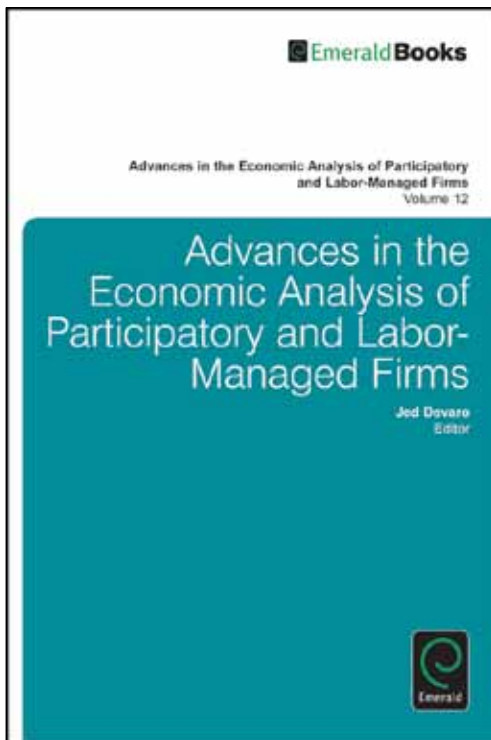




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Synopsis

This study investigates the website disclosures of the 100 most entrepreneurial firms, more widely known as the fastest growing companies, in Australia. Information was recorded for the highest revenue growth sustained over three years as a means to examine their influence on the corporate growth aspect of reputation building. The majority are small businesses that are not required to prepare annual reports with general purpose financial reports; their primary tool of communication is the company-sponsored website. They rely heavily on intangibles to propel their corporate growth and assert their distinctive character to stakeholders; hence, they are intellectual capital. The study, spanning three continuous years, analyses website disclosure of 45 intellectual capital resource items, and examines their relation to reputation building. The statistical models reveal that combining narrative and visual intellectual capital disclosure on websites enhances corporate reputation.

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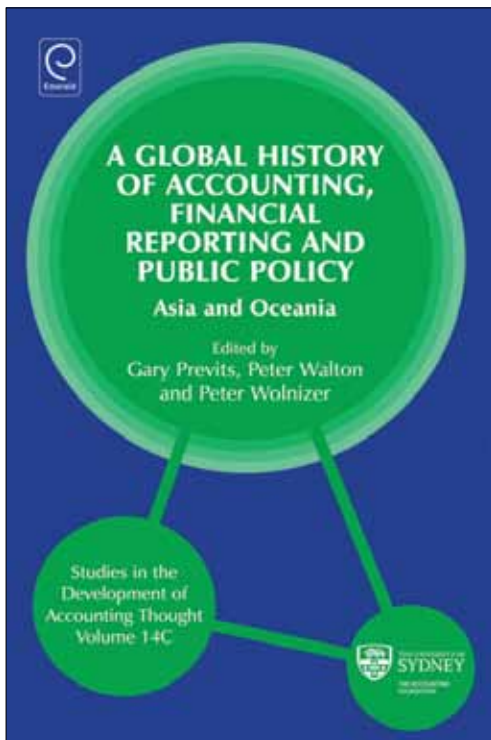
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The Global Accounting History four-volume set aims to establish a benchmark reference source that covers the evolution of accounting, financial reporting and related institutions for all major economies in the world in a comparable way. Volume Three considers six nations from Asia and Oceania; Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, and the Republic of Korea. The volume is informed by the knowledge of various regional specialists, who act as authors for each chapter.

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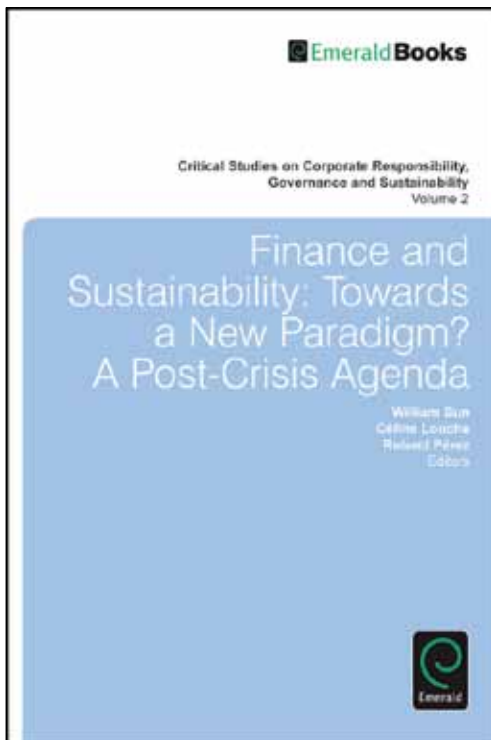
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The recent global financial crisis has indicated that the conventional dominant paradigm in finance is unable to cope with the problems of financial systems, markets, and behaviour of financial institutions, and failed to understand the proper role of finance in society and the economic system as a whole. Drawing on the recent movements of corporate social responsibility, socially responsible investing and sustainable development, this volume goes further to examine the ongoing making of financial reality towards social responsibility and sustainability, and aims at a better understanding of finance as a collective construct and endeavour embedded in a societal context. Bringing together leading scholarly thinking, this collection opens new avenues of comprehending corporate social responsibility, reveals mechanisms and strategies in shaping the reality of responsible finance, searches for alternative approaches towards financial sustainability, and explores new thinking of coping with complex financial choice and financial risks. Moving away from the conventional financial paradigm, this volume demonstrates paradigm shifting in the financial world and provides fresh insights on how we may reshape the financial reality to enable societal betterment and prevent any future financial crisis.

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Leading scholars consider Austrian economics from several perspectives, such as characteristic themes of entrepreneurship and uncertainty, scientific methods such as mathematical complexity theory and experimental economics, and historical contexts such as pre-war Vienna and post-war France. Placing "Austrian economics" in these multiple contexts helps to reveal the rich texture of the Austrian tradition in social thought and its multiple connections to current research in diverse fields. Applications to the theory of the trade cycle and to foreign intervention suggest that the Austrian tradition contains possibilities not yet fully explored and exploited. The volume gathers together papers presented at the 2nd biennial Wirth Conference on Austrian Economics, held in October 2008, when the crisis of Fall 2008 was still new and shocking. This coincidence of timing makes policy issues and crisis management a kind of leitmotif of the volume. If, as keynote speaker David Colander argues, Austrians have a comparative advantage in political economy, then its stock should rise in times of crisis and political uncertainty. The volume provides evidence in favour of this view. Contributors include David Colander, Richard Wagner, Jeffery McMullen, J. Barkley Rosser Jr, Steve Horwitz, Richard Ebeling, Chris Coyne, and Peter Boettke.

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Volume 27 of *Advances in Econometrics*, entitled *Missing Data Methods*, contains 16 chapters authored by specialists in the field, covering topics such as: Missing-Data Imputation in Non-stationary Panel Data Models; Markov Switching Models in Empirical Finance; Bayesian Analysis of Multivariate Sample Selection Models Using Gaussian Copulas; Consistent Estimation and Orthogonality; and Likelihood-Based Estimators for Endogenous or Truncated Samples in Standard Stratified Sampling.

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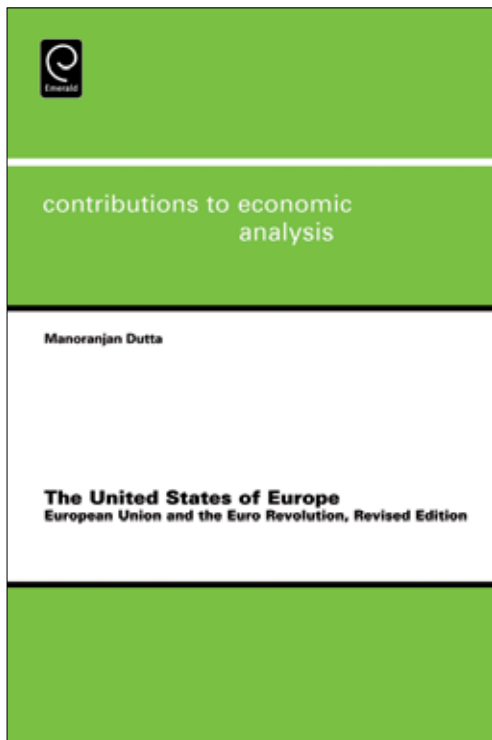
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The United States of Europe considers the post-WWII transition of Europe from a diverse and disparate continent to the economically integrated European Union of today.

