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No doubt: A perfect coating has to look brilliant! But other properties of coatings are also most important. Coatings have to be durable, tough and easily applicable. Additives are the key to success in achieving these characteristics, even though the amounts used in coating formulations are small. It is not trivial at all to select the best additives. In practice, many series of tests are often necessary, and the results do not explain, why a certain additive improves the quality of a coating and another one impairs the coating. This book is dedicated to developers and applicants of coatings working in research or production, and it is aimed at providing a manual for their daily work. It will answer the following questions: How do the most important groups of additives act? Which effects can be achieved by their addition? Scientific theories are linked to practical applications. Emphasis is put on the optical aspects that are most important for the applications in practice. This book is a milestone in quality assurance in the complete field of coatings!

In its 114th year, Billboard remains the world's premier weekly music publication and a diverse digital, events, brand, content and data licensing platform. Billboard publishes the most trusted charts and offers unrivaled reporting about the latest music, video, gaming, media, digital and mobile entertainment issues and trends.

In contemporary economies, businesses must consistently make strides to remain competitive and profitable at both national and international levels. Unlike in the developed world, corporations in developing nations face a different set of challenges for achieving growth. *Multinational Enterprise Management Strategies in Developing Countries* is an authoritative reference source for the latest scholarly research on diverse opportunities and obstacles facing multinational corporations in emerging economies. Highlighting innovative perspectives and real-world examples, this book is ideally designed for researchers, practitioners, upper-level students, and industry professionals interested in management approaches for achieving success in international corporations.

International Business is a well-established research field, in which regionalisation has recently gained significant prominence. Europe comprises marketplaces characterised by unique patterns of highly advanced economic integration. No other marketplace in the world has progressed to the same levels of harmonisation across sovereign countries and economies. European Business is a subject in its own right with its own research momentum. Contemporary research evidences that firms view Europe as a challenging, mostly – yet not entirely – mature market location. Yet this location, often seen from a multi-country perspective, is subject to complexities revealing strategic corporate strengths and weaknesses. Theory, concepts and models known from International Business hence often vary in their applicability and relevance in this business environment. This comprehensive reference volume brings together a global team of contributors to analyse and overview the key issues, themes and phenomena that affect business in Europe. With interdisciplinary perspectives, the book covers crucial themes that any European Business research needs to acknowledge, including business cultures and identity, entrepreneurship and innovation, M&A and institutional trends, European HRM, migration, climate change issues, Brexit, and more. The selection of authors, from 17 countries worldwide, reflects the international scope of this

research field and its agenda. A unique resource, this book provides an essential guide to researchers, research students and scholars of business and the social sciences, as well as the informed business community.

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**Business Chemistry: How to Build and Sustain Thriving Businesses in the Chemical Industry** is a concise text aimed at chemists, other natural scientists, and engineers who want to develop essential management skills. Written in an accessible style with the needs of managers in mind, this book provides an introduction to essential management theory, models, and practical tools relevant to the chemical industry and associated branches such as pharmaceuticals and consumer goods. Drawing on first-hand management experience and in-depth research projects, the authors of this book outline the key topics to build and sustain businesses in the chemical industry. The book addresses important topics such as strategy and new business development, describes global trends that shape chemical companies, and looks at recent issues such as business model innovation. Features of this practitioner-oriented book include: Eight chapters covering all the management topics relevant to chemists, other natural scientists and engineers. Chapters co-authored by experienced practitioners from companies such as Altana, A.T. Kearney, and Evonik Industries. Featured examples and cases from the chemical industry and associated branches throughout chapters to illustrate the practical relevance of the topics covered. Contemporary issues such as business model design, customer and supplier integration, and business co-operation. Hot-melt extrusion (HME) - melting a substance and forcing it through an orifice under controlled conditions to form a new material - is an emerging processing technology in the pharmaceutical industry for the preparation of various dosage forms and drug delivery systems, for example granules and sustained release tablets. **Hot-Melt Extrusion: Pharmaceutical Applications** covers the main instrumentation, operation principles and theoretical background of HME. It then focuses on HME drug delivery systems, dosage forms and clinical studies (including pharmacokinetics and bioavailability) of HME products. Finally, the book includes some recent and novel HME applications, scale-up considerations and regulatory issues. Topics covered include: principles and die design of single screw extrusion twin screw extrusion techniques and practices in the laboratory and on production scale HME developments for the pharmaceutical industry solubility parameters for prediction of drug/polymer miscibility in HME formulations the influence of plasticizers in HME applications of polymethacrylate polymers in HME HME of ethylcellulose, hypromellose, and polyethylene oxide bioadhesion properties of polymeric films produced by HME taste masking using HME clinical studies, bioavailability and pharmacokinetics of HME products injection moulding and HME processing for pharmaceutical materials laminar dispersive & distributive mixing with dissolution and applications to HME technological considerations related to scale-up of HME processes devices and implant systems by HME an FDA perspective on HME product and process understanding improved process understanding and control of an HME process with near-infrared spectroscopy **Hot-Melt Extrusion: Pharmaceutical Applications**

