

Global Trends In Online Shopping A Nielsen Global Consumer

Traditional financial markets are the most important lever of social and economic impact that can effectively regulate markets, industries, national economies, and international economic interactions, and form global and deeply integrated economic systems. Due to the global spread of financial instability and waves of financial crises, the problems of researching effective financial instruments to ensure national competitiveness becomes highly significant. Global Trends of Modernization in Budgeting and Finance is a pivotal reference source that provides vital research on the impacts of financial globalization in the context of economic digitalization and national financial markets. While highlighting topics such as entrepreneurship, international business, and socio-economic development, this publication explores modern conditions of rapid technological progress and financial market integration, as well as the methods of increasing regional intergovernmental organization efficiency. This book is ideally designed for policymakers, financial analysts, researchers, academicians, graduate-level students, business professionals, entrepreneurs, scholars, and managers seeking current research on new challenges and developments in national financial markets.

Vast markets for high-symbolic-value goods serve as an expansive worldwide arena where luxury brands and products compete for consumer attention. As global luxury markets have grown and continue to grow, uncovering successful methods for maintaining brand image and consumer desire is critical to the success of high-end brands. Global Marketing Strategies for the Promotion of Luxury Goods explores the latest promotional trends, business models, and challenges within the luxury goods market. Focusing on strategies for achieving competitive advantage, new market development, as well as the role of the media in luxury brand building, this timely reference publication is designed for use by business professionals, researchers, and graduate-level students.

"This book offers insights into issues, challenges, and solutions related to the successful application and management aspects of electronic business, providing a comprehensive framework for researchers and practitioners in understanding the growing demand of e-business research"--Provided by publisher.

This book provides research assistance for 99 current and provocative issues students can use to write a brief argumentative paper. • Each jumpstart topic contains a photograph, chart, or drawing • Bibliography collects all book and audio-video selections used in the jumpstarts, and can be used for library collections

This open access handbook presents a multidisciplinary and multifaceted perspective on how the 'digital' is simultaneously changing Russia and the research methods scholars use to study Russia. It provides a critical update on how Russian society, politics, economy, and culture are reconfigured in the context of ubiquitous connectivity and accounts for the political and societal responses to digitalization. In addition, it answers practical and methodological questions in handling Russian data and a wide array of digital methods. The volume makes a timely intervention in our understanding of the changing field of Russian Studies and is an essential guide for scholars, advanced undergraduate and graduate students studying Russia today.

European cities increasingly face problems caused by transport and traffic. For many people transport provision is unsatisfactory and current arrangements are leading to a deteriorating environment. A fundamental problem is that our currently fragmented approach makes it difficult to understand fully the circumstances and needs of transport users. In any overall approach public transport is a crucial component.

Designing Mobility and Transport Services shows how these issues can be addressed and resolved. The development of an inclusive, validated passenger experience measurement instrument is the first step in understanding the situation and thus tackling it. It is needed if we are to create high quality, user centred, integrated, accessible public transport services, which are capable of attracting and retaining public transport users whilst meeting sustainability targets. The METPEX research project was devised to tackle these issues. Coordinated by Coventry University, the METPEX consortium brought together 16 European partners from 12 countries. The project's underlying rationale was the proposition that if transport operators and authorities were provided with a robust, reliable and tailorable means of measuring the whole multimodal passenger journey, they could improve service provision. The book describes how such an improvement can be achieved, to attract travellers out of their private vehicles, thereby reducing congestion and pollution and increasing health and well-being. It provides a template for a creative approach and a meta-design narrative in designing for transport systems to enhance mobility choices by improving the door to door journey and thus underpin sustainable transport initiatives.

This book applies a new analytical framework to the study of the evolution of large Internet companies such as Apple, Google, Microsoft, Facebook, Amazon and Samsung. It sheds light on the dynamics of business groups, which are approached as 'business ecosystems,' and introduces the concept of Epigenetic Economic Dynamics (EED), which is defined as the study of the epigenetic dynamics generated as a result of the adaptation of organizations to major changes in their respective environments. The book augments the existing literature on evolutionary economic thinking with findings from epigenetics, which are proving increasingly useful in analyzing the workings of large organizations. It also details the theoretical and conceptual nature of recent work based on evolutionary economics, mainly from the perspective of generalized Darwinism, resilience and related variety, and complements the work conducted on evolutionary economics by applying the analytical framework of EED. It makes it easier to forecast future dynamics on the Internet by proving that a sizable number of big business groups are veering from their initial paths to take unprecedented new directions as a result of competition pressure, and as such is a valuable resource for postgraduates and researchers as well as those involved in economics and innovation studies.

