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THE CORNELL SCHOOL OF HOTEL ADMINISTRATION ON HOSPITALITY

CUTTING EDGE THINKING AND PRACTICE

John Wiley & Sons This cutting edge and comprehensive book—with contributions from the star faculty of Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration—offers the latest thinking on the best practices and strategies for hospitality management. A must for students and professionals seeking to enter or expand their reach in the hospitality industry, The Cornell School of Hotel Administration on Hospitality delivers the authoritative advice you need to: Develop and manage a multinational career and become a leader in the hospitality industry Maximize profits from franchise agreements, management contracts, and leases Understand and predict customer choices, and motivate your staff to provide outstanding service Manage hospitality businesses and the real estate underlying the businesses Control costs, coordinate branding strategy, and manage operations across multiple locations

THE ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF HOTEL CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Routledge Understanding the global hotel business is not possible without paying specific attention to hotel chain management and dynamics. Chains are big business, approximately 80 percent of hotels currently being constructed around the world are chain affiliated and, in 2014, the five largest brands held over a one million rooms. The high economic importance of the hotel chains and their global presence justifies the academic research in the field however, despite this, there is no uniform coverage in the current body of literature. This Handbook aids in filling the gap by exploring and critically evaluates the debates, issues and controversies of all aspects of hotel chains from their nature, fundamentals of existence and operation, expansion, strategic and operational aspects of their activities and geographical presence. It brings together leading specialists from range of disciplinary backgrounds and regions to provide state-of-the-art theoretical reflection and empirical research on current issues and future debates. Each of the five inter-related section explores and evaluates issues that are of extreme importance to hotel chain management, focusing on theoretical issues, the expansion of hotel chains, strategic and operational issues, the view point of the individual affiliated hotel and finally the current and future debates in the theory and practice of hotel chain management arising from globalisation, demographic trends, sustainability, and new technology development. It provides an invaluable resource for all those with an interest in hotel management, hospitality, tourism and business encouraging dialogue across disciplinary boundaries and areas of study. This is essential reading for students, researchers and academics of Hospitality as well as those of Tourism, Marketing, Business and Events Management.

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GLOBAL LUXURY

ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE AND EMERGING MARKETS SINCE THE 1970S

Springer This book explores the luxury industry and how it has undoubtedly been one of the fastest-growing sectors since the 1970s, and one in which Europe has managed to strengthen its competitiveness in the world market. While many aspects of globalization remain abstract and intangible, the luxury industry has created markets where previously there were none, by educating Japanese about the history of French handbags, Chinese about the finest wines, and setting global standards for an elite, inspirational lifestyle. In this edited volume, a wide range of scholars comes together to analyze the history of the business and the innovations in management and marketing that have emerged from it. Invaluable for scholars, industry figures, and dilettantes alike, it will define the field of study for years to come.

EURASIAN BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 23RD EURASIA BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS SOCIETY CONFERENCE

Springer Nature This book presents selected theoretical and empirical papers from the 23rd Eurasia Business and Economics Society (EBES) Conference, held in Madrid, Spain. Covering diverse areas of business and management in various geographic regions, it focuses on current topics, like entrepreneurship, the suitability of classical motivation theories, assessment of socio-economic efficiency, and workplace bullying. It also includes related studies that analyze management and marketing aspects such as progressive services from the service provider perspective, supply chain governance mechanisms, and social media and magazines.

THE ROUTLEDGE COMPANION TO PRODUCTION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

Taylor & Francis This remarkable volume highlights the importance of Production and Operations Management (POM) as a field of study and research contributing to substantial business and social growth. The editors emphasize how POM works with a range of systems—agriculture, disaster management, e-commerce, healthcare, hospitality, military systems, not-for-profit, retail, sports, sustainability, telecommunications, and transport—and how it contributes to the growth of each. Martin K. Starr and Sushil K. Gupta gather an international team of experts to provide researchers and students with a panoramic vision of the field. Divided into eight parts, the book presents the history of POM, and establishes the foundation upon which POM has been built while also revisiting and revitalizing topics that have long been essential. It examines the significance of processes and projects to the fundamental growth of the POM field. Critical emerging themes and new research are examined with open minds and this is followed by opportunities to interface with other business functions. Finally, the next era is discussed in ways that combine practical skill with philosophy in its analysis of POM, including traditional and nontraditional applications, before concluding with the editors' thoughts on the future of the discipline. Students of POM will find this a comprehensive, definitive resource on the state of the discipline and its future directions.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION MANAGEMENT

