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Organizing for School Change - Karen Seashore Louis 2013-01-11 Improving education is a key priority for governments around the world. While many suggestions on how best to achieve this are currently under debate, years of academic research have already revealed more about how to encourage change than is sometimes assumed. This volume brings together for the first time some of the most significant work of Karen Seashore Louis, one of the foremost thinkers and researchers in the field. Organizing for School Change presents a unique variety of research-based results from studies conducted over the past twenty-five years. What emerges is not an idealistic plan, but a realistic picture of what needs to be done if schools are to be made better. Drawing on a wide and comprehensive list of sources, the ideas brought together in this collection will prove invaluable and insightful reading, stimulating both newcomers and veterans of the field to consider educational research in new ways.

Organization Development - Donald L. Anderson 2011-06-17 Covering classic and contemporary organization development (OD) techniques, this is a comprehensive text on individual, team, and organizational change. Incorporating OD ethics and values into each chapter, Donald L. Anderson provides discussion of the real-world application of these theoretical ideas. In-depth case studies that follow major content chapters allow students to immediately apply what they have learned. In today’s challenging environment of increased globalization, rapidly changing technologies,
Personnel Selection and Assessment - Heinz Schuler 2013-03-07 The impetus for this volume came from the editors' belief that most current research and thinking about personnel selection and assessment in organizations considered only the perspective of the employer. The job applicant seeking to join the organization or the employee being considered for promotion or reassignment was typically given little attention from the designers of employment or assessment systems. They believed that this imbalance had several negative implications: 1. Organizational selection and assessment appeared to be the principal area within work and organizational psychology that had forgotten a basic tenet of the profession of psychology, namely, that the welfare of the individual is paramount. 2. A lack of concern for the individuals who were being assessed could result in additional criticisms of psychological assessment in employment settings. 3. The acceptability of selection and assessment devices and systems may impact in (largely) unknown ways on the decisions of individuals to apply for jobs or transfers, thus affecting the selection ratio and potential utility of such systems. 4. Individual reactions to the characteristics of assessment and selection devices could affect the accuracy of the information obtained about those individuals, adversely affecting the reliability and validity of resulting personnel decisions. Informally discussing these concerns with their professional colleagues, the editors found that others were similarly troubled. Their next response was to organize a three day conference bringing together a number of researchers in applied psychology to present papers and participate in discussions related to balancing individual and organizational needs in selection and assessment. Revisions of the papers presented at this conference form the core of this volume.
Assessment Center Perspectives for Talent Management Strategies - George C. Thornton III 2014-11-27 Written by three leading scholars with vast experience in the science and practice of assessment centers (ACs), this is the first volume to comprehensively integrate variations of the assessment center method with alternative talent management strategies. A useful reference guide, it examines the many ways in which organizations can apply the assessment center method to achieve their talent management goals. It provides balanced and in-depth coverage of theory, research, and practice pertaining to the dimension-, task-, and multifaceted-perspectives on the AC method. Ideal for researchers, practitioners, and students alike, and well suited for courses in testing and measurement, personnel selection, HR planning and staffing, training and development, and organizational change, Assessment Center Perspectives for Talent Management Strategies is a complete and up-to-date account of the assessment center method.

Critical Perspectives on the Organization and Improvement of Schooling - Kenneth A. Sirotnik 2012-12-06 Major "paradigm shifts"-replacing one "world view" with another regarding what constitutes appropriate knowledge do not happen over night. Centuries usually intervene in the process. Even minor shifts admitting alternative world views into the domain of legitimate knowledge producing theory and practice-require decades of controversy, especially, it seems to us, in the field of education. It has only been in the last 20 years or so that the educational research community has begun to accept the "scientific" credibility of the qualitative approaches to inquiry such as participant observation, case study, ethnography, and the like. In fact, these methods, with their long and distinguished philosophical traditions in phenomenology, have really only come into their own within the last decade. The critical perspective on generating and evaluating knowledge and practice-what this book is mostly about-is in many ways a radical
departure from both the more traditional quantitative and qualitative perspectives. The traditional approaches, in fact, are far more similar to one another than they are to the critical perspective. This is the case, in our view, for one crucial reason: Both the more quantitative, empirical-analytic and qualitative, interpretive traditions share a fundamental epistemological commitment: they both eschew ideology and human interests as explicit components in their paradigms of inquiry. Ideology and human interests, however, are the "bread and butter" of a critical approach to inquiry.