This book is all about Digital Marketing in this world of Technology. Today, we must know how Digital Marketing actually works, how to target perfect audience, how to prioritize our methods in marketing and how to make a perfect income with this skill. So, here we have the book Digital Marketing: The Ultimate guide, Written by National Award winning author, Mr. Shashank Johri. He is in the field of Technology for more than 20 years and he worked with Cyber Police and Cyber cells, now he is introducing the marketing strategy of future. In this book you will be learning about different types of techniques and their appropriate uses. Also, you will be learning about how to understand and behave with people. All these knowledge at very minimal cost.

Information technology has helped to facilitate the development of various marketing techniques, thus enabling a more efficient distribution of the data that are essential to business success. These advances have equipped managers with superior tools to interpret available consumer and product data and use this information as part of their strategic planning. Trends and Innovations in Marketing Information Systems features the latest prevailing technological functions and procedures necessary to promote new developments in promotional tools and methods. Bringing together extensive discussions on the role of digital tools in customer relationship management, social media, and market performance, this

book is an essential reference source for business professionals, managers, and researchers interested in the use of current technology to improve marketing practice.

This two-volume set, LNAI 10234 and 10235, constitutes the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the 21st Pacific-Asia Conference on Advances in Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, PAKDD 2017, held in Jeju, South Korea, in May 2017. The 129 full papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 458 submissions. They are organized in topical sections named: classification and deep learning; social network and graph mining; privacy-preserving mining and security/risk applications; spatio-temporal and sequential data mining; clustering and anomaly detection; recommender system; feature selection; text and opinion mining; clustering and matrix factorization; dynamic, stream data mining; novel models and algorithms; behavioral data mining; graph clustering and community detection; dimensionality reduction.

The SAGE Encyclopedia of Food Issues explores the topic of food across multiple disciplines within the social sciences and related areas including business, consumerism, marketing, and environmentalism. In contrast to the existing reference works on the topic of food that tend to fall into the categories of cultural perspectives, this carefully balanced academic encyclopedia focuses on social and policy aspects of food production, safety, regulation, labeling, marketing, distribution, and consumption. A sampling of general topic areas covered includes Agriculture, Labor, Food Processing, Marketing and Advertising, Trade and Distribution, Retail and Shopping, Consumption, Food Ideologies, Food in Popular Media, Food Safety, Environment, Health, Government Policy, and Hunger and Poverty. This encyclopedia introduces students to the fascinating, and at times contentious, and ever-so-vital field involving food issues. Key Features: Contains approximately 500 signed entries concluding with cross-references and suggestions for further readings Organized A-to-Z with a thematic "Reader's Guide" in the front matter grouping related entries by general topic area Provides a Resource Guide and a detailed and comprehensive Index along with robust search-and-browse functionality in the electronic edition This three-volume reference work will serve as a general, non-technical resource for students and researchers who seek to better understand the topic of food and the issues surrounding it.

In the digital age, online courses have progressed as popular modes of learning that provide interactive and collaborative learning in educational settings. The open education movement is enabled by the internet and combines the sharing of ideas, resources, and practices among all people in order to advance ideas and knowledge to a new generation of students. Massive open online courses (MOOC) provide a new way of learning for all levels of education. Emerging Trends, Techniques, and Tools for Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) Management is a critical scholarly resource that addresses the difficulties and challenges in MOOC design, implementation, management, and deployment. This comprehensive and timely publication aims to be an essential reference source, building on the available literature in the

field of e-learning and online course management while providing for further research opportunities in this dynamic field. Featuring coverage on a wide variety of topics such as gamification in e-learning, plagiarism detection programs, and language online courses, this book is a valuable resource for instructional designers, IT professionals, software developers, academicians, and education professionals seeking current research on the impact of new methodologies and frameworks used in the lifecycle of open online courses.

