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Creating A Customer-Focused Help

Desk John Wiley & Sons

Most suppliers lose around 16% of their customers each year. The reason? Poor service — whether perceived or real. Any technology-based support service, whether in-house, contracted or outsourced, stands to be accused of being insensitive to the requirements of its customers (or users). Equally, customers of a support service may have unrealistic expectations of what can be reasonably provided. Service Level Agreements (SLAs) can overcome these gulfs. A Service Level Agreement can create harmony between parties and can prevent disputes between customers and suppliers. It can justify investment and identify the "right" quality of service. It can mean the difference between business success and failure. SLAs are potentially a strategic tool to align all support services (particularly IT) directly to business mission achievement. In the past, few organizations used them in this way. Armed with this book and the companion SLA FRAMEWORK, more and more businesses are now succeeding. Where are SLAs going? Increasingly business-focused. Increasingly measured in real-time. Simple documents that cover complex service infrastructures. Providing a competitive edge. Embracing penalties. The brave, who commit to tight SLAs and perform against them will win the commercial spoils. This book provides the knowledge and tools based on fifteen years of intensive development to ensure your enterprise is among the winners.

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PMBOK® Guide is the go-to resource for project management practitioners. The project management profession has significantly evolved due to emerging technology, new approaches and rapid market changes. Reflecting this evolution, The Standard for

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Simplifying Cause Analysis

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Information Technology Law is the ideal companion for a course of study on IT law and the ways in which it is evolving in response to rapid technological and social change. The fourth edition of this ground-breaking textbook develops its unique examination of the legal processes and their relationship to the modern 'information society'. Charting the development of the rapid digitization of society and its impact on established legal principles, Murray examines the challenges faced with enthusiasm and clarity. Following a clearly-defined part structure, the text begins by defining the information society and discussing how it may be regulated, before moving on to explore issues of internet governance, privacy and surveillance, intellectual property and rights, and commerce within the digital sphere. Comprehensive and engaging, *Information Technology Law* takes an original and thought-provoking approach to examining this fast-moving area of law in context. Online resources - Additional chapters on the Digital Sphere and Virtual Environments - Audio podcasts suitable for revision -

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This volume came about as a result of the authors' own practical experience in Help Desk operation and management and of hundreds of workshops the authors have conducted world-wide over the last fifteen years. It is intended to be a practical reference guide, but the suggestions, checklists and templates all need to be interpreted and amended in the light of the culture, technology, service maturity and constraints of each individual organization. Delegates frequently ask us: "What is the best Help Desk software package?" or "What is the best way to set up a Help Desk?" Our only response has to be "Best for whom? It all depends." A key objective of this book is to show how and why "It all depends" and to provide readers with the best possible information on which to understand and evaluate options and to select the best - for them. If there is one thing we have learned over the last years, it is this: Good service has no history. Bad service has infinite history. Based on extensive feedback from delegates from most of the Fortune 1,000 companies who have attended courses presented through Frost & Sullivan (Europe), AIC (South Africa), Monadnock (UK), The Infomatics Resource Centre (UK), IIR (UK), Digital Equipment (UK), Logtel (South America), CEL (Asia Pacific), UPMOCL (Middle East), Finborough Seminars, as well as delegates of in-company training for organizations like Dow Europe (Switzerland), The Intervention Board, BP, Shell International Petroleum, Logica (UK), Arthur Andersen (UK), Rolls Royce (UK), Global One (Germany and USA), Caterpillar (Switzerland), GAK (Netherlands), European Commission (Belgium), Transnet (South Africa), Sun Valley (UK), Nikon Precision (UK).

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When the challenge is to get to the heart of a problem, you need a simple and efficient cause investigation methodology. And what would make a real difference would be an interactive map to lead you to the answer every time. Chester Rowe's Simplifying Cause Analysis: A Structured Approach is your instruction book combined with the included downloadable Interactive Cause Analysis Tool you have been looking for. The author intends this book for professionals like you, who have some familiarity with cause analysis projects and are looking for a simple and efficient cause investigation methodology – is a more effective and insightful way of asking "why?" Introducing his multi-function event investigation tool, Chester Rowe says, "There are already many scientific tools to help us understand the physical causes for machine failures; the challenge now is to find a way of investigating human performance failure modes...humans are often a major source of slips, lapses, and mistakes." Supporting his instructions with diagrams, charts, and real-world examples from companies like yours, the author takes you step-by-step through planning, completing, and documenting your investigation: Chapter 1 gives you a process to determine the level of effort that your investigation should encompass, assess the level of effort needed, and determine the rigor needed. Your investigation needs to be as risk-informed as possible. Chapters 2 through 5 presents a new and innovative structure – rigorous yet intuitively easy to remember – to identify the underlying causes for the event (Cause Road Maps) and conduct the investigation. Chapter 6 introduces conceptual human performance models and tells you how to begin focusing on the human behaviors involved. Chapters 7 and 8 present you with methods, tools, and techniques for carefully interviewing personnel. Chapters 9 through 13 "put the pieces together," showing you how to analyze and model the event, determine corrective action, and document the investigations and findings. Chester Rowe developed the Cause Road Map over many years to provide a comprehensive taxonomy for every cause investigation. However, fully implementing the

Cause Road Map requires the use of other tools to organize, analyze, and present the final results of your investigation. To get you started, Rowe includes his downloadable Interactive Cause Analysis Tool – an easy-to-use tool in familiar spreadsheet format – free with your verified purchase of the book.

