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Knowledge-based Configuration incorporates knowledge representation formalisms to capture complex product models and reasoning methods to provide intelligent interactive behavior with the user. This book represents the first time that corporate and academic worlds collaborate integrating research and commercial benefits of knowledge-based configuration. Foundational interdisciplinary material is provided for composing models from increasingly complex products and services. Case studies, the latest research, and graphical knowledge representations that increase understanding of knowledge-based configuration provide a toolkit to continue to push the boundaries of what configurators can do and how they enable companies and customers to thrive. Includes detailed

discussion of state-of-the art configuration knowledge engineering approaches such as automated testing and debugging, redundancy detection, and conflict management Provides an overview of the application of knowledge-based configuration technologies in the form of real-world case studies from SAP, Siemens, Kapsch, and more Explores the commercial benefits of knowledge-based configuration technologies to business sectors from services to industrial equipment Uses concepts that are based on an example personal computer configuration knowledge base that is represented in an UML-based graphical language Based on the success of the World Scientific publication “Governing and Managing Knowledge” edited by Thomas Menkhoff, Hans-Dieter Evers and Chay Yue Wah in 2005, this unique volume presents 16 new theoretical-practical papers on the strategic aspects of developing knowledge-based economies with case studies from South Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines and Uzbekistan. A key question which the book seeks to answer is what Asian policy-makers and leaders in government, economy and society can do to further enhance learning and capability formation so as to foster sustainable development in an increasingly globalized world. It addresses the politico-cultural and socio-economic challenges of effectively managing both knowledge resources and coping with the great digital divide created by globalization, continuous technology innovations and rapid external change. A key objective of the publication is to enable latecomers in the knowledge race to understand some of the critical success factors of sustainable knowledge-based development and what it takes to build a resilient knowledge-based economy. Contents: Introduction: Strategic Aspects of Developing Asia' Knowledge-Based Economies (T Menkhoff, H-D Evers, Y W Chay & E F Pang) Conceptualizing and Strategizing Knowledge as an Engine for Growth: Knowledge Hubs and Knowledge Clusters: A Knowledge Architecture for Development (H-D Evers, S Gerke & T Menkhoff) Using Knowledge as an Engine of Growth: The Case of South Korea (D H C Chen) 'Knowledge Society' as Academic Concept and Stage of Development: A Conceptual and Historical Review (A-K Hornidge) Measuring Spatial Density: Knowledge Clusters in Malaysia (H-D Evers, P Nienkemper & B Schraven) The Moment of Truth for Science: The Consequences of the 'Knowledge Society' for Society and Science (P Weingart) The Conflicting “Norms” of Science in the Institutionalization of Scientific Knowledge (K G Huang) Governing and Managing Knowledge as a Strategic Development Resource: Asian Experiences: Korea's Public Research System as a National Knowledge Infrastructure (K-R Lee) Practicing Knowledge Management: Thailand's Experience (S Pasong) Emerging Epistemic Landscapes: Knowledge Clusters in Ho Chi Minh City and the Mekong Delta (H-D Evers & T Bauer) Knowledge Sharing in the Indonesian Context: Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB) as Potential Knowledge Hub to Create Value from Academia, Business and Government Linkages (J H Tjakraatmadja, A Wicaksono & L Martini) Achieving Knowledge Economy Status Through Good Knowledge Governance: The Singapore