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Since the very beginnings of economics as a science, which might be dated from Ibn Khaldun's *Introduction to History* (1377), the challenge of making societies escape from poverty and attain some degree of prosperity has always been, and will remain, a fundamental issue. It was and is still recognized today that this central venture is multi-faceted. Inasmuch as investment and technical progress are central to the growth and development process, many other dimensions must be taken into consideration, such as institutions, the openness of the economy, the protection of the environment. This book presents cutting edge research on each of these issues and features a preface from Ken Arrow.

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This volume contains nine original innovative chapters on worker wellbeing. Three chapters are on time allocated to work and human capital acquisition, three on aspects of risk in the earnings process, two on migration, and finally one on how tax policies affect poverty. Questions answered include: Are more educated women now opting out of work with a higher probability than in the past? Under what circumstances do young adults allocate non-school time to educational pursuits? How do macroeconomic shocks affect labor force participation rates? Can tax policies alleviate poverty? Are workers compensated adequately for taking risks? Do differences in private and public sector earnings affect mobility between the two sectors? And do migrant parents affect the educational decisions of their offspring?

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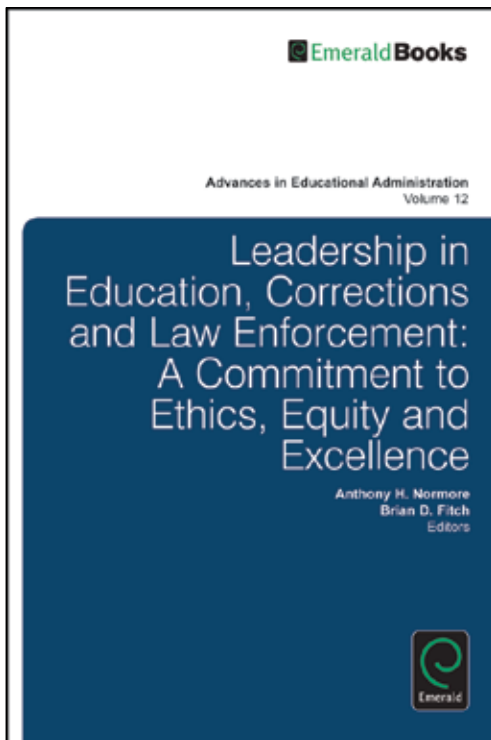
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Leadership in Education, Corrections and Law Enforcement: A Commitment to Ethics, Equity and Excellence

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This volume fills a unique gap in the knowledge base – the juncture between leadership, ethics, law, and how public institutions/ organizations understand and practise the essence of all three. Authors from law enforcement, corrections education, and educational leadership present different yet overlapping constructs around ethics and law, and take an important step towards reconciling these differing views to demonstrate the significance of collaboration and partnerships for a common purpose.

The volume develops a coherent theory on how multiple organizations can collaborate to gain “public trust” for the “greater good” of communities and society at large from the perspectives of law and ethics.

Providing a broad-based view of the intersection where law and ethics meet leadership in multiple professions, it sets the stage for the discussion of significance and timeliness of ethical behaviours and practices towards solving long-lasting issues in education, corrections and law enforcement organizations. Implications for policy and practice are examined as well as creating an environment where the future discourse and direction of ethics and law in multiple organizations are discussed.

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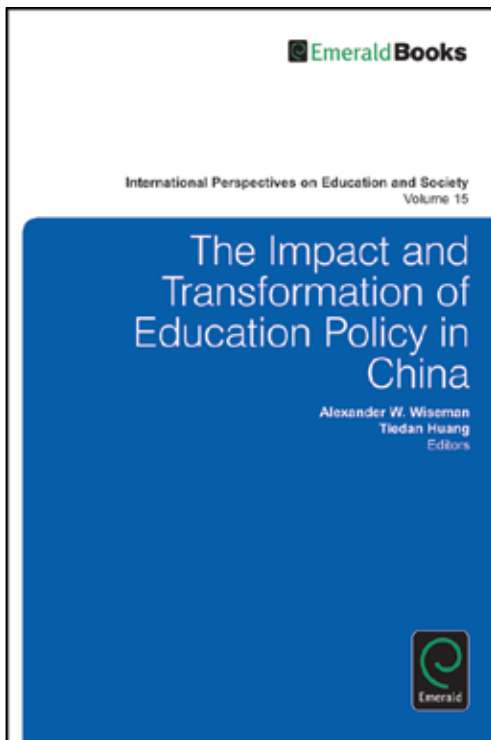
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The Impact and Transformation of Education Policy in China

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Synopsis

This volume of the International Perspectives on Education and Society series examines the transformation of education policy in China, with a special emphasis on transformations in the post-1978 period. While educational policy has experienced major shifts and reversals since the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949, the late 1970s and the early 1980s signalled a significant shift in China's openness and willingness to make widespread and rapid changes in education to meet the demands of an increasingly market-oriented economy. These educational policy changes are inextricably linked to China's increasing interest and participation in the global community abroad and the social-economic transformation and somewhat loosened political environment at home. With the special emphasis on policy change and its subsequent impact on different aspects of education at various levels of educational institutions, particularly in areas of educational financing and curriculum reform, this volume attempts to bridge the dichotomy between critics and advocates of Chinese educational transformations, to recognize the importance and impact that educational policy in China has not only on one of the largest national populations in the world, but also on other (and often competing) countries' systems, and to provide relevant scholarship to inform policy and practice.

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The Geographic Economy: An Examination of the Dominant Role of Regional Economies in the Post-2009-Era

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This volume, comprising authors from the USA, Canada, Africa, and Europe, centres on the development, transformation, and role of geographic/regional economies – specifically in the globalized, post-2009 era. The authors address topics that every region must consider in responding to globally competitive, regionally driven economies and the idea age. The volume builds on a large body of scholarship specific to regional economic development and geography by providing a much needed post-2009 perspective on regional economic environments and activities. Among the topics addressed are the emergence and boundaries of new economic geographies; the actors, characteristics, and functions of regional innovation systems as well as the opportunities and challenges associated with region-specific cultural and environmental interactions. It also examines the relationship of regional economies with diminishing country-based economies and the critical relationship with globalization.

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Synopsis

This volume is the latest edition of an international edited book series based on the formation and growth problems of High Technology Small Firms (HTSFs) begun in 1993. This body of work is unique, and maps the evolution of research in this area through almost two decades of academic research and government policy towards a sector that is the key to the future prosperity of developed and developing notional economies throughout the world. In this, the latest Volume, there is one major and two subsidiary themes that have emerged from the best papers to be presented at the HTSF Conference held at the University of Twente at Enschede in May 2008. Following a contextual introduction by the editors, seven of the chapters are concerned with the key issue of strategy, which is always a key concern for HTSFs as they seek to find the best way of getting their products to the market. Indeed, a further two papers are concerned with the requirements of international marketing, while a final three papers deal with aspects of education for HTSF founders.

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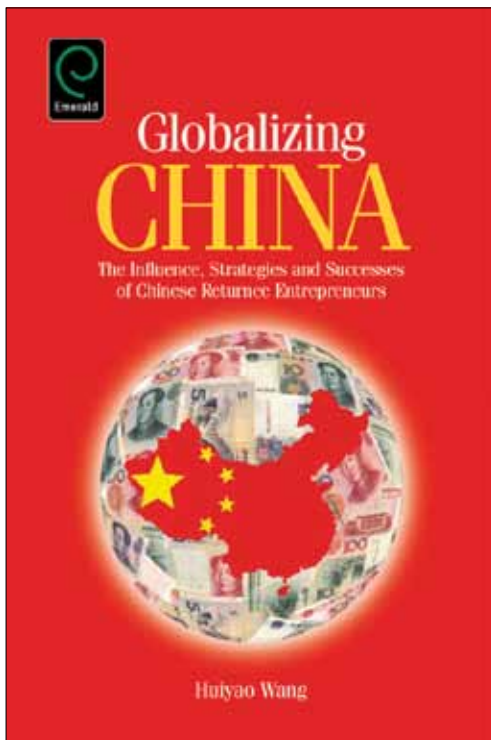
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In recent years, a new spectacular group of entrepreneurs in China, called Chinese Returnee Entrepreneurs (CREs), has emerged. Not only have they contributed enormously to the rapid growth of the Chinese economy, but they also have connected China to the outside world in today's globalized economy. This book examines the literature on the returnee phenomenon and assesses the impact and influence of Chinese Returnee Entrepreneurs. This is the first major empirical study to evaluate the impact of CREs in the Chinese globalization process. It examines the roles, drivers, strategies, and performances of CREs on environment-strategy linkages in a strong, emerging economy. The research highlights the significance of strategies, drivers, constraints, and performance relations for CREs, success in shaping their operational framework in China. The findings of this study suggest that CREs have become a driving force in Chinese globalization, dominating the internet, IT and media industries. They have become leading players in the Chinese hi-tech industries, as well as the best team players and social capital users of international *guanxi*. The study reveals that CREs' competitive advantages lie in their strategies, utilizing technology, team work, market approach, social connections, professional qualifications, and international working experience.