is an essential multidisciplinary guide to the emerging pharmaceutical uses of this processing technology for researchers in academia and industry working in drug formulation and delivery, pharmaceutical engineering and processing, and polymers and materials science. This is the first book from our brand new series Advances in Pharmaceutical Technology. Find out more about the series here. A fascinating exploration of our past, present, and future relationship with food For the first time in human history, there is food in abundance throughout the world. More people than ever before are now freed of the struggle for daily survival, yet few of us are aware of how food lands on our plates. Behind every meal you eat, there is a story. Hamburgers in Paradise explains how. In this wise and passionate book, Louise Fresco takes readers on an enticing cultural journey to show how science has enabled us to overcome past scarcities—and why we have every reason to be optimistic about the future. Using hamburgers in the Garden of Eden as a metaphor for the confusion surrounding food today, she looks at everything from the dominance of supermarkets and the decrease of biodiversity to organic foods and GMOs. She casts doubt on many popular claims about sustainability, and takes issue with naïve rejections of globalization and the idealization of "true and honest" food. Fresco explores topics such as agriculture in human history, poverty and development, and surplus and obesity. She provides insightful discussions of basic foods such as bread, fish, and meat, and intertwines them with social topics like slow food and other gastronomy movements, the fear of technology and risk, food and climate change, the agricultural landscape, urban food systems, and food in art. The culmination of decades of research, Hamburgers in Paradise provides valuable insights into how our food is produced, how it is consumed, and how we can use the lessons of the past to design food systems to feed all humankind in the future.

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This practical, easy-to-understand book sets a path to successfully building a culture for sustainability in today's global marketplace, providing "best practice" case studies from industries and sectors including manufacturing, business-to-business, hospitality, consumer products, telecommunications, and professional services. • Never-before-published stories and lessons learned from nine successful global companies that are building cultures for sustainability • Tips from business leaders on how to create purposeful work environments that ignite employees' passion • Practical resources: on-the-ground successful programs; proven global and local best practices; top-down and bottom-up strategies and activities; and user-friendly frameworks, tools, and references that help firms at any level of sustainability build a more sustainable culture via increased employee engagement

