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Interest in the phenomenon known as "lean" has grown significantly in recent years. This is the first volume to provide an academically rigorous overview of the field of lean management, introducing the reader to the application of lean in diverse application areas, from the production floor to sales and marketing, from the automobile industry to academic institutions. The volume collects contributions from well-known lean experts and up-and-coming scholars from around the world. The chapters provide a detailed description of lean management across the manufacturing enterprise (supply chain, accounting, production, sales, IT etc.), and offer important perspectives for applying lean across different industries (construction, healthcare, logistics). The contributors address challenges and opportunities for future development in each of the lean application areas, concluding most chapters with a short case study to illustrate current best practice. The book is divided into three parts: The Lean Enterprise Lean across Industries A Lean World. This handbook is an excellent resource for business and management students as well as any academics, scholars, practitioners, and consultants interested in the "lean world. Manufacturing companies work endlessly to make process improvements, yet they are often hard to implement and even harder to sustain. The reason: companies often stumble when communicating why the methodologies are being used and how to sustain the improvements. Communication for Continuous Improvement Projects demonstrates how to communicate change, create confidence in the new processes, and empower employees. It shows how to be an effective change agent by utilizing tools that make sense while being competitive in the business market. The book explores how the proper tools, communication, and management make the Lean Six Sigma methodologies work. It includes a Continuous Improvement Toolkit that is an easy reference for what tool to use and when and how to effectively teach the tools to employees who are not necessarily engineers. Communicating these tools is the most difficult part of using the tools. The author details the implementation of the actual tools that create confidence and explains Lean Six Sigma in a way that will make employees want to jump on board. Result-driven decisions can be made from the methodologies described in this book, making processes quantifiably better with sustainable results. Extensive and informative, the book takes the guesswork out of the art of continuous improvement through communication. The third edition of this textbook comprehensively discusses global supply chain and operations management (SCOM), combining value creation networks and interacting processes. It focuses on operational roles within networks and presents the quantitative and organizational methods needed to plan and control the material, information, and financial flows in supply chains. Each chapter begins with an introductory case study, while numerous examples from various industries and services help to illustrate the key concepts. The book explains how to design operations and supply networks and how to incorporate suppliers and customers. It examines how to balance supply and demand, a core aspect of tactical planning, before turning to the allocation of resources to meet customer needs. In addition, the book presents state-of-the-art research reflecting the lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic, and emerging, fast-paced developments in the digitalization of supply chain and operations management. Providing readers with a working knowledge of global supply chain and operations management, with a focus on bridging the gap between theory and practice, this textbook can be used in core, specialized, and advanced classes alike. It is intended for a broad range of students and professionals in supply chain and operations management. The next step in the evolution of the organizational quality field, Lean Six Sigma (LSS) has come of age. However, many challenges to using LSS in lieu of, in conjunction with, or integrated with other
quality initiatives remain. An update on the current focus of quality management, Quality Management for Organizations Using Lean Six Sigma Techniques covers the concepts and principles of Lean Six Sigma and its origins in quality, total quality management (TQM), and statistical process control (SPC), and then explores how it can be integrated into manufacturing, logistics, and healthcare operations. The book presents the background on quality and Lean Six Sigma (LSS) techniques and tools, previous history of LSS in manufacturing, and current applications of LSS in operations such as logistics and healthcare. It provides a decision model for choosing whether to use LSS or other quality initiatives, which projects should be selected and prioritized, and what to do with non-LSS projects. The author also details an integration model for integrating and developing integrated LSS and other quality initiatives, and common mathematical techniques that you can use for performing LSS statistical calculations. He describes methods to attain the different Six Sigma certifications, and closes with discussion of future directions of Lean Six Sigma and quality. Case studies illustrate the integration of LSS principles into other quality initiatives, highlighting best practices as well as successful and failed integrations. This guide gives you a balanced description of the good, bad, and ugly in integrating LSS into modern operations, giving you the understanding necessary