Routledge This book offers students a uniquely concise, accessible and comprehensive introduction to hotel accommodation management that covers the range of managerial subjects and disciplines in the sector. The book focuses on enduring aspects of the accommodation management function (front office management, housekeeping, revenue management); the changing context of hotel accommodation provision (the move to 'asset light', the supply of accommodation, trends in hotel investment and asset management,

the challenges engendered by social media and the collaborative economy to the hotel market); and the role of accommodation in additional and integrated facilities and markets (spas, resorts, MICE markets). International case studies illustrating examples of practice in the industry are integrated throughout, along with study questions and other features to aid understanding and problem solving. This is essential reading for all hospitality and hotel management students.

A PROFILE OF THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY

Business Expert Press The hospitality industry is one of the world's largest and oldest industries. A Profile of the Hospitality Industry provides an inside look to the strategies of this industry. This book reviews the developments, challenges, and opportunities for the hotel, restaurant, foodservice and gaming industries. The hospitality industry is unique in many aspects which makes this book a must read for hospitality students, business students and those interested in management strategy.

THE ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF COMMUNITY BASED TOURISM MANAGEMENT

CONCEPTS, ISSUES & IMPLICATIONS

Routledge This Handbook offers an up-to-date and comprehensive overview of core themes and concepts in community-based tourism management. Providing interdisciplinary insights from leading international scholars, this is the first book to critically examine the current status of community-based tourism. Organised into five parts, the Handbook provides cutting-edge perspectives on issues such as Indigenous communities, tourism and the environment, sustainability, and the impact of digital communities. Part 1 introduces core concepts and methodologies, and distinguishes community products from other tourism and hospitality goods. Part 2 explores communities' attitudes towards tourism development and their engagement with and ownership of the process. It also delves into the role of community-based tourism, under the influence of governmental policies, in the economic and social development of a region. In Part 3 various management, marketing, and branding initiatives are identified as a means of expanding the tourism business. Part 4 examines the negative impacts of mass tourism and its threats to culture, tradition, identity, the built environment, and natural heritage. In the final and fifth part, future challenges and opportunities for community-based tourism initiatives are considered, and research-based sustainable solutions are proposed. Overall, the book considers engaging local populations in tourism development as a way of building stronger and more resilient communities. This Handbook fills a void in the current research and thus will appeal to scholars, students, and practitioners interested in tourism management, tourism geography, business studies, development policy and practice, regional development, conservation, and sustainability.

MANAGING HOSPITALITY ORGANIZATIONS

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE IN THE GUEST EXPERIENCE

SAGE Publications Prepares students for a future career in hospitality management by outlining the key skills needed to become a successful manager in the service industry, with a particular emphasis on ensuring managers provide guests with a high-quality customer experience. The book breaks hospitality management down into core principles, with each chapter focusing on a specific factor, including strategy, staffing and systems. All of which are supported by practical advice, examples, and Wow! Boxes, which provide evidence of best practice in service-sector organizations, including Walt Disney, Southwest Airlines, and The Four Seasons. The new edition reflects the latest changes in the service industry and newer developments related to sustainability and technology. There is also an outline of the framework needed to motivate employees to provide exceptional service, and how to create a culture that consistently delivers a top quality customer experience. The book is supported by online resources for instructors and students, including: Test Bank, PowerPoint slides, an Instructor's Manual, Multimedia, Exercises and Assignments, Sample Syllabi, Flashcards, and Quizzes. Ideal reading for undergraduate students on Hospitality Management and Hotel Management courses.

