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Transform data into action for competitive advantage "The knowledge assets of an organization are becoming increasingly important for competitive advantage, and therefore, the way in which knowledge is created, renewed, and communicated is critical. This book provides practical insights into how this may be achieved through the establishment of a Business Intelligence Competency Centre and is a valuable read for 'information professionals.'" --Bill Sturman, Information Architecture Project Manager The Open University, United Kingdom "BI is more than technology and projects. BI must live in the organization--as a BICC. This book helps to make BI tangible and understandable, bringing it to life." --Miriam Eisenmann, Project Manager (PMP) CSC Ploenzke AG, Germany "This book is a must-read for planning and implementing your BICC. It is a pragmatic guide that addresses a lot, if not all, of the questions you'll be asking yourself. Don't miss out on getting a head start from the people who thought this through from start to finish . . . Pray your competitors don't get hold of this book!" --Claudia Imhoff, President Intelligent Solutions, Inc., USA "Creating a BICC forces the organization to focus on the importance of centralizing the gathering, interpreting, and analyzing of information to create business insight." --Anne Ulyate, Group Manager Business Intelligence Mutual & Federal, South Africa "BI is a highly visible element in the 'business value' trend for IT investments. Initiatives, such as competency centers, should empower user organizations to drive even more value out of their BI investments." --Marianne Kolding, Director, European ServicesIDC, United Kingdom

Business Intelligence Competency Centers MIT Press

For specialists and nonspecialists alike, this perceptive selection of the newest and the up and coming tools and techniques of competitive intelligence picks up where other books leave off, offering a well balanced combination of theory and practice. It shows how advances in computers and technology have accelerated progress in CI management, and the ways in which CI has affected (and been affected by) major business functions and processes. It explores applications to organizations of various sizes and types. Analysts, strategists and organizational decision makers will find the book especially valuable, as they seek to make sense of the business environment and assess their organizations' evolving, dynamic places in it.

How To Gather Analyze And Use Information To Move Your Business To The Top John Wiley & Sons

THE ART OF SMART . . . how not to get blindsided by the competition Your key competitor has a cost advantage and you can't for the life of you figure out why or how. • A new technology or competitor is on the horizon that will completely upset the applecart in your business as Google is now doing in advertising and Wal-Mart has done in retailing. • You think a key competitor may drastically drop prices or perhaps roll out a significant new product. What can you do to ascertain what their major moves will be? Competitive intelligence, the ability to see through or stay ahead of your competition, is the unspoken, hidden key to success. It is the means to knowing a customer's strategic thinking, a rival's cost structure when making a bid, or a competitor's new product plans. Much as in a game of chess, you must think many moves ahead of your rivals—exactly the advantage competitive intelligence can give you. Leonard Fuld provides the tools to cut through the smoke screens and rumors that distort reality and shows: • How to avoid becoming your own worst enemy by removing blinders that can hide a competitor's threatening moves • How to see your competitor's vulnerability and take advantage of the easily exploitable opportunities it presents • How to run a war game to anticipate a rival's pricing moves, new product introduction, or distribution strategy, and even to avoid being surprised by new entrants who play by different rules altogether For more than twenty-five years, Leonard Fuld has been developing groundbreaking ways for managers to stay two steps ahead of the competition, providing effective ways of finding out about pricing, new product rollouts, strategic alliances, outsourcing, and cost of operations. In *The Secret Language of Competitive Intelligence* he shows how to take data that is widely available to everyone, think critically about it, and convert it into highly refined intelligence that leads to effective market-based decisions. Table of Contents DISRUPTIONS, DISTORTIONS, RUMORS, AND SMOKE SCREENS: Page 1 Just Another Day in the Office Chapter 1 THE ART OF SMART: Page19 How Intelligence Insight Helps Win the Game of Risk and Reward Chapter 2 REALITY BITES: Page 45 Remove the Blinders Chapter 3 WILL GOOGLE BEAT MICROSOFT?: Page 69 Using War Games to See Three Moves Ahead Chapter 4 MAKE ME INTO A PEPPERONI: Page 119 Seeing the Trees to Understand the Forest Chapter 5 EARLY WARNING: Page 135 Getting Intelligence on Competitors That May Not Exist in a World That Has Not Arrived Chapter 6 THE INTERNET HOUSE OF MIRRORS: Page 165 Seeing Through the Confusion to Gather Intelligence Gems Chapter 7 COMPETITIVE FOG: Page 211 How Rothschild, Buffett, Walton, Dell, and Branson Saw Clearly and Others Did Not Chapter 8 DAY TO DAY: Page 237 Integrating Intelligence with Your Work Chapter 9 THE BIG UNANSWERED QUESTIONS: Page269 Notes 285 Acknowledgments 293 Index 297 From the Hardcover edition.