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Lessons from Europe : Hearing Before the Subcommittee on European Affairs of the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate, One Hundred Eleventh Congress, First Session, July 8, 2009  
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An expert on business strategy offers a pragmatic take on how businesses of all sizes balance the competing demands of profitability and employment with sustainability. The demands and stresses on companies only grow as executives face a multitude of competing business goals. Their stakeholders are interested in corporate profits, jobs, business growth, and environmental sustainability. In this book, business strategy expert Yossi Sheffi offers a pragmatic take on how businesses of all sizes—from Coca Cola and Siemens to Dr. Bronner's Magical Soaps and Patagonia—navigate these competing goals. Drawing on extensive interviews with more than 250 executives, Sheffi examines the challenges, solutions, and implications of balancing traditional business goals with sustainability. Sheffi, author of the widely read *The Resilient Enterprise*, argues that business executives' personal opinions on environmental sustainability are irrelevant. The business merits of environmental sustainability are based on the fact that even the most ardent climate change skeptics in the C-suite face natural resource costs, public relations problems, regulatory burdens, and a green consumer segment. Sheffi presents three basic business rationales for corporate sustainability efforts: cutting costs, reducing risk, and achieving growth. For companies, sustainability is not a simple case of “profits versus planet” but is instead a more subtle issue of (some) people versus (other) people—those looking for jobs and inexpensive goods versus others who seek a pristine environment. This book aims to help companies satisfy these conflicting motivations for both economic growth and environmental sustainability.

It's starting to look as if the whirlwind of the Internet revolution might be petering out to a gentle breeze. The customer's new position of power is now a well-established fact. For the business world, Facebook and Twitter accounts, coupled with an attractive website, now rank high on most checklists for corporate success. But is that really enough? In a world where even the smallest air current can build into a powerful storm, it can obviously prove to be a mistake not to keep a constant watch on the ever-changing digitalization trend – the trend that is generating new data and networking ever more physical products all the time. How fast can an online post by a single disgruntled customer call forth hordes of angry users that can do lasting damage to a company's reputation? Could data be the key to business success in the future? Success in the Digital Age is the first-ever collection of success stories and reports of real-world experiences by 17 CEOs and leading executives from a diverse range of industries as well as leading academics.

This publication gives a global overview of the achievements of the Global Compact. It offers proactive and in-depth information on key sustainability issues to stakeholders and promotes unique and comprehensive knowledge exchange

and learning in the spirit of the Global Compact principles. It helps to advance transparency, promotes the sharing of best-practices, and gives a strong voice to the regional and global actors that are at the heart of the initiative. It includes good practice examples of corporate participants and showcases different approaches to the implementation of the ten principles. It highlights major trends and issues, placing the activities of Global Compact participants in a broader context.

The classic guide to supply chain strategy--re-created to help business leaders gain an advantage in today's volatile, globalized arena The definitive guide to supply chains that deliver value The global landscape has changed dramatically since the first edition of Strategic Supply Chain Management established itself as the authority on creating value and achieving competitive advantage from the supply chain. Shorter economic cycles, more-frequent natural disasters, higher costs in low-cost countries, more-restricted access to working capital, and greater focus on sustainability have made effective supply chain management much more challenging--and much more critical to the bottom line. This second edition is your answer to gaining a strategic advantage in the face of these challenges. Drawing on dozens of new company examples as well as cutting-edge benchmarking research, it shows you how to make your supply chains more agile, flexible, and resilient. With 80 easy-to-read tables and diagrams, this fully revised book explains how to: Develop a supply chain strategy that will help you realize your business goals Design a process architecture that maps out the activities of the end-to-end supply chain Create the most effective supply chain organization Build the most beneficial relationships with your supply chain partners Use metrics to assess and drive business success Implement transformational change See how today's best supply chain strategies work in all-new profiles of BASF, Essilor, Haier, Kaiser Permanente, Lenovo, and Schlumberger. Find out what these industry leaders are doing to get the greatest value out of their supply chains. When value depends on how well you deliver, you need Strategic Supply Chain Management, Second Edition. PRAISE FOR STRATEGIC SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: "This book shows convincingly that a robust supply chain strategy is critical for business success in today's uncertain economic environment. Cohen and Roussel explain not only what makes for a good supply chain strategy but also how to put that strategy into practice." -- Jim Miller, VP, Worldwide Operations, Google "Strategic Supply Chain Management loudly and clearly makes the case that successful companies' supply chain strategies are closely aligned with their competitive differentiation and operating models. The book uses in-depth examples that bring these concepts to life and demonstrate that one size doesn't fit all. Anyone who thinks operations is just another corporate function needs to read this book." -- Manish Bhatia, SVP, Worldwide Operations, SanDisk "The advent of global marketplaces, heightened competition, accelerated pace of product innovation, and fast-changing customer preferences have increased the impact of the supply