A PROFILE OF THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY, SECOND EDITION

Business Expert Press This book tells the history, organizational structure, and management strategies of the hospitality industry. The hospitality industry is a unique and diverse industry. This book tells the history, organizational structure, and management strategies of the hospitality industry. Traditionally an entrepreneurial business, the hospitality industry today includes organizations ranging from small independent cafes and inns to large multinational corporations. The author highlights key hotel, restaurant, and casino companies, and explains the concepts of franchising, consortia, and management contracts. The book divulges how the hospitality product is different from other industries: part

service and part product, produced and consumed simultaneously, and the role of the customer as part of the service process. The book explains how perishable inventory and labor intensity affect hotels, restaurants, and casinos. The author also reviews policies that promote or restrict tourism and travel, guest and employee safety, labor regulations, food safety laws, and requirements for accommodations for customers with disabilities. This text explains key strategic management decisions of the hospitality industry. The author projects how global expansion and sustainability efforts are shaping the industry, but also warns of the ongoing threats of pandemics and terrorism to travel.

TOURISM IN ASIAN CITIES

Routledge This timely and significant book explores the characteristics and complexities of Asian urban tourism, considering the extent to which Western paradigms can be transferred to Asian settings and the striking contrasts that exist within the region. In an era of unprecedented urban expansion in Asian cities, this book comes at a time of great urgency, illuminating the possible problems and opportunities that arise when a destination emerges as a tourism hotspot. Split into three parts; introducing Asian urban tourism and urbanization, the management and marketing of Asian cities, and emerging trends and issues associated with Asian urban tourism, the book offers a range of varying and vibrant perspectives from international and interdisciplinary experts in the field. Chapters include studies on a wide range of destinations such as Hong Kong, Macau, Cambodia, Phuket, Kolkata, Busan, Delhi, and Sri Lanka among many others, and explore crucial contemporary themes such as overtourism, urbanization and administrative challenges, world heritage, smart cities and the use of technologies such as VR in urban tourism experience creation. It will be a vital resource for upper-level students, researchers, and academics in tourism, city tourism, Asian studies, development studies, cultural studies, and sustainability, as well as professionals in the field of tourism management.

OF HOSPITALITY

Stanford University Press Consisting of two texts on facing pages, the form of this presentation of two 1996 lectures on hospitality by Jacques Derrida is a self-conscious enactment of its content. Invitation by Anne Dufourmantelle appears on the left (an invitation that of course originates a response), clarifying and inflecting Derrida's "response" on the right.

100 TIPS FOR HOTELIERS

WHAT EVERY SUCCESSFUL HOTEL PROFESSIONAL NEEDS TO KNOW AND DO

Twenty-two years ago, author Peter Venison's *Hotel Management* became a best seller in the hotel and tourism industry, labeled a "must read" on the curriculum of every hotel school, and landed on the bookshelf of every hotel manager. Despite many requests for a follow-up volume, Venison declined, on the basis that he had nothing new to say. Now he does. Holed up for several weeks in five star hotels while concluding a complicated business deal, Venison realized that the standards offered by the industry still fall short of perfection. As a result, he has put pen to paper to produce this handy catalogue of suggestions to hoteliers, based upon his considerable personal experience as a hotelier and perpetual hotel guest. *100 Tips for Hoteliers* guides you from the inception of a hotel to its opening and operation, offering practical tips for each stage of the journey. It should prove equally useful to hotel school students as a checklist of what they can expect, and also to practicing hotel managers as a reminder of their responsibilities. Proceeds from the sale of *100 Tips for Hoteliers* will be donated to the Duke of Edinburgh Cup charity.

OUT OF MY MIND

Simon and Schuster Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

WORKING MOTHER

The magazine that helps career moms balance their personal and professional lives.

BACKPACKER

Backpacker brings the outdoors straight to the reader's doorstep, inspiring and enabling them to go more places and enjoy nature more often. The authority on active adventure, *Backpacker* is the world's first GPS-enabled magazine, and the only magazine whose editors personally test the hiking trails, camping gear, and survival tips they publish.

