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### **Using The Wedge to Increase Your Sales** Taylor & Francis

"This book illustrates, compares, and discusses models, perspectives, and approaches involved in the distribution, administration, and transmission of knowledge across organizations"--Provided by publisher.

*Algorithms, Models and Applications*

Edward Elgar Publishing

The importance of effective use of resources within a business is paramount to the success of the business. This includes the effective use of employees as well as efficient strategies for the direction of those employees and resources. A manager's ability to adapt and utilize contemporary approaches for maximizing both individuals and organizational knowledge is essential. The Handbook of Research on Contemporary Approaches in Management and Organizational Strategy is a pivotal reference source that provides

vital research on the application of contemporary management strategies. While highlighting topics such as e-business, leadership styles, and organizational behavior, this publication explores strategies for the achievement of organizational goals, as well as the methods of effective resource allocation. This book is ideally designed for academicians, students, managers, specialists, and consultants seeking current research on strategies for the management of people and knowledge within an organization.

### Identifying Competitive Advantage

McGraw Hill Professional

International Academic Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities in Prague 2015 (NY'sAC-SSaH 2015 in Prague), Wednesday - Thursday, December 30 - 31, 2015

A Strategic Report Including Special Findings from Yankelovich, Clancy Shulman Springer

"A must-read for the business leader of today and tomorrow."--John G. O'Neill, Vice President, 3M Canada. High Performance Sales Organizations defined the true nature of market-focused sales and service operations, and helped push sales organizations into the 21st century. This essential guide includes three new chapters that highlight the latest computer and communications technologies and updates the comprehensive research, charts, and checklists that have made it so indispensable.

*The End of Competitive Advantage*  
Springer Science & Business Media

This book explores the concepts of data mining and data warehousing, a promising and flourishing frontier in data base systems and new data base applications

and is also designed to give a broad, yet in-depth overview of the field of data mining. Data mining is a multidisciplinary field, drawing work from areas including database technology, AI, machine learning, NN, statistics, pattern recognition, knowledge based systems, knowledge acquisition, information retrieval, high performance computing and data visualization. This book is intended for a wide audience of readers who are not necessarily experts in data warehousing and data mining, but are interested in receiving a general introduction to these areas and their many practical applications. Since data mining technology has become a hot topic not only among academic students but also for decision makers, it provides valuable hidden business and scientific intelligence from a large amount of historical data. It is also written for technical managers and executives as well as for technologists interested in learning about data mining. *An Empirical Study on Jordanian Insurance Companies* Simon and Schuster  
This book provides a much-needed analysis of this very important subject for international business lawyers, including

discussion of the jurisdictional and choice of laws issues arising from cross-border contracts of insurance and reinsurance concluded by electronic means. This book is the first published in England to devote itself to a detailed analysis of the choice of laws rules in the E.C. Insurance Directives. The private international law rules of the E.C. Insurance Directives deal with the applicable law to insurance contracts covering risks situated within the EU. They do not deal with the applicable law to reinsurance contracts and insurance contracts covering risks situated outside the EU. This should be ascertained by reference to the choice of laws provisions in the 1980 Rome Convention on the law applicable to contractual obligations. Detailed discussion of these rules is also provided, and proposals for reform are suggested.

### **the information revolution is transforming the nature of competition**

John Wiley & Sons

The UK Home Insurance Markets Market Innovation a Step to Achieve Competitive Advantage? High Performance Sales Organizations Achieving Competitive Advantage in the Global Marketplace Irwin

Professional Publishing  
Achieving Competitive Advantage through Quality Management Harvard Business Press

This comprehensive book will be essential reading for all those involved with fine art, jewellery and specie insurance. David Scully analyses the history, structure and dynamics of the global marketplace for this type of insurance, illustrating key points with real life examples to provide a practical guide to the business.

Machine Learning Harvard Business Review Press

Business organizations are thinking increasingly in terms of information technology solutions to business problems, as opposed to data processing for supporting the business. Information technology is now viewed as an important means for achieving competitive advantage. For firms in hardware/software business it is therefore becoming increasingly important to provide clients with the means to do an analysis of business needs and strategies and to think in terms of providing global IT solutions that address these needs. The value-chain model articulated by Porter

(1985) attempts to link IT solutions to business strategy. It is based on a simple economic theory: a firm remains competitive by virtue of being a low cost producer or differentiating its products/services; accordingly its strategies must be based on countering forces (such as new entrants, substitute products, bargaining power of buyers and suppliers) that erode these advantages. Information technology is considered a key factor in being able to deal with these forces. Accordingly, how much to spend and where to spend on information technology is determined by how well it enables the firm to deal with its dominant forces (threats). Porter's model has found widespread appeal among practitioners (notably information systems executives) due to its simplicity and intuitive appeal. Several methodologies have been designed around this model that encourage executives to "think through" this model in order to identify technologies that could provide competitive advantage. However, there are no existing formalizations of the value-chain model either by industry, market structure, or organizational structure.