to immediately apply the concepts to your quality processes. Although Lean and Six Sigma appear to be quite different, when used together they have shown to deliver unprecedented improvements to quality and profitability. The Lean Six Sigma Black Belt Handbook: Tools and Methods for Process Acceleration explains how to integrate these seemingly dissimilar approaches to increase production speed while decreasing variations and costs in your organization. Presenting problem-solving tools you can use to immediately determine the sources of the problems in your organization, the book is based on a recent survey that analyzed Six Sigma tools to determine which are the most beneficial. Although it focuses on the most commonly used tools, it also includes coverage of those used a minimum of two times on every five Six Sigma projects. Filled with diagrams of the tools you’ll need, the book supplies a comprehensive framework to help you for organize and process the vast amount of information currently available about Lean, quality management, and continuous improvement process applications. It begins with an overview of Six Sigma, followed by little-known tips for using Lean Six Sigma (LSS) effectively. It examines the LSS quality system, its supporting organization, and the different roles involved. Identifying the theories required to support a contemporary Lean system, the book describes the new skills and technologies that you need to master to be certified at the Lean Six Sigma Black Belt (LSSBB) level. It also covers the advanced non-statistical and statistical tools that are new to the LSSBB body of knowledge. Presenting time-tested insights of a distinguished group of authors, the book provides the understanding required to select the solutions that best fit your organization’s aim and culture. It also includes exercises, worksheets, and templates you can easily customize to create your own handbook for continuous process improvement. Designed to make the methodologies you choose easy to follow, the book will help Black Belts and Senseis better engage their employees, as well as provide an integrated and visual process management structure for reporting and sustaining continuous improvement breakthroughs and initiatives. In today’s fast-paced and volatile business environment, where customers are demanding increased flexibility and lower cost, companies must operate in a waste-free environment to maintain a competitive edge and grow margins. Lean Enterprise is the process that companies are now adopting to provide superior customer service and improve bottom line performance. Are you contemplating Lean Enterprise for your manufacturing or office facility? Are you already implementing Lean, but dissatisfied with the speed of change? Do your employees think that Lean is just the new flavor of the month? Are you being forced to go Lean by your customers, or your competitors? Are you anticipating going offshore to cut costs? Irrespective of your situation, this book is for you. The Elusive Lean Enterprise is designed to help guide you through the Lean transformation and avoid the pitfalls. Find out why many companies are failing to live up to the promise of Lean, and why there are alternatives to outsourcing or going offshore. In The Elusive Lean Enterprise, lean experts Keith Gilpatrick and Brian Furlong show you what to do, what you must not do, and how to make Lean the way business is done in the 21st century. Learn from the mistakes of others and avoid the trial and error implementation process that often kills the initiative. Find out why you must change, how to change, and how to institutionalize the process. Understand the costs of outsourcing or going offshore and compare these to the Lean alternative. For companies that invest the time and have an effective strategy, Lean Enterprise can produce outstanding results. For those companies that fail to commit to the process and truly change the culture, a Lean Enterprise will truly remain elusive. If you examine the characteristics of successful organizations, you will find that speed is a common denominator. Once there is a focus on speed, industry-leading improvements follow, momentum is created, and employees become further engaged to continue executing the strategy. The Four Components of a Fast-Paced Organization: Going Beyond Lean Sigma Tools examines the components that must be in place for manufacturing and service organizations to achieve world-class business results at a rapid pace: leadership and mentoring, process design and visual value streams, organization structure for sustainment, and fast knowledge sharing. The book illustrates the author’s experience working on a special Lean Sigma transformation at an organization going through a market alteration and having to consider outsourcing production to low-cost countries. It