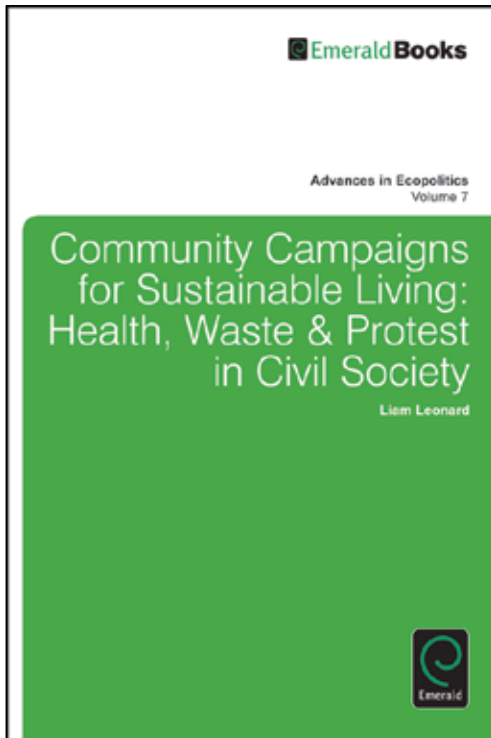
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Synopsis

This book is based on research and observations undertaken for the author's research as an academic and journalist, and represents a case study of national and regional campaigns against both the Irish state's Regional Waste Management Plans and the corporate sector's attempts to develop waste incinerators or dumps in various parts of Ireland.

This book provides an in-depth account of the mobilizing patterns and framing processes of community campaigns which emerged in the wake of the Irish state's introduction of regional plans for waste management, which included plans for municipal "waste to energy" plants or incinerators.

It is the only book with a sole focus on this aspect of Irish society during the "Celtic Tiger" boom which preceded the current economic downturn, and examines policy, population, development, social issues and local and national electoral processes in detail at a time of immense change in the Republic of Ireland. As such, it provides a salient insight into the societal shifts which provide opportunities for social movements to oppose state or corporate plans which may be perceived to have human health or environmental risks associated with them.

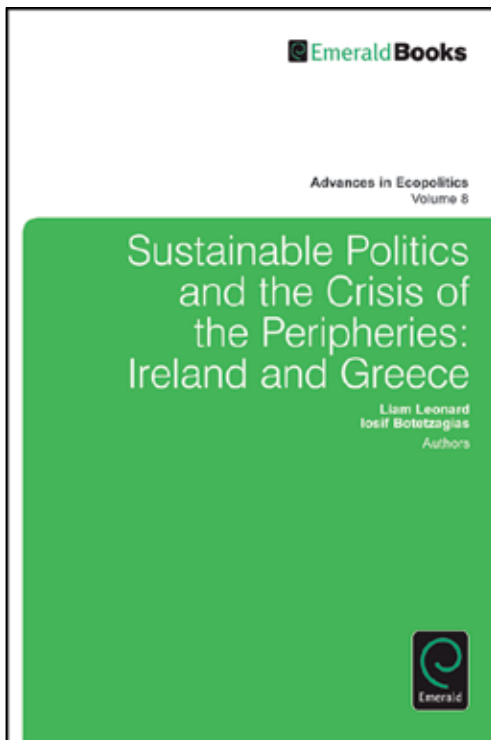
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This volume of the Advances in Ecopolitics examines the impact of the economic crisis on peripheral European states such as Ireland and Greece. Following an introductory chapter, it is divided into two geographically-focused sections, the first on Ireland, the second section on Greece. Specifically the book focuses on governance, sustainable politics and environmental policies, within the context of accelerated growth and the subsequent economic downturn. It examines issues of governance and politics within these peripheral states, in addition to the development of policies within an EU/EC context. The book concludes with a discussion of the future for sustainable politics in the peripheral states of Europe, in the aftermath of the global downturn. Advances in Ecopolitics is essential reading for all academics, researchers and practitioners who are involved in the areas of environmentalism, providing insight into and extending understanding of these issues.

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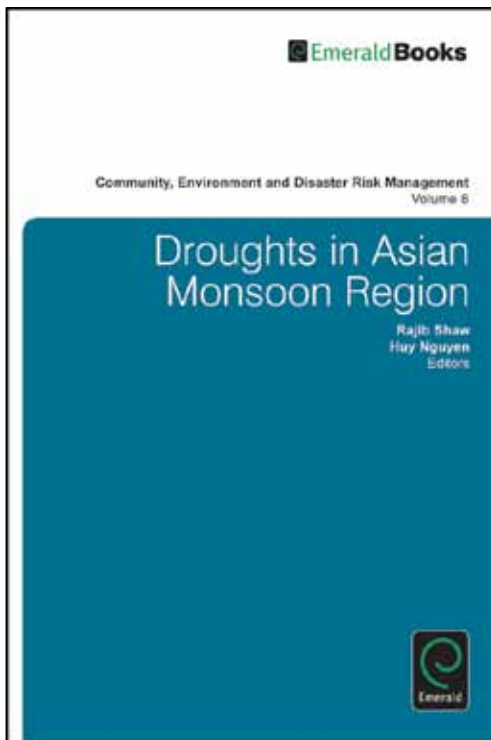
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Synopsis

Drought is a slow-onset disaster. The impacts are invisible and are often reflected as a complex socio-economic phenomenon. Owing to changes in the climatic conditions droughts are increasingly occurring in non-traditional drought-prone areas. The Asian monsoon region is one of these areas where consecutive years of droughts are causing severe problems for the lives and livelihoods of the communities. The impacts are becoming increasingly more visible, and drawing the attention of policy makers and professionals from national and international levels. In this context, this book outlines the characteristics and challenges of the Asian monsoon drought and highlights innovative solutions and approaches undertaken in different parts of the region. A ready-reference for field practitioners, it combines academic research and field practices, and builds on actual implementation experiences of drought risk reduction. Providing a thorough examination of the subject and region, chapters cover droughts in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Myanmar, Bangladesh, India and Sri Lanka. It concludes with an article on cross-cutting experiences and drought risk reduction in the Asian Monsoon Region.

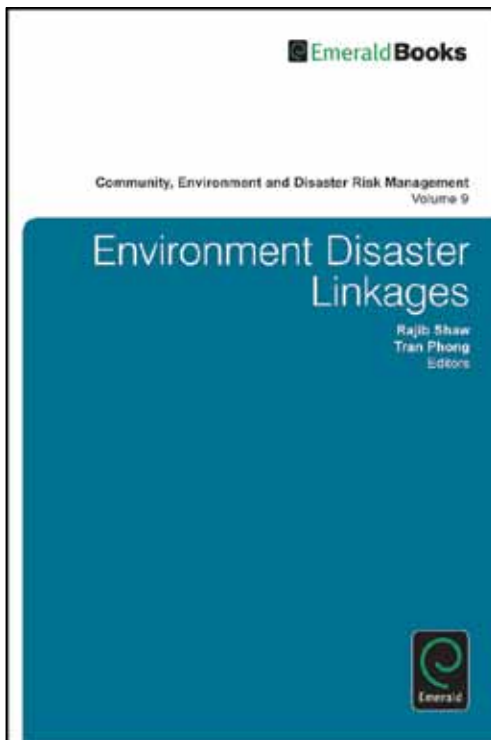
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Disaster management has historically focused on reactive approaches, but a shift to proactive approaches is crucial for addressing concerns raised by the changing environment. A prime reason for the absence of proactive approaches in disaster/hazard management is the uncertainty or ambiguity present in the links between the environment and the hazards. This is the first book to focus on explicit linkages between the changing environment and disasters and suggests better approaches towards disaster management. A ready-reference for field practitioners, it combines academic research and field practices and covers areas such as: elements of environmental entry (water-related disasters, desertification and land degradation, typhoon risk management, catastrophic flood and forest management, and coastal issues); impacts of environment and disaster (livelihood impacts, human health: post-disaster waste management); and strategies, planning and the way forward (climate change adaptation as a planning tool, urban planning and land use planning, mangrove management as a coastal planning tool, and environment disaster education and risk communication).

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Access to Care and Factors that Impact Access, Patients as Partners in Care and Changing Roles of Health Providers

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This volume in the highly-regarded Research in the Sociology of Health Care series deals with both macro-level system issues and micro-level issues involving access to care, factors that impact access, patients as partners in care and changing roles of health providers. It includes:

- examination of factors that impact access to care, such as racial/ethnic, social, demographic and structural sources;
- discussion of changing patterns of care and changing patterns of interaction between patients and providers of care; and
- investigation of changing roles of health care providers within the health care delivery system.

