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This textbook aims to fill the gap between those that offer a theoretical treatment without many applications and those that present and apply formulas without appropriately deriving them. The balance achieved will give readers a fundamental understanding of key financial ideas and tools that form the basis for building realistic models, including those that may become proprietary. Numerous carefully chosen examples and exercises reinforce the student's conceptual understanding and facility with applications. The exercises are divided into conceptual, application-based, and theoretical problems, which probe the material deeper. The book is aimed toward advanced undergraduates and first-year graduate students who are new to finance or want a more rigorous treatment of the mathematical models used within. While no background in finance is assumed, prerequisite math courses include multivariable calculus, probability, and linear algebra. The authors introduce additional mathematical tools as needed. The entire textbook is appropriate for a single year-long course on introductory mathematical finance. The self-contained design of the text allows for instructor flexibility in topics courses and those focusing on financial derivatives. Moreover, the text is useful for mathematicians, physicists, and engineers who want to learn finance via an approach that builds their financial intuition and is explicit about model building, as well as business school students who want a treatment of finance that is deeper but not overly theoretical.

A supplementary text for a variety of Business courses, including Financial Statement Analysis, Investments, Personal Finance, and Financial Planning and Analysis An Analytical Approach to Understanding and Interpreting Business Financial Statements Understanding Financial Statements improves the student's ability to translate a financial statement into a meaningful map for business decisions. The material covered in each chapter helps students approach financial statements with enhanced confidence and understanding of a firm's historical, current, and prospective financial condition and performance. The Eleventh Edition includes new case studies based on existing companies and enhanced learning tools to help students quickly grasp and apply the materials. Fraser and Ormiston presents material in an engaging fashion that helps readers make sense of complex financial information, leading to intelligent (and profitable!) decision-making.

Merging theory and practice into a comprehensive, highly-anticipated text Corporate Finance continues its legacy as one of the most popular financial textbooks, with well-established content from a diverse and highly respected author team. Unique in its features, this valuable text blends theory and practice with a direct, succinct style and commonsense presentation. Readers will be introduced to concepts in a situational framework, followed by a detailed discussion of techniques and tools. This latest edition includes new information on venture finance and debt structuring, and has been updated throughout with the most recent statistical tables. The companion website provides statistics, graphs, charts, articles, computer models, and classroom tools, and the free monthly newsletter keeps readers up to date on the latest happenings in the field. The authors have generously made themselves available for questions, promising an answer in seventy-two hours. Emphasizing how key concepts relate to real-world situations is what makes Corporate Finance a valuable reference with real relevance to the professional and student alike. Readers will gain insight into the methods and tools that shape the industry, allowing them to: Analyze investments with regard to hurdle rates, cash flows, side costs, and more Delve into the financing process and learn the tools and techniques of valuation Understand cash dividends and buybacks, spinoffs, and divestitures Explore the link between valuation and corporate finance As the global economy begins to recover, access to the most current information and statistics will be required. To remain relevant in the evolving financial environment, practitioners will need a deep understanding of the mechanisms at work. Corporate Finance provides the expert guidance and detailed explanations for those requiring a strong foundational knowledge, as well as more advanced corporate finance professionals.

Based on papers from the 4th Business Systems Laboratory International Symposium (BSLAB) in 2016, this volume contributes to the business management, organizational and innovation literature by providing insights on the antecedents of systems thinking in the business systems domain. The Business Systems Laboratory International Symposium addresses current global economic and social challenges from a systemic perspective, drawing from the domains of management, economics, engineering and sociology. In particular, the 2016 Symposium focuses on the epistemological, theoretical, methodological, technical and practical contributions that represent advancements in the theory and practice of governing business systems to address present and future challenges in the global economy. The contributions explore the application of systems thinking to governance, involving the introduction of new administrative organizational and managerial activities aimed toward organizational innovation and control.

The growth of financial intermediation research has yielded a host of questions that have pushed "design" issues to the fore even as the boundary between financial intermediation and corporate finance has blurred. This volume presents review articles on six major topics that are connected by information-theoretic tools and characterized by valuable perspectives and important questions for future research. Touching upon a wide range of issues pertaining to the designs of securities, institutions, trading mechanisms and markets, industry structure, and regulation, this volume will encourage bold new efforts to shape financial intermediaries in the future. * Original review articles offer valuable perspectives on research issues appearing in top journals * Twenty articles are grouped by six major topics, together defining the leading research edge of financial intermediation * Corporate finance researchers will find affinities in the tools, methods, and conclusions featured in these articles

Navigate equity investments and asset valuation with confidence Equity Asset Valuation, Third Edition blends theory and practice to paint an accurate, informative picture of the equity asset world. The most comprehensive resource on the market, this text supplements your studies for the third step in the three-level CFA certification program by integrating both accounting and finance concepts to explore a collection of valuation models and challenge you to determine which models are most appropriate for certain companies and circumstances. Detailed learning outcome statements help you navigate your way through the content, which covers a wide range of topics, including how an analyst approaches the equity valuation process, the basic DDM, the derivation of the required rate of return within the context of Markowitz and Sharpe's modern portfolio theory, and more. Equity investments encompass the buying and holding of shares of stock in the anticipation of collecting income from dividends and capital gains. Determining which shares will be profitable is key, and an array of valuation techniques is applied on today's

market to decide which stocks are ripe for investment and which are best left out of your portfolio. Access the most comprehensive equity asset valuation text on the market Leverage detailed learning outcome statements that focus your attention on key concepts, and guide you in applying the material accurately and effectively Explore a wide range of essential topics, such as the free cash flow approach, valuation using Graham and Dodd type concepts of earning power, associated market multiples, and residual income models Improve your study efforts by leveraging the text during your CFA certification program prep Equity Asset Valuation, Third Edition is a comprehensive, updated text that guides you through the information you need to know to fully understand the general analysis of equity investments.