describes how the four key components helped the company achieve a doubling of productivity, a 75% improvement to its yield, and on-time delivery above 90%. Outlining a simple, yet effective, implementation plan, the book supplies valuable guidance for Lean practitioners and organizational leaders on what needs to be done after Lean Sigma. It presents only the necessary information to allow you to dive right in to proven methods without having to waste time sorting through unnecessary details. We all want a culture of continuous improvement, learning, and customer orientation; and this is what the four components can help you achieve. Follow the implementation steps outlined in the text and you will be on your way to developing and refining these characteristics. This book deals with World Class Operations Management (WCOM), detailing its principles, methods and organisation, and the results that this approach can bring about. Utilising real-world case studies illustrated by companies that have adopted this model (interviews with Saint-Gobain, L’Oréal, Tetra Pak, Bemis, and Bel Executives), it describes common patterns drawn from decades of hands-on experience, so as to present a theoretical approach together with the concrete application of its principles. WCOM, adopted by several multinational companies, is one of the more innovative management practises, as it integrates the best Continuous Improvement approaches (Lean, Total Productive Management, World Class Manufacturing) as well as the most innovative approaches in human dynamics like Change Leadership, Performance Behavior, Shingo Model, to name a few. Every book’s chapter has been authored by an expert in these different fields, thus revealing the synergy among the different practices, which is one of the distinguishing and successful aspects of WCOM. Maximising reader insights into the successful implementation of such an approach, and explaining not only its potentialities, but also its implementation dynamics, the critical points and the ways it can be integrated into different situations, this book is also about how to create a culture of excellence that is sustainable over a long period of time and delivers consistent (or ever-improving) results. This is a comprehensive, user-friendly and hands-on book that is a single source of reference of tools and techniques for all quality practitioners. Implementing Six Sigma and Lean covers the basics of how to manage for consistently high quality and gives good coverage of both simple tools and advanced techniques which can be used in all businesses. This book provides guidance on how to use these tools for different situations such as new start-up companies, stalled projects and the constant achievement of high quality in well-established quality regimes. Case studies are included that encourage the reader to respond in a practical situations and provide a good learning resource for courses. There are summaries of key elements and questions with exercises at the end of each chapter. Henry Ford implemented the lean concept in the early 1900s, Toyota started TPS in the 1970s, Motorola first initiated the Six Sigma journey, followed by GE and many others just years later. Still today, Lean Six Sigma remains the strongest continuous improvement methodology in order to achieve stable and lean processes and the number of defects in a single digit figure per million products produced or services provided. Over the last two decades we have studied why companies succeeded, while others failed in the journey of Lean Six Sigma. This book is the strong guide and compilation, of what needs to be done to successfully implement and benefit from a strong Lean Six Sigma - Management System The book is written for: Leaders - top management, boards of directors and owners. Any Industry – from manufacturing to all types of services. Any company size - from a 1-person business up to mid or large-scale companies. As a successful and busy leader, you want to be aware of the strong benefits that can be achieved by implementing Lean Six Sigma Management in your company. This is a must-read book, if you want to have satisfied customers, lowest cost, top quality, best-in-class service and want to successfully carry out Industry 4.0 / IoT. Occupational Safety and Hygiene V contains selected contributions from the International Symposium on Occupational Safety and Hygiene (SHO 2017, 10-11 April 2017, Guimarães, Portugal). The contributions focus on a wide range of topics, including: - occupational safety - risk assessment - safety management - ergonomics - management systems - environmental ergonomics - physical environments - construction safety, and - human factors Occupational Safety and Hygiene V is mainly based on research carried out at universities and other research institutions, but also includes practical studies developed by OHS Practitioners within companies. Accordingly, this book will be a helpful text to get acquainted with the state-of-the-art in research in these domains, as well as with some practical tools and approaches that are currently used by OHS professionals worldwide. Six Sigma for Business Excellence: Approach, Tools, and Applications, based on the author’s first-hand experience in quality engineering, provides a comprehensive coverage of the Six Sigma methodology. This book provides the complete study material for students taking the certified Six Sigma Black Belt and Green Belt examinations conducted internationally by the American Society for Quality (ASQ). At the same time, it adequately fills the need of management professionals with numerous application examples and case studies providing an insight into the practical aspect of implementing Six Sigma tools. The book begins with providing an overview of the evolution of Six Sigma, explains the basic concepts and then takes the readers step by step through the process. The focus is more on enabling the implementation of the Six Sigma tools by providing illustrations, tables, application examples, and templates as well as Minitab and Excel data files for project work and exercises in the soft form on a CD accompanying the book. The templates carried in the book include the Sigma calculator, Six Sigma project review