"Ten Global Trends Every Smart Person Should Know is a pleasure: gorgeous, self-contained vignettes on human progress, which you can sample at your leisure or devour in a sitting." —Steven Pinker, author of *Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress* Think the world is getting worse? If so, you're wrong. The world is, for the most part, actually getting better. But 58 percent of people in 17 countries who were surveyed in 2016 thought that the world was either getting worse or staying the same. Americans were even more glum: 65 percent thought the world was getting worse and only 6 percent thought it was getting better. The uncontroversial data on major global trends in this book will persuade you that this dark view of the state of humanity and the natural world is, in large part, badly mistaken. World population will peak at 8–9 billion before the end of this century, as the global fertility rate continues its fall from 6 children per woman in 1960 to the current rate of 2.4. The global absolute poverty rate has fallen from 42 percent in 1981 to 8.6 percent today. Satellite data show that forest area has been expanding since 1982. Natural resources are becoming ever cheaper and more abundant. Since 1900, the average life expectancy has more than doubled, reaching more than 72 years globally. Of course, major concerns such as climate change, marine plastic pollution, and declining wildlife populations are still with us, but many of these problems are already being ameliorated as a result of the favorable economic, social, and technological trends that are documented in this book. You can't fix what is wrong in the world if you don't know what's actually happening. *Ten Global Trends Every Smart Person Should Know* will provide busy people with quick-to-read, easily understandable, and entertaining access to surprising facts that they need to know about how the world is really faring.

The acceleration of globalization and the growth of emerging economies present significant opportunities for business expansion. One of the quickest ways to achieve effective international expansion is by leveraging the web. This book provides a comprehensive, non-technical guide to leveraging website localization strategies for global e-commerce success.

Recent global shifts in population have led to the fast urbanization of Africa. For Africa and the developing world, choosing the right policy strategies, processes, and tools are essential to turning urban centers into engines of industry and economic prosperity. *Industrial and Urban Growth Policies at the Sub-National, National, and Global Levels* is a

pivotal reference source that examines current and evolving conditions of industrial and urban policies and their relationships around the world, especially between developed and developing economies. While highlighting topics such as the Fourth Industrial Revolution, urban policy, and global common good, this publication seeks to deepen and broaden the understanding of transformation in industrial development and responses to emerging urbanization processes. This book is ideally designed for industrial planners, entrepreneurs, urban development authorities, policymakers, academicians, researchers, and students.

Introduction to Business covers the scope and sequence of most introductory business courses. The book provides detailed explanations in the context of core themes such as customer satisfaction, ethics, entrepreneurship, global business, and managing change. Introduction to Business includes hundreds of current business examples from a range of industries and geographic locations, which feature a variety of individuals. The outcome is a balanced approach to the theory and application of business concepts, with attention to the knowledge and skills necessary for student success in this course and beyond.

The seventh edition of The Business Environment has been perfectly tailored to cover the core topics that will be studied on an introductory Business Environment module. This fully updated new edition provides comprehensive coverage of the varying factors that make up the business environment, with a particular focus on how these factors impact business organisations and the decisions organisations make. Key Features: Up-to-date coverage The business environment continues to evolve, and this new edition takes on board recent issues including: The after-effects of the 'credit crunch' The emerging economic power of China, India and Brazil Data security and privacy Business ethics Cultural identity Climate change Real life examples New opening vignettes introduce the main topic and show the business environment in real life. In addition, the book contains a wealth of shorter and longer case studies featuring companies such as Google, Amazon and Virgin Trains. Pedagogy Clearly written and user friendly, the book boasts a full range of learning tools which include: Learning Objectives, Thinking Around the Subject boxes, Review Questions, and Activities.

Accelerated digital transformation has been observed in various sectors and industries, with many already underway prior to Covid-19, but now hastened. This report is not meant to be exhaustive but attempts to capture some of the most prominent emerging digitisation trends which we at Arcadier Enterprise have observed and believe will become mainstream in 2021 and beyond.

Interested in promoting, selling, and distributing music online? Have the website but not sure what to do next? Web Marketing for the Music Business is designed to help develop the essential Internet presence needed for effective promotion, sales, and distribution. Author Tom Hutchison provides instructions on how to set up a website, as well as how to use the Internet to promote you or your client, and the website. Includes information on maximizing your site to increase traffic, online grassroots marketing

tactics that will advance your career and how to best utilize social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter. The accompanying website will keep you up-to-date, with online resources for web support. The author's blog is continuously updated to include the latest breaking techniques for promotion.

In the era of digital technology, business transactions and partnerships across borders have become easier than ever. As part of this shift in the corporate sphere, managers, executives, and strategists across industries must acclimate themselves with the challenges and opportunities for conducting business. *Mobile Commerce: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications* provides a comprehensive source of advanced academic examinations on the latest innovations and technologies for businesses. Including innovative studies on marketing, mobile commerce security, and wireless handheld devices, this multi-volume book is an ideal source for researchers, scholars, business executives, professionals, and graduate-level students.

