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**Work Happy** Simon and Schuster  
A Washington Post Bestseller Not all collaboration is smart. Make sure you do it right. Professional service firms face a serious challenge. Their clients increasingly need them to solve complex problems—everything from regulatory compliance to cybersecurity, the kinds of problems that only teams of multidisciplinary experts can tackle. Yet most firms have carved up their highly specialized, professional experts into

narrowly defined practice areas, and collaborating across these silos is often messy, risky, and expensive. Unless you know why you're collaborating and how to do it effectively, it may not be smart at all. That's especially true for partners who have built their reputations and client rosters independently, not by working with peers. In *Smart Collaboration*, Heidi K. Gardner shows that firms earn higher margins, inspire greater client loyalty, attract and retain the best talent, and gain a competitive edge when specialists collaborate across functional boundaries. Gardner, a former McKinsey consultant and Harvard

Business School professor now lecturing at Harvard Law School, has spent over a decade conducting in-depth studies of numerous global professional service firms. Her research with clients and the empirical results of her studies demonstrate clearly and convincingly that collaboration pays, for both professionals and their firms. But Gardner also offers powerful prescriptions for how leaders can foster collaboration, move to higher-margin work, increase client satisfaction, improve lateral hiring, decrease enterprise risk, engage workers to contribute their utmost, break down silos, and boost their bottom line. With case studies and real-world insights, Smart Collaboration delivers an authoritative case for the value of

collaboration to today's professionals, their firms, and their clients and shows you exactly how to achieve it.

**Connecting Organizational Silos** John Wiley & Sons

Fad-Free Strategy provides a groundbreaking approach to making better business strategy decisions: more efficient, open to out-of-the-box opportunities and evidence-based. Most strategy books focus on Grand Strategy, the process that leads to high-level recommendations or, more accurately, hypotheses about where and how to compete. While this book briefly covers critical Grand Strategy practices, it deep dives into Operational Strategy, the process of validation, adaptation and possible rejection of those hypotheses. Operational Strategy is based on an in-

depth understanding of customer preferences and anticipating the choices they make. Those choices rather than managers' ambitions determine whether a strategy will generate the aspired financial results. The book explains, by means of detailed real-world cases across industries, how to generate validated solutions to any strategic problem such as: how to enter successfully into new markets, either as an innovator or as a latecomer? How to defend one's position against aggressive new entrants? Or how to sustain margins when price is the only thing customers seem to care about? This remarkable book contains expert advice from accomplished strategic advisors and thought leaders Daniel Deneffe and Herman Vantrappen. *Fad Free Strategy*

will be a useful tool for smart business executives at mainstream companies who are disappointed with strategy fads and simplistic solutions based on cherry-picked, anecdotal evidence from today's hero companies. It will also appeal to economics faculty members teaching graduate courses in business strategy who are looking for an economics-based strategy textbook that is both rigorous and comprehensive. The book's core ideas have been taught successfully in continuing and executive education programs at Harvard University and Hult International Business School.

**The Fearless Organization** Lulu.com

This book translates the latest theoretical perspectives on the emerging field of Planetary Health Studies into the practical reality of global political

decision makers. It builds on the scientific data on the impacts of environmental change on human health to propose practical methods for operationalizing planetary health. The book maps opportunities for decision makers to break institutional silos and engage with bottom-up approaches that can transform planetary health from a global idea into a local reality. The analysis frames human health in the Anthropocene, an era in which humans have become the most powerful force affecting global ecosystems, and reveals new existential risks for humankind. Departing from ongoing multilateral efforts to promote sustainability, the author's analysis places the agenda of planetary health on the desk of political decision makers, still

