketers, advertisers, brand managers, managers, executives, social media analysts, IT specialists, data scientists, students, researchers, and academicians in the field.

In the current technological world, Web services play an integral role in service computing and social networking services. This is also the case in the traditional FREG (foods, resources, energy, and goods) services because almost all traditional services are replaced fully or partially by Web services. Handbook of Research on Demand-Driven Web Services: Theory, Technologies, and Applications presents comprehensive and in-depth studies that reveal the cutting-edge theories, technologies, methodologies, and applications of demand-driven Web, mobile, and e-business services. This book provides critical perspectives for researchers and practitioners, lecturers and undergraduate/graduate students, and professionals in the fields of computing, business, service, management, and government, as well as a variety of readers from all the social strata.

Seminar paper from the year 2019 in the subject Business economics - Operations Research, grade: 1,8, Reutlingen University, language: English, abstract: This paper is a case study about Alibaba entering the US e-commerce market. Can Alibaba make large-scale sustainable success in the American e-commerce market? Or is the industry not attractive and the market saturated? Alibaba provides technology, infrastructure and marketing to help merchants, brands and businesses to leverage the power of new technology to engage with their customers. The Alibaba Group was founded in 1999 by Jack Ma and 17 other people. Alibaba was originally founded as a B2B e-commerce portal to connect Chinese manufacturers with overseas buyers. Nowadays, Alibaba ranks in the Top Ten companies in terms of market value. Most of the credit goes to Ma himself, because he utilized the first-mover advantage and successfully planned entrepreneurial growth and corporate initiatives. Looking back, Ma has traveled more than 800 hours to dozens of countries to meet business leaders and state representatives to convince them of Alibaba's aim: to let small and medium businesses (SMEs) from all parts of the world trade freely and securely on Alibaba's platforms. The company's vision is to achieve \$1 trillion in gross merchandise by 2020 and to serve two billion customers by 2036. To achieve this, global operations are key and experts propose: "globalization is better done now than later". Alibaba is currently experiencing high competitive pressure in China and will need to conquer new territories to continue on current trajectory. Needless to say, entry into the US market will not only be difficult, but also require premium strategic decisions with little to no room for errors.

There is a lack of knowledge on how corporations in Asia develop strategies, organize their work processes and deal with competition. Western managers and business students need to know more about Asian corporations and their management styles. Learning about Asia, however, has always been a challenging task. The main challenge is the complexity encountered when dealing with Asian management issues, which differ not only for different countries, but also for different types of businesses, not to mention national management preferences and styles. This book tries to fill this gap, by presenting case studies of various Asian countries including China, Japan, India, Korea and The Philippines. The case studies are as diverse as management activities in Asia can be and include a variety of different companies in several Asian countries. This book attempts to present an overview on the variety and complexity of management and business processes in Asian countries. It intends to support business people and students of international management to get a deeper understanding of Asian management practices by

presenting practical examples of Asian firms and their strategies.

To succeed in the face of disruptive competition, companies will need to harness the power of a wide range of partners who can bring different skills, experience, capacity, and their own networks to the task. With the advent of new technologies, rapidly changing customer needs, and emerging competitors, companies across more and more industries are seeing their time-honored ways of making money under threat. In this book, Arnoud De Meyer and Peter J. Williamson explain how business can meet these challenges by building a large and dynamic ecosystem of partners that reinforce, strengthen, and encourage innovation in the face of ongoing disruption. While traditional companies know how to assemble and manage supply chains, leading the development of a vibrant ecosystem requires a different set of capabilities. Ecosystem Edge illustrates how executives need to leave notions of command and control behind in favor of strategies that will attract partners, stimulate learning, and promote the overall health of the network. To understand the practical steps executives can take to achieve this, the authors focus on eight core examples that cross industries and continents: Alibaba Group, Amazon.com, ARM, athenahealth, Dassault Systèmes S.E., The Guardian, Rolls-Royce, and Thomson Reuters. By following the principles outlined in this book, leaders can learn how to unlock rapid innovation, tap into new and original sources of value, and practice organizational flexibility. As a result, companies can gain the ecosystem edge, a key advantage in responding to the challenges of disruption that business sees all around it today.

