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How should firms' control systems be designed and used to formulate and implement strategies that will contribute to competitive advantage and sustained high performance? This book offers some thought-provoking suggestions. It contains empirical studies of such diverse manufacturing enterprises as Atlas Copco, Electrolux, Saab, Scania, SCA Packing and Volvo, as well as an insurance company and two chamber orchestras. All firms and organizations presented offer interesting and exciting insights, each in a specific way and each with a fascinating history. The book presents research on the relationship between strategy, control and competitive advantage over extended periods and at several strategic levels, while also taking into account the existence of multiple control systems in a single firm or other organization. Readers are offered an in-depth look into how changes in the environment lead to adjustments in strategies and control systems. It is shown, in addition, how difficult and challenging it can be to implement these changes, and why such efforts are not always successful. But perhaps most importantly, the book conveys an in-depth understanding of how strategies and control systems affect competitive advantage and performance. In both its coverage and focus, the book is unique. Not only does it provide valuable contributions to the research field of strategy and management control; it also represents a substantial commitment in terms of resources and involvement over an extended period. The book is highly recommended to researchers, practitioners, graduate students and all others interested in this area.

The discipline of technology management focuses on the scientific, engineering, and management issues related to the commercial introduction of new technologies. Although more than thirty U.S. universities offer PhD programs in the subject, there has never been a single comprehensive resource dedicated to technology management. "The Handbook of Technology Management" fills that gap with coverage of all the core topics and applications in the field. Edited by the renowned Doctor Hossein Bidgoli, the three volumes here include all the basics for students, educators, and practitioners. Service Systems Implementation provides the latest applications and practices aimed at improving the key performance indicators of service systems, especially those related to service quality, service productivity, regulatory compliance, and sustainable service innovation. The book presents action-oriented, application-oriented, design science-oriented (artifacts building: constructs, models, methods and instantiations) and case study-oriented research with actionable results by illustrating techniques that can be employed in large scale, real world examples. The case studies will help visualize service systems along the four key dimensions of people, information, technology and value propositions which can help enable better integration between them towards higher value propositions. The chapters, written by leading experts in the

field, examine a wide range of substantive issues and implementations related to service science in various industries. These contributions also showcase the application of an array of research methods, including surveys, experiments, design science, case studies and frameworks, providing the reader with insights and guidelines to assist in building their own service systems, and thus, moving toward a more favorable service customer and provider experience. Service Systems Implementation, along with its companion text, The Science of Service Systems, is designed to present multidisciplinary and multisectoral perspectives on the nature of service systems, on research and practice in service, and on the future directions to advance service science. These two volumes compose a collection of articles from those involved in the emerging area known as service science.

This textbook offers a fully integrated approach to the theory and practice of service management, exploring the operational dynamics, management issues and business models deployed by service firms. It builds on recent developments in service science as an interdisciplinary research area with emphasis on integration, adaptability, optimization, sustainability and rapid technological adoption. The book explores seven fundamental processes that are key to successfully managing service businesses, helping students gain insights into: how to manage service businesses, with coverage of both small firms and large transnationals service business models, operations and productivity managing service employees how service firms engage in product and process innovation marketing, customers and service experiences internationalization of service businesses the ongoing servitization of manufacturing This unique textbook is an ideal resource for upper undergraduate and postgraduate students studying service businesses and practitioners.

Provides a collection of medical IT research in topics such as clinical knowledge management, medical informatics, mobile health and service delivery, and gene expression.

This book is the first of two volumes presenting a business model to add value through Procurement. Including several case studies of successful implementation, it demonstrates how the increasing complexity of the business environment requires a significant intervention on the management of processes and information within individual organizations and through inter-company relations. Agile Procurement presents the application of the Agile method which optimises and digitizes processes in order to reduce wastage and defects. As a method, tool and a culture aimed at effectiveness, efficiency and economy of organisations, agile procurement requires a change of paradigm. This volume examines these areas of improvement and presents best practice in improving processes. Each chapter of the book presents and substantiates the costs and benefits of process improvement through agile procurement. This is seen as the integration of Lean Six Sigma and digitization.

