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The Oxford Handbook of Organization Theory-HARIDIMOS AUTOR TSOUKAS 2003 This handbook provides a forum for leading researchers in organization theory to reflect on their own discipline: how it has developed and why; what sorts of knowledge claims it regards as acceptable and why; and where it may be, or should be, going.

Realist Perspectives on Management and Organisations-Stephen Ackroyd 2003-09-02 Realism has been one of the most powerful new developments in philosophy and the social sciences and is now making an increasing impact in business and management studies. This is the first book-length treatment of critical realism in business and management. It pulls together a wide range of material which is all explicitly or implicitly rooted in philosophical realism, and combines theoretical writing with substantive contributions addressing issues such as the nature of the firm and the labour process which together demonstrates that realism is a powerful alternative to postmodernism and positivism.

The Oxford Handbook of Sociology, Social Theory, and Organization Studies-Paul S. Adler 2014 This title examines how contemporary currents in sociology and social theory have influenced the field of organisation studies. It aims to combat the tendency towards myopia in the organisation studies field, which encourages reliance on resources and references drawn from within the field and discourages scholars from going beyond these boundaries to find inspiration and ideas. The contributing authors show how sociologists and sociological concepts from the US and Europe have provided new insights into the functioning of organisations.

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The Foundations of Management Knowledge-Paul Jeffcutt 2008-01-28 This volume brings together a group of leading academics from Europe, North America and Australasia to address a question of considerable contemporary concern: the nature and management of knowledge in relation to rapidly changing arenas of theory and practice. The contributors reframe management as a dynamic, creative and versatile field of knowledge that is both multidisciplinary and multi-contextual. The book provides a structured and informed set of readings for management educators as well as students and academics in the fields of critical management, organisational behaviour, human resource management and management development.
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SOCIETY OF ORGANISATIONS-PHILIPPE SCIEUR 2012-03-10 This book, in its second edition, continues to present the main models of Sociology that have been conceptualised to apprehend the world of organisations. From the theories of bureaucracy and human relations to contemporary approaches, this book focuses on all the key aspects of Sociology of an organisation. The concepts defined are marked by the consideration of modes of rationality, types of cooperation, of networks and power games, of systems of decision-making and logics of action. The book cites the contributions made and the definitions given by the great Sociologists like Max Weber, Talcott Parsons, Michel Crozier, Renaud Sainsanlieu, to help the students understand the topics more clearly. This second edition is enriched with studies of discussed cases, charts, and of extracts of texts pertinent to the productive system, to the public sphere and the associative fact. The book is intended for the undergraduate students of sociology. It will also be of interest to those who, on a personal or professional level, wish to understand better how companies, administrations, etc. function.

Understanding the Construction Client-David Boyd 2008-04-15 This book breaks new ground by creating a framework to understand clients' actions and needs. Most construction management books focus on improving the construction process; this one focuses on a better engagement with the client. It challenges conceptions of both the construction industry and clients' businesses so that a more effective process and greater client satisfaction can be achieved. The book suggests that 'buildings are not about building but about changing and developing the client'. The technical, organisational and psychological aspects of this are described and analysed in detail so that current experience can be explained and better practice determined. The book offers well-researched information about clients in a number of sectors - developers, supermarkets, NHS, government, airports and housing associations - which will help you understand what these client's business or service needs are and how construction fits into this. It demonstrates how to develop an appreciation of the client's perspective with a toolkit for ensuring successful client engagement. This makes Understanding the Construction Client a user-friendly and practical guide, as well as significant text for academia.

Management Fads and Buzzwords-David Collins 2000 This text argues that the fads and buzzwords of management deflect critical inquiry and limit useful action because they present a "ready made" view of the world, which rejects the benefits of theoretical analysis and reflection. The book attempts to "unpack" the "guru industry" and the fads and buzzwords of management to provide a critical-practical' analysis, designed to allow readers to locate, to understand and to critique management fashion.

