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Policy Making in the Public Interest Oxford University Press
The revised and updated 7th edition of this highly regarded book brings the reader right up to speed with the latest financial market developments, and provides a clear and incisive guide to a complex world that even those who work in it often find hard to understand. In chapters on the markets that deal with money, foreign exchange, equities, bonds, commodities, financial futures, options and other derivatives, the book

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Economist Books
An award-winning journalist uses landmark research to debunk the whole

expert prediction industry, and explores the psychology of our obsession with future history. In 2008, experts predicted gas would hit \$20 a gallon; it peaked at \$4.10. In 1967, they said the USSR would be the world's fastest-growing economy by 2000; by 2000, the USSR no longer existed. In 1908, it was pronounced that there would be no more wars in Europe; we all know how that turned out. Face it, experts are about as accurate as dart-throwing monkeys. And yet every day we ask them to predict the future—everything from the weather to the likelihood of a terrorist attack. *Future Babble* is the first book to examine this phenomenon, showing

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What CFOs Do, the Influence they Have, and Why it Matters

Emerald Group Publishing

The rapid rise in importance of the role of the chief financial officer—from back-office accountant to front-line executive—is unrivaled by that of any other corporate position. With access to every facet of the business, CFOs now wield a level of influence matched only by chief executives. This book explains how CFOs earned their privileged status, and what the future may hold for them. It describes their ever-expanding role, and how they are reshaping their departments to help them deal with that transformation. Insights from current and former CFOs

provide a first-hand perspective on finance leaders' aspirations and doubts. It is a useful reference for finance chiefs seeking to learn from peers and benchmark their own performance; for those looking to build a career in the C-Suite; for managers seeking to improve their relationship with the finance department; for service providers—banks, accountancies and consulting firms—and anyone else who wants to get on the good side of the keeper of the corporate checkbook.

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What kind of leaders will the world need over the next thirty-five years? How will our knowledge of leadership, leadership development, and

leadership education change? Leadership 2050 examines the issues, drivers, and contexts that will most likely influence leaders in the coming decades.

GUIDE TO FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Economist

An eminent economist warns that Western nations' economic expectations for the future are way out of sync with the realities of economic stagnation and stringent steps will be required to avoid massive political and economic upheaval. "It is alarmingly difficult to disagree with Stephen King. All one can say, perhaps, is that one of the great errors of human nature—strongly displayed before the credit crunch—is the

belief that a prevailing trend will continue indefinitely. The crunch is surely a reminder that what goes up must come down."—Charles Moore, Daily Telegraph
 "[King] is dabbling in the financial equivalent of the horror genre. Perhaps even scarier, his is the stuff of nonfiction."—Michael J. Casey, Wall Street Journal
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 Full of practical help on how to build the best, most flexible, and easy-to-use business models that can be used to analyze the upsides and downsides of any business project, this new edition of the Guide to Business Modeling is essential reading for the twenty-first century business leader. This

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A TEXT AND WORKBOOK FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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 Why has the flow of
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 ideas slowed down? A
 provocative look at
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 of humanity is the
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theory. And yet for the past few decades, apart from a rush of new gadgets and the explosion of digital technology, world-changing ideas have been harder to come by. Since the 1970s, big ideas have happened incrementally—recycled, focused in narrow bands of innovation. In this provocative book, Michael Bhaskar looks at why the flow of big, world-changing ideas has slowed, and what this means for the future. Bhaskar argues that the challenge at the frontiers of knowledge has arisen not because we are unimaginative and bad at realizing big ideas but because we have already pushed so far. If we compare the world of our great-great-great-

grandparents to ours today, we can see how a series of transformative ideas revolutionized almost everything in just a century and a half. But recently, because of short-termism, risk aversion, and fractious decision making, we have built a cautious, unimaginative world. Bhaskar shows how we can start to expand the frontier again by thinking big—embarking on the next Universal Declaration of Human Rights or Apollo mission—and embracing change.

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“A sprawling story richly textured with original material, quirky details and amusing anecdotes . . .