Key contributions focus on linkages to policy, population concerns and patients and/or providers of care as ways to meet health care needs of people both in the USA and in other countries. This volume relates to issues of consumers of health care services, providers of such services and policy perspectives. It also raises issues of the availability of services, access to those services, quality of services and the role of government in services provision.

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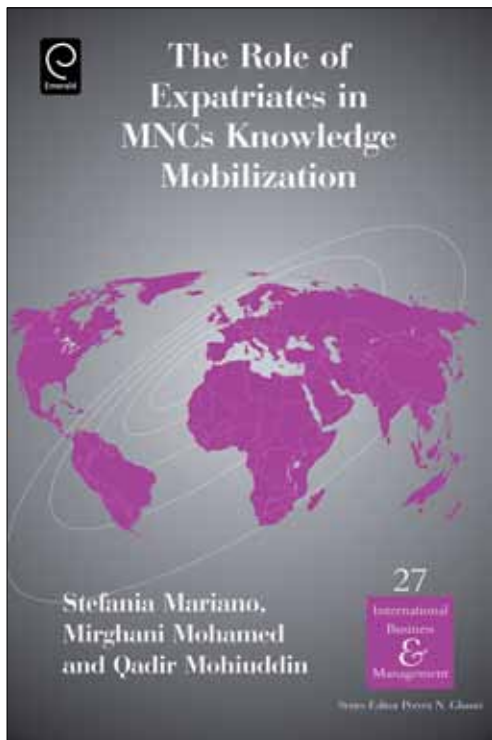
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Synopsis

This book explores the role of expatriates in the mobilization and nurturing of knowledge between their original (parent/home) country and the MNCs host countries. This includes the management of knowledge and the tools, methods and practices that can be customized to facilitate the transfer of knowledge in MNCs settings. The text is an in-depth international compendium of theoretical and empirical studies about the role of expatriates in knowledge transfer at global levels. Thorough and comprehensive, it covers topics recognized by practitioners, academics, and researchers, yet about which very little has been published at an international level. Coverage includes: organizational culture; cross-cultural differences; globalization; cross-generational issues, technology-based sharing systems; intellectual capital management; linguistic differences; and distinctive political practices. It investigates the challenges imposed by culture, generation, tools, laws, regulations, and language, and examines the benefits of knowledge management principles that originate from different cultures, heterogeneous knowledge, and diverse intellectual capital management in global settings.

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This 15-chapter volume provides the latest research insights from the international business field on entrepreneurship in the global firm. The first section of the book addresses entrepreneurship challenges in smaller, internationalizing companies. The second section analyses a variety of entrepreneurship problems in large, established multinational enterprises, with a focus on subsidiary entrepreneurial initiatives. The third section discusses entrepreneurial activity impacts, both within the firm and in the broader external networks and clusters within which the multinational enterprise is embedded. This collection provides a unique, comprehensive perspective on the wide variety of conceptual and managerial issues that arise as a result of entrepreneurial action in firms operating in the global economy. It is a must read for scholars and managers alike, who face the need for continuous change in dynamic international business environments.

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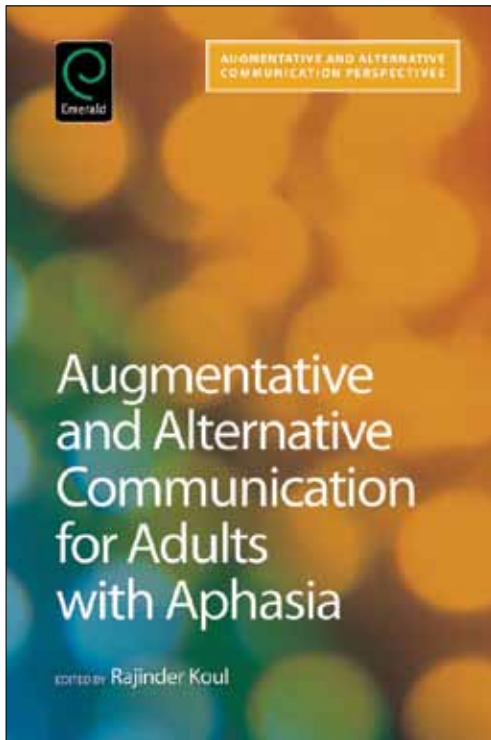
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Augmentative and Alternative Communication for Adults with Aphasia is a text written for practising clinicians, undergraduate and graduate students, assistive technologists, and other stakeholders who are interested in learning more about the communication needs and options for people with aphasia. Although there are several book chapters dedicated to aphasia in currently available textbooks in augmentative and alternative communication (AAC), this is the first book dedicated entirely to AAC and aphasia.

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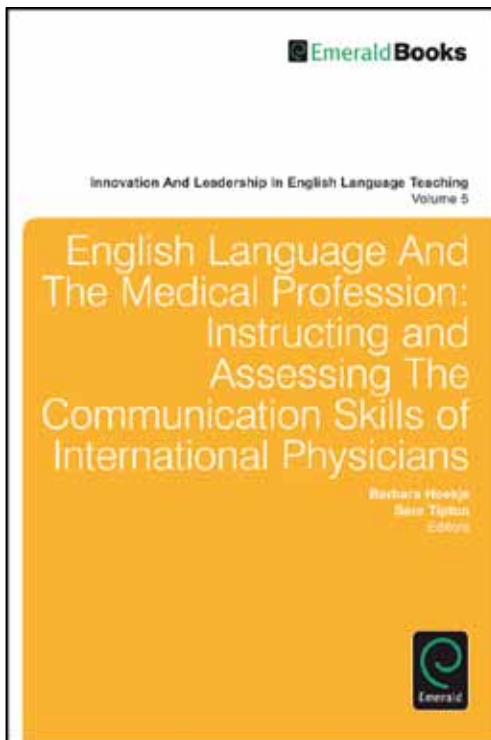
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Writing as a medium of professional help and healing in the various interventional tiers of self-help, education, promotion, prevention, psychotherapy, and rehabilitation has expanded exponentially since the introduction of computers and the internet in the last generation.

This volume does three things. First, it brings together research on different types of writing and distance writing that have been, or need to be, used by mental health professionals. Second, it critically evaluates the therapeutic effectiveness of these writing practices, such as automatic writing, programmed writing, poetry therapy, diaries, expressive writing and more. And third, in addition to evaluating the effectiveness of various writing practices, the volume will examine how research-based writing approaches will influence the delivery of mental health services now and in the future, including the implications of these approaches.

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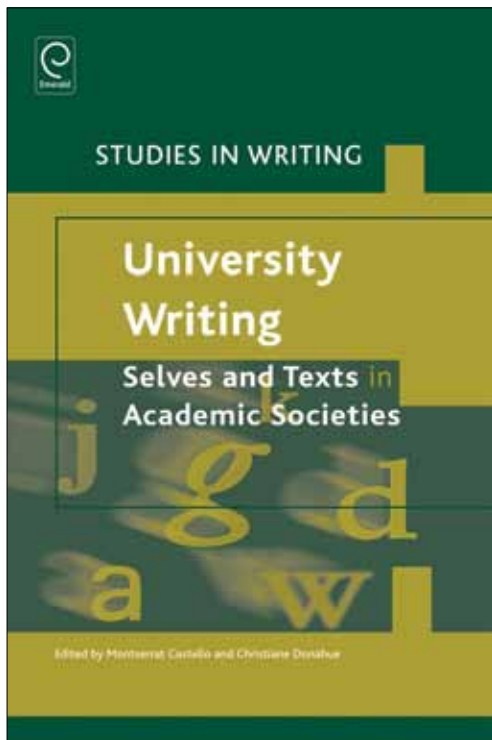
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University Writing: Selves and Texts in Academic Societies examines new trends in the different theoretical perspectives (cognitive, social and cultural) and derived practices in the activity of writing in higher education. The volume is addressed to researchers, advanced students and those academics interested in learning about European and North-American writing research traditions in dialogue and about how to take the individual and social perspectives in writing into account.

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While experimental data collection has been common in psycholinguistics for some time, only relatively recently have experimental methods been employed to collect data for research in formal linguistics. Experimental methods can be particularly useful for investigating phenomena at the interfaces of the components of grammar, where the sources of multiple types of information need to be carefully controlled. *Experiments at the Interfaces*, edited by Jeffrey T. Runner from the University of Rochester, brings together recent experimental research examining a variety of issues within syntax and semantics, and their interfaces with one another and with other domains of language. The volume show-cases a wide range of experimental methods and illustrates how they can be applied to critical questions relevant to formal linguistics.