We have been developing such a model for a specific industry (insurance) with the objective of building an executive support tool that can show interactively, how a proposed technology or organizational change can impact specific metrics/values of interest of business processes defined at various levels of abstraction, and thereby the bottom line. By using such a model, an executive can also analyze technology and resource requirements required to transform one set of business processes into another, more desirable state. Springer Science & Business Media  
 Are you at risk of being trapped in an uncompetitive business? Chances are the strategies that worked well for you even a few years ago no longer deliver the results you need. Dramatic changes in business have unearthed a major gap between traditional approaches to strategy and the way the real world works now. In short, strategy is stuck. Most leaders are using frameworks that were designed for a different era of business and based on a single dominant idea—that the purpose of strategy is to achieve a sustainable competitive advantage. Once the premise on which all strategies were built, this idea

is increasingly irrelevant. Now, Columbia Business School professor and globally recognized strategy expert Rita Gunther McGrath argues that it's time to go beyond the very concept of sustainable competitive advantage. Instead, organizations need to forge a new path to winning: capturing opportunities fast, exploiting them decisively, and moving on even before they are exhausted. She shows how to do this with a new set of practices based on the notion of transient competitive advantage. This book serves as a new playbook for strategy, one based on updated assumptions about how the world works, and shows how some of the world's most successful companies use this method to compete and win today. Filled with compelling examples from "growth outlier" firms such as Fujifilm, Cognizant Technology Solutions, Infosys, Yahoo! Japan, and Atmos Energy, *The End of Competitive Advantage* is your guide to renewed success and profitable growth in an economy increasingly defined by transient advantage.

[Information Technology for Managers](#) FT Press

This book examines the ways in which

quality management methods, tools, and practices help improve an organization's performance and achieve sustainable competitive advantages. This volume includes quality techniques and tools such as the EFQM Model, SERVPERF model, E-S-Qual scale and the ISO 9001 certification and provide a wide variety of empirical studies in different economic sectors. In the current economic environment, characterized by economic turmoil and fierce competition, quality management has become a key strategy for organizations to overcome today's challenges. Organizations benefit from implementing quality management systems by following two approaches. First, they implement quality practices aimed at ensuring customer satisfaction by considering consumer expectations and establishing strategies accordingly. Second, organizations improve processes by establishing efficient and effective process management systems that improve productivity, lower costs, reduce unnecessary expenses, eliminate all non-value added activities, and ultimately maximize excellence and customer satisfaction. Quality management thereby

provides tools, techniques, and methods for continuous process improvement in both the professional and academic worlds, which, when implemented by organizations in times of crisis, enable more effective administration of activities undertaken by managers. Containing contributions from various academics and scholars, this new book provides cutting edge research, methods and techniques providing a reference manual for academics, scholars, practitioners and policy-makers.

**A Decision Approach** Springer Science & Business Media

This compilation includes materials annual international scientific conference "Economics, organization and management of enterprises, branches, complexes in market conditions: methods, mechanisms, tools and technologies", held in the Czech Republic, Prague on 18-20 February 2013 The main objective conference - the development community of scientists and practitioners in the field of economy. The conference brought together scholars and experts from Russia, Tatarstan, Bashkortostan, Udmurtia Republic, Kazakhstan and Ukraine.

International scientific conference was supported by the Publishing House of the International Centre of research projects, editions of scientific journals "Modern control technology", "Regional Economics and Management: an electronic scientific journal", "Economic growth and development», «Social & economic innovations».

#### *Strategy That Works* IGI Global

This book is intended for junior and senior undergraduate students, and master level students in human resources, risk management and insurance, industrial relations or public policy. The subject of the book is non-wage benefits paid to workers. Hence, it excludes discussion of needs-based programs such as welfare, food stamps, Supplementary Security Income, and Medicaid. It includes benefits mandated by the government including the major social insurance programs: workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and Social Security benefits. It also includes those benefits voluntarily provided by firms including: group medical care, disability benefits, paid sick time, pension benefits, life insurance, and assorted other fringe benefits. The book is

divided into three parts. Part I (chapters 1 through 6) briefly introduces these programs and discusses some of the insurance and economic concepts that are useful in both evaluating the current programs, and in understanding what changes might mean for future costs and benefits. The next two parts of the book deal respectively with social insurance programs (Part II, chapters 7-10), and other employer provided benefits (Part III, chapters 11-16). Throughout, private sector human resource practice and public sector human resource policy is linked to various "ben~fit" models: the human capital model, the passive participant model, the insurance' model, the managed care model, and the integrated health benefits model.