Backpacker's Editors' Choice Awards, an industry honor recognizing design, feature and product innovation, has become the gold standard against which all other outdoor-industry awards are measured.

MODEL RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

American Bar Association The Model Rules of Professional Conduct provides an up-to-date resource for information on legal ethics. Federal, state and local courts in all jurisdictions look to the Rules for guidance in solving lawyer malpractice cases, disciplinary actions, disqualification issues, sanctions questions and much more. In this volume, black-letter Rules of Professional Conduct are followed by numbered Comments that explain each Rule's purpose and provide suggestions for its practical application. The Rules will help you identify proper conduct in a variety of given situations, review those instances where discretionary action is possible, and define the nature of the relationship between you and your clients, colleagues and the courts.

THE ADVOCATE

The Advocate is a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) monthly newsmagazine. Established in 1967, it is the oldest continuing LGBT publication in the United States.

THE EMERALD HANDBOOK OF ICT IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY

Emerald Group Publishing The Emerald Handbook of ICT in Tourism and Hospitality incorporates key research findings, in-depth case studies and discussion of the future implications stemming from technologies changes and developments across a number of core themes.

INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILITY

CRC Press Developed from celebrated Harvard statistics lectures, Introduction to Probability provides essential language and tools for understanding statistics, randomness, and uncertainty. The book explores a wide variety of applications and examples, ranging from coincidences and paradoxes to Google PageRank and Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC). Additional application areas explored include genetics, medicine, computer science, and information theory. The print book version includes a code that provides free access to an eBook version. The authors present the material in an accessible style and motivate concepts using real-world examples. Throughout, they use stories to uncover connections between the fundamental distributions in statistics and conditioning to reduce complicated problems to manageable pieces. The book includes many intuitive explanations, diagrams, and practice problems. Each chapter ends with a section showing how to perform relevant simulations and calculations in R, a free statistical software environment.

BEST LIFE

Best Life magazine empowers men to continually improve their physical, emotional and financial well-being to better enjoy the most rewarding years of their life.

THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

Penguin UK The founder and executive chairman of the World Economic Forum on how the impending technological revolution will change our lives We are on the brink of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. And this one will be unlike any other in human history. Characterized by new technologies fusing the physical, digital and biological worlds, the Fourth Industrial Revolution will impact all disciplines, economies and industries - and it will do so at an unprecedented rate. World Economic Forum data predicts that by 2025 we will see: commercial use of nanomaterials 200 times stronger than steel and a million times thinner than human hair; the first transplant of a 3D-printed liver; 10% of all cars on US roads being driverless; and much more besides. In The Fourth Industrial Revolution, Schwab outlines the key technologies driving this revolution, discusses the major impacts on governments, businesses, civil society and individuals, and offers bold ideas for what can be done to shape a better future for all.

HANDBOOK OF RESEARCH ON GLOBAL HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

IGI Global The tourism industry is a multi-billion dollar enterprise, with more people from all cultures and nationalities choosing to spend their leisure time traveling and visiting new locations. To exploit this burgeoning market, tourism agencies must carefully consider the desires and goals of travelers from around the world. The Handbook of Research on Global Hospitality and Tourism Management contributes to the body of knowledge on travel and tourism by presenting a global view of the hospitality industry, including theoretical

research into industry trends as well as case studies from around the world. This handbook provides travel agents, owner-operators, and students and researchers in the hospitality industry with the latest research, findings, and developments in the field. Within this handbook of cutting-edge research, readers will find chapters and cases on topics such as travel and tourism in a global economy; local, glocal, and international hospitality; challenges in environmental management; cultural cuisine; and destination management, among others.

CONSUMER BEHAVIOR IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY RESEARCH

Emerald Group Publishing The chapters in this volume provide tools and evidence useful for deep understanding of tourists' buying, consumption, and being through examinations of consumers' self-descriptions of personal markers of their trip configurations.