KBE Story Revisited (T Menkhoff, H-D Evers, Y W Chay & S Gerke) Knowledge for Poverty Alleviation: A Framework for Developing Intangible Assets of Low-Income Communities (S D Talisayon & J P Suministrado) Knowledge Loss: Managing Local Knowledge in Rural Uzbekistan (H-D Evers & C Wall) Local Knowledge as a Strategic Resource: Fisheries in the Seasonal Floodplains of the Mekong Delta, Vietnam (S Gerke & J Ehlert) Integrating Natural and Social Sciences: Developing a Water Information System for the Mekong Delta (T Menkhoff, S Gerke & H-D Evers) Implementing Knowledge Management in a Geographically Dispersed Organization: The Case of an NGO (P Luthra & S L Pan) Readership: Graduate students, researchers, knowledge-based development and knowledge management (KM) practitioners in public policy, governance and business. Keywords: Knowledge for Development (K4D); Knowledge Management (KM); Knowledge Economy; Public Policy; Local Knowledge; Asia (South Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, Philippines, Uzbekistan) Key Features: Examines how concepts such as value creating knowledge architectures can be applied to the requirements of both developing countries and emerging markets in Asia Provides lessons learned from Asia's successful knowledge-based economies such as South Korea and Singapore as well as insights how countries such as Malaysia, Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam and Uzbekistan attempt to strategize on knowledge for development Suitable for policy-makers, leaders in development and business as well as graduate students who want to enhance their knowledge for development capabilities aimed at leveraging on knowledge as factor of production in an era of accelerated innovation and profound knowledge traps Covers the priorities and challenges facing organisations who are increasingly focused on 'knowledge work'; it is written from a human relations – rather than a technological - perspective. It uses real cases, backed up by evidence and analysis from a detailed study into strategic knowledge based working (KBW). The content of the book draws on two chief sources: the author's own expertise in KBW developed over five years of blue chip KBW consultancy, and the results of a previously unpublished five year study. The book offers clear, step-by-step guidance to executives who need to understand, deploy and implement KBW. Outlines the key challenges for KBW at all organisational levels Self assessment questions at the end of each of the four chapters Interchapter case studies for in depth teaching/understanding Empires of the Mind is a revolutionary book that offers answers to men and women interested in "reengineering" their jobs as well as their corporations. Providing dozens of specific techniques and tools for maximizing personal potential, Denis Waitley uncovers the key foundations of authentic self-leadership and delivers career-enhancing strategies on how to thrive on risk and adversity, inspire yourself and others to maximum performance, become more powerful by sharing power, and much more. With Empires of the Mind, you learn how to get ahead and stay ahead in a fast-paced world where the only rule is change. What are the links between the impact of increasing globalization and the

advent of the knowledge economy on the spatial distribution of economic activity? How can we explain the paradox of growing trans-nationalization of the production of goods and services and the tendency for certain kinds of activity—particularly knowledge intensive activities - to be concentrated or clustered in one place? In this changing environment how do firms make decisions about location, and the development and deployment of their distinctive capabilities? These are some of the important questions addressed in this volume by a team of leading international scholars looking at these dynamics in broad scope. The book presents different disciplinary approaches to the knowledge economy viewed from an international perspective, and includes detailed case analysis of its impact in different parts of the world. It moves between the supra- national macro region and the micro cluster, as well as looking at associated infrastructural and policy responses. This is a rich and informative book that attempts to explain some of the key dynamics and characteristics of the new global economy. It will be essential reading for academics in business, economics, geography and political science wanting to get to grips with current thinking and developments. "This book presents a better knowledge and understanding of applying knowledge-based development policies, contributing to the theorizing of knowledge-based development and creation of knowledge societies"--Provided by publisher. *Developing Knowledge-Based Client Relationships, Second Edition*, shows organizations how to lead their key clients into lasting, profitable, high-value relationships. Building on the powerful, tested principles of knowledge-based client relationships, Ross Dawson provides clear and extremely practical approaches for all professional and knowledge-based firms on how to create unique value for both clients and themselves. Detailed case studies across a wide variety of professional services industries offer valuable insights into world leading practice in the field. He examines key client programs, and how to create deeper knowledge-based relationships through these. He discusses in detail the collaborative technologies available today and how they can be used in client relationships, along with managing portfolios of communications channels. He also discusses firm-wide relationship management, leading relationship teams, and value-based pricing for knowledge-based client relationships. This is done by presenting underlying theoretical framework, a variety of tools for structuring relationships and presenting knowledge to clients, and numerous case studies and examples of firms which have implemented these concepts successfully. The third in the readers series *Resources for the Knowledge-Based Economy, Knowledge Management Tools* analyzes the use of knowledge management tools in the past, present and future. It helps managers and companies utilize what they know. The selections in this volume were carefully chosen to represent the strengths and weaknesses, and pros and cons of using technology to support knowledge-based activities. They acknowledge that, although tools alone are not the answer to the difficult questions surrounding knowledge management, if utilized effectively tools can open up new realms of innovation and

