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The most important assets of any business are intangible: its company name, brands, symbols, and slogans, and their underlying associations, perceived quality, name awareness, customer base, and proprietary resources such as patents, trademarks, and channel relationships. These assets, which comprise brand equity, are a primary source of competitive advantage and future earnings, contends David Aaker, a national authority on branding. Yet, research shows that managers cannot identify with confidence their brand associations, levels of consumer awareness, or degree of customer loyalty. Moreover in the last decade, managers desperate for short-term financial results have often unwittingly damaged their brands through price promotions and unwise brand extensions, causing irreversible deterioration of the value of the brand name. Although several companies, such as Canada Dry and Colgate-Palmolive, have recently created an equity management position to be guardian of the value of brand names, far too few managers, Aaker concludes, really understand the concept of brand equity and how it must be implemented. In a fascinating and

insightful examination of the phenomenon of brand equity, Aaker provides a clear and well-defined structure of the relationship between a brand and its symbol and slogan, as well as each of the five underlying assets, which will clarify for managers exactly how brand equity does contribute value. The author opens each chapter with a historical analysis of either the success or failure of a particular company's attempt at building brand equity: the fascinating Ivory soap story; the transformation of Datsun to Nissan; the decline of Schlitz beer; the making of the Ford Taurus; and others. Finally, citing examples from many other companies, Aaker shows how to avoid the temptation to place short-term performance before the health of the brand and, instead, to manage brands strategically by creating, developing, and exploiting each of the five assets in turn. *Greatness Redefined for the 21st Century* Today's business climate is defined by speed, social technologies, and people's expectations of "values" besides value. As a result, leaders have to create an outstanding culture for all, no matter who they are or what they do for the organization. This groundbreaking book, from the creators of the gold-standard Fortune 100 Best Companies to Work For list, shows how it's done. Through inspiring stories and compelling research, the authors demonstrate that great places to work for all benefit the individuals working there and contribute to a better global society—even as they outperform

in the stock market and grow revenue three times faster than less-inclusive rivals. This is a call to lead so that organizations develop every ounce of human potential.

In recent years the brand has moved squarely into the spotlight as the key to success in the hospitality industry. Business strategy once began with marketing and incorporated branding as one of its elements; today the brand drives marketing within the larger hospitality enterprise. Not only has it become the chief means of attracting customers, it has, more broadly, become the chief organizing principle for most hospitality organizations. The never-ending quest for market share follows trend after trend, from offering ever more elaborate and sophisticated amenities to the use of social media as a marketing tool—all driven by the preeminence of the brand. Chekitan S. Dev's *Hospitality Branding* brings together the most important insights from the author's many years of research and experience, all in a single volume. Skillfully blending the knowledge of recent history, the wisdom of cutting-edge research, and promise of future trends, this book offers hospitality organizations the advice they need to survive and thrive in today's competitive global business environment.

Argues that consumer and employee loyalty are key to success, and discusses how to obtain and preserve loyalty

Many standard BOP models have been undergoing radical transformations. Newer functioning models with inclusivity with holistic, systems approach is the mantra.

Development has morphed into community leadership, and societal fabric building now frames the effect of corporate governance activities on shareholder value. Not surprisingly, new voices have been calling for reinvention of marketing. CEO's cannot get clear, compelling answers about marketing's impact on the bottom line. The adage of Sam Wanamaker- that he knows that 50 percent of his advertisement works but he does not know which half –still haunts management. Consider the following: Economic liberalisation has given a new impetus to the hospitality industry. It costs an average of US\$50-80 million to set up five-star hotels with 300 rentable rooms in India. The gestation period is usually between three and four years. Movements in real estate prices have to be watched, though they have stabilised in the past three years or so. Non-five-star hotels are obviously cheaper and have smaller gestation periods, but international chains are expected to go into the five-star category. Biswajit Pattajoshi offers not only a candid critique of eradicating poverty, through bottom of pyramid spins but more important a clear agenda –indeed the Samaritans agenda-for meaningful change in end of poverty by immortal brand equity white horse. He calls upon leadership to deliver value and solutions, not physicality colours. He believes that the stalwart must understand their building blocks and operations from finance to supplier partnerships. They must co-operate and compete on multidisciplinary teams, because BOP model fails whenever any part of greater agenda fails to cohort with great acres. BOP's are posing titan challenges to manage marketing tornadoes, many of which are

exemplary spectacles in waves of shareholders. Marketing change agents have led to innovative, community building indispensability models that track futuristic transformation eradicating poverty, establishing peace revolution. If community building model's take-off profits are harnessed by the BOP.

Again, Hotel competition may become worst, great service is number one, but then there was some to help it out, SHR with Windsurfer® CRS, in booking technology allow you to easily manage your rates and inventory across all distribution channels, providing not only one of the best booking engines on the market, but also the strongest integrations and connections to wherever you sell your rooms, see more here JW Marriot PHU QUOC EMERALD BAY has picked up the prized title of Asia's Leading New Resort at the 24th Annual World Travel Awards™ Asia & Australasia. Check them out on page 72 Travelico and Hotel Intel Hot Interview is available here on page 56 and just many more inside to read, Well Happy Reading and Happy Long Holiday !!