Handbook of Qualitative Research Methods in Entrepreneurship-Helle Neergaard 2007 . . . the Handbook of Qualitative Research Methods in Entrepreneurship is an important contribution to the field, and should be referenced in any paper using qualitative methodologies to investigate the entrepreneurial phenomenon. Craig S. Galbraith, Journal of Enterprising Communities There is no hiding behind the ramparts of dry scholarship
The credibility of the theory being spoken of is not the stuff of constructed proofs, but alignments of critical insight and utility. This is where qualitative work can make a difference to the field, and where this book makes its mark. Robin Holt, International Journal of Entrepreneurial Behaviour and Research The Handbook of Qualitative Research Methods in Entrepreneurship is an unusually solid and multifaceted book on what qualitative methods have done, are doing and will do in entrepreneurship research. Every serious entrepreneurship scholar should read it. It points at the future! Björn Bjerke, University of Kalmar, Sweden I would warmly recommend this unique collection of qualitative methods of entrepreneurship research to both mature and beginning researchers as a menu to choose from for their planned empirical studies. For those who try to get away from only quantitative studies in both business practice and academic research, this book is their chance to find a rich inspiration in reflecting on entrepreneurship as a lived experience using grounded theory and ethnographic, discourse and narrative approaches. It might convince editors of top journals of entrepreneurship research to welcome qualitative research submissions as an indispensable complement to quantitative only submissions. This domain is not physics. In bringing together such a variety of experts from so many nationalities in this Handbook, our Danish colleagues are making entrepreneurship research a realistic global venture. Jan Ulijn, Eindhoven University of Technology, The Netherlands Helle Neergaard and John Parm Ulhøi have compiled a remarkable collection of work that both represents the range of methods and demonstrates the depth of insight that can be achieved through qualitative approaches. This book is not simply a handbook of qualitative research methods, though it well achieves this aim, it is also an important contribution towards the field of entrepreneurship research. From the Foreword by Sara Carter This expansive and practical Handbook introduces the methods currently used to increase the understanding of the usefulness and versatility of a systematic approach to qualitative research in entrepreneurship. It fills a crucial gap in the literature on entrepreneurship theory, and, just as importantly, illustrates how these principles and techniques can be appropriately and fruitfully employed. The Handbook is underpinned by the belief that qualitative research has the potential to charter hitherto unexplored waters in the field of entrepreneurship and thus contribute significantly to its further advancement. The contributors seek to assist entrepreneurship researchers in making more informed choices and designing more rigorous and sophisticated studies. They achieve this by providing concrete examples of research experiences and tangible how to advice. By clarifying what these research methods entail, how they are currently being used and how they can be evaluated, this Handbook constitutes a comprehensive and highly accessible methodological toolbox. Dealing with both well-accepted qualitative approaches and lesser-known, rarer and more novel approaches to the study of entrepreneurship, this Handbook will be invaluable to those studying, researching and teaching entrepreneurship.

DIY Community Action-Richardson, Liz 2008-03-12 What is the relevance of community given a fast changing society? What kind of communities is it desirable to build? This book offers some answers to these questions & many more. It concludes that residents in difficult neighbourhoods often choose collective solutions to combat communal problems.

International Humanitarian Action-Hans-Joachim Heintze 2017-10-04 This textbook examines a wide range of humanitarian action issues in five parts, presented by specialists from different academic fields. The respective parts reflect the five core modules of the International NOHA Joint Master’s Programme “International Humanitarian Action”: a) World Politics, b) International Law, c) Public Health, d) Anthropology, and e) Management. The book serves as a common basis for teaching at all NOHA universities and aims at imparting the basic knowledge and skills needed to excel in a complex interdisciplinary and international learning context. It provides in-depth information on key international humanitarian principles and values, professional codes of conduct, and the commitment to their implementation in practice. The book will thus be useful for all students of the NOHA Joint Master’s Programme and participants of any courses with a similar content, but also for academics and practitioners affiliated with entities such as international organisations and NGOs. It may also serve as an introduction to anyone with an interest in understanding...
the numerous and inter-linked facets of humanitarian action.

