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Strategic Leadership John Wiley & Sons
Be a more effective leader with strategic thinking. Leading with Strategic Thinking reveals what effective leaders do differently. Eschewing the one-size-fits-all leadership model, this helpful guide outlines four general leadership types and demonstrates how each type achieves success - whether through personal vision, structured process, collaboration, or by empowering others. The authors identify the actions and skills that distinguish strategic leadership, drawn from interviews and focus groups with over three hundred leaders from around the world. Examples and case studies illustrate these concepts in action, and the provided reference materials steer readers toward more advanced information on this important topic. The disruptive forces of technology and globalization raise new challenges for leaders. This book is a manual that will help executives and aspiring leaders harness these forces and address the two central questions of strategic leadership: How do the best leaders develop their strategy? How do effective leaders drive strategic change? Becoming a strategic leader isn't about mimicking an icon. The most effective leaders seize opportunity in a way that

consciously integrates environmental requirements, stakeholder expectations, and personal ability. Leading with Strategic Thinking shows what these leaders do, and gives anyone the tools to be a more strategic leader.

The Wise Advocate Berrett-Koehler Publishers

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The Cores of Strategic Management

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This book helps business leaders to stretch their strategic thinking and build their strategic competence through the integrating of innovative strategy, agile execution, and market-based measures.

From Theory to Practice Columbia

University Press

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Encompassing all the critical phases of the strategic process, The Art and Discipline of Strategic Leadership shows readers how to: Gather and analyze strategic intelligence Craft a strategy Develop an implementation plan Take action Monitor progress and more Throughout, key points are illustrated with case examples from a diverse range of organizations, including Hallmark, Hong Kong and China Gas, Lockheed Martin, Savoy Hotel Group, and others.

Becoming a Strategic Leader University of Pennsylvania Press

Are you winning the battle but losing the war? Every leader has to deliver the goods—make budget, meet deadlines, and deftly manage people—to provide the inspirational fuel that keeps their business running day-in and day-out. But therein lies the danger of winning today's battle and losing the war—that is the long game of creating sustainable value in a volatile, uncertain world that

is becoming ever-more complex and ambiguous. The greater purpose—today's number one business challenge—is winning the long game by being more strategic; developing the skills to look outside the four walls of the organization and see the world from the future back. Steven Krupp and Paul J. H. Schoemaker bridge the gap between what many see as the separate domains of strategy and leadership to show how to develop the discipline of strategic leadership in a world of growing uncertainty. While pragmatic to the core, *Winning the Long Game* creates vivid insights into the discipline of strategic leadership by applying it systemically through personal portraits of successful business leaders. The book profiles Elon Musk, Richard Branson, and Sara Blakely, as well as world-renowned figures like Pope Francis, Oprah Winfrey, and Nelson Mandela. What makes these strategic leaders successful is highlighted by contrasting them with others who are either mediocre or outright failures. *Winning the Long Game* is the must-have playbook for every leader and for any manager seeking to become more strategic in today's topsy-turvy world.

The Art of Strategic Leadership Kogan Page Limited

Leadership, adaptability, value creation. These are the skills necessary for tomorrow's managers. Allen Amason approaches the topic of strategic management with these traits in mind. Rather than simply teaching theory and research, he seeks to communicate to them the fundamental keys to how strategy works. This book is designed to help students think critically and understand fully how to strategically manage their future firms. In so doing, it will enable them to adapt and learn,

even as their circumstances change; to apply sound logic and reasoning, even in new and unfamiliar settings. By conveying enduring and fundamental principles of economic and human behavior rather than simply reporting on the latest innovations, this book succeeds in preparing students to excel in the business environment over time, regardless of how it evolves.

New tactics for a Globalizing World

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A strategic leader is essentially the leader of any organization and someone who has to steer the company in times of change, whilst motivating and inspiring their team. Strategic Leadership from the renowned leadership expert John Adair encourages leaders to focus on tomorrow rather than yesterday. It explores the nature and origin of strategic leadership, transferable skills and the art of inspiring others. It then describes the role itself and broad functions of that role such as building and maintaining a team, achieving a common task and motivating and developing the individual. It moves on to assess the skills you need to be effective, and the seven generic functions that make up the role of strategic leader which include providing direction, strategic thinking and planning, building partnerships and developing tomorrow's leaders. Full of checklists, summaries and historical examples, *Strategic Leadership* will encourage you to ask the right questions whilst defining the role and skills of a strategic leader.

The Technology Takers Emerald Group Publishing

Thinking strategically is what separates managers and leaders. Learn the fundamentals about how to create winning strategy and lead your team to

deliver it. From understanding what strategy can do for you, through to creating a strategy and engaging others with strategy, this book offers practical guidance and expert tips. It is peppered with punchy, memorable examples from real leaders winning (and losing) with real world strategies. It can be read as a whole or you can dip into the easy-to-read, bite-size sections as and when you need to deal with a particular issue. The structure has been specially designed to make sections quick and easy to use - you'll find yourself referring back to them again and again.