efficiency for today's knowledge-driven businesses. *Creating Knowledge Based Organizations* brings together high quality concepts and techniques closely related to organizational learning, knowledge workers, intellectual capital, and knowledge management. It includes the methodologies, systems and approaches that are needed to create and manage knowledge based organizations. This book addresses the recent impact of the 'knowledge-based economy' as an economic 'imaginary' and as a set of real economic developments on education, and especially higher education in Europe, including educational strategies and policies such as those of the Bologna process on a European scale. *Knowledge Capital: How Knowledge-Based Enterprises Really Get Built* is an integrated, structured set of conversations with thought leaders and key practitioners in the fields of intellectual capital and knowledge management, who examine-in the form of conversations-the steps necessary for creating and implementing the various dimensions of a knowledge-based enterprise. These are the dimensions that need to be effectively addressed for the organization to successfully make the transition from an activity-based organization to a truly knowledge-based enterprise. The conversations that make up *Knowledge Capital* are not studies of theory separated from practice or practice without a strong theoretical base. Rather, they are the stories of how knowledge-based enterprises really get built, in the words of the people who built them. While every contributor begins from his or her own unique perspective and background, each moves toward a convergent understanding of the core elements, perspectives, and practices involved. These systemic conversations provide a body of knowledge and experience on how to craft and implement strategies, as well as the how values, learning, performance, relationships, innovation, and change play in the development of usable knowledge environment. These explorations, together, lead to a mapping of what are quickly becoming the foundations of the next stage of the field. *Knowledge Capital* gives the reader a readily accessible collection of insights and experiences essential for the new era in intellectual capital and knowledge management. A generation of magnificent scholars, from Peter Drucker to Jack Welch, have taught us that understanding business issues and the profound changes the world's economy is undergoing makes sense if set in historical context. Today the best managers in the world demand to know how things came to be as they are. This collection of essays is designed to give the reader an historical perspective on the fastest growing sector of the work force: knowledge workers. The articles tell you how knowledge workers evolved from manufacturing and agricultural jobs and then go on to give you some insight as to what the future roles of knowledge workers will be. The readings in this volume come from a variety of sources not normally looked at by managers and business executives. There are reports from historians, sociologists, academics, and economic experts. Each chapter begins with a brief introduction on the material, its significance, and something about the context in which it was written, including brief biographical comments on the author. *The Rise of the Knowledge Worker*

is intended for business people, managers, leaders, government employees, and students. Knowledge and its application are now widely recognized to be key sources of growth in the global economy. Putting knowledge to work allows countries to improve everyday life for their people, opening up new possibilities for small and medium-size enterprises and other less-developed economic groups. This volume examines the challenges and opportunities for Mexico's knowledge-based economy, offering strategies for making major improvements in the country's capacity to generate knowledge and transform it into wealth. This book contains innovative research from leading researchers who presented their work at the 17th International Conference on Knowledge-Based and Intelligent Information and Engineering Systems, KES 2013, held in Kitakyushu, Japan, in September 2013. The conference provided a competitive field of 236 contributors, from which 38 authors expanded their contributions and only 21 published. A plethora of techniques and innovative applications are represented within this volume. The chapters are organized using four themes. These topics include: data mining, knowledge management, advanced information processes and system modelling applications. Each topic contains multiple contributions and many offer case studies or innovative examples. Anyone that wants to work with information repositories or process knowledge should consider reading one or more chapters focused on their technique of choice. They may also benefit from reading other chapters to assess if an alternative technique represents a more suitable approach. This book will benefit anyone already working with Knowledge-Based or Intelligent Information Systems, however is suitable for students and researchers seeking to learn more about modern Artificial Intelligence techniques. With the proper management, knowledge-based resources (human capital, relational capital, structural capital) aim to contribute to the creation of a competitive advantage not only for companies and institutions, but also for nations and economic regions. Intellectual Capital Strategy Management for Knowledge-Based Organizations brings together new perspectives on the knowledge-based view of strategy management as it considers the role of companies, organizations, and nations in the storage and measurement of their knowledge. This book is useful for industry leaders, practitioners, academics and scholars interested in emerging aspects of knowledge management and industry services.