After the 2008 financial crisis, the cultural and psychological imprint that was left appears to be almost as deep as the one that followed the Great Depression. Its legacy includes new radical politics on both the left and the right, epidemics of opioid abuse, suicides, low birthrates, and widespread resentment that is racial, gendered, and otherwise by those who felt especially left behind. Most importantly it saw the rise and global spread of populism. Given that so many politicians of such different stripes can be populist, some argue the term is useless, but with so-called populists on the left and right experiencing a resurgence in the 21st century, the term is once again in the spotlight. There is a need for research on this increase in populist politics, the consequences for democracy, and what, if anything, should be done about this movement. *Analyzing Current and Future Global Trends in Populism* discusses the global rise of populism and anti-elitism through a look at the history of the term, an exploration of modern populism, and the important events and figures in the movement. This book will measure the levels of populism across citizens and political actors, explore populism's positive consequences, study the rise of populism in national politics, and discuss the future of populism in the 21st century as a major societal movement. This book is ideally intended for professionals and researchers working in the fields of politics, social science, business, and computer science and management, executives in different types of work communities and environments, practitioners, government officials, policymakers, academicians, students, and anyone else interested in populism, the greatest new political and societal movement of the 21st century.

Recent developments in direct taxes and VAT/GST Taxes – in general – have become the topic of broad legal and policy discussions. VAT and GST are often said to be the fiscal success story of the 20th century, as almost all developed countries levy VAT or GST or similar all-encompassing broad-based consumption taxes. Global trends in direct taxes are visible at the level of international players, such as the OECD. Due to the OECD's BEPS project, national tax systems are being significantly modified. This book aims at identifying and discussing the current global trends in both VAT/GST and direct taxes. In daily practice, VAT/GST and direct taxes should be regarded simultaneously. Therefore, the Master's theses contained in this book deal with and highlight numerous issues, challenges and opportunities found in both direct taxes and in the VAT/GST area, ranging from nexus in direct taxes and VAT/GST, recent developments in certain policy areas, the definition of taxable persons, tax abuse, non-

discrimination rules, charities, transfer pricing, European State aid, immovable property, share deals etc. While the construction of VAT/GST and direct taxes differs, both taxes have similarities. The contributions in this book make a legal comparison of the recent developments in direct taxes and VAT/GST in the relevant fields, provide an analysis of the similarities and differences of the two taxation systems and highlight global trends in taxation.

This publication reviews progress made since the 2008 OECD Seoul Declaration for the Future of the Internet Economy and identifies areas for future work.

This book is a practical guide to understanding the web page design and usability factors needed for the eShelf - the online store shelf. The authors help you learn how to create a conceptual framework for your web design that is targeted to the individual consumer and the basic rules of managing the customer relationship.

This edition of Global Trends revolves around a core argument about how the changing nature of power is increasing stress both within countries and between countries, and bearing on vexing transnational issues. The main section lays out the key trends, explores their implications, and offers up three scenarios to help readers imagine how different choices and developments could play out in very different ways over the next several decades. Two annexes lay out more detail. The first lays out five-year forecasts for each region of the world. The second provides more context on the key global trends in train. This report involves extensive research and consultations with people inside the US government and around the world. Their team made extensive use of analytic simulations to explore future trajectories and developed multiple scenarios to describe how key uncertainties and emerging trends might combine to produce alternative futures. Foreign policy analysts, lawmakers, and students participating in global studies, politics of peace and conflict undergraduate level courses and statistics may be interested in this work. Related products: Political and Socio-Economic Change: Revolutions and Their Implications for the U.S. Military is available here: <https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/008-000-01124-9> Short of General War: Perspectives on the Use of Military Power in the 21st Century is available here: <https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/008-000-01074-9> Strategic Retrenchment and Renewal in the American Experience can be found here: <https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/sku/008-000-01115-0>

The study of dynamics of institutional change in emerging markets are subjects of great interest in contemporary political economy. The dynamics and quality of institutional change can have significant impacts on the long-run performance of economies, economic growth and development of nations, and play a fundamental role in societies. It provides a comprehensive understanding of legal-economic institutions, and sheds light on the way to global peace by producing a better understanding of the dynamics of historical change. Topics range from institutional uncertainty, hybrid market order and labor market institutions, to good governance of institutions and WTO rules as trade institutions, as well as entrepreneurship and institutional change in emerging markets, and the role of modern technologies. This edited volume emphasizes legal-economic institutions, and the role of management and entrepreneurship on dynamics, trends, and implications of institutional change in emerging markets.