THEORY OF COOKERY

Frank Brothers

THE ROUTLEDGE COMPANION TO PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

Routledge Performance management is key to the ongoing success of any organisation, allowing it to meet its strategic objectives by designing and implementing management control systems. This book goes beyond the usual discussion of performance management in accounting and finance, to consider strategic management, human behaviour and performance management in different countries and contexts. With a global mix of world-renowned researchers, this book systematically covers the what, the who, the where and the why of performance management and control (PMC) systems. A comprehensive, state-of-the-art collection edited by a leading expert in the field, this book is a vital resource for all scholars, students and researchers with an interest in business, management and accounting.

SOCIAL IMPACT INVESTMENT 2019 THE IMPACT IMPERATIVE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

THE IMPACT IMPERATIVE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

OECD Publishing This publication is a sequel to the OECD 2015 report on social impact investment (SII), Building the Evidence Base, bringing new evidence on the role of SII in financing sustainable development.

GLOBAL INNOVATION INDEX 2020

WHO WILL FINANCE INNOVATION?

WIPO The Global Innovation Index 2020 provides detailed metrics about the innovation performance of 131 countries and economies around the world. Its 80 indicators explore a broad vision of innovation, including political environment, education, infrastructure and business sophistication. The 2020 edition sheds light on the state of innovation financing by investigating the evolution of financing mechanisms for entrepreneurs and other innovators, and by pointing to progress and remaining challenges - including in the context of the economic slowdown induced by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) crisis.

TRAVEL AND TOURISM

SAGE The **SAGE Course Companion in Travel and Tourism** is an accessible introduction to the subject that will help readers extend their understanding of key concepts and enhance their thinking skills in line with course requirements. It provides support on how to revise for exams, how to present calculations and how to prepare for and write assessed pieces. Readers are encouraged not only to think like a Travel and Tourism professional but also to think about the subject critically. Designed to complement existing textbooks for the course, the companion provides: - Easy access to the key themes in Travel and Tourism and an overview of its business context - Helpful summaries of the approach taken by the main textbooks on the course - Guidance on the essential study skills required to pass the course - Sample exam questions and answers, with common pitfalls to avoid - A tutor's-eye view of what course examiners are looking for - A road map for the book to help readers quickly find the information they need The **SAGE Course Companion in Travel and**

Tourism is much more than a revision guide for undergraduates; it is an essential tool that will help readers take their course understanding to new levels and achieve success in their undergraduate course.

LEGAL, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES FOR EVENT MANAGEMENT: EMERGING RESEARCH AND OPPORTUNITIES

EMERGING RESEARCH AND OPPORTUNITIES

IGI Global Every corporate or special event requires a governing entity to provide proper handling for any kind of situation. A proper understanding of various laws and legislation may not only help with identifying possible challenges, but it may also assist in mitigating situations when they do occur. *Legal, Safety, and Environmental Challenges for Event Management: Emerging Research and Opportunities* is an essential reference source that provides an in-depth understanding of various dimensions of events management practice, legal issues, and risk management, which can include environmental legislation and impacts, health and safety frameworks, consumer laws, licensing, contracts, and legal technologies. Featuring coverage on a broad range of topics such as crowd management, workplace hazards, and emergency preparedness, this book is ideally designed for event planners, event organizers/coordinators, security staff, managers, marketers, researchers, academicians, students, and industry professionals seeking current research on events, tourism, hospitality, and leisure management.

