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New Asian Disorder IGI Global

Magnetic recording is presently a \$50 billion industry. It spans audio, video, and digital applications in the form of tapes and disks. The industry is expected to grow by a factor of five or more in the next decade. This growth will be accompanied by dramatic improvements in the technology, and the potential exists for magnetic-recording densities to improve by at least one order of magnitude! Magnetic-recording process is accomplished by relative motion between a magnetic head and a magnetic medium. Types of magnetic media for digital recording are: flexible media (tapes and floppy disks) and rigid disks. Physical contact between head and medium occurs during starts and stops and hydrodynamic air film develops at high speeds. Flying heights (mean separation between head and medium) are on the order of 0.1 micrometer comparable to surface roughness of the mating members. Need for higher and higher recording densities requires that surfaces be as smooth as possible and flying heights be as low as possible. Smoother surfaces lead to

increased static/ kinetic friction and wear. In the case of magnetic tapes, in order to have high bit capacity for a given size of a spool, we like to use as thin a tape substrate as possible. Thinner tapes are prone to local or bulk viscoelastic deformation during storage. This may lead to variations in head-tape separations resulting in problems in data reliability.

Handbook of Research on the Significance of Forensic Accounting Techniques in Corporate Governance Emerald Group Publishing

Contesting Precarity in Japan details the new forms of workers' protest and opposition that have developed as Japan's economy has transformed over the past three decades and highlights their impact upon the country's policymaking process. Drawing on a new dataset charting protest events from the 1980s to the present, Saori Shibata produces the first systematic study of Japan's new precarious labour movement. It details the movement's rise during Japan's post-bubble economic transformation and highlights the different and innovative forms of dissent that mark the end of the country's famously non-confrontational industrial relations. In doing so, moreover, she shows how this new pattern of industrial and social tension is reflected

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within the country's macroeconomic policymaking, resulting in a new policy dissensus that has consistently failed to offer policy reforms that would produce a return to economic growth. As a result, Shibata argues that the Japanese model of capitalism has therefore become increasingly disorganized.

Business and Development in Myanmar Springer

In *New Asian Disorder: Rivalries Embroiling the Pacific Century*, Lowell Dittmer and his team explore the recent political disorder in East Asia resulting from growing Sino-American polarization. The rise of China in recent years is widely regarded as a momentous shift in the global balance of power. China is now extending sovereignty into the East China Sea and the South China Sea, constructing a new set of global financial institutions and replacing “universal values” with technologically enhanced nationalism. The country’s “Belt and Road Initiative” is also tainted by the vast ambition to realize the “China Dream” within the foreseeable future. In response to China’s challenge, the United States has abandoned its “constructive engagement” policy towards the rising power and engaged in a trade war. Sino-American relations have been at a historical trough since the normalization of their relationship in the late 1970s. This book sheds new light on the current political disorder in the East Asian international arena. The new Asian disorder is analyzed from three perspectives: the first focuses on identity, the second on political economy, and the third on the triangular dynamic. This collection of essays concludes that, unless and until consensus can be reached on a

coherent new framework for cooperation and rule enforcement among different stakeholders in East Asia, the current disorder may be expected to persist. “Focusing on the impact of Xi Jinping and Donald Trump, this book sees rivalries undermining the post–Cold War order but not leading to a full breakdown. Stress is on identities, strategies, and triangles related to the Sino-US rivalry. Dittmer argues that these factors will drive further changes. Readers will find a diversity of approaches on a most critical bilateral relationship.” —Gilbert Rozman, Princeton University; editor of *The Asan Forum* “A great read to better comprehend the ‘New Asian Disorder’ that the growing China-US rivalry has been contributing to, as well as its implications for the other actors of the region, be they big as Japan or smaller as Australia, Southeast Asian nations or Taiwan.” —Jean-Pierre Cabestan, Hong Kong Baptist University; senior research fellow of the French Research Institute on East Asia, Inalco, Paris

*Key to Economic Science* IGI Global

The decisions a corporation makes affect more than just its stakeholders and can have wide social, environmental, and economic consequences. This facilitates a business environment built around the practical regulations and transparency necessary to ensure ethical and responsible business practice. *Corporate Social Responsibility: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and*

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Applications is a vital reference source on the ways in which corporate entities can implement responsible strategies and create synergistic value for both businesses and society. Highlighting a range of topics such as company culture, organizational diversity, and human resource management, this multi-volume book is ideally designed for business executives, managers, business professionals, human resources managers, academicians, and researchers interested in the latest advances in organizational development.