For those wishing to acquire knowledge on national development issues, this comprehensive compendium traverses a spectrum of subjects that the audience ought to be well acquainted with. The Editors provide instructive findings regarding national development, economic growth and their determinants, but they also offer historical perspectives on the subject and the implications for developing countries. The book addresses a suite of critical themes regarded by development experts to be germane in considering the pertinence of policies and their effective execution. These seven general thematic areas are explored: Leadership, governance, policy and strategy Public sector and public financial management Culture, institutions and people Natural resources Science, technology and infrastructure Private sector and financial markets Marketing, branding and service delivery This thematic approach enables the contributors to explore the impact of the constituents of each subject area on national development, within the context of a developing economy. The significance of the findings for the relevant stakeholders is consequently reviewed. The combination of theory and practice makes the book and its contents unique.

Service Management Operations, Strategy, and Information Technology Irwin/McGraw-Hill

When knowledge is properly managed, it's in the hands of those who need it BEFORE they need it. This greatly improves the speed of business operations by eliminating time-consuming information searching! This book will show you how to make any hospitality or tourism related business more efficient and competitive by using knowledge management concepts and techniques. It provides an essential introduction to the concept of knowledge management plus fascinating case studies, strategic advice, and structural recommendations for its implementation. You'll learn to use knowledge management to avoid the duplication of research, reducing the cost of product research and development and increasing the effectiveness of your overall operation. Helpful charts and figures make the information easy to access and understand. From the editors: "Although tourism and hospitality, with their geographically dispersed units, can profit from enhanced knowledge management, only a small number of firms have implemented knowledge management techniques. A recent study shows that although managers in many hotels consider knowledge management and information transfer to be 'relevant concepts,' they report being confronted with too many—and unclear—knowledge management strategies, activities, and implementation techniques. As a result, they are not sufficiently familiar with knowledge management and reject implementing it. This book will increase understanding of these concepts and help to speed the implementation of knowledge management in the hospitality and tourism industries." This book will show you how to make any hospitality or tourism related business more competitive by using knowledge management concepts and techniques. It provides an essential introduction to the concept of knowledge management, with fascinating case studies as well strategic advice and structural recommendations for its implementation. In addition, you'll find: analyses of various aspects of knowledge management in hotels an examination of an Internet-based knowledge management system and its sources, repositories, taxonomy, services, applications, and user interfaces the advent of the "knowledge café" and what it means to the travel and tourism industries the knowledge supply chain matrix, which combines strategic and operative aspects of knowledge management—with a practical example drawn from the airline industry new developments in software applications for cross-border destination management, with an example drawn from the new "AlpNet" project that demonstrates the importance of cooperation and of member-specific requirements insightful thoughts about mental models as they relate to tourism—what they are and how understanding them can lead to lower degrees of mistrust and more efficient operation of tourism-based businesses essential information about database marketing, data mining, and knowledge discovery, with introductions to decision tree classifiers, regression analysis, induction programming logic, and probabilistic rules

Stay ahead of your customers as their service expectations change! In Current Issues and Development in Hospitality and Tourism

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Satisfaction, experts from the field explore customer satisfaction strategies, examining both the long-term and short-term results. This vital tool shows you new and effective approaches for understanding customer satisfaction and providing quality service at all levels of the hospitality and tourism industry. Hospitality and tourism faculty and students as well as professionals will find this book useful for improving and providing quality service management. This book illustrates the complex relationship between customer and service provider, offering practical advice and techniques for maximizing consumer contentment. Current Issues and Development in Hospitality and Tourism Satisfaction contains models for meeting—and even surpassing—consumer expectations to increase the value of the customer's experience. This essential resource includes various methods for managers to anticipate consumer needs and perceptions, reducing dissatisfaction. This book helps you: incorporate existing and alternative measurements of satisfaction measure and improve service quality create and maintain social interaction linkages between staff and customer identify the destination performance of your hotel and other destinations or attractions evaluate consumer satisfaction with lodging services increase cross-cultural service satisfaction and much more! Tables and figures throughout the text help demonstrate the strategies, and bibliographies at the end of each chapter offer further reading. While there are other books that focus on customer satisfaction, Current Issues and Development in Hospitality and Tourism Satisfaction is rare in that it covers satisfaction issues as they apply to both hospitality and tourism.