chain on company profitability and long-term success. But cultural challenges to successful supply chain design remain. Cohen and Roussel's book provides a platform for addressing these challenges and is recommended reading for chief executives, strategy professionals, and supply chain practitioners." -- Martin Roper, Chief Executive Officer and President, Boston Beer "The authors present a straightforward path for developing and deploying a global supply chain strategy that addresses the priorities of today's executive management teams." -- Hau Lee, Thoma Professor of Operations, Information and Technology, Stanford Graduate School of Business "Strategic Supply Chain Management, Second Edition, is an important resource for executives who are trying to take their supply chain performance to the next level. Given the enormous challenges of the current business environment, it's 'must' reading." -- Joe Francis, Executive Director, Supply Chain Council "Following on from their ground-breaking first edition, the authors provide further evidence of the critical role of supply chain management in creating competitive advantage. Managers facing the challenge of coping with increasing levels of complexity in global supply chains will find valuable guidance in this in this revised work." -- Martin Christopher, Emeritus Professor of Marketing & Logistics, Cranfield School of Business, Cranfield University "This is not another one of those books that are heavy on theory but light on practical advice. Filled with examples of companies from a wide range of industries and geographical regions, it provides guidance that is clear and easy to understand." -- Greg Clapp, SVP, Operations, Fujitsu "Concise and cogent, Strategic Supply Chain Management, Second Edition, lays out the key components for top supply chain performance and backs up these insights with new benchmarking research. Managers across the organization will find answers to their supply chain questions here." -- Paul Bischler, Vice President and Controller, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway

Conceptualized and put into practice by Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient Dr. Muhammad Yunus, social businesses work to address social ills such as poverty, lack of health care, gaps in education and environmental challenges. This book explores the ideation, practice and evaluation of the concept of social business. Not just theoretical foundations but several case studies of social businesses around the world and state-of-the-art assessment of the issues that arise in the planning, marketing and evaluation of social businesses, are featured in this book. This cutting-edge collection of articles, presented by the California Institute for Social Business (CISB) in collaboration with Professor Yunus, is one of the first comprehensive collections of theory and research on the emerging field of social business. The diverse group of authors come from around the world and from various disciplinary backgrounds, representing the leading academic experts on social business phenomena.

This collection of different views on how digitalization is influencing various industrial sectors addresses essential topics like big data and analytics, fintech

and insuretech, cloud and mobility technologies, disruption and entrepreneurship. The technological advances of the 21st century have been massively impacted by the digital upheaval: there is no future without digitalization. The sale of products and services has left the classical point of sale and now takes place on a variety of channels. Whether in the automotive industry, travel and traffic, in cities, or the financial industry – newly designed ecosystems are being created everywhere; data is being generated and analyzed in real time; and companies are competing for mobile access channels to customers in order to gain knowledge about their individual contexts and preferences. In turn, customers can now publicly share their opinions, experiences and knowledge as User Generated Content, allowing them to impact the market and empowering them to build or destroy trust.

This Proceedings contains the papers of the fib Symposium “CONCRETE Innovations in Materials, Design and Structures”, which was held in May 2019 in Kraków, Poland. This annual symposium was co-organised by the Cracow University of Technology. The topics covered include Analysis and Design, Sustainability, Durability, Structures, Materials, and Prefabrication. The fib, Fédération internationale du béton, is a not-for-profit association formed by 45 national member groups and approximately 1000 corporate and individual members. The fib’s mission is to develop at an international level the study of scientific and practical matters capable of advancing the technical, economic, aesthetic and environmental performance of concrete construction. The fib, was formed in 1998 by the merger of the Euro-International Committee for Concrete (the CEB) and the International Federation for Prestressing (the FIP). These predecessor organizations existed independently since 1953 and 1952, respectively.