This is a complete update of the best-selling undergraduate textbook on Electronic Commerce (EC). New to this 4th Edition is the addition of material on Social Commerce (two chapters); a new tutorial on the major EC support technologies, including cloud computing, RFID, and EDI; ten new learning outcomes; and video exercises added to most chapters. Wherever appropriate, material on Social Commerce has been added to existing chapters. Supplementary material includes an Instructor's Manual; Test Bank questions for each chapter; Powerpoint Lecture Notes; and a Companion Website that includes EC support technologies as well as online files. The book is organized into 12 chapters grouped into 6 parts. Part 1 is an Introduction to E-Commerce and E-Marketplaces. Part 2 focuses on EC Applications, while Part 3 looks at Emerging EC Platforms, with two new chapters on Social Commerce and Enterprise Social Networks. Part 4 examines EC Support Services, and Part 5 looks at E-Commerce Strategy and Implementation. Part 6 is a collection of online tutorials on Launching Online Businesses and EC Projects, with tutorials focusing on e-CRM; EC Technology; Business Intelligence, including Data-, Text-, and Web Mining; E-Collaboration; and Competition in Cyberspace. the following tutorials are not related to any specific chapter. they cover the essentials of ec technologies and provide a guide to relevant resources. p

The regional study collects and analyzes recent innovative risk transfer and sharing strategies used by private or public financial institutions and enterprises leading agricultural investments in Asia. It makes an illustration of the channels through which recent strategies overcome obstacles for the delivery of various financial services to agribusinesses, such as long-term loans, savings, insurance, hedging instruments, and leasing. An explanation of the context in which these strategies seem to work is provided in addition to those constraints that currently limit further outreach to the agribusiness sector, specially to smaller agro-enterprises with growth potential where poorer rural households participate.

This book is one of the first to explore how Chinese companies are feeling the impulse of emerging business trends and seizing opportunities brought by technology innovation. It consists case studies of 7 Chinese companies: 3DMed, Wechat from Tencent, Shanghai GM, CP Group, Alibaba, AutoNavi, and ICBC. Each Chinese company has its unique perspectives and different ways to make transformation and business model adjustments. The book helps fill the gap between the global interest in "Innovate in China" and the limited availability of cases on innovations in the country. It is a valuable reference resource for readers in China and beyond wishing to address challenges in the context of growing digital technologies and overwhelming business trends.

Now today's managers can prepare to successfully oversee and understand information systems with Reynold's INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGERS, 2E. This practical, insightful book prepares current and future managers to understand the critical business implications of information technology. A wealth of actual contemporary examples demonstrate how successful managers can apply information technology to improve their organizations. A new chapter on IT security, hands-on scenarios and practical cases give readers an opportunity to apply what they're learning. This edition's solid framework helps define the manager's important role in information technology and in working effectively with all members of the organization to achieve results. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Engaging customers has become an effective strategy of marketers for improving customer-brand relationships as customer engagement is a perfect predictor of organic growth. Aggressive sales promotions, advertising campaigns, rewards, discounts, and more may attract a customer, but customer engagement creates an emotional connection with the brands/firms/services, which drives customer loyalty and long-term profitability. This has become much more applicable and effective with the use of social media platforms and the increased access of internet. Moreover, the implementation of customer analytics to measure engagement activities has provided marketers with more insights for improving services. Insights, Innovation, and Analytics for Optimal Customer Engagement is an advanced reference book that covers the latest emerging research in customer engagement and includes underlying theories, innovative methods, a review of existing literature, engagement analytics, and insights for marketers with reference to customer engagement. The book covers various product categories, industries, and sectors that are working to engage customers in inventive and creative ways. This book is a comprehensive reference tool for marketers, brand managers, social media specialists, advertisers, managers, executives, academicians, researchers, practitioners, and students interested in gaining comprehensive knowledge about customer engagement and the latest advancements in the field.

This two-volume set constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 16th International Conference on Collaborative Computing: Networking, Applications, and Worksharing, CollaborateCom 2020, held in Shanghai, China, in October 2020. The 61 full papers and 16 short papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected from 211 submissions.

The papers reflect the conference sessions as follows: Collaborative Applications for Network and E-Commerce; Optimization for Collaborate System; Cloud and Edge Computing; Artificial Intelligence; AI Application and Optimization; Classification and Recommendation; Internet of Things; Collaborative Robotics and Autonomous Systems; Smart Transportation.