This is the third of a series of research volume of papers from the Business and Information Technologies global research network. The group includes 20 partners from 16 countries, who conduct studies on the impact of new information and communication technologies on business practice, industry structure, and economic change. The book presents a unique longitudinal and cross-sectional view of technology adoption and business practice across a diverse set of countries and economies. It appears that there are some commonalities with respect to patterns of technology adoption, but also significant differences across countries. Furthermore, innovative practices can arise in every country, and have the potential to be applied in other countries. The identical survey carried out in different countries enables benchmarking and accurate comparisons across those markets. It is also extremely broad in its coverage of business practice in terms of functions and performance. Book jacket.

James Fitzsimmons' 1982 McGraw-Hill text, *Service Operations Management*, the first book on the topic, defined the field of service operations management. Fitzsimmons is now senior author of an all new 1994 service management text which sets the paradigm for service management for the 1990s. This junior/senior/graduate text is distinguished by its unique focus on service management for competitive advantage and by its integration of the author's first-hand experiences and research with numerous service firms. Its highly readable presentation is designed to appeal even to students with little business experience.

Accompanying CD-ROM contains ... "an assortment of valuable learning tools such as the latest version of ServiceModel software and interactive chapter quizzes--all of which facilitate a deeper understanding of service operations and management."--Page 4 of cover.

Service Management is the best-selling text in this market and includes compelling and current examples from the field of technology. The text has extensive coverage on global operations, and the need for continuous improvement in quality and productivity in the service industry. *Service Management* also does an excellent job of demonstrating how crucial functional areas of an organization such as marketing, strategic issues, operations and human behavior impact effective service management.

"This book examines current, state-of-the-art research in the area of service sectors and their interactions, linkages, applications, and support using information systems"--Provided by publisher.

The ninth edition continues to acknowledge and emphasize the essential uniqueness of service management. The text is organized in four parts: Part One: Understanding Services, which provides a historical context as well as distinguishes the distinctive characteristics of service operations; Part Two: Designing the Service Enterprise, which covers designing the service enterprise to support the competitive strategy; Part Three: Managing Service Operations that details topics such as Managing Capacity, Demand and Waiting Lines and Service Supply Relationships and; Part Four: Quantitative Models for Service Management that addresses forecasting and managing service inventory. This book examines how to optimize design management processes in order to produce innovation within organizations. It first looks at how to harvest a culture of design and then examines topics specific to product and service design. Individual chapters provide anecdotes drawn from leading design-oriented firms, and best practices based on cutting-edge, scientific research. This book's unique blend of theory and application will offer students, scholars, and managers valuable insight on how organizations can revolutionize their design processes and leverage their approach to create groundbreaking products and services.

Resourceful companies today must successfully manage the entire supply flow, from the sources of the firm, through the value-added processes of the firm, and on to the customers of the firm. The fourteenth Global Edition of Operations and Supply Chain Management provides well-balanced coverage of managing people and applying sophisticated technology to operations and supply chain management. Supply chain management has long been a feature of industry and commerce but, with increasing demands from consumers, producers are spending more time and money investing in ways to make supply chains more sustainable. This exemplary Handbook provides readers with a comprehensive overview of current research on sustainable supply chain management.

Mass customization (MC) has been hailed as a successful operations strategy across manufacturing and service industries for the past three decades. However, the wider implications of using MC approaches in the broader industrial and economic environment are not yet clearly understood. Mass Customization: Engineering and Managing Global Operations presents emerging research on the role of MC and personalization in today's international operations context. The chapters cover MC in the context of global industrial economics and operations. Moreover, the book discusses MC topics that are relevant to the manufacturing and service sectors, such as: • product platforms; • learning curve modeling; • additive manufacturing; and • service customization. Case studies in manufacturing (e.g., apparel and transportation) and services (e.g., banking and virtual worlds) are also included. Mass Customization: Engineering and Managing Global Operations is a valuable text for mass customization researchers and practitioners. Researchers will find a selection of chapters prepared by internationally renowned authors, comprising most of their recent research in MC. Engineering professionals will be drawn by the vivid discussion of operational aspects and methods of MC, as well as by the selection of cases illustrating their practical application.