checklist, process mapping, confidence intervals, hypothesis tests, project charter, and measurement systems analysis (Gauge R & R Study). The CD also contains a 30-day trial version of the Minitab and SigmaXL software programs. It's time once again to make much of a simple concept; that two groups with different names, languages and cultures might put aside their old habits, pettiness and grudges, recognize the overwhelming alignment of their most critical self-interests, and join their complementary strengths to achieve unprecedented peace, harmony and productivity. That's the concept behind total productive maintenance (TPM), where maintenance and production personnel cooperate to define, standardize, allocate and perform the tasks needed to maximize overall equipment effectiveness (OEE), which keeps the machine producing quality product at maximum efficiency and minimum lifecycle cost. In 1917, we split the atom and released an incredible force for destruction. In 2019, we split the DMAIC and released an even bigger force for improvement. There is no doubt that the various improvement methods work. Whether it is PDCA or 7-Step problem-solving or A3 or Is-Is Not or DMAIC or any other tool, it has been used to great success in many organizations stretching back over decades. But why have some organizations been wildly successful with these and others not? The reason is that much of today's continuous improvement (CI) training is focused on tools. Training includes days or even weeks working through every possible tool a practitioner of CI might need. But rather than teach people about a set of tools that they might or might not use, why not teach them how to accomplish a specific objective? Why not give them a path for solving a particular type of problem that works most of the time? This way, anyone anywhere can make CI work by splitting the DMAIC. This book shows four typical paths through the DMAIC process to accomplish four different objectives: -Reduce variability of a characteristic -Reduce failures of a machine -Reduce waste in a process -Reduce the frequency of a defect For each path, the following is presented: Methodology—an overview of the purpose and actual steps through the DMAIC process for that path. Step Details—a detailed description of each step including specific tools used. Checklist—a simple one-page sheet that anyone can use as a guide along the path. Think of these as a new app called DMAIC Maps, which helps people get around the DMAIC world the same way Google Maps helps in the real world. Project selection and team management are also discussed, since the choice of projects is crucial to creating context and therefore success. Total productive maintenance (TPM), a Japanese management protocol developed to alleviate production losses caused by machine breakdowns has moved on. Through TPM, more companies accept the concept of Zero Breakdowns as achievable. From the foundation of zero breakdowns, world class plants are able to run for complete shifts without the need for intervention. TPM is still pushing back the boundaries of what was thought possible. Driven by the proven principles of TPM, the book emphasises the need to build on existing good practices and to win commitment by delivering results. The book provides a practical guide to delivering TPM benefits and is based on the authors' first hand experience of seeing TPM in Japan. It adapts these benefits to suit the strategic needs of companies across four continents. "TPM A Route to World Class Performance" builds on Peter Willmott's earlier book, "TPM the Western Way", updating the scope of applications and tools. The TPM route map is updated to include the journey to zero breakdowns and beyond. It also provides a systematic structure to evolve from the classic Total Productive Maintenance towards Total Productive Manufacturing and deliver a Totally Productive Operation capable of world leading performance. "This book presents emerging research-based trends in the area of global quality lean six sigma networks and analysis through an interdisciplinary approach focusing on research, cases, and emerging technologies"—Provided by publisher. Non-renewable materials can no longer be disposed once humankind's ever increasing needs cannot be fulfilled anymore due to limited resources. Reuse and recycling become inevitable requirements for product and process design. Renewable resources must not be consumed in quantities higher than can be regained. New technologies have to be developed and applied for a Sustainable Product Development and Life Cycle Engineering to fulfill the needs of humankind, protecting public health, welfare, and environment. The 8th Global Conference on Sustainable Manufacturing brings together some of the world's leading experts to present a scientific conference in Abu Dhabi, one of the world's fastest growing economies and a global leader in the development of sustainable technologies. The conference will focus on 7 areas: Value adding by sustainable manufacturing in the UAE, Potentials of renewables Education for sustainability engineering Green supply chain and transportation Microelectronics and resource efficiency Technology driven startups Sustainable products and manufacturing processes. These proceedings gather selected peer-reviewed papers from the 11th World Congress on Engineering Asset Management (WCEAM), which was held in Jiuzhaigou, China, on 25–28 July, 2016. These proceedings cover a wide range of topics in engineering asset management, including: - strategic asset management; - condition monitoring and diagnostics; - integrated intelligent maintenance; - sensors and devices; - information quality and management; - sustainability in asset management; - asset performance and knowledge management; - data mining and AI techniques in asset management; - engineering standards; and - education in engineering asset management. The breadth and depth of these state-of-the-art, comprehensive proceedings make them an excellent resource for asset management practitioners, researchers and academics, as well as undergraduate and postgraduate