Four Ways Effective Leaders Gain Insight, Drive Change, and Get Results

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This book helps leaders focus on, and achieve, their main purpose - the development and maintenance of a high performing organization. You will find the habits, actions, and tactics that have worked in that crucible and what I believe will continue to work under the dynamic conditions leaders face today. The book is framed around six habits gleaned from leaders who have successfully answered the following questions. Do I need to think differently? What is the environment telling me? Where are we going and where do we need to go? How do I position myself and/or my organization, team and individuals to take advantage of opportunities presented by the environment? How do I multiply myself though other people? How do I find and turn talent into performance? How do I ignite the soul of followers to achieve greatness beyond what anyone imagined possible? How do I know if we are succeeding? How do we continually adapt to change and maintain profitability and our competitive advantage? The Strategic leader

answers those questions by identifying the actions and tactics used to establish a holistic learning approach to leading. It accomplishes its objective by describing how strategic leaders use new actions and tactics -jumping the curve, minimum specifications, organizational fitness, generative conversations, chunking change, lighting the way, running for daylight, bonding, bridging, bartering, and institution building - to create direction, establish alignment and commitment, in order to produce results in a dynamic globalizing world. In the first section you will discover the value of the leader's Wheel to develop a high performing organization. In the following chapters you will discovering the six habits that enable you to turn the Wheel: acquiring a strategic mindset, artistry, anticipating, articulating, aligning and assuring. Your path to discover these secrets will be aided by two original self assessment tools: The Strategic Thinking Questionnaire (STQ) and the Strategic Leadership Questionnaire (SLQ) which are available to those who purchase the book.

Strategic Leadership John Wiley & Sons According to a study published in Chief Executive Magazine, the most valued skill in leaders today is strategic thinking. However, more than half of all companies say that strategic thinking is the skill their senior leaders most need to improve. Elevate provides leaders with a framework and toolkit for developing advanced strategic thinking capabilities. Unlike the majority of books that focus on strategy from a corporate perspective, Elevate gives the individual executive practical tools and techniques to help them become a truly strategic leader. The new framework that will enable leaders to finally integrate both strategy and innovation into a strategic

approach that drives their profitable growth is the Three Disciplines of Advanced Strategic Thinking: 1. Coalesce: Fusing together insights to create an innovative business model. 2. Compete: Creating a system of strategy to achieve competitive advantage. 3. Champion: Leading others to think and act strategically to execute strategy. Every leader desperately wants to be strategic--their career depends on it. Elevate provides the roadmap to reach the strategic leadership summit. How to Think and Act Strategically to Deliver Outstanding Results Strategic Leadership How to Think and Plan Strategically and Provide Direction A strategic leader is essentially the leader of any organization and someone who has to steer the company in times of change, whilst motivating and inspiring their team. Strategic Leadership from the renowned leadership expert John Adair encourages leaders to focus on tomorrow rather than yesterday. It explores the nature and origin of strategic leadership, transferable skills and the art of inspiring others. It then describes the role itself and broad functions of that role such as building and maintaining a team, achieving a common task and motivating and developing the individual. It moves on to assess the skills you need to be effective, and the seven generic functions that make up the role of strategic leader which include providing direction, strategic thinking and planning, building partnerships and developing tomorrow's leaders. Full of checklists, summaries and historical examples, Strategic Leadership will encourage you to ask the right questions whilst defining the role and skills of a strategic leader. Strategic Management Harvard Business

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Now in paperback, multi-awarded national hit Simple Church shares a clear message from case studies of 400 North American congregations: Church is done best when it's kept simple. Theory and Research on Executives, Top Management Teams, and Boards IAP Acting Strategically, Thinking Critically: Concepts, Cases and Tools for Business Students is a student-friendly, strategic management textbook and utilizes activity-based learning strategies, short and comprehensive cases, critical thinking exercises, and several well-known analytical frameworks to not only help students master strategic management concepts, but also "think about thinking." This text emphasizes knowledge acquired in business degree programs and provides a vehicle for students to engage in active learning strategies by demonstrating their competencies in acquiring, retaining, and applying their knowledge as students of strategy and prospective strategic leaders and thinkers. As such, this book is designed for life-long learning and application, and provides information that will be of use in a variety of classroom settings, business organizations, and other learning environments. Students will gain a foundation in strategic management as a dynamic process through the lens of five schools of strategic thought: style, competitive forces, resource-based view, learning, and entrepreneurship. The book emphasizes strategic decision making and action-based learning in the 21st century environment of accelerated change and exponential growth. It will teach students the importance of being agile and creative in today's fast-paced environment. Among the topics covered are: conceptual foundation of strategy,

case method, corporate strategy, business-level strategy, strategic leadership and strategy execution, global strategy, and innovation-based strategies. Students will apply concepts, tools, and models to case studies and thinking critically exercises to reflect on the impact of strategy within specific organizational and individual situations. They will also come to understand the professional and career benefits associated with acting strategically and thinking critically. Developed for the capstone course required in undergraduate business and masters of business administration degrees, *Acting Strategically, Thinking Critically* prepares students to make meaningful contributions to the organizations in which they work. Michael J. Merenda earned his Ph.D. at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He is a professor of strategic management and entrepreneurship at the Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics at University of New Hampshire, Durham, where he also directs the university's annual Holloway Prize Innovation-to-Market Competition. Dr. Merenda's research interests include the role of entrepreneurial education in fostering entrepreneurship and the strategic use of information technology in market competitiveness. His work has appeared in the *Case Research Journal*, *International Journal of Case Method Research and Application*, and the *Sloan Management Review* among others. Dr. Merenda also co-authored (with Ross Gittell and Matt Magnusson) *The Sustainable Business Case Book. Strategic Leadership and Systems Thinking* SAGE Publications