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“It is a cause for celebration that Yergin has returned with his perspective on a very different landscape . . . [I]t is impossible to think of a better introduction to the essentials of energy in the 21st century. The Quest is . . . the definitive guide to how we got here.” —The Financial Times This long-awaited successor to Daniel Yergin’s Pulitzer Prize-winning *The Prize* provides an essential, overarching narrative of global energy, the principal engine of geopolitical and economic change. A master storyteller as well as a leading energy expert, Daniel Yergin continues the riveting story begun in his Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *The Prize*. In *The Quest*, Yergin shows us

how energy is an engine of global political and economic change and conflict, in a story that spans the energies on which our civilization has been built and the new energies that are competing to replace them. *The Quest* tells the inside stories, tackles the tough questions, and reveals surprising insights about coal, electricity, and natural gas. He explains how climate change became a great issue and leads readers through the rebirth of renewable energies, energy independence, and the return of the electric car. Epic in scope and never more timely, *The Quest* vividly reveals the decisions, technologies, and individuals that are shaping our future.

Understanding the world's troublespots

Profile Books

The Earth is riven by dangerous and shifting faultlines. Since the previous edition of *The World in Conflict*, we have witnessed the apparent collapse of Isis in Syria and the reawakening of the Troubles in Ireland. Donald Trump first goaded and then mollified North Korea, the world's most enigmatic nuclear power, before provoking Iran into renewing its atomic ambitions. And alongside traditional warzones, a new set of global battle lines are being drawn across cyberspace. Join the veteran Economist journalist John Andrews on a tour of the ancient enmities and imminent collisions that define

conflict in the twenty-first century. Region by region discover the causes, contexts, participants and likely outcomes of every globally significant violent struggle now underway. From drug cartels to cyber war, this is the indispensable guide for anyone who wants to understand our perilous world.

Creating high-performing and adaptable

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The Next Step:

Exponential Life

presents essays on the potential of what are known as "exponential technologies"--those whose development is accelerating rapidly, such as robotics, artificial intelligence or industrial biology--considering their

economic, social, environmental, ethical and even ontological implications. This book's premise is that humanity is at the beginning of a technological revolution that is evolving at a much faster pace than earlier ones--a revolution is so far-reaching it is destined to generate transformations we can only begin to imagine. Contributors include Aubrey D.N.J. de Grey, Jonathan Rossiter, Joseph A. Paradiso, Kevin Warwick, Huma Shah, Ramón López de Mántaras, Helen Papagiannis, Jay David Bolter, Maria Engberg, Robin Hanson, Stuart Russell, Darrell M. West, Francisco González, Chris Skinner, Steven Monroe Lipkin, S. Matthew Liao, James

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Dr. Frank Wilzcek, Alastair Reynolds, and Melinda Gates—examine what the impact of technology might be in 2050 and consider the policies we might need, both to make the most of future opportunities and to tackle the environmental, economic, and social challenges ahead. MEGATECH is a book of big, bold ideas from a stellar line-up of prominent players in the tech world. It is required reading for anyone engaged with the interrelationships between technology, innovation, business, politics, and society. *The Chief Financial Officer* The Economist
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Marketing for Growth is a guide to how marketing can and should become a

business's most important driver of growth. Marketers play a crucial role in generating revenue, and they can play an equally important role in how revenues translate into profit. They can help a company achieve growth by being smarter or more efficient than its competitors, and do so in a sustainable way. Marketers have their ear to the ground and therefore are often the first to pick up on changing customer needs and behavior, and the forces at play in markets. This informs the development and improvement of products, processes and standard of service. The book explores how to identify the most

valuable customers, the most effective ways to drive revenue growth, and the best ways to improve profitability. It combines insight and practical guidance, and is supported by a wealth of hard data and anecdotal evidence from a wide range of business in Britain, America, Europe and Asia, including Amazon, China Mobile, Dove, Goldman Sachs, Haier, ING Direct, Lenovo, Mini, Procter & Gamble, Red Bull, Target, Twitter, Virgin and Zara.

THINK FRUGAL, BE FLEXIBLE, GENERATE BREAKTHROUGH GROWTH

Yale University Press
The application of digital information and

communication technologies (ICTs) to reform governmental structures and public service is widely and perhaps naively viewed as the 21st century "savior", the enlightened way to reinvigorate democracy, reduce costs, and improve the quality of public services. This book examines the transition from e-government to digital governance in light of the financial exigencies and political controversies facing many governments. The chapters concentrate on strategies for public sector organizational transformation and policies for improved and measurable government performance in the current contentious political environment.