### **Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications**

Hong Kong University Press  
From bestselling author Jon Gordon and rising star Damon West comes *The Coffee Bean*: an illustrated fable that teaches readers how to transform their environment, overcome challenges, and create positive change. Life is often difficult. It can be harsh, stressful, and feel like a pot of boiling hot water. The environments we find ourselves in can change, weaken, or harden us, and test who we truly are. We can be like the carrot that weakens in the pot or like the egg that hardens. Or, we can be like the coffee bean and discover the power inside us to transform our environment. *The Coffee Bean* is an inspiring tale that follows Abe, a young man filled with stress and fear as he faces challenges and pressure at school and home. One day after class, his teacher shares with him the life-changing lesson of the coffee bean, and this powerful message changes the way he thinks, acts, and sees the world. Abe discovers that instead of letting his environment change him for the worse, he can transform any environment he is in for the

better. Equipped with this transformational truth, Abe embarks on an inspirational journey to live his life like the coffee bean. Wherever his life takes him, from school, to the military, to the business world, Abe demonstrates how this simple lesson can unleash the unstoppable power within you. A delightful, quick read, *The Coffee Bean* is purposely written and designed for readers of all ages so that everyone can benefit from this transformational lesson. This is a book and message that, when read and shared, has the power to change your life and the world around you. You just have to decide: are you a carrot, egg, or coffee bean?

*The Oxford Handbook of Japanese Politics*

AuthorHouse

The latest edition of the popular collection of in-depth portraits of extraordinary value investors, featuring new profiles and updates. The second edition of *The Value Investors* presents a collection of investing legend profiles from around the world. Chapters explore the investors' backgrounds, cultures, and personal stories, and reveal how life experiences have shaped their investment strategies and mindsets. This fascinating book shows you that value investing is a dynamic, constantly-changing strategy which, when properly implemented, can provide significant, sustainable benefits. Although the investors profiled come from a diverse range of geographic regions and socio-economic, cultural, and educational backgrounds, they share similar personality traits, temperaments, and investment philosophes. Thoroughly revised and expanded, the book provides relevant updates on the professional and personal experiences of the investors since the first edition's publication. Complementing the original profiles are several new chapters featuring established value investors including Howard Marks, as well as rising personalities and fund managers such as Álvaro Guzmán de Lázaro and Fernando Bernad Marrase. Author Ronald Chan, founder of Hong Kong-based

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investment management Chartwell Capital Limited, highlights how and why the value investors have consistently beaten the stock market through the years. This book: Covers multiple generations, geographies, and value investing styles Presents updated profiles of notable value investors such as Walter Schloss, Irving Kahn and Thomas Kahn, Jean-Marie Eveillard, Mark Mobius, and Teng Ngiek Lian Profiles international fund and asset managers from the North America, Europe and Asia Includes a chapter on the making of a successful value investor The Value Investors: Lessons from the World's Top Fund Managers, 2nd Edition is a must-read for investors looking to diversify their portfolios across different asset classes or geographic areas, finance professionals and students, and general readers with interest in value investing.

**Contesting Precarity in Japan** Gale Cengage

Explores the politics and economics of the Abe government and evaluates major policies, such as Abenomics policy reforms. Routledge Handbook of Asia in World Politics

Springer Nature

Japan Business Law Handbook - Strategic Information and Basic Laws

*Rising China* Indiana University Press

This Palgrave Pivot provides an introduction to the economy and business environment of Vietnam, a member of the ASEAN Economic Community whose economy is rapidly growing. The introduction argues that though there may be perceived disadvantages in investing in Vietnam, there are a number of benefits as well, such as the country's openness to trade and foreign direct investment, the increasing ease of doing business there and the dynamism of the economy. The book then provides an overview of Vietnam's economic policy since 1975, covering reunification, attempts at a command economy, and finally renovation under Doi Moi Policy. Further chapters cover the expansion of the private sector, interest in foreign investment, and the peculiarities of marketing and finance in Vietnam. As an edited volume with chapters written by Vietnamese scholars across

economics, history, and business, this book is critical reading for researchers studying Vietnam and other Asian economies and for businesses interested in expanding into that market.

**Lessons for the World** SAGE Publications, Incorporated

From the bestselling authors of *The Coffee Bean*, inspire and encourage children with this transformative tale of personal strength *The Coffee Bean for Kids* tells the inspiring story of Gavin, a young boy with the difficult task of starting school in a new town. Gavin's teacher, Mrs. Spring, teaches him the story of the carrot, the egg, and the coffee bean. The environments we find ourselves in, like a pot of boiling, hot water, can change, weaken, or harden us, and test who we truly are. We can be like the carrot that weakens in the pot or like the egg that hardens. Or, we can be like the coffee bean and discover the power inside us to transform our environment. Energized by his teacher's lesson, Gavin embarks on an enlightening journey to transform the world around him. In *The Coffee Bean for Kids*, authors Jon Gordon and Damon West offer lessons to children to help them: Impact the environment around them Improve their own outlook Become a leader who creates positive change Make new friends Become a positive influence by sharing smiles, kindness, and positive energy Perfect for parents, teachers, and children who wish to overcome negativity and challenging situations, *The Coffee Bean for Kids* teaches readers about the potential that each one of us has to lead, influence, and make a positive impact on others and the world.