Private Enforcement of EC Competition Law-Jurgen Basedow 2007-01-01 The European Commission's recent green paper on damages actions for breach of EC antitrust rules stirred a debate across Europe on the need for legal reform that would encourage private plaintiffs to claim compensation for losses suffered as a result of anticompetitive conduct. Prominent in the wake of that initiative was the international conference convened by the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Hamburg in April 2006, the papers and proceedings of which are presented in this important book. Among the topics and issues raised and discussed here are the following: the 2001 Courage judgment of the European Court of Justice, in which the court decided that everyone who suffers losses from a violation of arts. 81 or 82 EC is entitled to compensation; relevance of the case law that contributes to general principles of European tort law; comparative analysis from the more comprehensive experience of national laws in the United States, Germany, France, and Italy; calculation of damages; passing-on of losses sustained in an upstream market to customers in a downstream market; procedural devices which may help to overcome the lack of implementation; duties of disclosure and the burden of proof; collective actions that may help to overcome the rational abstention of individuals; pitfalls of leniency programmes implemented by national competition authorities; and, issues of jurisdiction and choice of law. The lively debates that followed the presentations at the conference are also recorded here. Although more discussion will be needed before a viable legal framework in this area begins to emerge, these ground-breaking contributions by lawyers of various disciplines, jurists, economists, academics, and European policymakers take a giant step forward. For lawyers, academics, and officials engaged with this important area of international law, this book clearly improves our understanding of the economic need and legal particularities which could generate an effective European system of private antitrust litigation.

Hybrid Governance, Organisations and Society-Jarmo Vakkuri 2020-10-22 The era of hybrid governance is here. More and more organizations occupy a position between public and private ownership. And value is created not through business or public interests alone, but through distinct forms of hybrid governance. National governments are looking to transform their administrative systems to become more business driven. Likewise, private enterprises are seeing value gains in promoting public interest in their corporate social responsibility programs. But how can we conceptualize, evaluate and measure the value and performance of hybrid governance and organizations? This book offers a comprehensive overview of how hybrids produce value. It explores the drivers, obstacles and complications for value creation in different hybrid contexts: state-owned enterprises, urban policy-making, universities and non-profits from around the world. The authors address several types of value contents, for instance financial, social and public value. Furthermore, the book provides a novel way of understanding multiple forms of doing value in hybrid settings. The book explains mixing, compromising and legitimising as important mechanisms of value creation. Aimed at researchers and students of public management, public administration, business management, corporate social responsibility and governance, this book provides a theoretical, conceptual and empirical understanding of value creation in hybrid organizations. It is also an invaluable overview of performance evaluation and measurement systems and practices in hybrid organizations and governance.

Joining Political Organisations-Laura Morales 2009-04-01 From political parties to environmental organisations, citizens join a host of associations in order to influence policymaking and political agendas. Yet why in some western democracies do citizens join political organisations much more than in others? Drawing on a large number of crossnational surveys and data sets, Morales shows that huge crossnational variations in political membership are not so much related to social or attitudinal differences between these countries' citizens, but are explained to a great extent by the structure of the political system of each nation.

Situational Prevention of Organised Crimes-Ronald V. Clarke 2013-01-11 Situational crime prevention is the art and science of reducing opportunities...
for crime. Despite accumulating evidence of its value in reducing many different kinds of crime - such as burglary, fraud, robbery, car theft, child sexual abuse and even terrorism - little has previously been published about its role in reducing organised crimes. This collection of case studies, by a distinguished international group of researchers, fills this gap by documenting the application of a situational prevention approach to a variety of organised crimes. These include sex trafficking, cigarette and drug smuggling, timber theft, mortgage fraud, corruption of private professionals and public officials, and subversion of tendering procedures for construction projects. By moving the focus away from the nature of criminal organisations to the analysis of the crimes committed by these organisations, the book opens up a fresh agenda for policy and research. Situational Prevention of Organised Crimes will be of interest to those tasked with tackling organised crime problems, as well as those interested in understanding the ways that organised crime problems have manifested themselves globally, and how law enforcement and other agencies might seek to tackle them in the future.