**Strategy**-Mark Daniell 2004-10-22 This book provides a step-by-step approach to all of the essential elements of strategy. It outlines a 21-step approach, with a 30+ slide strategy presentation for readers to apply themselves. By following the examples in the book, the reader will be able to construct a world-class strategy and to present it in an effective manner. The approach integrates diagnosis, design, and implementation into one seamless flow from insight to action.

**Understanding Organisational Culture in the Construction Industry**-Vaughan Coffey 2010-01-28 Since the early 1980s, researchers and practitioners in the organisational and management fields have presumed a link between organisational, or corporate, culture and organisational performance. Whilst many believe this exists, other authors have been critical of the validity of such studies. Part of this doubt stems from a reliance on measures of organisational performance that are based purely on financial measures of business growth. Using the construction industry as the subject of his research, Vaughan Coffey traces the development of the literature on organisational culture and business effectiveness and investigates the culture-performance link using a new and highly objective measure of company performance and an evaluation of organisational
culture, which is largely behaviourally-based. Providing a theoretical contribution to the field, this work shows that various cultural traits appear to be closely linked to objectively measured organisational effectiveness. This book will be valuable to professionals and researchers in the fields of management and public policy. It indicates directions for construction companies to develop and change, and in doing so strengthen their chances of remaining strong when opportunities for work might deplete and only the most successful companies will be able to survive.

**Maritime Logistics**-Dong-Wook Song
2021-12-03 Sea freight remains overwhelmingly the most common form of transport for goods globally. Grasp the core theories and understand the latest research in maritime logistics, along with how this field operates and contributes to global supply chains, with this key textbook. Maritime Logistics provides a complete overview of the core concepts within this discipline from a range of international expert contributors. This textbook examines the recent developments in the ports and shipping industries including supply chain strategies and emerging, innovative practices. Designed for maritime students and professionals, the structure offers a complete approach with an emphasis on developing a well-rounded knowledge and understanding of the field. The third edition is fully updated with new content on maintenance optimization, supply chain integration, economies of scale within liner shipping and port performance and management. In addition, this edition examines new technologies, considers new and existing risks to the maritime supply chain as well as generally how maritime logistics will continue to evolve. For those seeking to become maritime logistics specialists, this is the authoritative companion.

**Public Relations Theory**-Carl H. Botan
2017-10-03 Beginning with the basic premise that public relations can best be understood as a specialized type of communication, the
contributors to this volume establish public relations as a vital and viable realm for communication research and theory development. Through the application of communication theories, they attempt to explain and predict public relations practices and then use these practices to develop communication theories. Their discussions fall into three distinct categories: metatheory, theory, and examples of applications of theories. An ideal volume for professionals and students in communication, journalism, and related fields.

Green Web-II: Standards and Perspectives from the IUCN - Bhandari, Medani P. 2018-08-15
In dealing with the IUCN, one must bear in mind that there never has been, and undoubtedly never will be, any other organization even remotely resembling it. Its peculiarities, subtleties and complexities are sometimes mind-boggling (Nicholson 1990 in Holdgate 1999: ix). Green Web-II investigates IUCN’s role in global biodiversity conservation policy as well as in national program development in India, Pakistan, Nepal and Bangladesh. It explores how nature protection priorities and approaches are promoted or addressed by IUCN, an international organization, and how environment conservation policies are created and maintained in states with different capacities of South Asia. It also evaluates IUCN's competency in bio-diversity, climate change, nature conservation and environmental policy formulation at global, regional and country level. This study is the first detailed scholarly study on the IUCN as an organization as well as on its efforts in biodiversity conservation. This book adds to our knowledge, firstly by contributing to a small but growing body of work on the sociology of international organizations. IOs, especially International Governmental Organizations (IGOs), have long been the subject of mostly political science. Secondly, it applies a fuller sociological imagination to the study of IOs by critically exploring one of the largest and most active nature conservation organizations in the world. Thirdly, it also explores how the IUCN
actually goes about building protectoral programs with individual member nations. Additionally, the book explores the recent development of the green economy (GE) concepts into IUCN’s program planning today. The green economy initiative applies a people-first approach. Although the concept is relatively new, this research explores the theoretical development of a green economy and illustrates how this theory is applied in IUCN’s program planning to program implementation. Technical topics discussed in the book include: Motivation of Environment Conservation - How personal efforts make differenceRole of International Environment Conservation OrganizationsPolitical Economy of Organizations, Network theory, Institutional theory, Stakeholder theory, Governance theoryGovernance performances and CompetitivenessPopularity indicesKnowledge creation and diffusionConservation commons