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Engine of Impact McGraw-Hill Companies

Strategic leadership is broadly defined as utilizing particular approaches in the management of employees. The main objective is productivity. It provides the vision and direction for the long term growth and success of an organization. It requires objectivity and potential to look at the broader picture. It is leaders' responsibility to incorporate aspects of both the analytical and human dimensions to effectively drive the organizations forward. As an academic subject, it is taught in both education and business. Leaders and managers have turned to strategic leadership to inspire and guide their visions, and to formulate the directions so essential for the long term growth and success of an organization or a country. Leaders need the skills and tools for strategy formulation and implementation in order to deal with change in our society. Managing change and ambiguity requires strategic leaders who not only provide a sense of direction, but who can also build ownership and alignment within their workgroups to implement change. The goal of strategic leadership is to drive innovation, and maximize team performance to enhance organizations' long term growth and

success in today's complex world of fastpaced, dramatic change. Research on strategic leadership has been going on for decades. Textbooks on this subject are readily available. If we look deeper, we realize the vast majority of these books were written from a practitioner's perspective. In other words, these books were not based on empirical research. Naturally, these existing books have failed to better serve the needs of today's graduate students who should be equipped with empirical research on such an academic subject. This book will investigate emergent administrative techniques and business practices being used within educational establishments and corporate worlds. It will highlight empirical research and best practices within strategic leadership.

Leading the Strategically Focused School Pan Macmillan

If you want to be as successful as Jack Welch, Larry Bossidy, or Michael Dell, read their autobiographical advice books, right? Wrong, says Roger Martin in *The Opposable Mind*. Though following best practice can help in some ways, it also poses a danger: By emulating what a great leader did in a particular situation, you'll likely be terribly disappointed with your own results. Why? Your situation is different. Instead of focusing on what exceptional leaders do, we need to understand and emulate how they think. Successful businesspeople engage in what Martin calls integrative thinking creatively resolving the tension in opposing models by forming entirely new and superior ones. Drawing on stories of leaders as diverse as AG Lafley of Procter & Gamble, Meg Whitman of eBay, Victoria Hale of the Institute for One World Health, and Nandan Nilekani of Infosys,

Martin shows how integrative thinkers are relentlessly diagnosing and synthesizing by asking probing questions including: What are the causal relationships at work here? and What are the implied trade-offs? Martin also presents a model for strengthening your integrative thinking skills by drawing on different kinds of knowledge including conceptual and experiential knowledge. Integrative thinking can be learned, and *The Opposable Mind* helps you master this vital skill.

Your Role in Your Organization's

Enduring Success John Wiley & Sons

This book is about a new strategic leader - one who, inspired by General Systems Theory (GST), envisions an organization in which people and groups work together interdependently across organizational divides to reach a shared, rewarding future. GST has dramatically influenced physics, biology, economics, healthcare and environmental science, but has not as yet had any significant influence on the way companies work and are structured. This new, systems way of working promises a break from the influence of Sir Isaac Newton and René Descartes - thinking that has dominated worldviews for almost 400 years - and offers workers the opportunity to find greater purpose and meaning in their work. This book is also about leadership that recognizes the potential of enhanced organizational performance that results from the movement of the organization as system, to a new desired destination. Engaging and empowering employees, the leader unleashes their unique talents and energy and uses the previously unrecognized power of strategy processes to bridge functional silos. Offering the latest knowledge on strategic leadership, *Strategic*

Leadership and Systems Thinking will be of interest to researchers, academics, practitioners, and students in the fields of leadership and organizational studies. *Leading with Strategic Thinking* SAGE Publications Limited

We can all become strategic leaders if we stay on the right path. Even a strong leader can flounder without an effective strategy, and the most powerful strategy can fail without the right leader. Only those who master and integrate both skills can effectively navigate the challenges that lay ahead for today's organizations. The authors offer a 6-point checklist for leading strategically that will help managers strengthen their capacity to develop strategy and to lead its execution.

A Step-by-step Approach to

Strategy and Leadership Routledge

Drawing upon Brent Davies's extensive experience in presenting nationally and internationally to school leaders, this book distils the collective wisdom from educationalists across the globe. Updated with new international examples and references and a significant new chapter on developing strategic talent in schools, the book has been described as a 'must read' for existing and aspiring school leaders. The book focuses on: " establishing processes for building whole school involvement " strategic approaches to build capacity in your school " building and sustaining strategic leadership throughout the school " developing strategic talent in schools " characteristics of strategically focused schools This book is an indispensable read for school leaders who want to focus on bringing sustainable improvement to their school. Dr Brent Davies is Professor of Leadership Development at the University of Hull.

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