Knowledge Based Systems (KBS) are systems that use artificial intelligence techniques in the problem solving process. This text is designed to develop an appreciation of KBS and their architecture and to help users understand a broad variety of knowledge based techniques for decision support and planning. It assumes basic computer science skills and a math background that includes set theory, relations, elementary probability, and introductory concepts of artificial intelligence. Each of the 12 chapters are designed to be modular providing instructors with the flexibility to model the book to their own course needs. Exercises are incorporated throughout the text to highlight certain aspects of the material being presented and to stimulate thought and discussion. What is this knowledge-

based economy? Is it really new or unique? What are its effects, and what does it mean to us? In order to help answer those questions, this anthology has been compiled as a means of providing answers for anyone in business or the public policy-making fields who would like to know what academics and economists are talking about when they refer to the knowledge-based economy. It is a collection of articles dealing with the most important developing themes in this area: *The shift in employment from "brawn to brains" *The effect that "knowledge elitism" may have on public policy concerning education and training, wealth disparity and social exclusion *Organizational changes brought about by the new breed of "knowledge workers" functioning in the new high-performance workplace *Computing, telecommunications, globalization, and the interconnected economy Using seminal articles from a variety of sources, this volume is intended to be a primer for introducing the reader to all aspects of the knowledge-based economy. Dale Neef is a political economist and a knowledge management specialist with extensive academic and commercial experience in both North America and Europe. He earned his Ph.D. in Economic History from the University of Cambridge, was a Research Fellow at Harvard University, and currently works with Ernst & Young's Center for Business Innovation researching issues surrounding knowledge management and the knowledge-based economy. He divides his time between writing, lecturing, and consultancy. Part of the series Resources for the Knowledge-Based Economy Introduces the reader to all aspects of the knowledge-based economy Uses seminal articles from a variety of sources This latest volume in the World Yearbook of Education Series focuses on a major and highly significant development in the governing of education across the globe: the use of knowledge-based technologies as key policy sources. A combination of factors has produced this shift: first, the massive expansion of technological capacity signalled by the arrival of 'big data' that allows for the collection, circulation and processing of extensive system knowledge. The rise of data has been observed and discussed extensively, but its role in governing and the rise of comparison as a basis for action is now a determining practice in the field of education. Comparison provides the justification for 'modernising' policy in education, both in the developed and developing world, as national policy makers (selectively) seek templates of success from the high performers and demand solutions to apparent underperformance through the adoption of the policies favoured by the likes of Singapore, Finland and Korea. In parallel, the growth of particular forms of expertise: the rise and rise of educational consultancy, the growth of private (for profit) involvement in provision of educational goods and services and the increasing consolidation of networks of influence in the promotion of 'best practice' are affecting policy decisions. Through these developments, the nature of knowledge is altered, along with the relationship between knowledge and politics. Knowledge in this context is co-constructed: it is not disciplinary knowledge, but knowledge that emerges in the sharing of experience. This book provides a global snapshot of a changing