Organizational Assessment and Improvement in the Public Sector-Kathleen M. Immordino 2017-09-25 Calls for performance measures and metrics sound good, but public sector organizations often lack the tools required to assess the organization as a whole and create true change. In order to implement an integrated cycle of assessment, planning, and improvement, government agencies at all levels need a usable framework for organizational assessment that speaks to their unique needs. Organizational Assessment and Improvement in the Public Sector provides that framework, an understanding of assessment itself, and a methodology for assessment focused on the public sector. The book introduces the concept of organizational assessment, its importance, and its significance in public sector organizations. It addresses the organizational theory that underlies assessment, including change management, organizational and individual learning, and organizational development. Building on this, the author focuses on the processes and demonstrates how the communication that results from an assessment process can create a widely accepted case for
change. She presents a model grounded in the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Program criteria but adapted for the culture of government organizations. She also addresses the criteria that form the basis for assessment and implementation and provides examples and best practices. Facing decreasing budgets and an increasing demand for services, government agencies must increase their capabilities, maximize their available fiscal and human resources, and increase their effectiveness and efficiency. They often operate in an atmosphere that prizes effectiveness but measures it in silos assigned to individual programs and a structure that encourages people to do more with less while systematically discouraging efficiency. Stressing the significant and important differences between a business and a government, this book supplies the knowledge and tools necessary to create a culture of assessment in government organizations at all levels.

Historical Perspectives in Industrial and Organizational Psychology-Laura L. Koppes 2014-02-04 This unique book is the first to contain a comprehensive history of industrial and organizational psychology, covering numerous topics in the discipline. The history presented offers various perspectives, including the contributions of individuals, organizations, and contextual or situational forces, as well as an international viewpoint. The authors, all highly regarded experts in their respective topics, use a range of approaches to examine history, demonstrating to readers that there are multiple ways to understand history. This volume will be of interest to industrial and organizational psychologists, business and management academics and professionals, historians of psychology, business, science and science and technology, undergraduate, and graduate students.

Communication Yearbook 6-Michael Burgoon 2011-10-25 First published in 2012. Routledge is
Follower-Centered Perspectives on Leadership - Mary Uhl-Bien

The majority of leadership theories and studies have tended to emphasize the personal background, personality traits, perceptions, and actions of leaders. From this perspective, the followers have been viewed as recipients or moderators of the leader's influence, and as vehicles for the actualization of the leader's vision, mission or goals. One of the major challengers of this dominant view was the late James R. Meindl. As an alternative to the leader-centric perspective on leadership, Meindl offered a follower-centric approach that views both leadership and its consequences as largely constructed by followers and hence influenced by followers' cognitive processes and inter-follower social influence processes. As a tribute to Jim Meindl and his contributions to the field of leadership studies, Information Age Publishing is releasing a book on follower-centered approaches to leadership. The book covers a wide variety of perspectives that acknowledge the active roles of followers in the leadership process. These include the psychoanalytical perspective, leadership categorization theory, social identity theory, the shared leadership approach, attribution of charisma through social networks, the role of the media in constructing images of the leader, the social construction of followership, vision implementation by followers and a post modern approach to followership. It is hoped that the volume will provoke readers to reflect upon and extend Jim Meindl's seminal work on followership.ars and practitioners curious about the nature of research on leadership, both those with much research exposure and those new to the field.

Challenging Perspectives on Organizational Change in Health Care - Louise Fitzgerald

This volume provides theory and research on organizational change and
predominantly features the application of these ideas to the health care domain, broadly defined. It addresses enduring issues in advancing to an effective health care system. The aim of this book is to offer an accessible and readable text aimed at provoking thought and questioning, and aiding creativity. It proffers arguments and ideas which are firmly based in empirical data and evidence, so that the reader may make informed personal evaluations. This book is designed to furnish a comprehensive theoretical basis for understanding organizational change in health care, as well as selected core issues of contemporary and future importance to the provision of effective care within sustainable systems. A series of coherent themes are addressed throughout the book from differing perspectives. However, every chapter has been written to standalone and be read independently. Each offers resources relevant to its’ focal topic, in the form of references, case studies and critique. Setting out a future research agenda, the book will be vital reading for organizational change researchers and practitioners in the healthcare industry.