students. This book presents the state of the art in Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) and its benefits. The authors present a survey applied to 368 manufacturing industries in order to determine their level of execution of TPM. Then a series of causal models are presented. For each model, the authors present a measure of the dependency between the critical success factors and the benefits obtained, allowing industry managers to differentiate between essential and non-essential activities. The content also allows students and academics to obtain a theoretical and empirical basis on the importance of TPM as a lean manufacturing tool in the context of industry 4.0. Reduce or eliminate costly downtime. Short on theory and long on practice, this book provides examples and case studies, designed to provide maintenance engineers and supervisors with a framework for operational strategies and day-to-day management and training techniques that will keep their equipment running at top efficiency. Traditionally, Lean and Six Sigma methods were used in Automobile and Manufacturing Industries. This book is an attempt to put lights on the Lean and Six Sigma methods and its utilization. Lean Methods are a known effort for reducing the wastes from a process. Whereas Six Sigma is a business philosophy that mainly focuses on Continuous Improvements. Lean and Six Sigma both are set of tools and strategies that help in improving the processes. Though the Lean and Six Sigma methods were developed to support Improvement Projects in Manufacturing industry, the IT and ITES too are successfully enabling Lean Six Sigma to achieve optimum benefits. Organisations are now focused on total customer satisfaction. However there is a lack of understanding the requirements and the customer needs. Total Quality Management (TQM) integrates all phases and ensures a defect-free quality product. This textbook provides the understanding of all aspects of TQM and the implementation. This textbook covers all aspects of TQM, discusses quality systems in detail, highlights the importance of the needs of the customer, and presents the concept of Total Productive Maintenance (TPM). Written as a textbook for students of engineering and management, but also explains all quality systems which will be helpful to all organisations in choosing the correct quality system and helpful to managers in decision making while analyzing any process. A solutions manual and power point presentations slides are available for qualified adoptions. Manufacturing managers are still focused on the short-term tactical issues related to their business. Strategic issues tend to receive less attention. However, manufacturing can play an important strategic role. This book helps managers consider the strategic roles their operations can play and to provide guidance as to what actions can be taken. A systematic approach to improving production and quality systems, total productive maintenance (TPM) involves all employees through a moderate investment in maintenance. Therefore, a successful TPM implementation requires support of all employees from C-level on down. Total Productive Maintenance: Strategies and Implementation Guide highlights the organization's efforts to implement quality systems and improvement methodologies are more likely to succeed with the understanding and participation of all employees. After completing this certification course, participants will have a foundational knowledge of Lean Six Sigma and understand each person's responsibility in operating the system. Benefits: • Alignment and understanding of the improvement process. • Provides a common language for continuous improvement. • Full and active participation during all kaizen events. • Contribution of ideas to improve work and processes. • Improved employee motivation. • At least one improvement implemented per person, per period. This book discusses a system for extending lean manufacturing across the entire supply chain. It is divided into three parts: planning and analysis of the lean extended value stream, implementation of a lean supply chain and sustaining and continuously improving the lean extended value chain. The perfect prescription for any organization increasingly popular with large and mid-sized companies around the world, Lean Six Sigma is the new hybridization of Six Sigma and Lean methodologies, and there is no better approach for achieving operational excellence in an organization. But how do you implement Lean Six Sigma, and what does it entail? The Complete Idiot's Guide to Lean Six Sigma answers this question with unprecedented clarity and turnkey elegance. Part one gives you all the background you need to understand Lean Six Sigma - what it is, where it came from, what it has done for so many organizations and what it can do for you and your company. Parts two and three of the book give you a prescribed yet flexible roadmap to follow in selecting, enacting, and realizing improvements from Lean Six Sigma projects. Within this step-by-step structure, the authors demonstrate when and how to use the many Lean Six Sigma statistics and 'tools', packing the pages with diagrams, real-life examples, templates, tips, and advice. If you are a Green Belt or a Black Belt, or trainee, these two parts will be invaluable to you. The