Presenting research articles by eminent scholars and experts engaged in education and research, who address and discuss the

most recent issues in the field, they reveal new insights into the dynamics of institutional change for researchers interested in development of new theories and comparative studies, especially in the era of emerging markets. The book is appealing to a wide range of global audience, can serve as a useful reference work in education and research, offers innovative and productive discussions, and can satisfy scholarly and intellectual interests, regarding institutional development and a broad spectrum of its interactions with functioning of markets and economies. .

The Retail Market Study 2015 of The Location Group is the one and only study of its kind worldwide. The focus of the Retail Bible are the 150 of the most notable international cities of the fashion and retail world and more than 3'000 store openings on 1,670 pages. Over 1,300 retailers, 800 shopping streets and 500 shopping centers were analyzed. The study reached more than 250,000 readers worldwide so far.

Contemporary social and cultural life is increasingly organised around a logic of self-transformation, where changing the body is seen as key. Transforming Images examines how the future functions within this transformative logic to indicate the potential of a materially better time. The book explores the crucial role that images have in organising an imperative for transformation and in making possible, or not, the materialisation of a better future. Coleman asks the questions: which futures are appealing and to whom? How do images tap into and reproduce wider social and cultural processes of inequality? Drawing on the recent 'turns' to affect and emotion and to understanding life in terms of vitality, intensity and 'liveness' in social and cultural theory, the book develops a framework for understanding images as felt and lived out. Analysing different screens across popular culture – the screens of shopping, makeover television programmes, online dieting plans and government health campaigns – it traces how images of self-transformation bring the future into the present and affectively 'draw in' some bodies more than others.

Transforming Images will be of interest to students and scholars working in sociology, media studies, cultural studies and gender studies.

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Data is the base for information, information is needed to have knowledge, and knowledge is used to make decisions and manage 21st century businesses and organizations. Thus, it is imperative to remain up to date on the major breakthroughs within the technological arena in order to continually expand and enhance knowledge for the benefit of all institutions. Information Technology Trends for a Global and Interdisciplinary Research Community is a crucial reference source that covers novel and emerging research in the field of information science and technology, specifically focusing on underrepresented technologies and trends that influence and engage the knowledge society. While highlighting topics that include computational thinking, knowledge management, artificial intelligence, and visualization, this book is essential for academicians, researchers, and students with an interest in information management.

Over the past two centuries, the world's socio-economic progression has gone through profound paradigm changes unfolding along four major development stages. Higher education has been an important part of this process. The accelerated pace of technological, socio-economic, and business innovations as well as ongoing fundamental changes in the real world call for progress in pedagogy. While modern universities have adapted in various degrees through information platforms such as Blackboard or Brightspace, video conferencing, and other technological innovations, they still commonly rely on pedagogical ideas and concepts rooted in a thoroughly pre-modern era rooted in medieval times. Global Trends, Dynamics, and Imperatives for Strategic Development in Business Education in an Age of Disruption explores the genesis of higher education and its contemporary structure and profile in major global regions and discusses key trends, dynamics, drivers, and developmental imperatives currently shaping business education. Covering topics such as business education, online education, and strategic development, this book is essential for teachers, managers, trainers, faculty, administrators, policymakers, researchers, academicians, and students involved in studies that include industrial, economic, social, urban, innovation, legal, and policy development.

In a short time span, social media has transformed communication, as well as the way consumers buy, live and utilize products and services. Understanding the perspectives of both consumers and marketers can help organizations to design, develop and implement better social media marketing strategies. However, academic research on social media marketing has not kept pace with the practical applications and this has led to a critical void in social media literature. This new text expertly bridges that void. Contemporary Issues in Social Media provides the most cutting edge findings in social media marketing, through original chapters from a range of the world's leading specialists in the area. Topics include: • The consumer journey in a social media world • Social media and customer relationship management (CRM) • Social media marketing goals and objectives • Social media and recruitment • Microblogging strategy And many more. The book is ideal for students of social media marketing, social media