Design Science: Perspectives from Europe- Markus Helfert 2013-12-13
This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the European Design Science Symposium, EDSS 2012 held in Leixlip, Ireland, in December 2012 which was held in conjunction with the Intel European Research and Innovation Conference, ERIC 2012. The 14 papers (4 invited papers and 10 full papers) presented were carefully reviewed and selected from various submissions. The papers cover the following topics: software, formal logic, rigorous mathematics, informal natural language descriptions.

Coaching Psychology: Meta-theoretical perspectives and applications in multicultural contexts-Llewellyn E. van Zyl 2016-06-03
This book offers detailed strategies, methodologies, approaches, practice guidelines, and policy implications effective for professional
coaching on the individual, group and organizational level. It details empirical research-based and theoretical perspectives on coaching psychology as well as elaborates upon the fundamentals within multi-cultural contexts. First delivering a general introduction to coaching psychology before going on to examine specific psychological approaches towards coaching. The book also provides a conceptual framework for the use of psychometrics in multi-cultural coaching psychology. Next, the book presents meta-theoretical perspectives and applications for multi-cultural contexts, such as how to enhance leadership with group coaching from a system psychodynamic approach, how coaching can be used to support behavioral engagement and wellbeing, and how to utilize symbolic expressions, art, myths, dreams, and fantasies in coaching. This book provides practical tools towards critical self-reflective practice. Delivering the current state of the art research by presenting psychological coaching strategies theory and practice in one viewpoint. It also informs on the activity of various research approaches, thus interesting the broader student and academic reader. It will help all readers evaluate their current coaching competencies and, in the end, become better coaches. The book will also serve as an ideal resource for psychologists who want to migrate into coaching psychology.

**Perspectives on Behavior in Organizations** - J. Richard Hackman 1983

**Perspectives on Organizational Fit** - Cheri Ostroff 2012-09-10 This book concerns how employees consider their work lives, how well they fit their jobs, the work setting, other people, and what is important and valued in their organizations. Perspectives on Organizational Fit, a new book in SIOP’s Organizational Frontiers Series, takes a scholarly look at fit in organizations: the relationship between individuals and the environments in which they find themselves. As the volume extends upon
recent advances in fit theory, the contributors address how fit theory is used within selection, recruitment, diversity, and leadership teams. It also explores the integration of different fit perspectives, and clarifies the methodological and statistical issues that plague fit research. The burgeoning interest in fit issues makes this book especially timely. It is comprised of three parts that cover: new directions in fit processes, as well as micro and macro levels of analysis; methodological and statistics issues that pertain to conducting fit research; and reflections from the chapter authors and the continuing challenges of future research in fit theory. Perspectives on Organizational Fit is appropriate for researchers and professionals in the areas of human resource management, organizational behavior, and industrial organizational psychology.


A Practitioner's Handbook for Institutional Effectiveness and Student Outcomes Assessment Implementation-James Oliver Nichols 1995

The Role of International Large-Scale Assessments: Perspectives from Technology, Economy, and Educational Research-Matthias von Davier 2012-07-27 This volume offers contributions by thought leaders from a variety of disciplines and different perspectives, which are brought together in a final chapter. The contributions give insight in the role of large-scale international assessments as change agents. As national leaders recognize the growing importance of human capital and how it is distributed, policymakers, economists and decision makers in education have become increasingly interested in results from comparative international surveys. These assessments offer important information on the
development of cognitive skills and the consequences of differences in the distribution of these skills. Researchers use the data to assess the role of human capital in predicting outcomes and to identify factors that may contribute to the development of more human capital. An invaluable resource for researchers in international comparative education, policy studies, economics, civics education, educational technology, and policy makers.