*Vying for Influence* John Wiley & Sons

During the last 30 years, the Japanese political economy system has experienced significant changes that are usually not well

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understood or analysed because of their complexity and contradictions. This book provides new analyses and insights on the process of evolving Japanese political economy including Japan's current economic policy known as Abenomics. The first three chapters look at evolutions at the corporate level, characterised in recent years by increasing firm heterogeneity. The authors apply theoretically driven analyses to the complex subject of corporate governance, human resource management and corporate reporting by discussing new developments in context of their economic opportunities as well as of their institutional contradictions with continuities in Japanese business practices. The second group of chapters deals with institutional changes and evolving economic reforms on the macro level of political economy. The two chapters focus on the financial system regulation and economic growth policies as two central elements of Japan's political economy and key drivers in the evolution of its economy. Their analysis allows us to better understand the interplay between reforms and change in consumption credit and to reinterpret Abenomics as a manifestation of ongoing contradictions within the Japanese political economy. The chapters were originally published in a special issue in *Japan Forum*.

**Japanese Political Economy Revisited**  
Springer

The International Management Series is intended to contain high quality books on current key areas in management, written by the foremost experts in the field. The series will provide advice and analysis to senior managers in order to improve their effectiveness. The books will maintain a balance of rigor and relevance and will be authored by leaders in business and academia. The titles represent treatments of key issues from a general and

international stance in order to enhance managerial skills and decision making. The series was conceived by Professor Peter Buckley and David Liston. David Liston's commitment to management training and education were a feature of his long and distinguished career. David's death in 1990 came after the establishment of the philosophy of the International Management Series, but before the launch of its first volume. The series editors trust that the forthcoming books represent a commitment to David's ideal of rigorous analysis in the service of practical management. Professor Peter Buckley  
Professor of Managerial Economics University of Bradford  
Management Centre Professor  
Clive Bateson Director, Examinations Board  
London Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
Dedication To Sandra and Ashley.

*The Coffee Bean* Taylor & Francis  
Business ecology is a new field that synthesizes centuries of cultural wisdom, a close observation of natural systems, and proven business success strategies, such as strategic planning and total quality management. It emulates nature's systems design to provide a harmonious, relationship-oriented approach that reveals how your organization really works. This book applies these principles to help you integrate profitability, stakeholder relations, and environmental performance | giving your organization the natural edge in emerging ecological economy. Business ecology measures not just financial but overall viability by revealing vital flows and relationships that sustain your business. It is a lens for seeing those intangible elements of your organization's design -- such as core values, value-creation cycles, and innovative thinking | that are essential factors shaping its success. The Business Ecology Network (BEN), founded in 1995,

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is a catalyst for life-sustaining enterprise. BEN is a learning community for leaders and managers who want to apply a new way of thinking | business ecology | to create new, sustainable opportunities for their businesses and non profit organizations. Visit the BEN web page at <http://naturaledge.org>.

The Rise of Nonregular Workers and the New Policy Dissensus IGI Global

"Book Abstract and Keywords: The study of Japanese politics has flourished over the past several decades. This Handbook provides a state-of-the-field overview for students and researchers of Japanese. The volume also serves to introduce Japanese politics to readers less familiar with Japan. In addition, the volume has a theme of "evaluating Japan's democracy." Taken as a whole, the volume provides a positive evaluation of the state of Japan's democracy. The volume is divided into two parts, roughly corresponding to domestic Japanese politics and Japan's international politics. Within the domestic politics part, there are four distinct sections: "Domestic Political Actors and Institutions," covering the Japanese Constitution, electoral systems, prime minister, Diet, bureaucracy, judiciary, and local government; "Political Parties and Coalitions," covering the Liberal Democratic Party, coalition government, K?meit?, and the political opposition; "Policymaking and the Public," covering the policymaking process, public opinion, civil society, and populism; and, "Political Economy and Social Policy," covering industrial, energy, social welfare, agricultural, monetary, and immigration policies, as well as social inequality. In the international relations part, there are four sections: "International Relations