Complete Idiot's Guide to Lean Six Sigma is the first book of its kind to integrate the Lean Six Sigma tools within a clear stepwise progression, so readers know when and how to actually apply them in their jobs. As such, this book is superior as a companion to any corporate or organizational Lean Six Sigma 'deployment'. No more complex hodgepodge. Other books about Lean and/or Six Sigma tend to provide a lot of good information, tools, and statistics, but mostly in a disconnected way, not in a way that is straightforward and user-friendly. This makes an already complex subject seem still complex to the neophyte reader. On the other hand, the structure and progression of this book unfolds Lean Six Sigma in a way that a reader can easily become a user, and move more quickly from knowledge to application. Therefore, using The Complete Idiot's Guide to Lean Six Sigma, you know why the statistics are important and where to use them, because
this is made clear. You know how and when to use a Pareto Chart, or do a Stakeholder Analysis, or conduct a Failure
Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA). You not only get fully primed on all the parts and parcels of Lean Six Sigma, but
you truly learn enough to become dangerous - in a good way! In a way that makes you more valuable to your
organization. Also for Lean Six Sigma leaders, not just practitioners. Just as a Lean Six Sigma practitioner follows a
proven formula for process improvement, a Lean Six Sigma Leader generally follows a process for achieving
organizational transformation. This is why the final part of the book focuses on what a Lean Six Sigma leader or
Champion needs to know and do to be successful - again according to a detailed step-by-step process that can be
followed exactly or modified to fit specific needs. This includes: \* Identifying and selecting Lean Six Sigma projects. \* Understanding the process of organizational transformation. \* Installing an infrastructure for Lean Six Sigma
deployment. Rules of Thumb for Maintenance and Reliability Engineers will give the engineer the “have to have”
information. It will help instill knowledge on a daily basis, to do his or her job and to maintain and assure reliable
equipment to help reduce costs. This book will be an easy reference for engineers and managers needing immediate
tiations in reliability and maintenance. \* Listing of short articles to help assist engineers in resolving problems they
face. \* Written by two of the top experts in the country. Books in the Quality and Business Excellence series can help
readers improve customer value and satisfaction by integrating the voice of the customer into design, manufacturing,
supply chain, and field processes. Lean Transformation: Cultural Enablers and Enterprise Alignment is about the
Lean system. It begins by describing the reasons why so many Lean implementations fail and explaining why
managers need to focus their valuable time on early adopters rather than on trying to convert resistors. This book
describes the guiding principles of the Shingo process for continuous improvement layout and evaluation. It examines
the principles, systems, and tools of continuous improvement and demonstrates how to deploy these proven methods in
plants and distribution centers. The book covers time-tested continuous improvement process tools and practices,
including the visual workplace, mistake proofing, PDCA, 5S, Heijunka, standard work, Kaizen, and value stream
mapping. It also examines Lean performance measures and introduces a comprehensive Lean tool assessment system.
Presenting seven proven techniques for altering and guiding a Lean culture, the book identifies a formal process for
overcoming common roadblocks. It also illustrates the proliferation of the Lean initiative across an organization’s
various sites. This book describes how proper assessment of Lean system tools can help your organization remain
focused on system standardization and boost your organization’s sustainability efforts. It includes job descriptions of
various roles in the improvement process, including those for Lean supervisor and Lean team leader, as well as a
glossary that defines key terms. Recognizing the need to implement quality and eliminate waste, companies embrace
Lean, Six Sigma, or a combination of the two, typically taking a broad approach that seeks to remediate every process,
critical or not. When this happens, efforts become distracted, improvements indefinitely delayed, and results mediocre
at best. The Ultimate Improvement Cycle (UIC) integrates Lean, Six Sigma, and the Theory of Constraints into a
combined strategy that will help you immediately focus your efforts on those areas that will make the greatest
difference. The book presents basic laws of factory physics that show why the UIC delivers significant bottom-line
improvement while other initiatives so often fail. It explains to you why focusing your efforts on apparent problems
rather than systemic concerns is wasted effort. Focus on key areas and take improvement to the next level. The
Ultimate Improvement Cycle: Maximizing Profits through the Integration of Lean, Six Sigma, and the Theory of
Constraints show you how to draw the best from Lean and Six Sigma by employing principles drawn from the Theory
of Constraints. This approach will ensure that your effort is focused in the right place, at the right time, using the right
tools, and the right amount of resources. This multi-pronged approach addresses cost accounting, variation, waste,
and performance measurements. But most importantly, it focuses your organization on the right areas to optimize.