**Leadership Perspectives** - Alan Hooper  
2017-05-15 This definitive reference work is designed to meet a need for all those who have an interest in Leadership; be they students at business schools, academic researchers, leadership consultants or practical leaders. At last, we have a collection of seminal peer-reviewed articles and book chapters in one convenient volume. All the members of the Editorial Team have an association with the renowned Centre for Leadership Studies at Exeter University and they have chosen their articles around six core themes: Understanding Leadership; Relationships; Power and Leadership; Leadership, Identity and Difference; Imagination; Spirituality in Organizations. These themes cover a broad spectrum of Leadership and this volume enables people to access some of the best writing on this fascinating topic, all in one publication.

**Software Testing in the Cloud: Perspectives on an Emerging Discipline** - Tilley, Scott  
2012-11-30 In recent years, cloud computing has gained a significant amount of attention by providing more flexible ways to store applications remotely. With software testing continuing to be an important part of the software engineering life cycle, the emergence of software testing in the cloud has the potential to change the way software testing is performed. Software Testing in the Cloud: Perspectives on an Emerging Discipline is a comprehensive collection of research by leading experts in the field providing an overview of cloud computing...
and current issues in software testing and system migration. Deserving the attention of researchers, practitioners, and managers, this book aims to raise awareness about this new field of study.

**Organizational Change** - Gene Deszca  
2019-08-14 Show managers of all stripes how to be key change leaders. In today’s world, organizational resilience, adaptability and agility gain new prominence. Awaken, mobilize, accelerate, and institutionalize change with Organizational Change: An Action-Oriented Toolkit. Bridging theory with practice, this new edition uses models, examples, and exercises to help students engage others in the change process. Authors Gene Deszca, Cynthia Ingols, and Tupper F. Cawsey provide tools for implementing, measuring, and monitoring sustainable change initiatives and helping organizations achieve their objectives. The Fourth Edition includes new critical thinking exercises, cases, checklists, and examples as well as updated coverage of key topics such as social media, power dynamics, decision testing, storytelling, and control systems.

**Organizational and Social Perspectives on Information Technology** - Richard Baskerville  
2013-03-14 The articles in this book constitute the proceedings papers from the IFIP WG 8.2 Working Conference, "IS2000: The Social and Organizational Perspective on Research and Practice in Information Technology," held June 10-12, 2000, in Aalborg, Denmark. The focus of the conference, and therefore this book, is on the basic aim of the working group, namely, the investigation of the interrelationships among four major components: information systems (IS), information technology (IT), organizations, and society. This basic social and organizational perspective on research and practice in information technology may have evolved substantially since the founding of the group, for example, increasing the emphasis on IS development. The plan for the conference was...
partially rooted in the early WG 8.2 traditions, in which working conferences were substantially composed of invited papers. For IS2000, roughly half of the paper presentations were planned to be invited; the remaining half were planned to be double-blind refereed in response to a "Call For Papers." Invited papers were single-blind reviewed in order to provide the authors with pre-publication feedback and comments, along with the opportunity to revise their papers prior to its final incorporation in this book.

**Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Teacher Evaluation**-Morgaen L. Donaldson 2020-11-27 In the wake of national interest in teacher evaluation, this book examines what we have learned about how and whether teacher evaluation holds teachers accountable and improves their practice. Drawing on literature in psychology, economics, and sociology, this multi-disciplinary and multi-perspectival book explores teacher evaluation’s intended goals of development and accountability, as well as its unintended consequences, especially as they relate to equity. Blending theory from diverse disciplines with decades of research, this book provides new insights into how teacher evaluation has played out in schools across the United States and offers recommendations for research, policy, and practice in the years to come. Insights include how to embed teacher evaluation in a larger culture of continuous learning; rethinking assumptions on accountability and development aims; and highlighting the importance of equity in the design, implementation, and outcomes of teacher evaluation. Every chapter concludes with practical recommendations informed by theory and research to guide policymakers, researchers, and district and school leaders as they seek to understand, design, and implement better teacher evaluation systems.