The information and digital age is shaped by a small number of multinational enterprises from a limited number of countries. This volume covers the latest insight from the International Business discipline on prevailing trends in business model evolution. It also discusses critical issues of regulation in the new information and digital space.

The book presents high-quality research papers from the Seventh International Conference on Solid Waste Management (IconSWM 2017), held at Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, Hyderabad on December 15–17, 2017. The conference, an official side event of the high-level Intergovernmental Eighth Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific, aimed to generate scientific inputs into the policy consultation of the Forum co-organized by the UNCRD/UNDESA, MoEFCC India, MOUD India and MOEJ, Japan. Presenting research on solid waste management from more than 30 countries, the book is divided into three volumes and addresses various issues related to innovation and implementation in sustainable waste management, segregation, collection, transportation of waste, treatment technology, policy and strategies, energy recovery, life cycle analysis, climate change, research and business opportunities.

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The 46 original case studies featured in this book demonstrate that in many business sectors, local people and foreigners are responding to the challenges of achieving business success while competing with integrity. Cases are divided into eight sub-topics discussing internet and social media issues, labor issues, corporate social responsibility, product and food safety, Chinese suppliers and production, environmental issues, corporate governance, as well as business and society in China. Each case is followed by a discussion section, with questions to prompt reflection. This book is a valuable resource for students of International Business and Management, as well as entrepreneurs and business managers working and doing business in China.

In past twenty years or so, information technology has influenced and changed every aspect of our lives and our cultures. Without various IT-based applications, we would find it difficult to keep information stored securely, to process information and business efficiently, and to communicate information conveniently. In the future world, ITs and information engineering will play a very important role in convergence of computing, communication, business and all other computational sciences and application and it also will influence the future world's various areas, including science, engineering, industry, business, law, politics, culture and medicine. The International Conference on Information Engineering and Applications (IEA) 2011 is intended to foster the dissemination of state-of-the-art research in information and business areas, including their models, services, and novel applications associated with their utilization. International Conference on Information Engineering and Applications (IEA) 2011 is organized by Chongqing Normal University, Chongqing University, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Nanyang Technological University, University of Michigan and the Chongqing University of Arts and Sciences, and is sponsored by National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC). The objective of IEA 2011 is to will provide a forum for engineers and scientists in academia, industry, and government to address the most innovative research and development . Information Engineering and Applications provides a summary of this conference including contributions for key speakers on subjects such as technical challenges, social and economic issues, and ideas, results and current work on all aspects of advanced information and business intelligence.

Global service-based firms are often 'born global,' and these organizations have developed integrated global strategies based on industry relationships, in order to thrive in new environments. Focusing on these global strategies, this textbook explores the workings of modern service businesses, presenting theoretical management concepts alongside illustrative examples. Original case studies from a range of global sectors, including Starbucks and Facebook, as well as broader studies, such as healthcare in Japan, provide practical insights into the art of thriving as a global business. Written by a leading expert in the field, this multidisciplinary text is a vital read for all scholars and students wishing to view strategic relationships from the focal point of service industries.

800x600 This case study illuminates the rapidly evolving e-commerce market in China. It shows how Alibaba Group launched its new Taobao Mall B2C platform to raise standards for product quality and online customer shopping experience; how TMall launched as a virtual shopping mall offering internationally known brands and major retailers; how it responded to the widespread sale of counterfeit and substandard products; how its fee increases ignited massive online vendor protests; and how it has since rebranded the site to move beyond these events. Focusing on realistic e-commerce supply chain issues and challenges, this case study offers exceptional value to both students and practitioners. Authors: Jianli Hu, Woodbury University; Olivia Congbo Mao, Alibaba Group.

Throughout the book, theoretical foundations necessary for understanding Electronic Commerce (EC) are presented, ranging from consumer behavior to the economic theory of competition. Furthermore, this book presents the most current topics relating to EC as described by a diversified team of experts in a variety of fields, including a senior vice president of an e-commerce-related company. The authors provide website resources, numerous exercises, and extensive references to supplement the theoretical presentations. At the end of each chapter, a list of online resources with links to the websites is also provided. Additionally, extensive, vivid examples from large corporations, small businesses from different industries, and services, governments, and nonprofit agencies from all over the world make concepts come alive in Electronic Commerce. These

examples, which were collected by both academicians and practitioners, show the reader the capabilities of EC, its cost and justification, and the innovative ways corporations are using EC in their operations. In this edition (previous editions published by Pearson/Prentice Hall), the authors bring forth the latest trends in e-commerce, including social businesses, social networking, social collaboration, innovations, and mobility.