The design and provision of telemedical services which are both, efficient and customer-centric, constitute a huge challenge in the promising field of telemedicine. This dissertation presents an adequate solution. It outlines a systematic approach for the modularization of telemedical services: the SMART method. Following a design science research approach, this method was iteratively designed and evaluated. Thereby, the three overarching research questions could be answered successfully. They address the requirements elicitation, the design, and the evaluation of the method. The application of the SMART method confirms the intended effects, e.g., higher efficiencies due to reuse of service modules,

and represents the key practical contribution of this thesis. Thus, service providers from the field of telemedicine are enabled to design and provide their services in an efficient and user-centric fashion. This dissertation contributes to all person-oriented fields that face digital transformations.

Traditionally, international business (IB) texts survey the field from a U.S. perspective, going on to compare the U.S. to the rest of the business world. This text addresses IB from a purely multinational perspective. International Business is examined from the U.S. angle, going on to address IB issues from other countries' perspectives, what we call the "Reverse Perspective". In accomplishing the U.S. and the Reverse Perspective approaches, the authors interview business executives and politicians from a number of countries, i.e. the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Colombia, Argentina, India, Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, Japan, South Korea, Germany, Italy, Russia, etc. The interviews are incorporated at appropriate points in the text as first-hand information providing a multinational flavor to IB from each country's representatives. Cases include: Air Arabia, Gap, Diebold Inc, Matsushita, AMSUPP, NIKE, China Eastern Airlines, Luton & Dunstable Hospital, Harley Davidson, Cassis de Dijon, Green investments in Belize, Chicago Food and Beverage Company, Advanced Software Analytics * Covers international business issues from a multinational perspective. A focus on different groups of countries, i.e. developed, newly developed, developing, EU. * Unique structure with multinational issues covered in the first four parts. Then specific countries of the world presented in the fifth part where multinational/IB issues from the first four parts become especially meaningful. * Each chapter features the Reverse Perspective Case that provides material for discussion and/or case analysis from a global perspective not necessarily that of the U.S * Website to support the text and lecturer

Web-based Support Systems (WSS) are an emerging multidisciplinary research area in which one studies the support of human activities with the Web as the common platform, medium and interface. The Internet affects every aspect of modern life. Moving support systems to online is an increasing trend in many research domains. One of the goals of WSS research is to extend the human physical limitation of information processing in the information age. Research on WSS is motivated by the challenges and opportunities arising from the Internet. The availability, accessibility and ?exibility of information as well as the tools to access this information lead to a vast amount of opportunities. However, there are also many challenges we face. For instance, we have to deal with more complex tasks, as there are increasing demands for quality and productivity. WSS research is a natural evolution of the studies on various computerized support systems such as Decision Support Systems (DSS), Computer Aided Design (CAD), and Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE). The recent advancement of computer and Web technologies make the implementation of more feasible WSS. Nowadays, it is rare to see a system

without some type of Web interaction. The research of WSS is classified into four groups. • WSS for specific domains. Service chain management enables service organisations to improve customer satisfaction and reduce operational costs. In this book, Christos Voudouris and his BT colleagues together with experts from industry and academia present the latest innovations and technologies used to manage the operations of a service company. The viewpoints presented are based on the BT experience and on associated research and development. Service chain management is looked at both from the enterprise perspective and from the standpoints of the service professional and customer. The focus is on real-world challenges.

This book contains the refereed proceedings of the Second International Conference on Exploring Services Science (IESS) that was held in Geneva, Switzerland, in February 2010. Based on the previous edition and the momentum in this emerging and exciting field, IESS 2011 offered academics, researchers, and practitioners from various disciplines an exploratory platform to communicate and share their results and experiences. The 17 full and 2 short papers accepted for IESS were selected from 47 submissions and cover the whole life cycle of service development (including service innovation, service design, service composition, and service sustainability) as well as the application of services in information technology, businesses, and public administration.