**New Directions in Nursing Education, An Issue of Nursing Clinics - E-Book**-Mary Ellen Smith Glasgow 2012-11-15 This issue of Nursing
Clinics of North America, Guest Edited by Mary Ellen Smith Glasgow, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, will focus on New Developments in Nursing Education: A Focus on Contemporary Content, Pedagogies, Deans, Trends, with article topics including: Game-based E-Learning; Incorporating Evidence-Based Care of Individuals with Developmental/Cognitive Disabilities into the Curriculum; Doctor of Nursing Practice Graduate as Faculty Members; Clinical Nursing Education Evaluation and Re-Design; Transdisciplinary Simulation; New Dean of Nursing: Lessons Learned; Promoting a Healthy Workplace for Nursing Faculty; Nursing Education Trends; Learning from Business; Focusing Curricula on Primary Care, Health Promotion, and Public Health in Light of Health Care Reform; Genetics in the Nursing Curriculum; and A National Study of Doctoral Nursing Faculty.

International Joint Ventures: Economic and Organizational Perspectives-Kalyan Chatterjee
2013-03-09

Economic and Organizational Perspectives is the result of a symposium on International Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances held by the Center for Research in Conflict and Negotiation at Pennsylvania State University. The book gives a cross-disciplinary treatment of the economic and managerial issues affecting joint venture formation, operation and performance, including subjects ranging from the impact of international trade policy to cross-cultural communication on joint venture operations. The volume enriches our understanding of each discipline from the vantage point of the other, building a more complete understanding of joint ventures as a mode of entry into domestic and international markets. Two categories of question are analyzed: issues of importance to the joint potential and actual participants in a joint venture, and issues related to the social effects of joint ventures from the point of view of society as a whole or its agent, the regulator. The questions are addressed using simple theoretical models and conceptual discussions as well as empirical analyses. Audience: Executives, policy makers.
and scholars of economics, decision analysis, political science and management.


Long Term Perspectives in Evaluation - Kim Forss 2020-09-08 Long Term Perspectives in Evaluation is the first book to advocate the virtues of a long-term perspective for policy evaluation as well as to show how evaluations can take a longer time perspective than they usually do. To get there, it is necessary to understand the decision-making context of evaluations and study the obstacles and the resistance toward long-term perspectives – as knowledge of that will lay the ground for more effective advocacy. The book is divided into three parts: the first section examines different aspects of methodology and methods. In the next section, authors present case studies of long-term evaluations, examine their own experiences of such evaluations and discuss difficulties, challenges and lessons learned. Cases discussed include: education sector reforms in Sweden, local governance reforms in Denmark, policy interventions in Southern Italy and Brazil, and Paris Declaration Principles of aid effectiveness such as Swedish aid to Tanzania, Vietnam, Laos and Sri Lanka. Finally, the third section sees the authors turn to a set of contextual issues and concluding remarks. Bringing together a rich collection of insights and a renowned group of experts, Long Term Perspectives in Evaluation: Increasing Relevance and Utility, constitutes a significant landmark in the field.

Cooperative Strategy: Economic, Business, and Organizational Issues - David Faulkner 2000-05-18 This book brings together some of the latest thinking and research on cooperative strategy. Work in this area has grown rapidly over the last decade, but no single thematic approach has dominated and become the
ascendant theory, resource dependency, transaction cost analysis, market power, and game theory have all made significant contributions to the growing literature on strategic cooperation. This book presents chapters from many of these theoretical perspectives and some of the key issues through a number of different lenses.

**Historical Perspectives in Industrial and Organizational Psychology**-Laura Koppes Bryan 2020-12-30 Historical Perspectives in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Second Edition updates the first edition with the latest creative and scholarly views of I-O psychology to provide a complete, up-to-date understanding of this discipline’s history within a contemporary context. This new edition includes updated chapters from the first edition as well as three completely new chapters: a history of LGBTQ+ employees’ workplace experiences, the evolution of worker well-being and work-life issues, and a reflection on the importance of context when studying workplaces and whether or not the science and practice of I-O psychology is prepared for the future. Historical Perspectives in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Second Edition compiles chapters written from the historical perspectives of I-O psychologists, historians, and other experts in their fields, all of whom use historical analyses as the method of inquiry rather than provide summarized overviews of the topics. Chapter authors rely on archival materials, primary and secondary sources, as well as interviews with luminaries and experts. Historical Perspectives in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Second Edition is essential reading for contemporary and aspiring scholars of I-O psychology and related fields, such as history of psychology, human resource management, organizational behavior, and public administration. Both scientists and practitioners will benefit from reading this text.