Internationalizing your firm presents both exciting opportunities and daunting challenges, regardless of your industry. While strategy will vary from firm to firm, this book provides a solid set of decision-making tools that will support you as you take your company global. Starting with the most important step – cultivating a truly international perspective in your senior management team – it sets out the pros and cons of each choice you will face as you define and shape a global strategy. With a pragmatic toolkit provided at the end of each chapter, *The Art of Going Global* will help to improve your decision-making capabilities in relation to a range of challenges, including:

- Selecting foreign markets
- Adapting your business model
- Navigating uncertain global markets
- Managing across cultures
- Choosing between entry mode options

With case studies and insights illustrating how to apply each toolkit, this book is ideal for practitioners, MBA students, and those in executive education. It will help you to consider a variety of alternative solutions for key managerial decisions on internationalization, the costs and benefits of different strategic scenarios, and ultimately drive you to create a clear global vision for your firm.

This book highlights the new urban–rural relationship that has emerged under the influence of e-commerce in China. In this regard, it presents case studies on the Suichang rural e-commerce model and Alibaba’s rural strategy, together with analyses of online service in China. Furthermore, by means of a brief review of the urban–rural relationship throughout China’s history, and of academic literature on the study of space, it explains the special logic of urbanization in China. As such, the book makes a valuable contribution to the body of literature on the space of flows and grassroots, aspects that are essential to appreciating the complexity of the new urban–rural relationship in underdeveloped areas (including developing countries and underdeveloped areas in developed countries) in the ongoing information era.

This book constitutes the proceedings papers from the 17th European, Mediterranean, and Middle Eastern Conference on Information Systems, EMCIS 2020, held in Dubai, UAE, in November 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the conference took place virtually. EMCIS focuses on approaches that facilitate the identification of innovative research of significant relevance to the Information Systems discipline following sound research methodologies that lead to results of measurable impact. The 56 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from a total of 161 submissions to the main conference. They are grouped in section on Big Data and Analytics, Blockchain Technology and Applications, Digital Government, Digital Services and Social Media, Emerging Computing Technologies and Trends for Business Process Management, Enterprise Systems, Healthcare Information Systems, Information Systems Security and Information Privacy Protection, Innovative Research Projects, Management and Organisational Issues in Information Systems.

This new Edition of *Electronic Commerce* is a complete update of the leading graduate level/advanced undergraduate level textbook on the subject. Electronic commerce (EC) describes the manner in which transactions take place over electronic networks, mostly the Internet. It is the process of electronically buying and selling goods, services, and information. Certain EC applications, such as buying and selling stocks and airline tickets online, are reaching maturity, some even exceeding non-Internet trades. However, EC is not just about buying and selling; it also is about electronically communicating, collaborating, and discovering information. It is about e-learning, e-government, social networks, and much more. EC is having an impact on a significant portion of the world, affecting businesses, professions, trade, and of course, people. The most important developments in EC since 2014 are the continuous phenomenal growth of social networks, especially Facebook , LinkedIn and Instagram, and the trend toward conducting EC with mobile devices. Other major developments are the expansion of EC globally, especially in China where you can find the world's largest EC company. Much attention is lately being given to smart commerce and the use of AI-based analytics and big data to enhance the field. Finally, some emerging EC business models are changing industries (e.g., the shared economy models of Uber and Airbnb). The 2018 (9th) edition, brings forth the latest trends in e-commerce, including smart commerce, social commerce, social collaboration, shared economy, innovations, and mobility.