underrepresented at planetary health gatherings. Given the pressing need to implement sustainable development policies, the book presents planetary health as an overarching framework for global policy targets, notably the UN Sustainable Development Goals, the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, and the post-2020 biodiversity framework under the UN Convention on Biological Diversity. The book is timely in offering a concrete road map for practitioners and researchers interested in transforming the concept of planetary health into reality. With a collection of success stories, the analysis dwells on tools for community engagement, opportunities for health professionals training, gender empowerment, digital health, and innovative ways to enhance human well-

being on a changing planet.  
Fad-Free Strategy Routledge  
Famous "Work-Out" change-management tool explained by the people who helped develop it. GE's legendary Work-Out program played a key role in the company's phenomenal success over the past decade and has been implemented in many other organizations. Now three executives and consultants who developed the original Work-Out approach at GE often working directly with CEO Jack Welch discuss the inner workings of Work-Out and their experiences at successfully implementing the program at GE. Filled with effective assessment and decisionmaking tools, The GE Work-Out provides concrete and realistic guidance for anyone who wants to implement

Work-Out and break down bureaucracy and hierarchy within an organization.

**Better Business** Harvard Business Review Press

Describes how organizations can learn to move swiftly to accommodate change while still providing the necessary structures that nurture employees and long-term success.

**The Innovative Leader** Harvard Business Press

Drive more value from all your marketing and communications channels--together! Demolish your silos and sync all your messaging, strategies, and tactics (really!). Optimize every medium and platform, from iPad and Facebook to TV and direct. This book is a must-read for every senior marketing, communications, and PR decision-maker.

It's not about social media. Or new (or old) media. It's about results—and there's only one way to get results. You must finally bite the bullet, tear down your silos, and integrate all your marketing and communications. That's how you choose the best platforms and messages for each customer. That's how you make research and metrics work. That's how you overcome today's insane levels of complexity and clutter. You're thinking: Oh, that's all I need to do? "Just" integrate my whole organization? Are you nuts? No. We're not. It can be done. This book's authors have done it. They've shown others how to do it. And now they're going to show you. Step by step. Strategy. Tactics. Research. Metrics. Culture. Social. Mobile. Direct. Broadcast. Print. All of it. With you, the

marketing/communications decision-maker, right at the center...right where you belong! Even now, organizational silos prevent most companies from conversing coherently with customers, delivering the right targeted messages, and building real synergies across all their marketing and communications programs. Now, Gini Dietrich and Geoff Livingston show how to finally break down those silos, bridging traditional and newer disciplines to drive more value from all of them. You'll learn how to create a flexible marketing hub with integrated spokes including sales, PR, advertising, customer service, HR, social media, and the executive team. Then, you'll learn how to use your hub to speak cohesively with each customer through the tools and platforms that deliver the



best results at the lowest cost. Dietrich and Livingston guide you through hands-on strategic planning, illustrating key points with real case studies and offering practical exercises for applying their principles. You'll learn how to perform baseline analyses of media from iPad apps to radio, optimize resource allocation, change culture to overcome siloed behavior, use measurement to clear away obstacles, and gain more value from every marketing investment you make. Pull it all together--finally! How to successfully integrate your tactics, tools, messages, and teams Better goals, better results: beyond "SMART" to "SMARTER" Specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, time-bound, evaluate, and reevaluate Better listening: stakeholders, customers, and

research that works How to make sure you hear what really matters Four powerful ways to market in the round When to go direct, come from above, use the groundswell, or execute flanking maneuvers

### **Enterprise Architecture as Strategy** MIT Press

The second edition of the essential guide, updated with new research and observations to help twenty-first century organizations create models for effective collaboration. Collaborative skills have never been more important to a company's success and these skills are essential for every worker today. Radical Collaboration is a how-to-manual for creating trusting, cooperative environments, and transforming groups into motivated and empowered teams.

James W. Tamm and Ronald J. Luyet provide tools that will help you increase your ability to work successfully with others, learn to be more aware of colleagues, and better problem-solve and negotiate. Radical Collaboration is an eye-opener for leaders, managers, HR professionals, agents, trainers, and consultants who are seeking constructive ways of getting the results they want.