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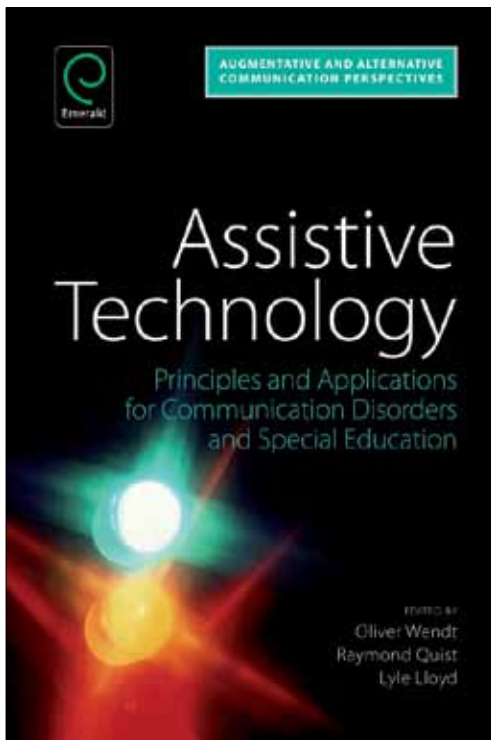
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This book provides readers with a vast knowledge of practical applications, theoretical models, services and evidence-based solutions in the areas of assistive technology (AT) and augmentative and alternative communication (AAC). It aims to equip practising clinicians, educators and students with the necessary background to use AT and AAC with their clients. This book also sheds light on the many different roles and functions of AT and AAC for a large variety of clinical populations, and suggests solutions that the reader can implement immediately. Although a particular focus is set on communication disorders, described applications and resources also apply to individuals with developmental disabilities and sensory impairments. In addition to outlining most recent low and high technology, this book makes a particularly strong effort to teach general principles and guidelines for successful AT and AAC interventions, regardless of what particular technology is used.

This resource is a crucial addition to the bookshelf of any professional dealing with AT and/or AAC, including speech-language pathologists, special educators, occupational therapists, physical therapists, early intervention specialists, students in professional programmes, users of AT or AAC, their families, and applied researchers. A must read for novices and seasoned professionals alike.

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Synopsis

The field of librarianship has undergone traumatic shifts (mostly downward) due to the global financial meltdown that began in the Fall of 2008. Libraries have been deeply affected by the worst recession since the Great Depression. While *Advances in Librarianship* endeavours to identify trends and innovations, the trend addressed in this volume is admittedly not a happy one. The current climate does, however, present opportunities for analysis, and far-reaching searches for solutions and innovations that can alleviate the challenges created by the clash of fiscal retrenchment with steadily increasing use of libraries. Therefore this volume addresses the ripple effects of the economic recession from the point of view of librarianship, the need for advocacy, and the need to tout the value that libraries bring to their communities. Chapters focus on identifying means to change library and library-related organizations, so that they focus on distinctive assets and strengths, use free or low cost resources and technologies, and position themselves to take advantage of collaborative initiatives.

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This book draws out and examines the trends in education and research in the field of library and information science (LIS) in the vast Asia-Oceania region. Information is an important part of the human condition and critical to the development of the Asia-Oceania region. The book is timely, therefore, as the region continues to grow and develop.

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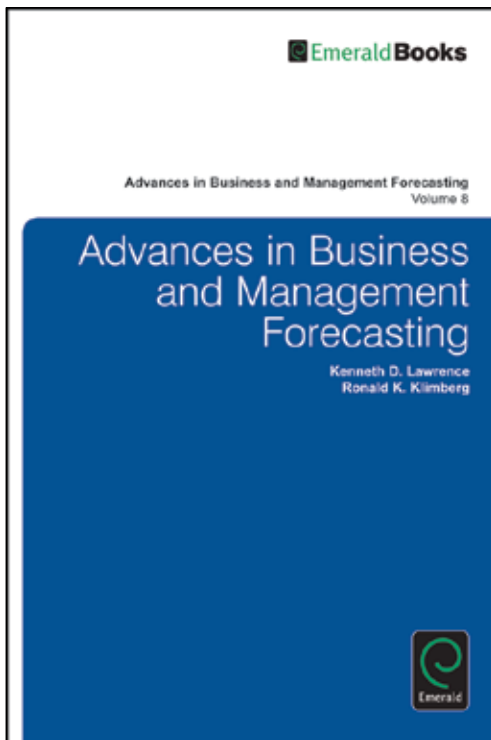
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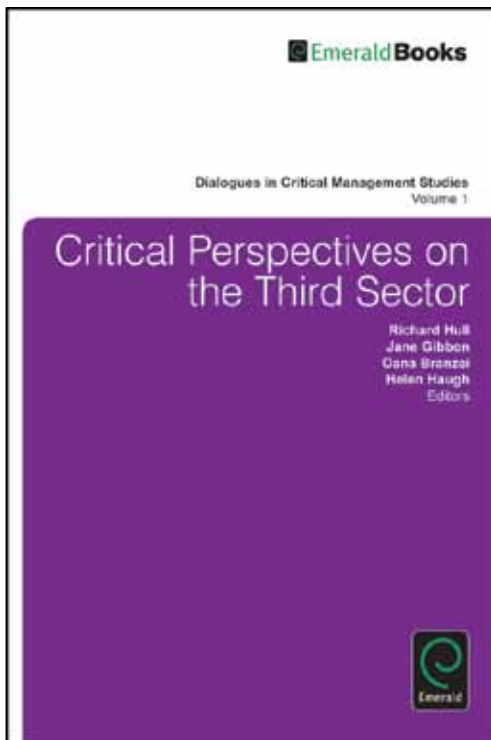
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The Third Sector is of increasing economic and political interest but has been relatively ignored by Critical Management Studies. The Sector includes charities and a range of organisations such as non-governmental, non-profit, voluntary and community, but also those trading for a surplus but with prominent social commitments, such as housing associations, credit unions, worker or consumer co-operatives and social enterprises. This book presents cutting-edge international research from a variety of critical perspectives. The chapters include case studies from Japan, South Africa, Canada, Denmark, France, Wales and England, as well as a number of theoretically-based explorations of key issues in the analysis of the Third Sector. The chapters have been developed from presentations and lively discussion at the Critical Management Studies Workshop, Montreal, August 2010. DCMS is an innovative series applying Critical Management Studies to tightly specified topics. Each chapter is followed by a 1,000 word Commentary from a fellow contributor to the volume, and each volume is the product of a collaborative and developmental workshop.

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In an era when the impact of management research and education could be argued to be in decline, this book helps readers who want to have a real impact through their management practice and/or research and allows them to truly stand on the “shoulders of giants”. *Doing Research That Matters* reveals the ways in which exceptional scholars and practitioners have sparked research, done it well, and spread it to others, in the process shaping the way we live and manage. It presents a collection of views and experiences of Nobel Laureates and top management gurus such as Robert Kaplan, Philip Kotler, Howard Gardner, Costas Markides, specifically related to the concepts of research excellence, research process and research outcome. These interviews reveal how their transformative research came about, what drives it, who drives it, how it happens, and why the people who do it feel so passionate about getting the word out. Taking the reader through their life stories, it highlights common patterns in the way these people identify a problem worth researching, generate an outcome worth spreading, and generally conduct a worthy professional life.

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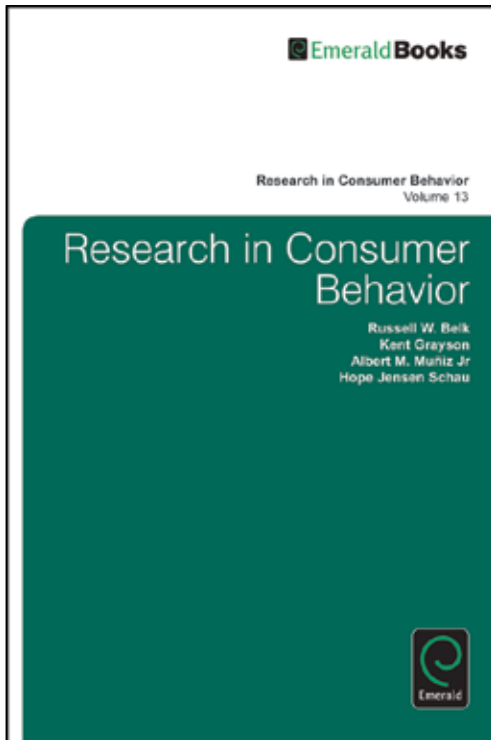
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Research in Consumer Behavior presents cutting edge consumer research, whether empirical or conceptual, qualitative or quantitative. The majority of papers in this volume have been selected from the best papers at the 2011 Consumer Culture Theory Conference held in Chicago, Illinois in July 2011. The Conference is the premier event for consumer culture research, which tends to be qualitative, ethnographic, and cultural in orientation, and draws a variety of scholars from around the world. Many of these scholars are housed in academic marketing departments, but they also come from the fields of anthropology, sociology, cultural studies, and communications as well as from industry. The papers selected for this volume are those judged to be the best among those selected for the Conference from submissions to the Conference peer review. This marks the third volume of *Research in Consumer Behavior* that has been able to publish the top Consumer Culture Theory papers.