The concept of the Business Ecosystem, which is based on the existence of an orchestrator and the cooperation of various partnerships across industries, has proven itself not only as a young theoretical discipline, but also in practice. Companies such as the Chinese Alibaba Group, which was founded in 1999 by Jack Ma, have recognized that through cooperation a greater value proposition can be offered to the customer. For this reason, Alibaba has improved its original core business of e-commerce and expanded into other industries such as financial services, logistics, and health care. By understanding the customer's movements within different business fields, Alibaba can collect, process, and analyze significant amounts of data relating to their everyday behavior. This allows for the company to offer individualized products and services. This work investigates, as a case study, how Alibaba has developed since its foundation, how its highly complex Business Ecosystem has evolved, and how Alibaba might develop in the future. The main focus is on the analysis of the interactions between the Alibaba-owned companies and its external partners. As a result, the Alibaba case analysis shows that many separate, co-existing Business Ecosystems are embedded within the whole Alibaba Business Ecosystem. A total of five such separate Business Ecosystems are presented in this master thesis and their relative functions are explained. These are Alibaba's FinTech-, logistics-, ecommerce-, new retail-, and consumer centric ecosystems. As a result of this analysis, it was shown that Alibaba has partnerships that are very important for the existence of the ecosystem, but also, on the other hand, that some of their exits are negligible. Furthermore, even though the Alibaba Business Ecosystem is open to everyone, there still exist some exclusions and restrictions, once someone is locked-in to this Business Ecosystem.

I3E 2009 was held in Nancy, France, during September 23–25, hosted by Nancy University and INRIA Grand-Est at LORIA. The conference provided scientists

and practitioners of academia, industry and government with a forum where they presented their latest findings concerning application of e-business, e-services and e-society, and the underlying technology to support these applications. The 9th IFIP Conference on e-Business, e-Services and e-Society, sponsored by IFIP WG 6.1. of Technical Committees TC6 in cooperation with TC11, and TC8 represents the continuation of previous events held in Zurich (Switzerland) in 2001, Lisbon (Portugal) in 2002, Sao Paulo (Brazil) in 2003, Toulouse (France) in 2004, Poznan (Poland) in 2005, Turku (Finland) in 2006, Wuhan (China) in 2007 and Tokyo (Japan) in 2008. The call for papers attracted papers from 31 countries from the five continents. As a result, the I3E 2009 program offered 12 sessions of full-paper presentations. The 31 selected papers cover a wide and important variety of issues in e-Business, e-services and e-society, including security, trust, and privacy, ethical and societal issues, business organization, provision of services as software and software as services, and others. Extended versions of selected papers submitted to I3E 2009 will be published in the International Journal of e-Adoption and in AIS Transactions on Enterprise Systems. In addition, a 500-euro prize was awarded to the authors of the best paper selected by the Program Committee. We thank all authors who submitted their papers, the Program Committee members and external reviewers for their excellent work.

One of the first of its kind, this book examines the digitalization of Chinese businesses both theoretically and practically. Taking a fresh and unique approach, the authors seek to adopt individual theories for each empirical case explored and investigate the dramatic digital transformation that Chinese firms have undergone in recent years. With a particular focus on social networks, the authors observe and analyze the way that digitized applications can interlink with financial systems, developing new capabilities that help to yield competitive advantage. Covering both small to medium sized enterprises (SMEs) and globally orientated multinational enterprises (MNEs), this book is a valuable resource for those researching Asian business, or international business more generally, as well as innovation and technology management.

Although popular culture certainly has its favorites in terms of rockstar companies, some of the rising giants within the business world don't always get the credit or airtime they deserve. There are a number of recent growth engine companies that have challenged conventional paths to success and forged their own destinies through unique and innovative techniques that have resulted in huge success within a shockingly short time. This book pulls back the curtain on some of today's rising business stars and reveals what essential tactics they've used to reach such impressive heights. Case studies included: - Lululemon - Alibaba - Keurig Green Mountain - Tesla Motors - Fuhu This book includes a bonus material: How Google Did It, a best-selling book.

This casebook demonstrates that the future of global business lies in how well the multinational landscape is charted and how the importance of Asian market leaders is deeply embedded in it. It offers international management students and researchers an extensive guide to the business history, strategy development, and foreign market entry modes used by emerging Asian multinationals. The cases focus on well-known companies such as Lenovo, Alibaba, Infosys, Huawei, Panasonic, and Rakuten. These companies, all of which generate huge revenues in their own countries (e.g. in China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, Vietnam), are now becoming increasingly sophisticated and striving to become global brands, while also enjoying the active support of their governments in terms of their international business. Readers will learn about the current multinational landscape in Asia, the management challenges, and the future implications for traditional western companies seeking to retain their market share. Chapters on corporate entrepreneurship, human resource management and intercultural competence, and current branding trends in Asia will provide a cutting-edge update on international business strategy for students and practitioners alike.

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