### **Building a New Performance Vision**

John Wiley & Sons

How communities can collaborate across systems and sectors to address environmental health disparities; with case studies from Rochester, New York; Duluth, Minnesota; and Southern California. Low-income and marginalized urban communities often suffer

disproportionate exposure to environmental hazards, leaving residents vulnerable to associated health problems. Community groups, academics, environmental justice advocates, government agencies, and others have worked to address these issues, building coalitions at the local level to change the policies and systems that create environmental health inequities. In *Bridging Silos*, Katrina Smith Korfmacher examines ways that communities can collaborate across systems and sectors to address environmental health disparities, with in-depth studies of three efforts to address long-standing environmental health issues: childhood lead poisoning in Rochester, New York; unhealthy built environments in Duluth, Minnesota; and

pollution related to commercial ports and international trade in Southern California. All three efforts were locally initiated, driven by local stakeholders, and each addressed issues long known to the community by reframing an old problem in a new way. These local efforts leveraged resources to impact community change by focusing on inequities in environmental health, bringing diverse kinds of knowledge to bear, and forging new connections among existing community, academic, and government groups. Korfmacher explains how the once integrated environmental and public health management systems had become separated into self-contained “silos,” and compares current efforts to bridge these separations to the development of

ecosystem management in the 1990s. Community groups, government agencies, academic institutions, and private institutions each have a role to play, but collaborating effectively requires stakeholders to appreciate their partners' diverse incentives, capacities, and constraints.

Radical Collaboration Harvard Business Review Press

"Good business leaders create a vision, articulate the vision, passionately own the vision, and relentlessly drive it to completion." Jack Welch, former CEO, GE  
The Innovative Leader stresses the importance of innovation and creativity in modern business to help organizations secure competitive advantage over rivals. It shows how to apply the methods described to the individual, to

others and to the organization. Author Paul Sloane demonstrates the importance of setting out your vision clearly and emphasizes the need for continual evaluation of the process. Numerous international examples illustrate how organizations such as Virgin, Body Shop, WPP and 3M have benefited from this approach, encouraging excellence and entrepreneurship through setting challenging goals to keep employees motivated and engaged.

*TakingPoint* McGraw Hill Professional  
 In an era of raging commoditization and eroding profit margins, survival depends on resilience: staying one step ahead of your customers. Sure, most companies say they're "customer-focused," but they don't deliver solutions to customers'

thorniest problems. Why? Because they're stymied by the rigid "silos" they're organized around. In *Reorganize for Resilience*, Ranjay Gulati reveals how resilient companies prosper both in good times and bad, driving growth and increasing profitability by immersing themselves in the lives of their customers. This book shows how resilient organizations cut through internal barriers that impede action, build bridges between warring divisions, and transform former competitors into collaborators. Based on more than a decade of research in a variety of industries, and filled with examples from companies including Cisco Systems, La Farge, Starbucks, Best Buy, and Jones Lang LaSalle, Gulati explores the five levers of resilience:

- Coordination:

Connect, eradicate, or restructure silos to enable swift responses. · Cooperation: Foster a culture that aligns all employees around the shared goals of customer solutions. · Clout: Redistribute power to "bridge builders" and customer champions. · Capability: Develop employees' skills at tackling changing customer needs. · Connection: Blend partners' offerings with yours to provide unique customer solutions.