Students trying to navigate the strategy jungle may lose sight of the fact that strategic management is about creating value in an organization. Understanding strategic management is a core part of all business qualifications and this textbook brings a new and easy-to-follow understanding of this vital business function. In addition to walking the student through the basics of the subject, the authors provide an array of analytical tools to help facilitate a thorough understanding of strategic management. The book addresses thoroughly the impact of financial markets on a firm’s strategic capabilities, as well as looking at other challenging environmental factors. Aided by an array of student-friendly features, such as: learning objectives, 'strategic management in practice' case studies and review questions in each chapter, Strategic Management will help students to excel in their strategic management classes and better prepare them for the real business world. A comprehensive companion website, containing a wealth of supplementary materials for students and lecturers alike, is available at: <http://www.routledge.com/cw/fitzroy>.

The Business Year: Morocco 2020 is a portrait of the Moroccan economy as seen through the eyes of its economic decision makers. Research for this

publication was carried out in a dynamic economic and political context, including a government reshuffle in October 2019, the conclusion of the First Industrial Acceleration plan, the new foundations for the 2020 Finance Bill, and the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. This 120-page publication aims to provide a platform for the country's decision makers at a time of global uncertainty and act as a guide for investors looking seriously at the North African economy.

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is becoming indispensable in the spheres of business, government, education and entertainment. It makes Internet marketing, e-government, e-learning and online chat services possible. And its commercial aspect, e-commerce, is part of this trend. Today, no business training is complete without the inclusion of at least the basics of e-commerce.

But although e-commerce has opened up new opportunities, it also presents threats and risks. The success of e-commerce hinges on security and trust. Every business manager should therefore have a fundamental awareness of the meaning of e-commerce and ICT security and risk management. This second edition provides guidelines for overcoming these challenges by exploring the ways in which entrepreneurs and managers should co-operate with IT experts to exploit opportunities and combat the threats imposed by new technologies.

Understanding the chemistry underlying sustainable energy is central to any long-term solution to meeting our future energy needs. Chemistry of Sustainable Energy presents chemistry through the lens of several sustainable energy options, demonstrating the breadth and depth of research being carried out to address issues of sustainability and the gl

This report assesses the current status of China's national innovation system and policies, and recommends improvements required in both the policy and institutional environments for China to succeed in promoting innovation through a market-based approach.

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InfoWorld is targeted to Senior IT professionals. Content is segmented into Channels and Topic Centers. InfoWorld also celebrates people, companies, and projects. In this book, an expert in business strategy shows how to create and evaluate a strategic plan and execute that plan successfully. \* Concrete examples and case studies \* Templates and samples of materials used in various public- and private-sector strategic planning efforts \* A bibliography of resource materials about strategic thinking, strategy formulation, strategic planning, and strategy execution

Recent Highlights in the Discovery and Optimization of Crop Protection Products highlights the most prominent, recent results in the search for safe and effective new crop protection products. With a focus on the design, synthesis, optimization and/or structure-activity relationships of new chemistries targeting insect, disease, weed, nematode, vector and animal parasite control, the book also includes recent developments in crop enhancement chemistries and new approaches to crop protection

products. The inclusion of information on testing tools, green chemistry approaches, and the latest discovery tools, like modeling, structure-based design, and testing tools makes this volume complete. Based on key presentations given at the 14th International IUPAC conference on Crop Protection, May 19-24, 2019 in Ghent, Belgium, this book includes the many exciting new discoveries and findings reported. It is designed to inspire additional research and advancement in the field. Based on science presented at the 2019 International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry Conference on Crop Protection Provides real-world perspectives on pesticide and disease control progress Presents scientific developments from an international array of contributing authors

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