#### Life Insurance John Wiley & Sons

Managing & Using Information Systems: A Strategic Approach provides a solid knowledgebase of basic concepts to help readers become informed, competent participants in Information Systems (IS) decisions. Written for MBA students and general business managers alike, the text explains the fundamental principles and practices required to use and manage

information, and illustrates how information systems can create, or obstruct, opportunities within various organizations. This revised and updated seventh edition discusses the business and design processes relevant to IS, and presents a basic framework to connect business strategy, IS strategy, and organizational strategy. Readers are guided through each essential aspect of information Systems, including information architecture and infrastructure, IT security, the business of Information Technology, IS sourcing, project management, business analytics, and relevant IS governance and ethical issues. Detailed chapters contain mini cases, full-length case studies, discussion topics, review questions, supplemental reading links, and a set of managerial concerns related to the topic. Managing and Using Information Systems MCNIP

Today's managers are increasingly expected to successfully oversee and understand information systems -- even when it is an area in which they have had little formal training or expertise. **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGERS** is targeted at these future

managers who are expected to understand the business implications of information technology. Real world examples show future managers how information technology can be applied to improve their organization. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGERS provides a framework for managers to understand their important role vis-a-vis information technology and it emphasizes the importance of working effectively with all members of the organization to achieve results. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

**The Law and Practice of Fine Art, Jewellery and Specie Insurance** Wiley Global Education

'Making IT Count: from strategy to implementation' focuses on the practical elements of delivering Information Technology strategy. Studies regularly show that over half of Information Technology strategies are never implemented, or are unsuccessful in delivering the desired results, and that a significant percentage of strategies implemented were never in the original

plans. The linkage between strategy development and delivery needs a very clear focus; this is the key topic that the authors address. The book highlights eight major fallacies in managing IT, and eighteen better practices. It then details how to draw up strategy, instigate navigation techniques and make sourcing decisions. Change and delivery are a major focus, as is infrastructure development. Caselets and full length case studies of organizations such as General Electric, Siemens, Colonial Mutual, Charles Schwab, Macquarie Bank, ICI, United Airlines, Norwich Union, Walgreens and Dell and have been included to show how strategies have been successfully implemented and managed.

**High Performance Sales Organizations** Lulu.com

Within organizations in industrialized countries, the quality of human resources tends to become a major issue on the path to achieving a competitive advantage. According to the author's research, the implementation of the five-factor model of Costa and McCrae provides the solution for the above mentioned problem. This article demonstrates the crucial utility of the five-

factor model of Costa and McCrae in the context of life insurance industry effectiveness from both the theoretical and practical perspectives based on a case study of the four largest life insurance companies 796 most effective agents. Results imply the existence of a positive correlation between the level of the selected personality traits intensities and the life insurance agent's sales efficiency. Moreover, as levels of the personality traits of "openness to experience," "consciousness," "agreeableness" and "neuroticism" are the predictors of life insurance company effectiveness, there are fundamentals for induction to be appropriate for the whole retail financial sector human resources management system.

*How information gives you competitive advantage* Czech Institute of Academic Education z.s.

Climate change is a major problem, generating both risks and opportunities that will have a direct impact on the economy and the financial sector. In recent years, climate change has threatened both the survival of the financial system and economic

development. The growing occurrence of extreme climate events combined with the imprudent nature of economic growth can cause unsustainable levels of harm to the financial sectors. On the other hand, it presents a range of new business challenges. In contrast to the most evident physical risks, companies are vulnerable to transformational risks that arise from the reaction of society to climate change, such as technological change, regulation and markets that can boost the cost of doing business, threats to the profitability of existing goods, or effects on the value of the asset. Climate change also offers new business opportunities, and it has made research in the context of a sustainable financial sector indispensable. The Handbook of Research on Climate Change and the Sustainable Financial Sector focuses on the impacts of climate change on various sectors of the world economy. This book covers how businesses can improve their sustainability, the impact of climate change on the financial sector, and specifically, the impacts on financial

services, supply chains, and the socio-economic status of the world. Beyond focusing on the impacts to the financial industry itself, this book assesses how climate change in the financial sector affects the well-being of society in areas such as unemployment, economic recessions, decreases in consumer purchases, and more. This book is essential for stockbrokers, business managers, directors, fund managers, financial analysts, consultants and actuaries, institutional investors, policymakers, practitioners, researchers, academicians, and students interested in a comprehensive view of the impact of climate change on the financial sector. [How to Get Your Competition Fired \(Without Saying Anything Bad About Them\)](#) Hart Publishing  
This book is more than just a 'palliative care' guide for the planet - it is about innovation, solutions, competitiveness and profitability. At work, at home and as members of society, our generation has an opportunity - to be part of the obligation - and an exciting solution in restoring the

balance. The authors present a bold vision for the future and demonstrate how we can get there, drawing on lessons of competitive advantage theory and the latest in sustainability, economics, innovation, business and governance theory and practice. The result is nothing less than the most authoritative and comprehensive guide to date, to building the new ecologically sustainable economy. For further information about The Natural Edge Project and to view the book's online companion, visit [www.naturaledgeproject.net](http://www.naturaledgeproject.net).

**A Strategy for Winning in the Market Through Customer-focused Service**  
MIT Press

Understanding customer expectations and how they are changing is vital to developing sales strategies that will succeed in today's complex marketplace. Based on research studies conducted by Learning International, a worldwide leader in sales and service training, this book provides insights into the principles and practices used by some of the world's leading sales organizations.

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