educational world by giving detailed examples of a fundamental shift in the governing and practice of education learning by: • Assessing approaches to the changing nature of comparative knowledge and information • Tracking the translation and mobilisation of these knowledges in the governing of education/learning; • Identification of the key experts and knowledge producers/circulators/translators and analysis of how best to understand their influence; • Mapping of the global production of these knowledges in terms of their range and reach the interrelationships of actors and their effects in different national settings. Drawing on material from around the world, the book brings together scholars from different backgrounds who provide a tapestry of examples of the global production and national reception and mediation of these knowledges and who show how change enters different national spaces and consider their effects in different national settings. "This book provides comprehensive coverage of all areas (people, process, and technology) necessary to become a knowledge-based enterprise. It presents several frameworks facilitating the implementation of a KM initiative and its ongoing management so that pertinent knowledge and information are always available to the decision maker, and so the organization may always enjoy a sustainable competitive advantage"--Provided by publisher. Annotation The purpose of Creating Knowledge Based Healthcare Organizations is to bring together some high quality concepts closely related to how knowledge management can be utilised in healthcare. In this 2012 edition of Advances in Knowledge-Based and Intelligent Information and Engineering Systems the latest innovations and advances in Intelligent Systems and related areas are presented by leading experts from all over the world. The 228 papers that are included cover a wide range of topics. One emphasis is on Information Processing, which has become a pervasive phenomenon in our civilization. While the majority of Information Processing is becoming intelligent in a very broad sense, major research in Semantics, Artificial Intelligence and Knowledge Engineering supports the domain specific applications that are becoming more and more present in our everyday living. Ontologies play a major role in the development of Knowledge Engineering in various domains, from Semantic Web down to the design of specific Decision Support Systems. Research on Ontologies and their applications is a highly active front of current Computational Intelligence science that is addressed here. Other subjects in this volume are modern Machine Learning, Lattice Computing and Mathematical Morphology. The wide scope and high quality of these contributions clearly show that knowledge engineering is a continuous living and evolving set of technologies aimed at improving the design and understanding of systems and their relations with humans. Over-reliance on oil challenges the long-term sustainability of an economy. The UAE's government has placed considerable focus on a comprehensive strategic planning exercise to transform the country's economic structure from relying heavily on hydrocarbon resources to becoming a knowledge-based economy. Non-oil is to account for 80% of the country's economy by 2021. From Oil to

Knowledge examines the role of this major powerhouse of the Arab World to transform itself into a leader in the adoption of science, technology and innovation to drive economic success on the international stage. In this first book to present and critically evaluate the extent of the UAE's success in diversifying its economy and implementing the principles and approaches of a Knowledge Economy, the authors identify the achievements of the government to date and the areas of further development. From Oil to Knowledge will be utilized as a guide by policymakers and senior managers to enhance their ability to think strategically towards implementing the pillars of a Knowledge Economy within their own organisations and nation states. The knowledge economy has become an important part of contemporary development for cities in a time of globalization and expansion. Examining theories of knowledge transfer and urban advancement allows for better adaptation in a changing global society. Knowledge-Based Urban Development in the Middle East provides emerging research on the contemporary practices of architecture, urban design, and implementation in contemporary Middle Eastern cities. Highlighting a range of pertinent topics, such as creative economy, knowledge development, and learning communities, this book is an important resource for academics, researchers, practitioners, and decision makers seeking current research on the issues and challenges of implementing knowledge-based urban development in Middle Eastern cities. How do you lead, motivate and inspire individuals who are as knowledgeable as you are? How do you lead individuals who are knowledge creators (innovators, scientists, academicians, entrepreneurs, etc.) and whose core task is to create something new? While we live in a world that is becoming increasingly automated, humans will continue to dominate one significant kind of work-knowledge work. Knowledge workers can be found in professions like education, consulting, engineering, architecture, design, art and R&D. First among Equals describes the 'T-R-E-A-T' framework of leadership that is a combination of five behavioural traits-task-orientation, relation-orientation, empowering, authenticity and team-building. By presenting real-life examples of leaders from India, the book describes how the 'T-R-E-A-T' leadership affects the 'L-E-A-P' (learning, enjoyment, autonomy and performance) of knowledge workers and impacts their perceptions of fairness, creating positive psychological capacities and generating autonomous motivation. Leaders of knowledge workers have to consider themselves as 'first among equals' in order to be effective in a knowledge work context. Discussing global society entails discussing the predominant characteristics of knowledge-based activities in all walks of life. Its main characteristics are based on creativity, innovation, freedom, and networking. The emergence of such a society poses several challenges to all disciplines of social sciences. Within such a context, sociologists must have practical encounters to the theoretical, methodological, and empirical challenges imposed within contemporary global society. In this vein, studying creative cities from an interdisciplinary perspective helps provide critical readings of the