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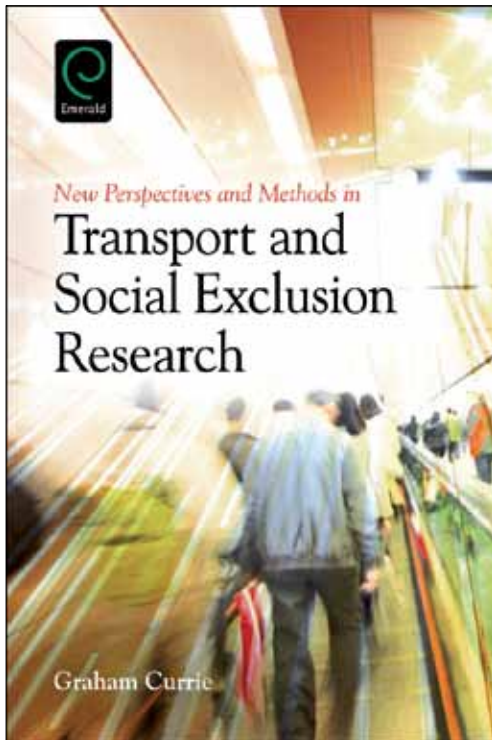
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Synopsis

The book presents findings of a highly successful, international research project exploring links between social exclusion (SE), transport disadvantage (TD) and psychological wellbeing (WB). It outlines previous methods and explains how new methods were developed and applied to assist readers in applying new methods in future research. New insights from results and their policy implications are explored by leading writers in the field. In each section the implications of the approaches and their applicability in other geographic contexts are discussed. New analytical perspectives include measuring the strength of links between SE, WB and TD and the disaggregate analysis of these to specific groups and spatial areas. The research also examines new perspectives in relation to social capital and WB and developing new economic methods to estimate the marginal value of additional travel and its links to SE. The project has numerous publications in diverse fields; however, the material presented here is new. This source brings all the work together into one volume and provides a consolidated set of the methods and outcomes of the project, including the unpublished final results.

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This volume considers how diverse types of communities influence organizations, as well as the associated benefit of developing a richer accounting for community processes in organizational theory. While there has been a recent revival of research into the effects of both geographic and non-geographic communities on organizational behaviours, this volume is the first effort to bring both perspectives together.

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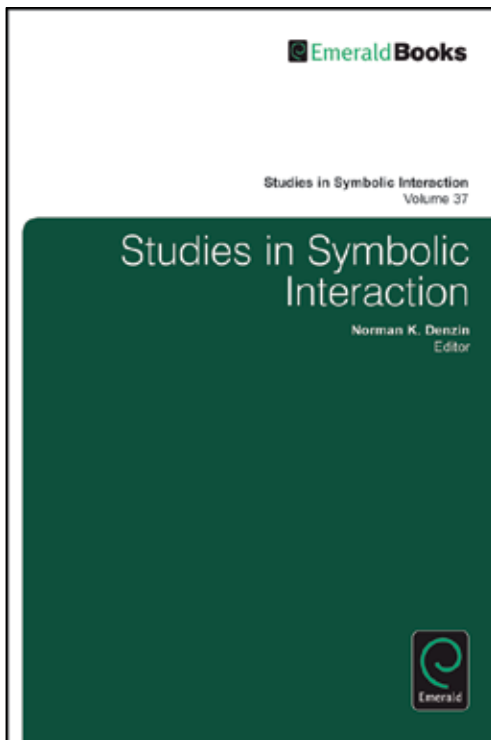
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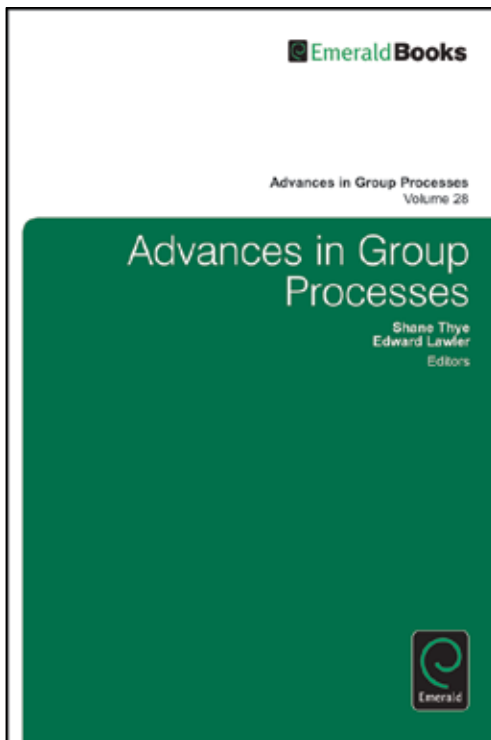
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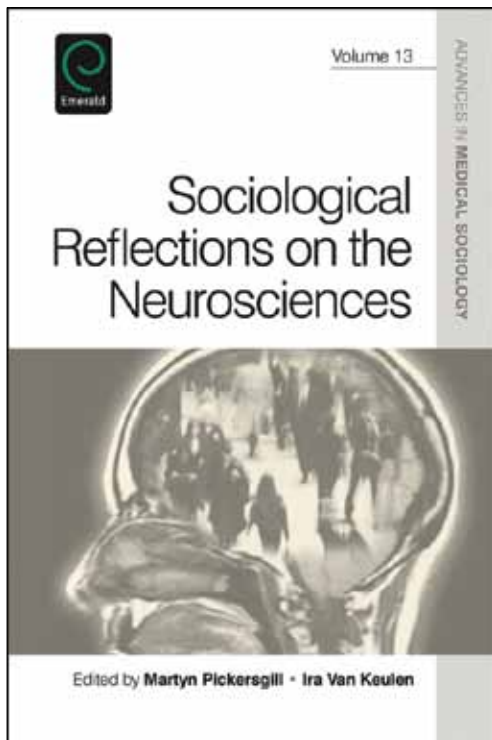
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The neurosciences are the new cutting edge in biomedicine, and this is the first book to take a sociological imagination to this field. The neurosciences are more than a collection of scientific practices – they offer up new ways of thinking about mind, body and society. Up to now, debate about the “new brain sciences” has been limited within sociology. As the neurosciences gain ever more traction within professional arenas, policy processes and popular culture, it is time to go beyond the primarily speculative and theoretical analyses we have had to date, and bring our sociological imagination to bear. This collection addresses this need for sociological insight through empirically rich, theoretically innovative chapters that range across methods, traditions and foci in order to cast new light on the place, role and impact of neuroscience. At the same time, this volume reflects on the insights that the neurosciences have to offer to sociology. With cutting-edge contributions from leading scholars from Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Israel, the UK and the USA, *Sociological Reflections on the Neurosciences* will be a benchmark text in the new sociology of neuroscience.

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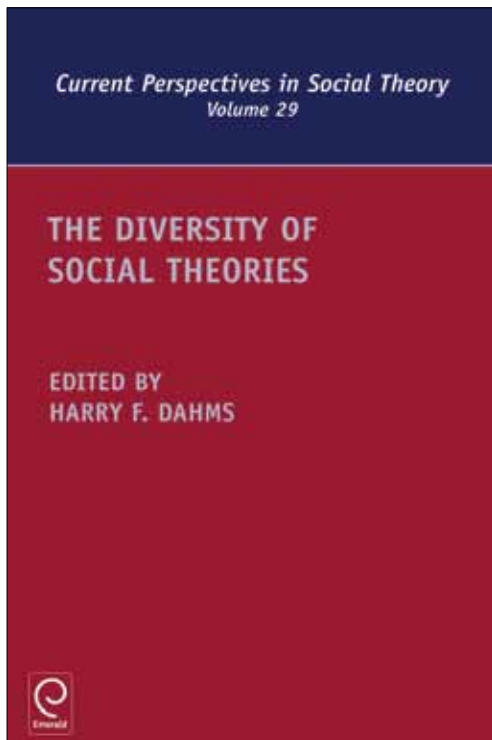
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Synopsis

Since the time when Talcott Parsons pursued the project of one overarching “general theory of society,” the landscape of social theory has vastly changed, and the pluralism and multidimensionality have increased tremendously. Today, with so many different approaches in and to social theory, and multiple ways of defining and describing their relationship to and relevance for the social sciences, there has been a growing danger of diversity and pluralism tipping into fragmentation, making the prospect of social scientists and sociologists being able to communicate with the expectation of reaching some kind of understanding ever less likely. This volume presents alternative trajectories for how to take steps toward achieving a theoretically informed understanding of the present analytical and practical challenges (in terms of social, sociological, and critical theory), and looks beyond pluralism and fragmentation to the kind of roles social theorists may be playing in the future. These essays revisit the issue of common agenda (or lack thereof) in social theory and provide critical overviews by specialists working in social theory, sociological theory, and critical theory.