Frameworks," covering grand strategy, international organizations, and international status; "International Political Economy," covering trade, finance, foreign direct investment, the environment, economic regionalism, and the linkage between security and economics; "International Security," covering remilitarization, global and regional security multilateralism, nuclear nonproliferation, naval power, space security, and cybersecurity; and, "Foreign Relations" covering Japan's relations with the United States, China, South Korea, ASEAN, India, the European Union, and Russia. Keywords: international relations, comparative politics, democracy, international order, alliances, space security, elections, Liberal Democratic Party, multilateralism, remilitarization, international organizations, populism, civil society, coalitions, political parties, trade, finance monetary policy, foreign direct investment, cybersecurity"--

*Entrepreneurial Networks and Business Culture* Lexington Books

This edited collection investigates the potential impact of long-term planning and strategic awareness on the ability of SMEs to remain competitive. The authors demonstrate that whether SMEs are able to identify and act upon external forces and factors, or not, is the defining indicator of their likelihood to struggle, survive, or thrive.

**The Economy and Business Environment of Vietnam** John Wiley & Sons

A fully updated version of the popular Introduction to Tribology, the second edition of this leading tribology text introduces the major developments in the understanding and interpretation of friction, wear and lubrication. Considerations of friction and wear have been fully revised to include recent analysis and data

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work, and friction mechanisms have been reappraised in light of current developments. In this edition, the breakthroughs in tribology at the nano- and micro- level as well as recent developments in nanotechnology and magnetic storage technologies are introduced. A new chapter on the emerging field of green tribology and biomimetics is included. Introduces the topic of tribology from a mechanical engineering, mechanics and materials science points of view Newly updated chapter covers both the underlying theory and the current applications of tribology to industry Updated write-up on nanotribology and nanotechnology and introduction of a new chapter on green tribology and biomimetics

**Hearings Before the Committee on Governmental Affairs, United States Senate, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Second Session, Fairbanks, Alaska--February 13, 1996, Anchorage, Alaska--February 14, 1996, Juneau, Alaska--February 15, 1996**  
Oxford University Press

This book presents an overview of political economic change in Vietnam during a period of significant social and economic change and an era of international turbulence. It combines various political economic perspectives to offer an integrated and comprehensive review of Vietnam's recent development, discussing topics such as public administrative reform, labour markets and special economic zones, environmental management and other important contemporary issues. This concise and highly readable book includes a considerable amount of research, and as such provides valuable insights for scholars and researchers interested in political economic change and in Vietnam.

*Do Business Better* Emerald Group Publishing  
This handbook is to provide policymakers, business communities, development organizations, and other interested parties with a thorough overview of the private sector environment in Myanmar today. It outlines the

challenges faced by businesses, elaborates on the nature of the challenges and why they are significant, and offers a set of recommendations to improve in order to foster greater development of the private sector, and the country as a whole. It is important to note that much of the excitement surrounding Myanmar stems from its 2011 shift towards greater economic openness to the rest of the world. Moreover, the upcoming ASEAN Economic Community 2015 is also likely to have a tremendous impact on the private sector in Myanmar. Hopefully this publication can serve as a reference for those seeking such information, and it can provide a wide-ranging understanding of the private sector's current situation and how to help provide it with an equally-promising future.

Introduction to Tribology Routledge  
Analiza: redes de asociaciones de producción en la industrialización estadounidense, en el París del XIX, en Japón, en el desarrollo y decadencia de la economía escocesa, en la India en el XVIII, en Buenos Aires, en Alemania, en el área mediterránea en el XIX.  
Tribology and Mechanics of Magnetic Storage Devices Cornell University Press

Edited in collaboration with the Academy of Marketing Science, this book contains the full proceedings of the 2014 Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Congress held in Lima, Peru. The key challenge for marketers during the last two decades has been assuring high satisfaction and strong customer loyalty. Today, consumers' ever-changing desires, instantaneous communication through social media and mobile technology and an unstable global economic climate all come together to stir up market turbulence. This volume explores how traditional and modern marketing practices facilitate development of new and innovative products, help create increased product/service differentiation, ensure better service quality, and most of all, create value for stakeholders even in such a

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turbulent business environment. Showcasing cross-cultural research from academics, scholars and practitioners from around the world, this volume provides insight and strategies for various marketing issues in today's emerging markets. Founded in 1971, the Academy of Marketing Science is an international organization dedicated to promoting timely explorations of phenomena related to the science of marketing in theory, research, and practice. Among its services to members and the community at large, the Academy offers conferences, congresses and symposia that attract delegates from around the world. Presentations from these events are published in this Proceedings series, which offers a comprehensive archive of volumes reflecting the evolution of the field. Volumes deliver cutting-edge research and insights, complimenting the Academy's flagship journals, *Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science (JAMS)* and *AMS Review*. Volumes are edited by leading scholars and practitioners across a wide range of subject areas in marketing science.