FOUR SEASONS

THE STORY OF A BUSINESS PHILOSOPHY

Penguin The founder of Four Seasons Hotels shares the philosophy and values that have made his legendary brand. How did a child of immigrants, starting with no background in the hotel business, create the world's most admired and successful hotel chain? And how has Four Seasons grown dramatically, over nearly a half century, without losing its focus on exceptional quality and unparalleled service? Isadore Sharp answers these questions in his engaging memoir, which doubles as a powerful guide for leaders in any field. He recalls the surprising history of his company, starting with its roots in his father's small construction business, which Sharp joined after getting a degree in architecture. Shifting into hotels wasn't easy, and he learned by trial and error. His breakthrough was a vision for a new kind of hotel, featuring superior design, top-quality amenities, and, above all, a deep commitment to service. Sharp realized that customers would gladly pay extra for a "home away from home" experience. But that would be possible only if everyone—from managers and supervisors to bellmen, servers, and housekeepers—was fully engaged. The front-line staff, who have the most contact with guests, can make or break a five-star reputation. Readers will be fascinated to learn how Four Seasons does it, year after year, in more than thirty countries around the world.

HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES IN TOURISM

Routledge This book uniquely focuses on human rights issues associated with tourism development and tourism businesses. Tourism is a manifestation of globalization and it intersects with human rights on so many levels. These implications are increasingly relevant in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent global economic hardship. Split into two main sections, the first establishes a background to human rights issues with reference to tourism, and the second provides a multi-disciplinary analysis of a range of selected human rights issues in tourism; these include displacement, security, privacy, discrimination, freedom of movement, the rights of Indigenous people, sex tourism and labour conditions. All chapters include case studies to showcase specific issues such as legal rulings or tourism policies/regulations. This book is written by a highly regarded team of authors specializing in tourism studies and human rights law. This significant volume on the interaction between tourism development and the safeguarding of human rights will be of interest to a variety of disciplines, in the fields of tourism, political science and tourism/human rights.

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

CREATING AND SUSTAINING SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

Simon and Schuster Now beyond its eleventh printing and translated into twelve languages, Michael Porter's *The Competitive Advantage of Nations* has changed completely our conception of how prosperity is created and sustained in the modern global economy. Porter's groundbreaking study of international competitiveness has shaped national policy in countries around the world. It has also transformed thinking and action in states, cities, companies, and even entire regions such as Central America. Based on research in ten

leading trading nations, *The Competitive Advantage of Nations* offers the first theory of competitiveness based on the causes of the productivity with which companies compete. Porter shows how traditional comparative advantages such as natural resources and pools of labor have been superseded as sources of prosperity, and how broad macroeconomic accounts of competitiveness are insufficient. The book introduces Porter's "diamond," a whole new way to understand the competitive position of a nation (or other locations) in global competition that is now an integral part of international business thinking. Porter's concept of "clusters," or groups of interconnected firms, suppliers, related industries, and institutions that arise in particular locations, has become a new way for companies and governments to think about economies, assess the competitive advantage of locations, and set public policy. Even before publication of the book, Porter's theory had guided national reassessments in New Zealand and elsewhere. His ideas and personal involvement have shaped strategy in countries as diverse as the Netherlands, Portugal, Taiwan, Costa Rica, and India, and regions such as Massachusetts, California, and the Basque country. Hundreds of cluster initiatives have flourished throughout the world. In an era of intensifying global competition, this pathbreaking book on the new wealth of nations has become the standard by which all future work must be measured.

HIGH SEASON

ENGLISH FOR THE HOTEL AND TOURIST INDUSTRY

Oxford University Press, USA A course which develops all-round competence in English.

FUTURE WAR

John Wiley & Sons Will tomorrow's wars be dominated by autonomous drones, land robots and warriors wired into a cybernetic network which can read their thoughts? Will war be fought with greater or lesser humanity? Will it be played out in cyberspace and further afield in Low Earth Orbit? Or will it be fought more intensely still in the sprawling cities of the developing world, the grim black holes of social exclusion on our increasingly unequal planet? Will the Great Powers reinvent conflict between themselves or is war destined to become much 'smaller' both in terms of its actors and the beliefs for which they will be willing to kill? In this illuminating new book Christopher Coker takes us on an incredible journey into the future of warfare. Focusing on contemporary trends that are changing the nature and dynamics of armed conflict, he shows how conflict will continue to evolve in ways that are unlikely to render our century any less bloody than the last. With insights from philosophy, cutting-edge scientific research and popular culture, *Future War* is a compelling and thought-provoking meditation on the shape of war to come.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS INQUIRY REPORT