phenomenon and the different levels of the concept in reality. The Handbook of Research on Creative Cities and Advanced Models for Knowledge-Based Urban Development provides global models and best practices of creative cities worldwide and illustrates different theoretical blueprints for the better understanding of contemporary global society. While defining key concepts of creative cities, global society, and creative class, the book also clarifies the main differences between hubs, parks, and precincts and their contributions to knowledge-based development. Covering topics that include knowledge economy, social inclusion, and urban mobility, this comprehensive reference is ideal for sociologists, urban planners/designers, political scientists, economists, anthropologists, historians, policymakers, researchers, academicians, and students. The Arab world is one of the fastest growing economies in the world. In order to keep up with the ever-progressing and expanding developments, advancements must be made with the current systems process and procedures. Knowledge-Based Economic Policy Development in the Arab World focuses on knowledge economy as the most important engine for economic growth and development under the globalizing world economies. This publication analyzes the major issues that constrain further access to knowledge economy in the Arab countries with comparisons in Eastern and Central European economies. Researchers, business practitioners, and academics interested in new economic and development inclusive growth policies will benefit greatly from the wide variety of discussion in this publication. This book provides a comprehensive yet concise coverage of the concepts and technology of database systems and their evolution into knowledge-bases. The traditional material on database systems at senior undergraduate level is covered. An understanding of concepts is emphasized avoiding extremes in formalism or detail. Rather than be restricted to a single example used over an entire book, a variety of examples are used. These enable the reader to understand the basic abstractions which underlie description of many practical situations. A major portion of the book concerns database system technology with focus on the relational model. Various topics are discussed in detail, preparing the ground for more advanced work. "This book covers theoretical, thematic, and country-specific issues of knowledge cities to underline the growing importance of KBUD all around the world, providing substantive research on the decisive lineaments of urban development for knowledge-based production (drawing attention to new planning processes to foster such development), and worldwide best practices and case studies in the field of urban development"--Provided by publisher. This volume assembles papers commissioned by the National Research Council's Board on Science, Technology, and Economic Policy (STEP) to inform judgments about the significant institutional and policy changes in the patent system made over the past two decades. The chapters fall into three areas. The first four chapters consider the determinants and effects of changes in patent "quality." Quality refers to whether patents issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) meet the statutory standards of

patentability, including novelty, nonobviousness, and utility. The fifth and sixth chapters consider the growth in patent litigation, which may itself be a function of changes in the quality of contested patents. The final three chapters explore controversies associated with the extension of patents into new domains of technology, including biomedicine, software, and business methods. This book has two purposes: To open up the debate on the role of informal education in schooling systems and to suggest the kind of school organizational environment that can best facilitate the recognition of informal learning. Successive chapters explore what is often seen as a duality between informal and formal learning. This duality is particularly so because education systems expend so much time and effort in certifying formal knowledge often expressed in school subjects reflecting academic disciplines. Recognizing the contribution informal learning can make to young people's understanding and development does not negate the importance of valued social knowledge: That complements it. Students come to school with knowledge learnt from their families, peers, the community and both traditional and social media. They should not have to "unlearn" this in order to enter the world of formal learning. Rather, students' different learning "worlds" should be integrated so that each informs the other. In a knowledge-based society, all learning needs to be valued. Some contributors to this book reflect on how new educational systems could be created in a move away from top-down authoritarian and bureaucratic management. Such open systems are seen to be more welcoming in acknowledging the importance of informal learning. Others provide practical examples of how informal learning is currently recognized. Some attention is also paid to the evaluation of informal learning. A key objective of the work presented here is to stimulate debate about the role of informal learning in knowledge-based societies and to stimulate thinking about the kind of reforms needed to create more open and more democratic school learning environments. This book presents innovative and high-quality research on the implementation of conceptual frameworks, strategies, techniques, methodologies, informatics platforms and models for developing advanced knowledge-based systems and their application in different fields, including Agriculture, Education, Automotive, Electrical Industry, Business Services, Food Manufacturing, Energy Services, Medicine and others. Knowledge-based technologies employ artificial intelligence methods to heuristically address problems that cannot be solved by means of formal techniques. These technologies draw on standard and novel approaches from various disciplines within Computer Science, including Knowledge Engineering, Natural Language Processing, Decision Support Systems, Artificial Intelligence, Databases, Software Engineering, etc. As a combination of different fields of Artificial Intelligence, the area of Knowledge-Based Systems applies knowledge representation, case-based reasoning, neural networks, Semantic Web and TICs used in different domains. The book offers a valuable resource for PhD students, Master's and undergraduate students of Information Technology (IT)-related degrees such as Computer Science, Information