Everyday, we are bombarded with advertising images of the smiling service worker. The book is written with the aim of focusing beneath the surface of these fairy tale images, to seek out and understand the reality of service workers' experience. Within the sociology of work and related literatures, there are an increasing number of empirical studies of different types of service work, but there has been little progress in attempts to theorize the nature of service work, per se. This book fills this gap by bringing together major scholars from the US and UK who use a range of critical perspectives to explore key elements in the organization and experience of contemporary service work. It will make an invaluable secondary text for advanced undergraduates and graduates studying courses/modules such as sociology of work, industrial sociology, social theory and work, organization studies, and organizational theory.

This book explores the major differences between the kinds of risk encountered in different sectors of industry - production (including agriculture) and services - and identifies the main features of accidents within different industries. Because of these differences, unique risk-mitigation measures will need to be implemented in one industry that cannot be implemented in another, leading to large managerial differences between these broad economic sectors. Based on the analysis of more than 500 disasters, accidents and incidents - around 230 cases from the production sector and around 280 cases from the service sector - the authors compare the risk response actions appropriate within different sectors, and establish when and how it is possible to generalize the experience of dealing with risks in any given industry to a

wider field of economic activity. This book is mainly intended for executives, strategists, senior risk managers of enterprise-wide organizations and risk management experts engaged in academic or consulting work. By setting out clearly the sector differences in risk management, the authors aim to improve the practice of general risk assessment with regard to identifying and prioritizing risks, and of risk control with regard to planning appropriate mitigation measures. This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the Third Australian Symposium on Service Research and Innovation, ASSRI 2013, held in Sydney, NSW, Australia, in November 2013. Overall, eight research papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 18 submissions. They are multidisciplinary in scope and cover strategic, organizational, and technological dimensions, ranging from purely conceptual to concrete implementations and testing of service-related technological platforms. Taken together, these papers provide a snapshot of the critical concerns and developments in service-related research and cover some of the key areas of research focus.

In recent years, our world has experienced a profound shift and progression in available computing and knowledge sharing innovations. These emerging advancements have developed at a rapid pace, disseminating into and affecting numerous aspects of contemporary society. This has created a pivotal need for an innovative compendium encompassing the latest trends, concepts, and issues surrounding this relevant discipline area. During the past 15 years, the Encyclopedia of Information Science and Technology has become recognized as one of the landmark sources of the latest knowledge and discoveries in this discipline. The Encyclopedia of Information Science and Technology, Fourth Edition is a 10-volume set which includes 705 original and previously unpublished research articles covering a full range of perspectives, applications, and techniques contributed by thousands of experts and researchers from around the globe. This authoritative encyclopedia is an all-encompassing, well-established reference source that is ideally designed to disseminate the most forward-thinking and diverse research findings. With critical perspectives on the impact of information science management and new technologies in modern settings, including but not limited to computer science, education, healthcare, government, engineering, business, and natural and physical sciences, it is a pivotal and relevant source of knowledge that will benefit every professional within the field of information science and technology and is an invaluable addition to every academic and corporate library.

The Handbook of Service Description introduces an in-depth overview of service description efforts. The book also highlights the recent Unified Service Description Language (USDL) in detail and discusses its methods. The Handbook of Service Description is the normative scientific reference for the upcoming standardization of the Unified Service Description Language (USDL). Complete documentation is included. The Handbook of Service Description is designed for those working in the service science industry as a reference book. Advanced-level students focused on computer

science, engineering and business will also find this book a valuable asset.

The Science of Service Systems intends to stimulate discussion and understanding by presenting theory-based research with actionable results. Most of the articles focus on formalizing the theoretical foundations for a science of service systems, examining a wide range of substantive issues and implementations related to service science from various perspectives. From the formal (ontologies, representation specifications, decision-making and maturity models) to the informal (analysis frameworks, design heuristics, anecdotal observations), these contributions provide a snapshot in time of the gradually emerging scientific understanding of service systems. The Science of Service Systems, along with its companion text, Service Systems Implementation, is designed to present multidisciplinary and multisectoral perspectives on the nature of service systems, on research and practice in service, and on the future directions to advance service science. These two volumes compose a collection of articles from those involved in the emerging area known as service science.

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