Applying years of hands-on work in many environments, Bob Sproull has developed a unique proven method that
capitalizes on a time-release formula for evoking the key tools that improvement requires. He shows you how to take
advantage of the cyclical nature of improvement to implement change that is perpetually effective, and his approach
does not require more resources than you have on hand. Although originally developed in manufacturing, the UIC
works equally well in any environment whether it be manufacturing or service-oriented, including Maintenance,
Repair and Overhaul (MRO) and Critical Chain Project Management (CCPM). This textbook explores the fundamental
principles of Business Process Reengineering (BPR). The express aim of the book is to address the needs of MBA
students opting for courses in ‘Information Technology Management or ‘Operations Management’, MCA students who
opt for Business Processes as an elective, and students of BE/B.Tech Mechanical Engineering and Production
Engineering for courses in Process Engineering/Automation/Management System Design. The book provides them with the concepts, methodologies, models and tools needed to understand and implement BPR. In a nutshell, the book offers a step-by-step presentation of the practical framework and management techniques needed to achieve engineering solutions for implementation of BPR in an organization. The initial chapters introduce the reader to the need for BPR and its utility in relation to IT and manufacturing. The middle chapters cover the methodology, success factors, barriers, and the technologies that are relevant for BPR implementation. The latter chapters present solutions like lean and virtual manufacturing, enterprise resource planning, and functional information systems. An exclusive chapter is devoted to concepts and tasks of software reengineering. Aided by extensive illustrations, end-of-chapter review questions, as well as a chapter consisting entirely of case studies, this book will help students develop a rich, multifaceted perspective, to enable them to handle complex management and engineering problems. The book will be useful to students in practically all branches of engineering, not just mechanical/production/industrial engineering.

Winner of a Shingo Research and Professional Publication Award! At the heart of Lean and Six Sigma is the same, unique business operating system: hoshin kanri. It is a method of strategic planning and a tool for managing complex projects, a quality operating system geared to ensuring that organizations faithfully translate the voice of the customer into new products, and a business operating system that ensures reliable profit growth. The true power of hoshin kanri, however, is two-fold -- it is a superior organizational learning method as well as a competitive resource development system. Hoshin Kanri for the Lean Enterprise, by Tom Jackson, explains how you can implement, identify and manage the critical relationships among your markets, design characteristics, production systems, and personnel to satisfy your customers and beat your competition. This practical workbook provides— A new understanding of hoshin kanri as a grand experimental design implemented through a system of team agreements. Clear explanations of the steps of hoshin kanri. A measure of overall business effectiveness used to determine the focus of corporate strategy. A new, improved X-matrix that incorporates a lean "balanced scorecard" for identifying improvement opportunities and converting them readily into bottom line results as a value stream P&L in terms that financial managers and accountants can understand and support. A CD containing forms, meeting agendas, and examples of X-matrices that serve marketing and design engineering as well as manufacturing. This workbook will show you the mechanics of implementing hoshin kanri, so that you can systematically improve your brand equity, implement Lean manufacturing and Six Sigma, and integrate your suppliers into a Lean and Six Sigma organization. While there are numerous Lean Certification programs, most companies have their own certification paths whereby they bestow expert status upon employees after they have participated in or led a certain number of kaizen events. Arguing that the number of kaizen events should not determine a person's expert status, The Lean Practitioner's Field Book: Proven, Practical, Profitable and Powerful Techniques for Making Lean Really Work outlines a true learning path for anyone seeking to understand essential Lean principles. The book includes a plethora of examples drawn from the personal experiences of its many well-respected and award-winning contributors. These experts break down Lean concepts to their simplest terms to make everything as clear as possible for Lean practitioners. A refresher for some at times, the text provides thought-provoking questions with examples that will stimulate learning opportunities. Introducing the Lean Practitioner concept, the book details the five distinct Lean Practitioner levels and includes quizzes and criteria for each level. It highlights the differences between the kaizen event approach and the Lean system level approach as well as the difference between station balancing and baton zone. This book takes readers on a journey that begins with an overview of Lean principles and culminates with readers developing professionally through the practice of self-reliance. Providing you with the tools to implement Lean tools in your organization, the