Port Management-H. Haralambides 2015-07-21 Port Management brings together a collection of seminal papers from Palgrave’s journal Maritime Economics and Logistics. It is a dynamic volume, containing contributions from leading authors with different disciplinary backgrounds, representing a vast regional diversity. The volume provides authoritative and timely investigations into key topics in port economics, including research on: global supply chains, port networks, choice modelling, port infrastructure, competition, port pricing, efficiency in European seaports, and an analysis of Chinese container ports. It is essential reading for professionals, scholars, and researchers interested in port economics.

The Unintended Consequences of Social Action-Raymond Boudon 2016-01-01 Ordinary Organisations-Stefan Kühl 2017-05-23 During the Holocaust, 99 percent of all Jewish killings were carried out by members of state organizations. In this groundbreaking book, Stefan Kühl offers a new analysis of the integral role that membership in organizations played in facilitating the annihilation of European Jews under the Nazis. Drawing on the well-researched case of the mass killings of Jews by a Hamburg reserve police battalion, Kühl shows how ordinary men from ordinary professions were induced to carry out massacres. It may have been that coercion, money, identification with the end goal, the enjoyment of brutality, or the expectations of their comrades impelled the members of the police battalion to join the police units and participate in ghetto liquidations, deportations, and mass shootings. But ultimately, argues Kühl, the question of immediate motives, or indeed whether members carried out tasks with enthusiasm or reluctance, is of secondary importance. The crucial factor in explaining what they did was the integration of individuals into an organizational framework that prompted them to perform their roles. This book makes a major contribution to our understanding of the Holocaust by demonstrating the fundamental role played by organizations in persuading ordinary Germans to participate in the annihilation of the Jews. It will be an invaluable resource for students and scholars of organizations, violence, and modern German history, as well as for anyone interested in genocide and the Holocaust.

Bread, Freedom, Social Justice-Anne Alexander 2014-10-09 Accounts of the Arab Spring often focus on the role of youth coalitions, the use of social media, and the tactics of the Tahrir Square occupation. This authoritative and original book argues that collective action by organised workers played a fundamental role in the Egyptian revolution, which erupted after years of strikes and social protests. Drawing on the authors’ decade-long experience of reporting on and researching the Egyptian labour movement, the book provides the first in-depth account of the emergence of independent trade unions and workers’ militancy during Mubarak’s last years in power, and and their destabilising impact on the post-revolutionary regimes.

Action Research in Organisations-Jean McNiff 2002-01-04 The current orthodoxy is that 'knowledge' is the most powerful resource for organisational success. So how can managers develop the appropriate knowledge base to make their organisations grow? The answer lies in action research. Action
research is increasingly perceived and used as a powerful methodology to promote professional awareness and development. However, there are very few texts that demonstrate how this can be utilised to promote management and organisational improvement or that emphasise the reflective nature of improving professionalism. Action Research in Organisations fills this gap. Aimed at both practising managers and university students alike, key features of this title include: * the location of management and organisational theory within a framework * examination of the principles and practice of action research * real-world examples and case studies of people attempting to improve their own situations through action research.

A Handbook for Action Research in Health and Social Care-Richard Winter 2001 This book provides a new synthesis of the theories and principles guiding action research, drawn from various disciplines and from the variety of historical traditions of action research work.

The Role of Voluntary Organisations in Social Welfare-Hugh W Mellor 2018-07-20 Originally published in 1985 The Role of Voluntary Organisations in Social Welfare considers the voluntary sector as a provider of social welfare. The book asks the fundamental questions for those involved in social welfare: what should the role of this voluntary sector be, and what should its relationship be with the government sector? Reporting on extensive original research undertaken for the Joseph Rowntree Memorial Trust, the study examines the functions, staffing, funding and control of voluntary organisations. It looks at the relationship with the government sector, explores the increasingly important questions of accountability and discusses future prospects.