How to Legally Steal Your Competitor's Secrets and Increase Market Share Almost Overnight AuthorHouse

A practical introduction to the necessity of competitive intelligence for smarter business decisions-

from a leading CI expert and speaker In Competitive Intelligence Advantage, Seena Sharp, founder of one of the first Competitive Intelligence firms in the US, provides her expert analysis on the issues and benefits of CI for today's businesses. CI is critical for making smarter business decisions and reducing risks when formulating strategies, leading to more profits and fewer mistakes. This is a practical guide that explains what CI is, why data is not intelligence, why competitor intelligence is a weak sibling to competitive intelligence, when to use it, how to find the most useful information and turn it into actual intelligence, and how to present findings in the most convincing manner. Importantly, Sharp argues that businesses would benefit from shifting their perspective on CI from viewing it as a cost to viewing it as an investment that saves money and provides immediate value. Author Seena Sharp is a noted CI expert who established Sharp Market Intelligence in 1979. Addresses all the most common myths and misconceptions about CI. Includes more than sixty examples of when to use CI. Completely explains the ins and outs of CI, and why your company will act faster and more aggressively with CI. Competitive intelligence is a management tool that is misunderstood and underestimated, yet results in numerous benefits. If you are a senior level executive or operate a business-and you aren't tapping the power of CI to improve your decision making-you are missing a potent advantage.

Corporate Espionage, Geopolitics, and Diplomacy Issues in International Business Springer
Are you at risk of being trapped in an uncompetitive business? Chances are the strategies that worked well for you even a few years ago no longer deliver the results you need. Dramatic changes in business have unearthed a major gap between traditional approaches to strategy and the way the real world works now. In short, strategy is stuck. Most leaders are using frameworks that were designed for a different era of business and based on a single dominant idea—that the purpose of strategy is to achieve a sustainable competitive advantage. Once the premise on which all strategies were built, this idea is increasingly irrelevant. Now, Columbia Business School professor and globally recognized strategy expert Rita Gunther McGrath argues that it's time to go beyond the very concept of sustainable competitive advantage. Instead, organizations need to forge a new path to winning: capturing opportunities fast, exploiting them decisively, and moving on even before they are exhausted. She shows how to do this with a new set of practices based on the notion of transient competitive advantage. This book serves as a new playbook for strategy, one based on updated assumptions about how the world works, and shows how some of the world's most successful companies use this method to compete and win today. Filled with compelling examples from "growth outlier" firms such as Fujifilm, Cognizant Technology Solutions, Infosys, Yahoo! Japan, and Atmos Energy, *The End of Competitive Advantage* is your guide to renewed success and profitable growth in an economy increasingly defined by transient advantage.

Fast, Cheap & Ethical Dog Ear Publishing

Surprise is rarely a good thing in business. Unexpected developments range in their effects from inconvenient to disastrous. With strong opinions and wry humor, world-recognized expert Gilad reveals how to anticipate and react to early signs of trouble.

Competitive Advantage Through Competitive Intelligence Crown Business

Discover Your Competitor's Most Profitable Secrets And Secure An Unfair Advantage In Today's Cut-Throat World Of Business! What if you could (legally) find out what your competitors don't want you

to know? Imagine the advantage you'd have if you always knew your competitors next move... In his book, Gavin Bird, Founder and CEO of Avian Competitive Intelligence, explains how any company can easily start their own Competitive Intelligence programme and turn insider secrets into an unstoppable competitive advantage. Here is a preview of what you will learn... How Competitive Intelligence Can Help You Increase Your Profits Without Compromising Your Ethics Why Most Companies Today Still Make Their Decisions On Assumptions (Even When They Think They're Not) The 6 Simple Steps Needed To Gather Competitor Secrets And How To Implement Them In Your Business How to use Intelligence to gain a clear Advantage (And More Market Share) By Next Quarter How You Can Protect Your Business's Sensitive Information From Your Most Aggressive Competitors Much, Much more Don't Let Your Competitors Take More Market Share! Instead, Learn How To Outsmart And Outperform The Competition By Downloading this book today! Tags: Competitive Advantage