book includes discussions and examples that demonstrate how to transition from traditional accounting methods to a Lean accounting system. The book outlines an integrated, structured approach identified by the acronym BASICS (baseline, analyze, suggest solutions, implement, check, and sustain), which is combined with a proven business strategy to help ensure a successful and sustainable transformation of your organization. We are pleased to introduce our 17th and latest volume from our regular conference: Business and Non-profit Organizations Facing Increased Competitions and Growing Customers’ Demands, which contains articles highlighting the problems of contemporary for-profit and non-profit organizations. The added value is the inclusion of multifaceted aspects of an organization's functioning, including the sectoral and industrial view. The diversity of the approach to the problems of organization, management, business and economy becomes a valuable interdisciplinary view of the economic reality that surrounds us. The monograph is divided into four sections. In the first section: Business and non-profit organizations as the objects of research, articles are exposing the area of strategic management, including a museum as a research object, surgical workflow, the performance of cultural organizations, and organizational forms of housing resource management. In addition, this section covers a process-oriented view of management, including process maturity of the organization and process approach to the analysis of creative capital; and mixed project-management methodology. In a separate thread, there are articles related to public
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university mergers based on an example of two academic case studies; the analysis of scientific excellence as a factor influencing academic involvement; and the nature of competition for non-profit and for-profit organizations. The second section, entitled Modern tools for business and non-profit organization management, opens with an article on design thinking and the TransistorsHead tool used to analyze teams through organizational terms. Other tools used in eye tracking, such as enova365 and Soneta, are presented in an article on the optimization of an IT system. In the context of profiling scientific research, not only in the area of academic entrepreneurship but also in the search for research gaps, bibliometrics is undoubtedly a useful tool discussed in a further article. In another article, an attractive tool for competence analysis is the business model and the construction of the competence assessment method, which could prove to be helpful in assessing the effectiveness of professional careers. Other articles in this section feature the concept of innovation and knowledge management; medical data management based on a precise legal basis; external financing and its impact on the flexibility of enterprises; and a systemic, process and resource approach to port modularity. In the next section: Business and non-profit organizations in a market economy, the primary thematic topic is corporate social responsibility, client capital creation, and social entrepreneurship. We note the greater emphasis on the social aspects of the organization’s functioning and on the social economy. The human thread and the so-called ecosystem in business are becoming more and more desirable, and the perspective of business is changing: from a profit-oriented one towards a more societal one. In the last section, entitled Business and non-profit organizations - sectoral and industrial aspects, there are articles discussing the issues of organization in macroeconomic terms. This section opens with an article presenting the structural characteristics of industrial clusters and research streams in this area. Subsequently, we have articles that present: the municipality, from the point of view of the configuration of the network of relations between stakeholders, and their involvement in the creation of smart specialization strategies; the determinants of employment change in the Polish services sector; consumer awareness of the credit market; the transparency of public finances; local food and regional products; consumer behaviour in Ukraine; as well as, trade credit, profitability and leverage in Polish companies. Every year, this monograph is built on articles that present an up-to-date view of the business and geo-economic reality that surrounds us, whose organizations form the backbone of the economy and its sectors. The dynamics of changes are so significant that such studies bring readers closer to current trends and draw the interest of researchers. 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For all organizations managing large equipment, facing low operator/machine ratios, or implementing extensive improvement, this text is an invaluable resource.In the new millennium the increasing expectation of customers and products complexity has forced companies to find new solutions and better alternatives to improve the quality of their products. Lean and Six Sigma methodology provides the best solutions to many problems and can be used as an accelerator in industry, business and even health care sectors. Due to its flexible nature, the Lean and Six Sigma methodology was rapidly adopted by many top and even small companies. This book provides the necessary guidance for selecting, performing and evaluating various procedures of
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