**Development and Validation of the "organizational Readiness for Evaluation"**
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The European Risk Research Network (ERRN) was established in 2006 with the aim of stimulating cross-disciplinary research in the area of risk management. The network includes academics and industry experts from the fields of accounting, auditing, financial economics and mathematical finance. To keep the network lively and fruitful, regular “European Risk Conferences” are organized to present papers from a broad spectrum of risk and risk management areas. Featuring contributions for Italy, South Africa, Germany and Poland, this proceedings book is a valuable reference resource for students, academics, and practitioners in risk and risk management.

Quality in higher education was not invented in recent decades – universities have always possessed mechanisms for assuring the quality of their work. The rising concern over quality is closely related to the changes in higher education and its social context. Among others,
the most conspicuous changes are the massive expansion, diversification and increased cost in higher education, and new mechanisms of accountability initiated by the state. With these changes the traditional internally enacted academic quality-keeping has been given an important external dimension – quality assurance, which requires higher education institutions to continuously demonstrate and improve performance, and which also provides new systems of rewards and sanctions. However, the complex impacts of quality assurance policies have shown a need to further understand the quality issue in higher education. This book is about constructing a more inclusive understanding of quality in higher education through combining the macro, meso and micro levels, i.e. from the perspectives of national policy, higher education institutions as organizations in society, individual teaching staff and students. It covers both theoretical constructions for understanding quality and empirical investigation in the Chinese context. The questions addressed are: How is quality of higher education perceived by the institution, teaching staff and students, respectively? What are the main concerns for the institution, teaching staff and students in their own pursuit of quality? It has been concluded that quality of higher education is not only about educational quality, but also about expanding life chances for the students, prosperity in the administrative system for the teaching staff, and organizational prosperity for the institution. With regard to quality assurance and accountability in higher education special attention should be given to the values pursued and be careful to balance between immediate, single-value efficiency and sustainable development and a wider-range of values that higher education serves.

**Processual Perspectives on the Co-Production Turn in Public Sector Organizations**- Thomassen, Anja Overgaard
2020-12-11 Existing research understands co-production as leading to shifts in roles of the public sector institutions and their staffs. The
shift is seen in the way that a discursive use of the term service provision with embedded logics encompassing fiscal accountability, performance measurement, efficiency, and process regulation has changed towards discourses that embrace collaboration between the public sector front staff and the citizens, with the aim of developing legitimate and effective welfare services that are co-produced by means of active participation and distributed decision making. However, this change requires new approaches to the way in which the implementation of new practices and tools is executed in practice as studied and researched, and how the new practices and tools are understood and evaluated in organizations. Processual Perspectives on the Co-Production Turn in Public Sector Organizations is an essential reference book that examines, unfolds, and develops approaches to co-production and implementation as dynamic, processual, collaborative, sensemaking, and as requiring and resulting in capacity building and learning. Moreover, the book examines new approaches to engage citizens and public sector actors in collaborative and co-productive processes, especially with concern for new goals pertaining to sustainability, social equity, democratic legitimacy, etc. Covering topics that include knowledge management and collective leadership, the book presents perspectives on capacity building, learning, change, and evaluation in organizations and current research in different areas of the public sector. It is intended for public sector administrators and managers investigating the relevancy, approaches, and methods in co-production. Furthermore, it targets civil actors and welfare service users, leaders and managers of public organizations, researchers, academicians, and students in programs that include social welfare development, public administration, political science, and organizational development.

**Student Perspectives on Assessment**

Dennis M. McInerney 2009-12-01 Assessment for learning is meant to engage, motivate, and enable students to do better in their learning.
However, how students themselves perceive assessments (both high-stakes qualifications and low-stakes monitoring) is not well understood. This volume collects research studies from Europe, North and South America, Asia, and New Zealand that have deliberately focused on how students in primary, secondary, and tertiary education conceive of, experience, understand, and evaluate assessments. Assessment for learning has assumed that formative assessments and classroom practices would be an unqualified success in terms of student learning outcomes. Making use of a variety of qualitatively interpreted focus groups, observations, and interviews and factor-analytic survey methods, the studies collected in this volume raise doubts as to the validity of this formulation. We commend this volume to readers hoping to stimulate their own thinking and research in the area of student assessment. We believe the chapters will challenge researchers, policy makers, teacher educators, and instructors as to how assessment for learning can be implemented.