#### Big Data Integration Center Street

The big data era is upon us: data are being generated, analyzed, and used at an unprecedented scale, and data-driven decision making is sweeping through all aspects of society. Since the value of data explodes when it can be linked and fused with other data, addressing the big data integration (BDI) challenge is

critical to realizing the promise of big data. BDI differs from traditional data integration along the dimensions of volume, velocity, variety, and veracity. First, not only can data sources contain a huge volume of data, but also the number of data sources is now in the millions. Second, because of the rate at which newly collected data are made available, many of the data sources are very dynamic, and the number of data sources is also rapidly exploding. Third, data sources are extremely heterogeneous in their structure and content, exhibiting considerable variety even for substantially similar entities. Fourth, the data sources are of widely differing qualities, with significant differences in the coverage, accuracy and timeliness of data provided. This

book explores the progress that has been made by the data integration community on the topics of schema alignment, record linkage and data fusion in addressing these novel challenges faced by big data integration. Each of these topics is covered in a systematic way: first starting with a quick tour of the topic in the context of traditional data integration, followed by a detailed, example-driven exposition of recent innovative techniques that have been proposed to address the BDI challenges of volume, velocity, variety, and veracity. Finally, it presents merging topics and opportunities that are specific to BDI, identifying promising directions for the data integration community. *Think One Team* John Wiley & Sons  
This book is about how to release human

energy at work. It views people and organisations as energy fields, deeper and stronger than most managers understand. When Cracking Great Leaders release this energy (body, head, heart and soul) they access the ultimate business opportunity, a huge unsailed ocean of potential that will change people, organisations and may even change the world. This book goes well beyond "strength-based approaches" to Core of Greatness levels. It also goes beyond a process for individuals to a strategic program, based on 22 years of experience, designed to liberate the human energy of every person in your organisation. It will liberate your own Greatness, liberate Organisational Greatness throughout your organisation and ultimately help liberate Collective

Greatness throughout the planet. The book is written for business leaders; however, parents, grandparents, teachers and almost anyone would benefit by following the step-by-step proven processes provided.

*The GE Work-Out* Harvard Business Press 'Spanning Silos' explains how to strengthen your credibility with silo teams and your CEO, use cross-functional teams and other strategic linking devices, foster communication across silos, develop common planning processes, and adapt your brand strategy to silo units.

*Quick and Nimble* Business Expert Press Management guru Jill Geisler has coached countless men and women who want to build their leadership skills, help employees do their best work, and make

workplaces happy and successful. In *WORK HAPPY*, she provides a practical, step-by-step guide, based on real-world experience, respected research, and lessons that will transform managers and their teams. It's a workshop-in-a-book, designed to produce positive, immediate and lasting results. Whether the reader is an experienced manager, a rookie boss or an aspiring leader, *WORK HAPPY* will supercharge their skills and celebrate the values that make anyone look forward to going to work. Jill Geisler offers concrete steps for improving each element of management including collaboration, communication, conflict resolution, motivation, coaching, and feedback, so that everyone on the team—whether in the office or working offsite—can do their best. *WORK HAPPY* takes

management skills to the next level and proves that learning, leadership and life at work can (and should) be fun.

*Business Teaching Beyond Silos* The Silo Effect

Niccolò Machiavelli famously wrote, "There is nothing more difficult to take in hand, more perilous to conduct, or more uncertain in its success than to take the lead in the introduction of a new order of things." That's what this book is about--innovation far more audacious than a new way to find a restaurant or a smart phone you can wear on your wrist. Harvard professor Amy Edmondson and journalist Susan Salter Reynolds explore how to bring into being systems that transform human experience and make the world more livable and sustainable. This demands "big teaming": intense

collaboration across professions and industries that may have completely different mindsets and even be antagonistic to each other. To do this successfully requires practicing new forms of leadership that combine an expansive vision with incremental action--not an easy balance. To reveal how pioneers build the future, Edmondson and Reynolds tell the story of Living PlanIT, an award-winning "smart city" start-up with a breathtakingly ambitious goal: building a showcase high-tech city from scratch to pilot its software. This meant a joint effort spanning a truly disparate group of software entrepreneurs, real estate developers, city government officials, architects, construction companies, and technology corporations. We get to know



Living PlanIT's leaders and follow them and their partners through cycles of hope, exhaustion, disillusionment, pragmatism, and renewal. There are powerful lessons here for anyone, in any industry, seeking to transform the world.