marketing professionals, researchers and academicians who are interested in knowing more about social media marketing. The book will also become a reference resource for those organizations which want to use social media marketing for their brands. The convenience of online shopping has driven consumers to turn to the internet to purchase everything from clothing to housewares and even groceries. The ubiquity of online retail stores and availability of hard-to-find products in the digital marketplace has been a catalyst for a heightened interest in research on the best methods, techniques, and strategies for remaining competitive in the era of e-commerce. The Encyclopedia of E-Commerce Development, Implementation, and Management is an authoritative reference source highlighting crucial topics relating to effective business models, managerial strategies, promotional initiatives, development methodologies, and end-user considerations in the online commerce sphere. Emphasizing emerging research on up-and-coming topics such as social commerce, the Internet of Things, online gaming, digital products, and mobile services, this multi-volume encyclopedia is an essential addition to the reference collection of both academic and corporate libraries and caters to the research needs of graduate-level students, researchers, IT developers, and business professionals. .

As the amount of accumulated data across a variety of fields becomes harder to maintain, it is essential for a new generation of computational theories and tools to assist humans in extracting knowledge from this rapidly growing digital data. Global Trends in Intelligent Computing Research and Development brings together recent advances and in depth knowledge in the fields of knowledge representation and computational intelligence. Highlighting the theoretical advances and their applications to real life problems, this book is an essential tool for researchers, lecturers, professors, students, and developers who have seek insight into knowledge representation and real life applications.

As one of the largest service industries serving millions of international and domestic individuals yearly, it is important to understand the current trends, practices, and challenges surrounding tourism. Emphasized by the effects on people, management processes, and technological advancements, this economic and socio-cultural phenomenon's importance is increasing worldwide. Global Trends, Practices, and Challenges in Contemporary Tourism and Hospitality Management discusses and analyzes the impacts of new trends in the tourism industry, including sub-sectors of tourism, and revisits existing trends, identifies new types and forms of tourism, and discusses the influence and use of technology. Featuring research on topics such as guest retention, predictive analysis, and ecotourism practices, the material collected is ideally designed for managers, travel agents, industry professionals, practitioners, consultants, and researchers.

Risk management is a domain of management which comes to the fore in crisis. This book looks at risk management under crisis conditions in the COVID-19 pandemic context. The book synthesizes existing concepts, strategies,

approaches and methods of risk management and provides the results of empirical research on risk and risk management during the COVID-19 pandemic. The research outcome was based on the authors' study on 42 enterprises of different sizes in various sectors, and these firms have either been negatively affected by COVID-19 or have thrived successfully under the new conditions of conducting business activities. The analysis looks at both the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the selected enterprises and the risk management measures these enterprises had taken in response to the emerging global trends. The book puts together key factors which could have determined the enterprises' failures and successes. The final part of the book reflects on how firms can build resilience in challenging times and suggests a model for business resilience. The comparative analysis will provide useful insights into key strategic approaches of risk management.

This volume explores interaction between service providers and customers. The role of language, linguistics and communication is examined in an area of research that has traditionally been related to business and marketing. The present book is based on the research papers presented in the International Conference on Soft Computing for Problem Solving (SocProS 2012), held at JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, India. This book provides the latest developments in the area of soft computing and covers a variety of topics, including mathematical modeling, image processing, optimization, swarm intelligence, evolutionary algorithms, fuzzy logic, neural networks, forecasting, data mining, etc. The objective of the book is to familiarize the reader with the latest scientific developments that are taking place in various fields and the latest sophisticated problem solving tools that are being developed to deal with the complex and intricate problems that are otherwise difficult to solve by the usual and traditional methods. The book is directed to the researchers and scientists engaged in various fields of Science and Technology.

China's new retail revolution will completely transform how the world thinks about retail and digital innovation. But is the world ready yet? In this book, the authors share an insider's perspective on what is happening in China to reveal the future for global retail, and a clear framework to help you prepare. The book presents a number of real-world cases, based on interviews and first-hand consumer experience, to decode China's retail revolution so that you can understand what is happening and why, and what it means for the rest of the world. Crucially, the book identifies five critical stages in the development of new retail that global retail executives need to grasp now: lifestyle commerce, Online-Merge-Offline retail, social retail, livestream retail and invisible retail. To help the industry get ready for this new, China-inspired paradigm in retail, the authors present a practical and simple framework – a ten-year strategic roadmap for global retail executives, which we call the “Beyond” the Value Chain Model. China's new retail is not just about fashion, cosmetics, snacks, data-driven convenient stores and commercial live streaming. At a time when the world of retail is being

upended, it offers inspirational lessons in innovation, purpose and agility for global executives across the entire retail spectrum.

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