THE FINAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE CAUSES OF THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS IN THE UNITED STATES INCLUDING DISSENTING VIEWS

Cosimo, Inc. The Financial Crisis Inquiry Report, published by the U.S. Government and the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission in early 2011, is the official government report on the United States financial collapse and the review of major financial institutions that bankrupted and failed, or would have without help from the government. The commission and the report were implemented after Congress passed an act in 2009 to review and prevent fraudulent activity. The report details, among other things, the periods before, during, and after the crisis, what led up to it, and analyses of subprime mortgage lending, credit expansion and banking policies, the collapse of companies like Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and the federal bailouts of Lehman and AIG. It also discusses the aftermath of the fallout and our current state. This report should be of interest to anyone concerned about the financial situation in the U.S. and around the world. THE FINANCIAL CRISIS INQUIRY COMMISSION is an independent, bi-partisan, government-appointed panel of 10 people that was created to "examine the causes, domestic and global, of the current financial and economic crisis in the United States." It was established as part of the Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act of 2009. The commission consisted of private citizens with expertise in economics and finance, banking, housing, market regulation, and consumer protection. They examined and reported on "the collapse of major financial institutions that failed or would have failed if not for exceptional assistance from the government." News Dissector DANNY SCHECHTER is a journalist, blogger and filmmaker. He has been reporting on economic crises since the 1980's when he was with ABC News. His film *In Debt We Trust* warned of the economic meltdown in 2006. He has since written three books on the subject including *Plunder: Investigating Our Economic Calamity* (Cosimo Books, 2008), and *The Crime Of Our Time: Why Wall Street Is Not Too Big to Jail* (Disinfo Books, 2011), a companion to his latest film *Plunder The Crime Of Our Time*. He can be reached online at www.newsdissector.com.

TO THE LIGHTHOUSE

Renard Press Ltd Described by Virginia Woolf herself as 'easily the best of my books', and by her husband Leonard as a 'masterpiece', *To the Lighthouse*, first published in 1927, is one of the milestones of Modernism. Set on the Isle of Skye, over a decade spanning the First World War, the narrative centres on the Ramsay family, and is framed by Mrs Ramsay's promise to take a trip to the lighthouse the next day - a promise which isn't to be fulfilled for a decade. Flowing from character to character and from year to year, the novel paints a moving portrait of love, loss and perception. Bearing all the hallmarks of Woolf's prose, with her delicate handling of the complexities of human relationships, *To the Lighthouse* has earned its reputation - frequently appearing in lists of the best novels of the twentieth century, it has lost not an iota of brilliance.

THE STRUCTURING OF ORGANIZATIONS

A SYNTHESIS OF THE RESEARCH

Prentice Hall How do organizations structure themselves? A synthesis of the empirical literature in the field, supported by numerous examples and illustrations, provides images that produce a theory. The author introduces five basic configurations of structure - the simple structure, the machine bureaucracy, the professional bureaucracy, the divisionalized form, and the adhocracy. This book reveals that structure seems to be at the root of many questions about organizations and why they function as they do.

MANAGING THE RISKS OF EXTREME EVENTS AND DISASTERS TO ADVANCE CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Cambridge University Press This Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report (IPCC-SREX) explores the challenge of understanding and managing the risks of climate extremes to advance climate change adaptation. Extreme weather and climate events, interacting with exposed and vulnerable human and natural systems, can lead to disasters. Changes in the frequency and severity of the physical events affect disaster risk, but so do the spatially diverse and temporally dynamic patterns of exposure and vulnerability. Some types of extreme weather and climate events have increased in frequency or magnitude, but populations and assets at risk have also increased, with consequences for disaster risk. Opportunities for managing risks of weather- and climate-related disasters exist or can be developed at any scale, local to international. Prepared following strict IPCC procedures, SREX is an invaluable assessment for anyone interested in climate extremes, environmental disasters and adaptation to climate change, including policymakers, the private sector and academic researchers.