**G Suite For Dummies** Pearson Education

This book explores organizations as not simply rational, technological structures and networks for organizing people around tasks and services; it defines organizations as relational, experiential, and perceptual systems.

*Silos, Politics and Turf Wars* Que Publishing

An award-winning columnist and journalist describes how businesses that structure their teams into functional departments, or "silos," actually hinder

work, cripple innovation, restrict thinking and force normally smart people to ignore risks and opportunities. --

**Collaboration Begins with You** John Wiley & Sons

Inspire and empower your team to collaborate across any boundary Think One Team, 2nd Edition: The Revolutionary 90 Day Plan that Engages Employees, Connects Silos and Transforms Organisations weaves a fascinating and entertaining tale that reveals how a simple change in approach can free your organisation of silo-based thinking, and empower your team to act as a single unit. This imaginative, yet practical text is fully revised and updated, and has been specifically designed to guide you in creating and sustaining the agile,

teamwork-focused environment that is essential to thriving in a rapidly changing world. Throughout this enlightening resource, you will explore the five practices that define the difference between fragmented, silo-based groups and a team that thinks and acts as one. In the business world, when teams are not aligned and don't collaborate across the various boundaries, they put the whole organisation at risk. This irritates customers, frustrates employees and causes countless lost opportunities. Think One Team gives you the step-by-step guide to unlock the potential in your own team and to inspire others by showing them that the era of silo thinking is over. Break down old and outdated silo-based thinking habits, and

replace them with nimble and effective decision-making methods Drive change through collaboration and co-creation, empowering teams to respond and adapt quickly Coach your team to think, learn and act as a single unit, rather than a fractured collection of independent professionals Leverage an online toolbox brimming with materials that reinforce lessons on how to lead and how to build and connect effective teams Think One Team, 2nd Edition: The Revolutionary 90 Day Plan that Engages Employees, Connects Silos and Transforms Organisations is an engaging book that breaks the cycle of silo-based thinking and empowers your team to thrive in an ever-changing world.

**Collaborating for Results** Harper Collins

Overcome ERM implementation challenges by taking cues from leading global organizations. *Implementing Enterprise Risk Management* is a practical guide to establishing an effective ERM system by applying best practices at a granular level. Case studies of leading organizations including Mars, Statoil, LEGO, British Columbia Lottery Corporation, and Astro illustrate the real-world implementation of ERM on a macro level, while also addressing how ERM informs the response to specific incidents. Readers will learn how top companies are effectively constructing ERM systems to positively drive financial growth and manage operational and outside risk factors. By addressing the challenges of adopting ERM in large organizations with

different functioning silos and well-established processes, this guide provides expert insight into fitting the new framework into cultures resistant to change. Enterprise risk management covers accidental losses as well as financial, strategic, operational, and other risks. Recent economic and financial market volatility has fueled a heightened interest in ERM, and regulators and investors have begun to scrutinize companies' risk-management policies and procedures. *Implementing Enterprise Risk Management* provides clear, demonstrative instruction on establishing a strong, effective system. Readers will learn to: Put the right people in the right places to build a strong ERM framework. Establish an ERM system in the face of cultural, logistical,

and historical challenges Create a common language and reporting system for communicating key risk indicators Create a risk-aware culture without discouraging beneficial risk-taking behaviors ERM is a complex endeavor, requiring expert planning, organization, and leadership, with the goal of steering a company's activities in a direction that minimizes the effects of risk on financial value and performance. Corporate boards are increasingly required to review and report on the adequacy of ERM in the organizations they

administer, and Implementing Enterprise Risk Management offers operative guidance for creating a program that will pass muster.

### **Overcoming Organizational Myopia**

Springer Nature

Helps your organization shake the silo mentality that stands in the way of real strides in performance improvement. This work enables you to explore how to create a single unified performance approach that brings together separate functions to share business goals.

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