

Reviews of Selected Books and Articles

BOOKS REVIEW

How the World Ran Out of Everything: Inside the Global Supply Chain by Peter S. Goodman

This book critiques the vulnerabilities of the global supply chain, especially exposed during crises. It challenges the Just in Time principle for its fragility, leading to chaos and shortages of essential goods. Through various stakeholder narratives, it advocates for urgent reforms to improve supply chain reliability, addressing issues like efficiency's human cost and monopolistic practices. The work seeks to shift perceptions of globalization and emphasizes the need for significant changes.



Available at: <https://shorturl.at/5lvXr>

Ratings: Amazon: 4.4/5; Goodreads: 4.01/5

Digital Transformation in Procurement: Plan, Execute and Adopt a Successful Digital Procurement Programme by Andries Feikema

This book serves as a strategic guide for Chief Procurement Officers and senior leaders on digitizing procurement functions. It emphasizes aligning digital initiatives with enterprise goals, navigating complex transformations, and technology selection. Additionally, it offers practical frameworks and global examples to support effective modernization in procurement.



Available at: <https://shorturl.at/2r4Ak>

Ratings: Amazon: 4/5; Goodreads: 5/5

Strategic Procurement Management: Efficiency and Mitigating Risk in the Modern Supply Chain by Dimitrios Simeonidis and Oliver Maschle

This book examines the evolution of procurement from a mere operational role to a strategic function within businesses. It discusses the influence of digitalization (e-procurement, AI, blockchain), sustainability, supplier management, agile procurement methods, risk management, and performance metrics. Featuring real-world case studies, it serves as a guide for Chief Procurement Officers and procurement professionals aiming to innovate and improve efficiency in a changing market dynamic.



Available at: <https://shorturl.at/CYFA8>

Ratings: Amazon: 3.1/5; Goodreads: 5/5

ARTICLES REVIEW

Transforming Public Procurement in Pakistan: The Role of E-Procurement and Artificial Intelligence for Enhanced Efficiency and Transparency by Sana Ghous

This article explores the impact of e-procurement and artificial intelligence on public procurement in Punjab, Pakistan. It assesses the e-PADS system regarding its efficiency, cost reduction, and accountability, while noting challenges in automation and digital literacy. The study identifies gaps in comparison to global standards, particularly in cross-border procurement and SME inclusion. It concludes with the potential of AI to enhance procurement processes, advocating for policy reforms and technological advancements to modernize public procurement system in Pakistan.

Available at: <https://shorturl.at/UBVUq>

Digitisation of Procurement and Information Modelling-Literature Review on e-Procurement by Eliana Basile, Francesca Porcellini, Enrico Pasquale Zitiello, Sonia Lupica Spagnolo, Antonio Salzano & Salvatore Antonio Biancardo

This article examines how e-procurement is transforming procurement practices in the construction sector, drawing on 95 scientific studies. It highlights the role of Building Information Modelling (BIM) in improving project efficiency but notes that implementation is often limited to basic document dematerialization rather than full digitalization. It highlights challenges such as technological, regulatory, and cultural barriers impede progress, indicating a need for interoperable approaches to facilitate the transition to integrated information systems.

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