Work Organisations-Paul Thompson 1995-10-13

Organization-Arndt Sorge 2002 Organization is a collection of original contributions on the subject of organizational theory from area specialists. Split into six relevant sections, Organization provides a wide-ranging overview of the current body of literature. Presenting coverage of recent theoretical advances and contemporary models with traditional core concepts, Organization serves as a comprehensive primer on all aspects of organizational theory. Organization provides a concise, authoritative and clear summary of all aspects of organizational theory which form the foundations on which the discipline and practice of organizational behaviour is based.

People in Social Organisations and Enterprises. Motivation, Knowledge Transfer and Situated Learning in Their Communities of Practice-Christopher Whitworth 2018-02-21 This book functions as a research monograph about people. Specifically why and how do people help others? What do they do, how and why do they get involved, who do they learn from, and teach, also what do they learn and share? Restating this research question in academic English: What motivates individuals to join and take part in social enterpriseÖs and other organizations, what behaviours do they exhibit, do they join or form groups that can be labelled as Öcommunities of practiceÖ, and do they undertake and deliver situated learning, as part of their knowledge transfer processes? The topic has been studied qualitatively via interpretative phenomenological analysis and related methodologies. Over 30 interviews, from disparate groups in the UK and Poland have been analysed in depth. The outcome has been to identify common factors in individuals behaviours, motivations and interactions.

Ethical Infrastructure-Jana Nadoh Bergoč 2019-06-06 This book deals with the field of organization management and is based on the scientific discoveries of business ethics, which introduce concepts in organization research that traditionally did not merit a place in managerial theories. These include the issue of organization ethics, ethics management, and the development and implementation of ethical infrastructures within organizations. The book analyses the impact that all of the above have on the moral behaviour of managers and other members of organizations. It shows the presence and development of ethical infrastructures in organizations, the relationship between individual elements of the existing ethical infrastructures, and their effect on the moral behaviour of managers in companies. The subject of ethical infrastructures is a unique and under-researched area. This book will serve to diminish this gap by providing a clear overview of a variety of subjects that influence the way ethics is
institutionalized in organizations and by stimulating not just knowledge, but also an understanding of the concept of ethical infrastructure and the place it has within each individual organization.

UNDERSTANDING ORGANISATIONS-MADHUKAR SHUKLA 2008-06-03 Organisations play a crucial role in our day-to-day life though most of us are unaware of it. They permeate and pervade almost all aspects of our lives and their significance cannot therefore be overemphasized. This easy-to-read and compact book on Organisational Theory (OT) gives an account of what an organisation is and how it operates. It shows that organisations are not static entities, but are dynamic: capable of growing, changing, failing or transforming themselves. The book begins with a discussion on the perspectives and approaches needed for understanding, designing and changing organisations. It then goes on to give a description of the building blocks and the various influences that determine organisational design. The author rightly emphasizes that the ideal organisation is one that is adaptive to a specific situation. He tells not only what an organisation is, but shows how it functions, for instance, how decisions are taken, how conflicts and power interact in moulding an organisation, how values and norms influence performance, and so on. Finally, the author stresses how organisations change or are transformed or why some do not change, and highlights emerging issues in organisational design. What distinguishes the text is its Indian background. The author skillfully elucidates organisational theory with real-life examples from well-known Indian Organisations. Intended as a textbook for the students of Management, this study should also be ideal for practising managers, consultants and teachers.

Diffusion of Innovations in Health Service Organisations-Sir Trisha Greenhalgh 2008-04-15 This is a systematic review on how innovations in health service practice and organisation can be disseminated and implemented. This is an academic text, originally commissioned by the Department of Health from University College London and University of Surrey, using a variety of research methods. The results of the review are discussed in detail in separate chapters covering particular innovations and the relevant contexts. The book is intended as a resource for health care researchers and academics.