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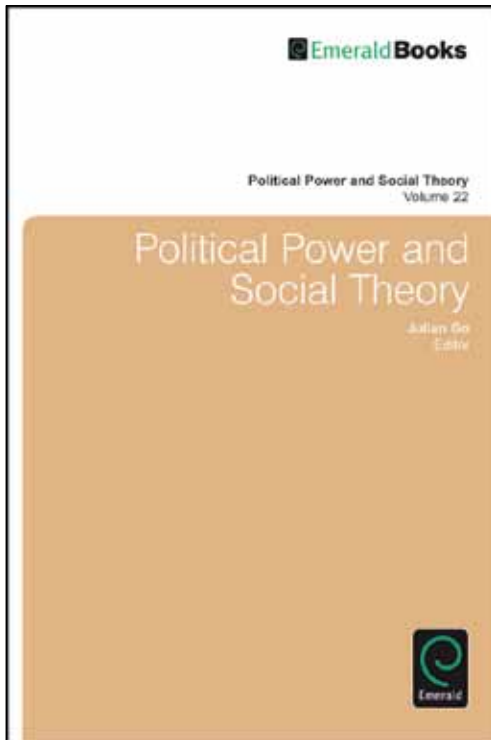
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Besides peer-reviewed chapters dealing with a diversity of topics, this volume of Political Power and Social Theory includes a special section on Obama and the Politics of Race & Religion. Chapters explore the complex dynamics of race relations and racial meaning in the USA under the Obama administration. The “Scholarly Controversies” section features a debate on Obama and religion in the USA. This volume will be among the first to critically assess the meanings of race and religion in the USA under the Obama administration, featuring controversial chapters by Phil Gorksi of Yale University and Eduardo Bonilla-Silva of Duke University, among others.

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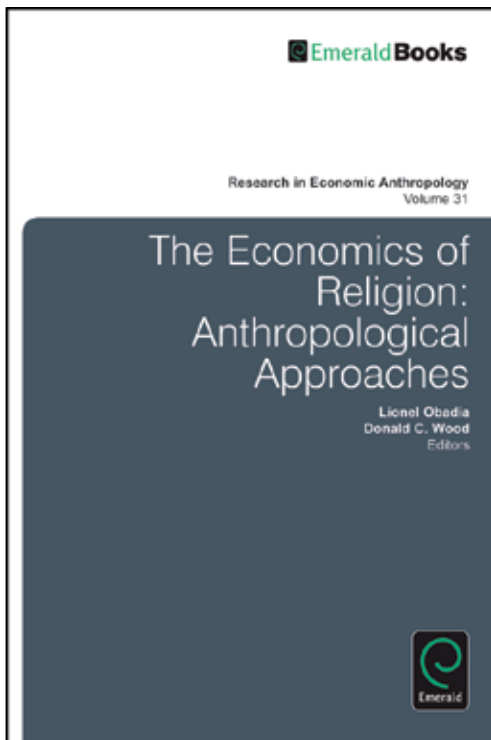
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The Economics of Religion: Anthropological Approaches

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The Economics of Religion explores the new paradigms of “religious economics” and “economies of religion” under the scope of transdisciplinary and international perspectives. It examines and appraises some of the recent theoretical developments and methodological innovations in religious and social sciences. This volume offers the chance to extend the analysis of religious behaviours by means of conceptual and methodological models of economics. It goes far beyond the classical “economy and religion” debate, and suggests not only theoretical but also epistemological changes in the study of religion: individual rationality and rational choice, market theory, demand and supply theory, branding and commodification of religion, believers’ “consumer” habits, churches’ competitive strategies, for example. Of course, these are not exempt from criticism, which this volume also addresses. These detailed and localized case-studies range from experimental to ethnographic methods, psychological to cultural aspects of believing and practising cults in the scope of economics of religion. Geographical areas covered include Nigeria, Bolivia, Italy, Mexico, France, Korea, Nepal and Tonga.

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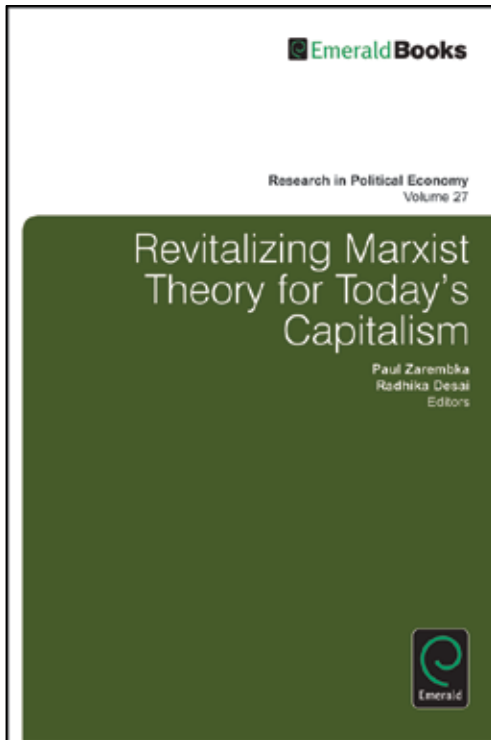
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Amidst a capitalist crisis that has upturned mainstream orthodoxies, this volume underscores the importance of historical and materialist understandings of capitalist economies. Thus, fundamentally, it exposes the limitations of neoclassical economics' endogenous growth theory and how it, in fact, gropes for understandings well established within Marxism. It goes on to examine the relationship between the "real" economy and "finance", and also examines how mainstream accounts of stagnation and financialization suffer from an inability to distinguish between productive and unproductive labour. A related study of the financialization of the Turkish economy dovetails this analysis. The volume also questions the current understanding of the "information economy" and the value of knowledge on a Marxist basis. Finally, a historical re-examination of the Great Depression in light of the current Great Recession, throws new light on modern capitalism's crisis tendencies. The volume concludes with a critique of Lenin's economics, serving also to remind the reader that he is the only world leader who had deeply studied his own country's economy before eventually becoming its leader.

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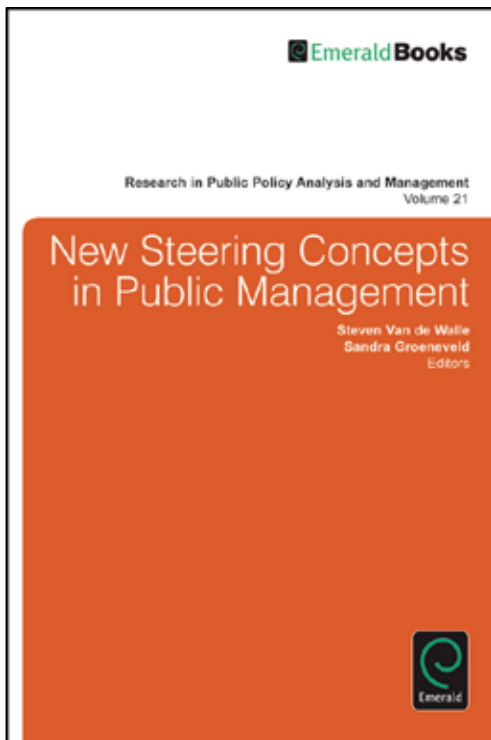
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Multifaceted social problems such as safety, social inclusion, poverty, mobility, rural development, city regeneration, or labour market integration require integrated approaches to steering. NPM-related fragmentation of policy and fragmentation of implementation lead to unsatisfactory public outcomes and a heightened experienced loss of control on the part of policy makers. Governments are therefore looking for new instruments to address the boundary-spanning nature of many social problems. In their quest for achieving valued social outcomes, they struggle with their new role, and the insufficiency of both markets and hierarchies. In this book, authors explore new organisational mechanisms, arrangements and ideas to deal with this fragmentation. New post-NPM steering and coordination practices come in various shapes and names, and current research suffers from considerable terminological confusion. The book first looks at various new organisational arrangements and mechanisms, including whole-of-government, collaborative governance, network governance, and outcome steering. It then goes on to unpack the outcomes these new steering instruments are supposed to achieve, and explores their effect on democracy, power, and the role of government.