This fully updated second edition of Digital Governance provides strategies for public officials to apply advanced technologies, manage remote workforces, measure performance, and improve service delivery in current crisis-driven administrative and political environments. The full implementation of advanced digital governance requires fundamental changes in the relationship between citizens and their governments, using ICTs as catalysts for political as well as administrative communication. This entails attitudinal and behavioral changes, secure networks, and less dependence on formal bureaucratic structures (covered in

Part I of this book); transformation of administrative, educational, and security systems to manage public services in a more citizen-centric way (covered in Part II); the integration of advanced digital technologies with remote broadband wireless internet services (Part III); and the creation of new forms of global interactive citizenship and self-governance (covered in Part IV). Author Michael E. Milakovich offers recommendations for further improvement and civic actions to stimulate important instruments of governance and public administration. This book is required reading for political science, public administration, and

public policy courses, as well as federal, state, and local government officials.

NUMBERS GUIDE

Bbva-Open Mind Policy Making in the Public Interest is the first text and workbook to provide a short and firmly focused introduction to local government policy making techniques. Each chapter introduces core policy concepts and competencies and concludes with exercises that encourage the reader to apply the theme of the chapter to a practical policy issue in local government, such as city-planning, community-economic development, public safety programming, utility planning, developing regional

partnerships, and sustainable growth and development. The exercises explore issues students are likely to analyze as interns or observe in a service learning assignment with local government. For practitioners and elected officials, the exercises focus on issues commonly confronted on the job. This unique approach is designed specifically to lead the reader to a complete and multi-dimensional understanding of 'the public interest' and to provide tools for identifying and adopting local government policies that will support it. An accompanying eResource page contains grading forms to evaluate verbal presentations and

analytical work, PowerPoint slides, downloadable forms for students and practitioners, as well as links and resources. Policy Making in the Public Interest is an essential text and workbook for classes in public policy or local government operations, a vital self-guided handbook for managers and elected officials, and a useful resource and instructional guide for workshops.

The Rise of Complexity in Nature

The Economist The sad truth about most trend predictions is that they seem to focus on restating the blatantly obvious. Predicting the "rise of wearable technology" in 2015 is a bit like predicting the ground will be wet the day

after a rain storm ... it is undoubtedly true - but relatively useless to hear out loud. Five years ago, longtime brand consultant and marketing Professor Rohit Bhargava began producing his annual "Non-Obvious Trend Report" where he curated 15 trends to describe consumer behavior, marketing and where business was headed in the new year. His previous reports predicted the growth of content marketing, real time customer care and more transparency in business. To date, they have been downloaded and shared online more than half a million times. In this 5th Edition of his annual report, he takes readers behind the scenes for the very first time ever to share

his techniques for curating trends and the five essential skillsets required in order to be able to predict the future for yourself.

Through entertaining stories, deep analysis and a surprisingly simple approach - Rohit proves that even though we imagine trend forecasting is done only by business gurus ... each of us can get better at curating trends for ourselves as long as we know what to look for.

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popular fashions."--P. 11.

Guide to Intellectual

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Innovation. The word might make you think of Silicon Valley. But innovation isn't the sole province of start-ups. They didn't invent it, and they're not always the ones from which we can best learn. As Matt Kingdon argues in *The Science of Serendipity*, it's corporate innovators battling within large, established organisations who are the field's real heroes. Tapping into 20 years of experience on the front lines of innovation—bringing new products and services to market and helping organisations become more creative—Kingdon dissects the ways in

which corporations are continually reborn. He looks at the anatomy of innovation, asking: How do time-pressed executives go about taking risks? How do they prepare to see—and seize—opportunity? And how do you place humans, with all of their fears and foibles, at the heart of commercial success? In a conversational, jargon-free style built on a practitioner's observations and anecdotes, *The Science of Serendipity* traces the dilemmas that executives in a wide variety of firms face. It details the steps taken to overcome the issues and get great ideas across the finish line. If you're looking for a guide in your fight against the corporate machine, this is the

business book for you. Matt Kingdon is the Co-founder, Chairman, and Chief Enthusiast of What If! Innovation Partners. For 20 years, What If! has partnered with the world's most successful, forward-looking companies—businesses such as Barclays, Four Seasons, Google, PepsiCo, Pfizer, and Virgin—to galvanise innovation and deliver impact. Its 250 inventors work across the Americas, Europe, and Asia.

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invest in new equipment," exploring the principles that can be applied to each task, illustrating practical ways these principles are used, and providing guidance for implementation. Guide to Financial Management will help readers understand financial jargon, financial statements, management accounts, performance measures, budgeting, costing, pricing, decision-making, and investment appraisal. This third edition has been fully revised and expanded with detailed examples from 100 leading businesses around the world.

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