Systems and Electronic Engineering. Knowledge and Communities is the first book dedicated to a major new knowledge management topic. "Communities of Practice" are cross-organizational groups of people sharing knowledge, solving common problems, and exchanging insights and frustrations. Knowledge and Communities, a collection of authoritative articles, describes the dynamics of these groups and explains how they enable organizational knowledge to be created, shared, and applied. The book teaches how organizations can empower both traditional and on-line communities and make them a cornerstone of a general knowledge management strategy. Readers will learn how communities can help unify an organization and its external stakeholders, such as customers and suppliers, and how they can critically support an e-commerce strategy. Knowledge and Communities will help readers understand a primary vehicle for building an organization's social capital and competitive advantage. This book has two purposes: To open up the debate on the role of informal education in schooling systems and to suggest the kind of school organizational environment that can best facilitate the recognition of informal learning. Successive chapters explore what is often seen as a duality between informal and formal learning. This duality is particularly so because education systems expend so much time and effort in certifying formal knowledge often expressed in school subjects reflecting academic disciplines. Recognizing the contribution informal learning can make to young people's understanding and development does not negate the importance of valued social knowledge: That complements it. Students come to school with knowledge learnt from their families, peers, the community and both traditional and social media. They should not have to "unlearn" this in order to enter the world of formal learning. Rather, students' different learning "worlds" should be integrated so that each informs the other. In a knowledge-based society, all learning needs to be valued. Some contributors to this book reflect on how new educational systems could be created in a move away from top-down authoritarian and bureaucratic management. Such open systems are seen to be more welcoming in acknowledging the importance of informal learning. Others provide practical examples of how informal learning is currently recognized. Some attention is also paid to the evaluation of informal learning. A key objective of the work presented here is to stimulate debate about the role of informal learning in knowledge-based societies and to stimulate thinking about the kind of reforms needed to create more open and more democratic school learning environments. Written for undergraduate courses in compensation management and wage and salary administration, this text offers a practical exploration of the systems, methods and procedures involved in establishing and administering a compensation system within any organization. With the development of information technology in recent years, there is a growing need to merge different technologies and services, to develop products, services and business models that span different industries. Corporations must have processes through which they can access share, and integrate diverse knowledge. In this

book, the author proposes a dynamic yet practical method for project leaders to integrate diverse knowledge distributed on projects network to develop new products, services and business models. Case studies on companies such as Vodafone, SHARP, Mitsubishi Electric, Canon, Sony, Matsushita Electric are considered. The book can be used by high-tech organizations from the standpoint of project management or team management for innovation. Contents: Project-Based Organizations Project Networks as Marketing Innovation — The Challenge of the Mobile Communications Businesses Boundary Innovation Through Project Networks — J-Phone and Sharp Take on the Challenge of Camera-Loaded Mobile Phone Development Radical Innovation Through Integrative Competencies of Project-Based Organization: Case Study of Mitsubishi Electric Business Model Innovation Through Boundary Management: Case Study of PlayStation by Sony Boundaries Synchronization: Case Study of Matsushita Electric and Canon Use of Project Formation to Stimulate Innovation in a Traditional Big Business: Case Study of Communications Businesses in Japan Innovation by Project-Based Organizations Implications and Conclusions Readership: Social scientists studying network theory and social capital, MBA and MOT students, and undergraduate students majoring in business and management. Keywords: Project Management; Knowledge Management; Technology Management; Strategy; Leadership; Innovation; Organizational Behavior; IT Key Features: Explains the role of projects network as focal points of knowledge creation and integration and also in cross-related collaboration Covers the distinctive challenges of managing through dynamic projects network in high-tech companies Focuses on knowledge creation through managing abrasion and conflict between projects in a large corporation This text offers a practical exploration of the systems, methods, and procedures involved in establishing and administering a compensation system within any organization.

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