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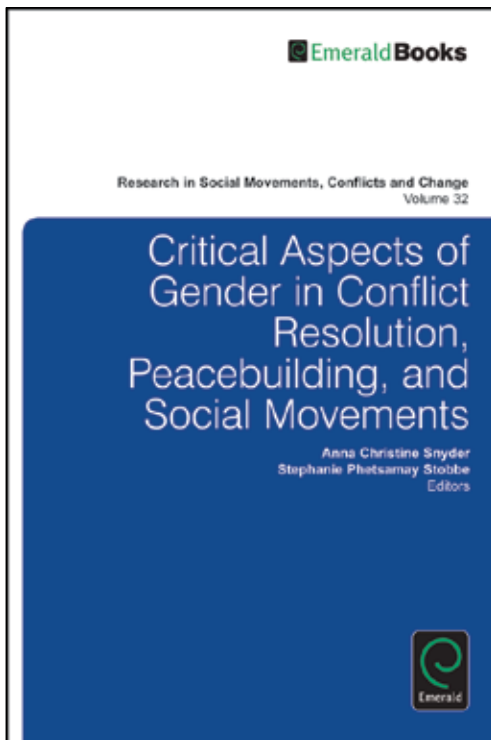
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Critical Aspects of Gender in Conflict Resolution, Peacebuilding, and Social Movements

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This volume of Research in Social Movements, Conflicts and Change explores the important dimension of gender and how women are key contributors to conflict resolution, peace, and social movements throughout the world. Women's networks and their collective activism have increased social justice, peace, and reconciliation in communities. Grassroots initiatives from women groups have positively impacted relationships, peace processes, and peace treaties. The volume includes scholarly research that highlights women's activism in countries such as Sierra Leone, Liberia, El Salvador, Czech Republic, Uzbekistan, South Africa, and USA. Critical issues of poverty, violence, civil wars, inequality, sexual identity, and peace are examined from a gendered perspective.

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This volume of Research in Social Science and Disability brings together interdisciplinary scholarship to examine a wide array of issues related to disability and community, a topic of critical importance academically and politically. The evolving and politically contested notions of community sit at the centre of much of the recent research on disability and, as researchers both create and reflect various ideas of membership when defining “disability” and aggregating individuals, their methodological decisions have significant implications for how we come to understand disability and community. This volume examines a wide range of social institutions and practices such as education, employment, and cultural venues and the extent to which and how they include people with disabilities in the workings of these institutions. It includes research framed by a variety of theoretical perspectives and research methodologies and offers innovative ways to envisage inclusive communities and, therefore, enables us to consider how to move forward to create them.

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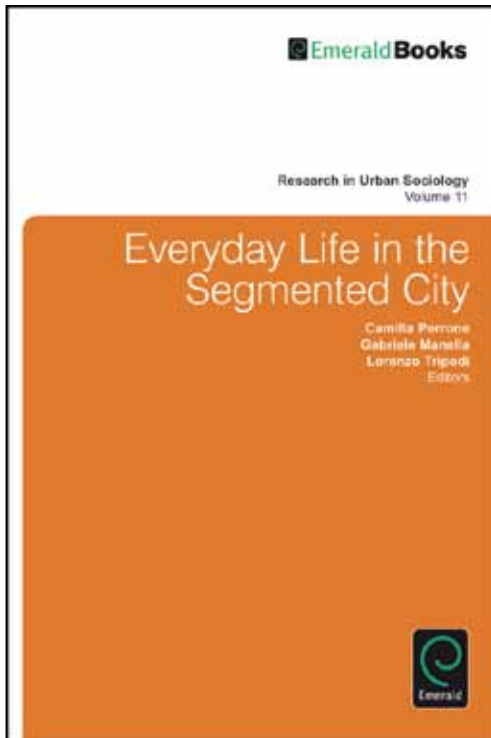
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This volume of Research in Urban Sociology comprises a selection of the papers presented at the conference “Everyday Life in the Segmented City” held in July 2010, Florence. The conference gathered a multiplicity of approaches and points of view dealing with issues of global urbanization. Urbanization is a phenomenon inscribed into the globalization process that has enormous consequences in the transformation of urban space and the everyday life of citizens, and is reflected also in the flourishing of an analytical discourse increasingly transcending the boundaries of established urban disciplines. The progressive extension of the urban domain beyond the limits of the city and across diverse scales has its corollary in the progressive segmentation of the urban dimension along multiple lines of a physical, social, economic, cultural and ethnic nature. This volume focuses on the perspective of the everyday to analyze how practices and policy can overcome the spin towards fragmentation and anomie, and reinforce social cohesion for a more just and liveable city, endorsing the “right to the city” as presented by the seminal work of Henri Lefebvre.

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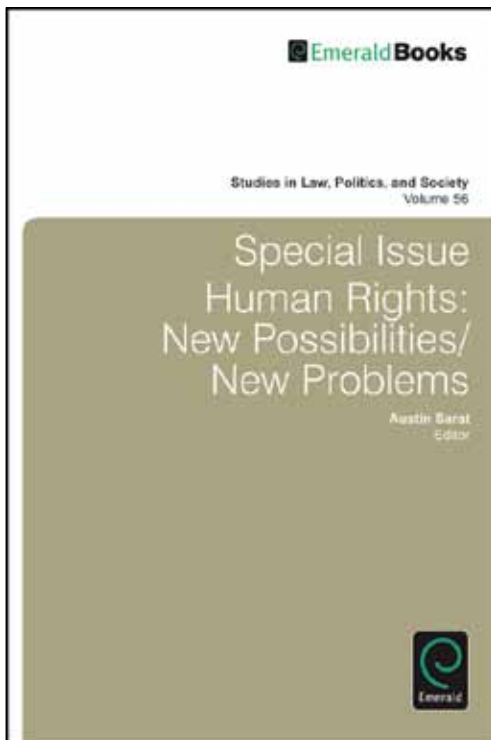
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Volume 56 of Studies in Law, Politics, and Society presents the latest scholarship on human rights. The work contained in this volume examines both the theoretical dimensions and dilemmas of human rights in the modern world and particular cases in which the problems and possibilities of human rights are examined. Taken together, the contributions point to a need for more searching examination of the way human rights work and highlight the contribution of human rights to the advancement of claims for justice. Studies in Law, Politics, and Society is a leading socio-legal publication that truly embraces innovative, theoretically informed, interdisciplinary legal scholarship.

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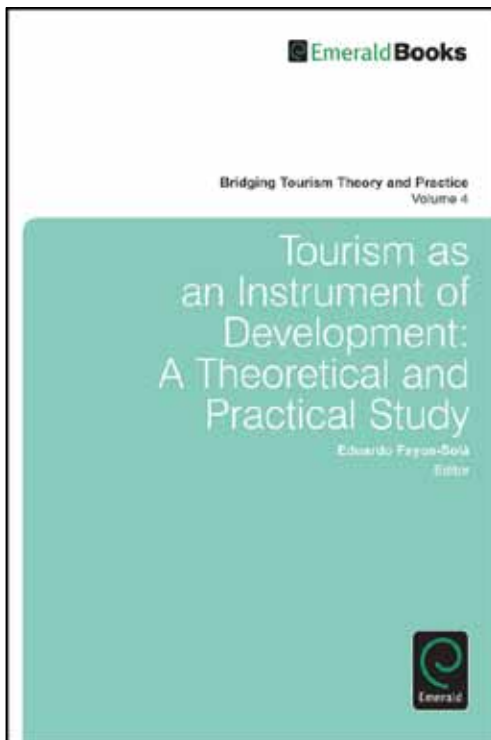
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This book, which has benefited from the professional know-why and know-how of its authors in the United Nations World Tourism Organization and several universities, articulates and debates the concept and methodology of tourism-assisted development. The study examines the theoretical bases of contemporary real-case development projects and illustrates the way in which tourism can effectively and efficiently focus on development issues, while minimizing undesired impacts on the natural and cultural environments. It analyzes the key role of institutions, both in setting the framework for tourism competitiveness and sustainability and in addressing the main strategic concerns of development. Theoretical considerations on the role of tourism as a tool for development-related public and private policies are followed by a methodological framework for tourism policy and governance and application of these in real-world situations. Several chapters offer practical recommendations, particularly in relation to tourism strategic positioning, competitiveness, and sustainability, and case studies exemplify a range of issues raised in tourism-assisted development.

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