How to Acquire and Use Corporate Intelligence and Counter-intelligence FT Press

Diploma Thesis from the year 2010 in the subject Business economics - General, grade: 1,7, Leipzig Graduate School of Management, language: English, abstract: "Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless, and knowledge without integrity is dangerous and dreadful." Samuel Johnson (1709 - 1784) Nowadays knowledge is the economic basis of each company. One needs to know the product, the technology behind it, but also the customer, the competitor and other circumstances that influence the business. The scientific term for the necessity of information gathering and its transformation into applicable knowledge is Competitive Intelligence (CI). This thesis focuses on three questions regarding CI which are linked in a model. Firstly it gives an overview about the most important types of CI. Based on three types, namely Market Intelligence, Competitor Intelligence and Internal Intelligence, it raises the question if there are industry-specific requirements and general key aspects of the activity. The focus group consists of 15 multinational companies from 6 different industries which were analysed with respect to information gathering and types of CI activities. Secondly the thesis considers legal aspects. It asks how effective international treaties and European laws are in terms of criminal prosecution of unfair competition and protection of intellectual property rights. The considerations are limited to those facts that might be taken into account for CI actions. In addition it analyzes if the results from the first part of the thesis are legally allowed or if some activities are legally questionable. Thirdly it looks at the strategic relevance of the legally gathered information. Therefore it assesses the opportunities of CI activities for strategic implementation based on the existing strategic tool "Scenario Planning" and proves that the fit of CI and Scenario Planning has potential to create a sustainable Competitive Advantage (CA).

Using Competitive Intelligence to Anticipate Market Shifts, Control Risk, and Create Powerful Strategies Amacom Books

Competitor Intelligence Turning Analysis into Success David Hussey and Per Jenster The seminal work of Michael Porter in the 1980s provided a conceptual basis to competitor analysis which has stood the test of time. The emphasis of his work, and of many books by other authors which followed it, has been on the why and what of competitor analysis. David Hussey and Per Jenster's book moves beyond this to the problems faced by organizations in applying the concepts at a practical level. It shows how real companies can use competitor intelligence and analysis in real situations. Three

major strands are drawn out by this book, which shows how to: * obtain competitor information in a legitimate way * analyze information so that competitors can be better understood, and strategic options explored * develop ways of achieving competitive advantage which may move the organization ahead of others in the industry This book provides a comprehensive guide for marketing and planning practitioners, managers and management consultants, to enable them to improve the competitor information and intelligence available to their organizations, and to use it to gain advantages over the competition. The book goes beyond the broad concepts, and gives practical advice on how to obtain and use the necessary information, offers various analytical techniques and approaches, and shows how to develop strategies for both attack and defence. It includes numerous cameo examples, a case history of how an organization undertook competitor analysis in an industry with little coherent published information, worked examples of many of the methods suggested, as well as a number of case studies of various industry situations. The text builds on a sound conceptual foundation, and draws heavily on the authors' practical experience.

Building Strategic Insight Abacus Software Incorporated

User experience (UX) strategy requires a careful blend of business strategy and UX design, but until now, there hasn't been an easy-to-apply framework for executing it. This hands-on guide introduces lightweight strategy tools and techniques to help you and your team craft innovative multi-device products that people want to use. Whether you're an entrepreneur, UX/UI designer, product manager, or part of an intrapreneurial team, this book teaches simple-to-advanced strategies that you can use in your work right away. Along with business cases, historical context, and real-world examples throughout, you'll also gain different perspectives on the subject through interviews with top strategists. Define and validate your target users through provisional personas and customer discovery techniques Conduct competitive research and analysis to explore a crowded marketplace or an opportunity to create unique value Focus your team on the primary utility and business model of your product by running structured experiments using prototypes Devise UX funnels that increase customer engagement by mapping desired user actions to meaningful metrics

Gathering, Analysing and Putting it to Work Wiley

Acquiring new market share whilst retaining existing share is what most businesses strive for, Competitive Intelligence helps position your business to maximise profitability

Competitive Intelligence, Competitive Advantage Harvard Business Press

e for managing all the pertinent information available and accessible on the Internet. Readers will earn a competitive advantage in today's marketplace by being able to access information databases, news services, reference services, and books and trade journals.

Competitive Intelligence Strategies for Sustained Advantage Competitive Intelligence

AdvantageHow to Minimize Risk, Avoid Surprises, and Grow Your Business in a Changing World In the modern world of business management, the aim of Competitive Intelligence (CI) is to gain competitive advantage through the investigation and analysis of market and competitive information. This book offers a fundamental and practical introduction to the conceptions, techniques and practice of CI. A number of case studies on international companies highlight the different aspects of CI in practice. The book looks at methods of resolution, ideas and techniques including how to carry out research effectively, manage information overload and use analysis tools

intelligently. The CI implementation process is also a key theme within the book. Strategic competitive analysis is essential in order to develop a successful business strategy, plan ahead and eventually gain measurable competitive advantage. The Competitive Intelligence approach is geared towards this. This book is a practical introduction to the concepts, techniques and uses of CI. [Competitive Intelligence](#) "O'Reilly Media, Inc."