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This book comprehensively covers topics in knowledge management and competence in strategy development, management techniques, collaboration mechanisms, knowledge sharing and learning, as well as knowledge capture and storage. Presented in accessible "chunks," it includes more than 120 topics that are essential to high-performance organizations. The extensive use of quotes by respected experts juxtaposed with relevant research to counterpoint or lend weight to key concepts; "cheat sheets" that simplify access and reference to individual articles; as well as the grouping of many of these topics under recurrent themes make this book unique. In addition, it provides scalable tried-and-tested tools, method and approaches for improved organizational effectiveness. The research included is particularly useful to knowledge workers engaged in executive leadership; research, analysis, and advice; and corporate management and administration. It is a valuable resource for those working in the public, private and third sectors, both in industrialized and developing countries.

[Ibbotson Associates' Beta Book Publication](#) IGI Global

In an ideal business climate, all your service level agreements would align perfectly with business goals. Your company's vision, definitions, requirements, and performance measurement would be clear. But in today's fast-paced, complex world of outsourcing, you could use some help to make that a reality. Look no further! In A Rothstein Publishing Collection: Service Level Agreements, four key books by Andrew Hiles combine to help you achieve effective agreements. Andrew Hiles draws on decades of experience to guide you in achieving service level agreements (SLAs) that are not simply legal documents, but are strategic business-centric tools that can lead to enduring, satisfying, and

profitable relationships between customer and supplier. In this four-book package, you will receive a step-by-step guide to designing, negotiating, and implementing SLAs in your organization: Service Level Agreements: Winning a Competitive Edge for Support & Supply Services The Complete Guide to IT Service Level Agreements: Aligning IT Service to Business Needs E-Business Service Level Agreements: Strategies for Service Providers, E-Commerce and Outsourcing Creating a Customer-Focused Help Desk: How to Win and Keep Your Customers These books include checklists, samples, statistics, and real-world case studies that will help you to:

- Create clearly written SLAs that are unambiguous, comprehensive, and enforceable.
- Balance service costs against quality for business advantage.
- Provide the level of service that meets the expectations of customers and keeps them loyal.
- Apply quality assurance techniques to the SLA to identify the right quality of service.
- Prevent disputes between customers and suppliers.
- Avoid catastrophic losses and day-to-day headaches.

PM: Program Manager (Online) July August 2002 Issue Rothstein Publishing
This principal source for company identification is indexed by Standard Industrial Classification Code, geographical location, and by executive and directors' names.
The Health of Furniture Manufacturing in West Michigan John Wiley & Sons
The EDBOK explains industry processes and technologies using a standard vocabulary. The topics follow two common timelines: 1) The day-to-day Production Workflow, which covers ten production job-steps that every document goes through, from Data to Doorstep. 2) The long-term Document Lifecycle, which covers the life of a document and includes requirements gathering, business-casing, development, and ongoing production.

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A Guide to the Electronic Document Body of Knowledge Oxford University Press, USA

Avoid being "blindsided" by an unexpected emergency or crisis in the workplace – violence, natural disaster, or worse! Bruce Blythe's *The Manager's Guide to Quick Response in a Crisis: Effective Action in an Emergency* offers the time-tested skills that prepare you to act effectively – on behalf of yourself and your co-workers – in the face of threat and chaos. Blythe uses real-world case studies, examples, and checklists to help you be the top-notch leader the situation requires. "Hope for the best and prepare for the worst" sums up Blythe's philosophy. This short book is the essence of the basic practical counseling that he would give if he were sitting next to you at your desk. To help you figure out what to do next, he offers real-world examples of what has worked – and not worked – in his 30+ years of experience with companies just like yours. With Blythe's advice, you can act fast to:

- *Find out the accurate facts you need to strategize and implement a response.
- *Compile a checklist of immediate action items.
- Create a crisis command center (CCC).
- *Select the best people for your action team and determine action steps.
- *Understand how to make good decisions in a crisis or emergency.
- *Handle the human side of a traumatic incident.
- Set priorities in multiple timeframes.
- *Establish a "new normal" as everyone phases back into productive work after the incident. To help you take the actions that will make a difference, the book includes:
 - *Practical forms, checklists, cases studies, and real-life examples.
 - * "Quick Use Response Guide" at the end of each chapter – all four can form a handy pocket guide.

A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) – Seventh Edition and The Standard for Project Management (BRAZILIAN PORTUGUESE) Rothstein Publishing
Knowledge and Technology Management in Virtual Organizations: Issues, Trends, Opportunities and Solutions presents a collection of the most recent contributions in the areas of

organization, knowledge, and technology management in the context of virtual enterprises. This book contains important and in-depth information on four dimensions: semantic, managerial, technological, and social. The semantic dimensions covered in this book are ontological and organizational approaches, concepts, organizational models, and knowledge management models. In respect to managerial dimensions, this book covers process management, integration management, relationship management, process integration, knowledge management, technology integration management, and information integration. Knowledge and Technology Management in Virtual Organizations: Issues, Trends, Opportunities and Solutions presents the technological dimension by explaining the infrastructures and technologies to support technology and information integration standards and protocols. Lastly, this title highlights the social dimension, including human resources management, human resources integration, social issues, social impact, social requirements, and communities of knowledge. Medical Informatics 20/20: Quality and Electronic Health Records through Collaboration, Open Solutions, and Innovation Lulu.com

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The Complete Guide to IT Service Level Agreements Jones & Bartlett Publishers

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Despite pressure from the private sector to market their own custom solutions, the healthcare industry is coming around to the idea of applying the strategies of collaboration, open solutions, and innovation to meet the ever-changing demands for healthcare information to support quality and safety. This book provides a roadmap for improving quality of care using Electronic Health Records (EHR) and interoperable, consumer-

centric health information solutions.
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