Cognitive Computing for Human-Robot Interaction: Principles and Practices explores the efforts that should ultimately enable society to take advantage of the often-heralded potential of robots to provide economical and sustainable computing applications. This book discusses each of these applications, presents working implementations, and combines coherent and original deliberative architecture for human-robot interactions (HRI). Supported by experimental results, it shows how explicit knowledge management promises to be instrumental in building richer and more natural HRI, by pushing for pervasive, human-level semantics within the robot's deliberative system for sustainable computing applications. This

book will be of special interest to academics, postgraduate students, and researchers working in the area of artificial intelligence and machine learning. Key features: Introduces several new contributions to the representation and management of humans in autonomous robotic systems; Explores the potential of cognitive computing, robots, and HRI to generate a deeper understanding and to provide a better contribution from robots to society; Engages with the potential repercussions of cognitive computing and HRI in the real world. Introduces several new contributions to the representation and management of humans in an autonomous robotic system Explores cognitive computing, robots and HRI, presenting a more in-depth understanding to make robots better for society Gives a challenging approach to those several repercussions of cognitive computing and HRI in the actual global scenario

Completely updated for 2011-2012, the Directory of Corporate Counsel remains the only comprehensive source for information on the corporate law departments and practitioners of the companies of the United States and Canada. Profiling over 22,000 attorneys and more than 5,000 companies, it supplies complete, uniform listings compiled through a major research effort, including information on company organization, department structure and hierarchy, and the background and specialties of the attorneys. This newly revised 2 volume edition is easier to use than ever before and includes five quick-search indexes to simplify your search: Corporations and Organizations Index Geographic Index Attorney Index Law School Alumni Index Nonprofit Organizations Index

Market disruption, pandemic-ridden economy and China's digital and mobile dominance—Indian brands are swimming through these rough tides to survive and win. They are financially and strategically battling to takeover and conquer not just the

Indian market but the global terrain as well. Derived from the warfare strategies used by countries to win wars, *Brand Wars* illustrates proven and tested brand strategies by analyzing the success and failures of more than 500 iconic brands over the last 50 years. It also presents original models such as Brand Combat, Battlefield and Capability Leveraging to help brands develop capacity, capture value and use the right resources against competition. Filled with suggestions for sustained competitive advantage, this book will encourage small and big businesses alike to compete in the marketplace and fulfil their aspirations.

This book comes at a time when virtual organizations (VO), are proliferating exponentially due to the twin catalysts of globalization and technological enablement. It provides conceptual frameworks and simple tools for identifying and addressing the complexities of managing geographically dispersed, virtually linked organizations, which may have grown organically or inorganically into a potpourri of multiple cultures, capabilities and practices. These can help to scientifically assess the impact of virtualization, balance the physical with the virtual and manage risks using early indicators. The book provides mechanisms to recognize, localize, measure and address vulnerabilities. Ensuring knowledge transfer effectiveness (KTE) is vital in VOs. A diagnostic tool has been evolved to measure KTE, isolate problems and weak links and plan effective interventions. A set of critical factors to increase the probability of success of globalization strategies have been identified. This book interleaves theory

with practice and provides insights drawn from conversations with business leaders, exploratory surveys, and in-depth research using a large sample. The solid methodological underpinnings serve as a useful template for researchers, while the models can be contextualized to suit any organization. Foreword by Mr. Ajit Balakrishnan, Chairman and CEO, Rediff.com; Chairman, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta.

Find and Keep the Outstanding Leaders You Need to Win in Asia! Specific solutions for recruiting and retaining great people in North Asia, South Asia, Australia, and New Zealand Seven new case studies, plus in-depth insight into IBM's experience For every CxO, director, manager, HR leader, strategist, or consultant working with or for companies in Asia Right now, even as Western economies struggle, Asia is experiencing an unprecedented war for talent. Organizations are competing ever more aggressively to find the right people, motivate them, and retain their highest performers. There's only one route to success in today's Asian talent wars: innovation. In this book, one of IBM's top Asia Pacific managers identifies powerful talent management innovations that are working in Asia right now for dozens of the region's most forward-looking enterprises. Christina SS Ooi begins by revealing why Asian talent shortages are even worse than they appear. Next, she presents breakthrough solutions from industries ranging from IT to hospitality, manufacturing to telecommunications. Learn how winning companies are recruiting more effectively through partnerships and word-

of-mouth...bringing innovation to onboarding and training...understanding the changing needs and diverse lifestyles of today's Asian employees...shaping corporate culture and engaging their employees...developing great leaders and keeping them.

International Hospitality Business: Management and Operations will introduce hospitality managers to the most up-to-date developments in hospitality to prepare you for the rapidly changing world of international hospitality. This book is a compilation of the most current research in global operations. It examines new developments, new management concepts, and new corporate mergers. International Hospitality Business analyzes and discusses the complexity of the political, economic, financial, commercial, and cultural environment within which international business takes place to help you become a productive global manager. Through International Hospitality Business, you will learn how an effective global hospitality manager must have a broad trans-disciplinary perspective that includes studies in politics, culture, and geography to better prepare for the complexity of international operations. Expand your knowledge of how to deal with the issues that confront hospitality firms and managers in international development and operations by: understanding the great demand for competent managers to oversee operations in foreign countries because of the explosive growth of the international hospitality industry exploring the complex issues faced by hospitality managers when they are assigned to work overseas gaining insight into international hospitality firms' policies regarding developmental strategy, organizational structure, marketing, finance, accounting, and human resource management recognizing the international hospitality industry as an integral part of the service import and export business to help students gain a better understanding of managerial roles

With The International Hospitality Business, you will

examine world travel patterns, major hotel chains, and foodservice companies in different regions of the world to expand your knowledge and help you face the dynamic changing world of international hospitality. While this volume provides you with important, comprehensive knowledge that will help you manage the your overseas hospitality operations in a way that keeps the most important person in any business--the customer--contented.

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