Doping Rules of International Sporting Organisations-T.M.C. Asser Instituut 1999-08-10 Statutes, rules and regulations.

The Political Economy of Global Sports Organisations-John Forster 2004-06-01 At the global level, sport is ruled by a set of organizations including giants such as the IOC (Olympics), FIFA (soccer), and the IAAF (athletics) as well as sporting minnows such as the World Armsport Federation (armwrestling). Many of these bodies have been surrounded by controversy during their histories, after having to adjust to the realities of commercial sport. This important book analyzes the evolution of modern sport, examining the ways in which sporting organisations have adapted over the years to accommodate changing environments. Themes covered in this impressive volume include: * sources of sports revenue * organising global sporting events such as the Rugby World Cup * differences and similarities between global sporting organisations Forster and Pope have created an important book, which seriously analyzes sports organizations from a political economy vantage point for the first time. Of interest to students and academics studying the economics of sport, the book is also written in a style that makes it accessible for those with a general interest as well as for global sporting bodies themselves.

Biodiversity: my hotel in action: a guide to sustainable use of biological resources in the Caribbean-Victim Organisations and the Politics of Reparation-Heidy Rombouts 2004 Reparation for victims of gross and systematic human rights violations is a contemporary issue gaining increased attention in both national and international politics. Post-conflict societies have to face the legacies of the dark past and dealing with a large group of victims is one of them. Transitional justice mechanisms trying to cope with the past should not overlook the issue of reparation. This research demonstrates how reparation for victims of gross and systematic human rights violations differs from reparation for isolated violations. The Rwandan case study unveils the role of victim organisations in and the competition and politicisation of the reparation debate.
Although reparation for victims is a crucial element in transitional justice, it becomes clear that the way in which the reparation debate unfolds does not necessarily contribute to the peaceful future of a post-conflict society. This study argues that remedying the process and debate of the search for reparation will lead to an improved and more constructive reparation policy. Heidy Rombouts is a legal and social scientist (1997, Master of Laws; 1999, Master in Social and Political Sciences, Catholic University of Leuven). In 2004 she obtained a PhD degree in Social and Political Sciences at the University of Antwerp for her research on victim organisations and the politics of reparation. For several years she has been conducting research on transitional justice, human rights and post-conflict situations, including extensive field research in South Africa and Rwanda.

The Politics of Agriculture in Japan-Aurelia George Mulgan 2000 Agriculture is one of the most politically powerful sectors in Japanese national politics. This book provides the first comprehensive account of the political power of Japanese farmers. This definitive text analyses the organisational and electoral basis of farmers' political power, including the role of agricultural interest groups, the mobilisation of the farm vote and links between farmers and politicians in the Diet. Agrarian power has helped to produce the distinctly pro-rural, anti-urban bias of postwar Japanese governments, resulting in a general neglect of urban consumer interests and sustained opposition to market opening for farm products. This book represents a major study of Japanese agricultural organisations in their multifarious roles as interest groups, agents of agricultural administration, electoral resource providers and mammoth business groups. It describes the policy issues that engage farmers' concerns and identifies the agricultural commodities that carry the greatest political significance.

Diasporas and Homeland Conflicts-Dr Bahar Baser 2015-03-28 As violent conflicts become increasingly intra-state rather than inter-state, international migration has rendered them increasingly transnational, as protagonists from each side find themselves in new countries of residence. In spite of leaving their homeland, the grievances and grudges that existed between them are not forgotten and can be passed to the next generation. This book explores the extension of homeland conflicts into transnational space amongst diaspora groups, with particular attention to the interactions between second-generation migrants. Comparative in approach, Diasporas and Homeland Conflicts focuses on the tensions that exist between Kurdish and Turkish populations in Sweden and Germany, examining the effects of hostland policies and politics on the construction, shaping or elimination of homeland conflicts.

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