The Complete Guide to Competitive Intelligence: Second Edition is an invaluable source for executives, managers and planners. Far-ranging in scope, comprehensive in detail, it establishes a blueprint for conducting the entire competitive intelligence process from start to finish. This 306 page book provides you with all the methodology necessary to gather and analyze intelligence, establish networks, conduct intelligence interviews and more, including the necessary worksheets conveniently provided on disks. Plus, it offers detailed instruction in designing and implementing a corporate CI process that can operate as an integral function of a corporation, company division or an individual business unit.

Introduction to Private and Public Intelligence Ft Press

Course notes.

Competitive Intelligence IGI Global

Cutting through the hype, a practical guide to using artificial intelligence for business benefits and competitive advantage. In *The AI Advantage*, Thomas Davenport offers a guide to using artificial intelligence in business. He describes what technologies are available and how companies can use them for business benefits and competitive advantage. He cuts through the hype of the AI craze—remember when it seemed plausible that IBM's Watson could cure cancer?—to explain how businesses can put artificial intelligence to work now, in the real world. His key recommendation: don't go for the “moonshot” (curing cancer, or synthesizing all investment knowledge); look for the “low-hanging fruit” to make your company more efficient. Davenport explains that the business value AI offers is solid rather than sexy or splashy. AI will improve products and processes and make decisions better informed—important but largely invisible tasks. AI technologies won't replace human workers but augment their capabilities, with smart machines to work alongside smart people. AI can automate structured and repetitive work; provide extensive analysis of data through machine learning (“analytics on steroids”), and engage with customers and employees via chatbots and intelligent agents. Companies should experiment with these technologies and develop their own expertise. Davenport describes the major AI technologies and explains how they are being used, reports on the AI work done by large commercial enterprises like Amazon and Google, and outlines strategies and steps to becoming a cognitive corporation. This book provides an invaluable guide to the real-world future of business AI. A book in the Management on the Cutting Edge series, published in cooperation with MIT Sloan Management Review.

The Secret Language of Competitive Intelligence John Wiley & Sons

In the New Economy, intelligence will be essential for firms to gain competitive advantage—not just information or knowledge. Competitive intelligence, or the strategic gathering of knowledge about competitors, climate, trends, new products, has a long and successful history of generating competitive advantage. In this book, Rothberg and Erickson demonstrate how corporations can combine their competitive intelligence gathering with their internal knowledge management

gathering into one dynamic system. Using real-world cases from the corporate world, the authors show how the strategic use of this combined system generates measurable competitive advantage. Topics covered include how to develop your strategy for sharing and gathering knowledge across the value chain, sustainable product development and innovation, manufacturing improvement, CRM and marketing, and developing a corporate-wide global knowledge strategy.

The Secret Language of Competitive Intelligence Routledge

Competitive intelligence is the analytical process that transforms disaggregated market and competitor data into accurate, relevant and actionable strategic information about competitors' capabilities, intentions, performance and position.

Starting a Competitive Intelligence Function Copenhagen Business School Press DK

This volume provides the tools for designing and implementing a credible, cost-effective, and reliable system for keeping track of technical trends and new developments. The emphasis throughout is on practical methods which can form the basis for decisions about industry strategies and research. The book includes numerous examples and will be useful for both new and experienced practitioners.

Effective Application of New and Classic Methods Greenwood Publishing Group

Meet any business or competitive analysis challenge: deliver actionable business insights and on-

point recommendations that enterprise decision makers can't and won't ignore! All you need is one book: *Business and Competitive Analysis, Second Edition*. This generation's definitive guide to business and competitive analysis has now been thoroughly updated with additional methods, applications and examples. Craig S. Fleisher and Babette E. Bensoussan begin with a practical primer on the process and context of business and competitive analysis: how it works, how to avoid pitfalls, and how to communicate results. Next, they introduce their unique FAROUT method for choosing the right tools for each assignment. The authors then present dozens of today's most valuable analysis methods. They cover "classic" techniques, such as McKinsey 7S and industry analysis, as well as emerging techniques from multiple disciplines: economics, corporate finance, sociology, anthropology, and the intelligence and futurist communities. You'll find full chapters outlining effective analysis processes; avoiding pitfalls; communicating results; as well as drill-downs on analyzing industries, competitive positioning, business models, supply chains, strategic relationships, corporate reputation, critical success factors, driving forces, technology change, cash flow, and much more. For every method, Fleisher and Bensoussan present clear descriptions, background context, strategic rationales, strengths, weaknesses, step-by-step instructions, and references. The result is a book every analyst, strategist, and manager can rely on - in any industry, for any challenge.