This textbook incorporates the newest technology to facilitate the learning process, saving valuable time for you and your students. The fourth edition continues to provide the core topics for the course, highlighting personal examples to help students relate to the material.

An essential guide to valuation techniques and financial analysis With the collapse of the economy and financial systems, many institutions are reevaluating what they are willing to spend money on. Project valuation is key to both cost effectiveness measures and shareholder value. The purpose of this book is to provide a comprehensive examination of critical capital budgeting topics. Coverage extends from discussing basic concepts, principles, and techniques to their application to increasingly complex, real-world situations. Throughout, the book emphasizes how financially sound capital budgeting facilitates the process of value creation and discusses why various theories make sense and how firms can use them to solve problems and create wealth. Offers a strategic focus on the application of various techniques and approaches related to a firm's overall strategy Provides coverage of international topics based on the premise that managers should view business from a global perspective Emphasizes the importance of using real options Comprised of contributed chapters from both experienced professionals and academics, Capital Budgeting Valuation offers a variety of perspectives and a rich interplay of ideas related to this important financial discipline.

This handbook provides a wide-ranging, coherent, and systematic analysis of maritime management, policy, and strategy development. It undertakes a comprehensive examination of the fields of management and policy-making in shipping by bringing together chapters on key topics of seminal scientific and practical importance. Within 21 original chapters, authoritative experts describe and analyze concepts at the cutting edge of knowledge in shipping. Themes include maritime management and policy, ship finance, port and maritime economics, and maritime logistics. A study examines the determinants of ship management fees. Aspects of corporate governance in the shipping industry are reviewed and there is a critical review of the ship investment literature. Other topics featured include the organization and management of tanker and dry bulk shipping companies, environmental management in shipping with reference to energy-efficient ship operation, a study of the BIMCO Shipping KPI standard, utilizing the Bunker Adjustment Factor as a strategic decision-making instrument, and slow steaming in the maritime industry. All chapters are written to provide implications for further advancement in professional practice and research. The Routledge Handbook of Maritime Management will be of great interest to relevant students, researchers, academics, and professionals alike. It provides abundant opportunities to guide further research in the areas covered but will also initiate and inspire effective maritime management.

The boom in corporate restructuring, accompanied by large increases in debt finance, was one of the most important developments in the U.S. economy in the 1980s. Financial and tax specialists analyze how the U.S. tax system-especially in its bias toward debt financing-has affected corporate financial decisions and influenced the recent wave of corporate restructuring. The authors evaluate the hypothesis that the rise in the cost of capital during the 1980s helped stimulate the surge in corporate takeovers. They analyze the effect that changes in tax laws and in the volume of government debt have had on corporate financial decisions. The authors examine how recent financial innovations have blurred the distinction between debt and equity finance.

This book highlights research-based case studies in order to analyze the wealth created in the world's largest mergers and acquisitions (M&A). This book encourages cross fertilization in theory building and applied research by examining the links between M&A and wealth creation. Each chapter covers a specific case and offers a focused clinical examination of the entire lifecycle of M&A for each mega deal, exploring all aspects of the process. The success of M&A are analyzed through two main research approaches: event studies and financial performance analyses. The event studies examine the abnormal returns to the shareholders in the period surrounding the merger announcement. The financial performance studies examine the reported financial results of acquirers before and after the acquisition to see whether financial performance has improved after merger. The relation between method of payment, premium paid and stock returns are examined. The chapters also discuss synergies of the deal-cost and revenue synergies. Mergers and acquisitions represent a major force in modern financial and economic environment. Whether in times of boom or bust, M&As have emerged as a compelling strategy for growth. The biggest companies of modern day have all taken form through a series of restructuring activities like multiple mergers. Acquisitions continue to remain as the quickest route companies take to operate in new markets and to add new capabilities and resources. The cases covered in this book highlights high profile M&As and focuses on the wealth creation for shareholders of acquirer and target firms as a financial assessment of the merger's success. The book should be useful for finance professionals, corporate planners, strategists, and managers.

Discover how the latest financial theories connect with what today's global organizations are actually practicing in business with CORPORATE FINANCE: LINKING THEORY TO WHAT COMPANIES DO, 3E, INTERNATIONAL EDITION. This award-winning author team of Graham/Smart/Megginson examines real companies and timely topics to give you a solid understanding of how U.S. and international corporations operate in today's global marketplace. This accessible text incorporates the latest findings from Duke University's CFO Global Business Outlook, a quarterly survey of financial executives that gauges business outlook and topical economic issues. Engaging examples and cross-functional applications, including actual job interview questions in the text's margins, make this book invaluable. Innovative online Smart Finance tools help you better understand principles with tutorials, interactive practice and step-by-step animated solutions.

"Beginning with examples of the scandals that have shaken public confidence in the ethics of Wall Street, this book explains the need for ethics in the personal conduct of finance professionals and the operation of financial markets and institutions. A broad range of practical issues in the financial services industry, investment decision making, and corporate financial

management are explored, focusing on standards of fairness in market transactions and the duties of fiduciaries and agents in financial relationships. Among the topics covered are unethical sales practices, the churning of accounts, personal trading by fund managers, discrimination in home mortgage lending, the role of institutional investors, the socially responsible investment movement, insider trading and program trading, the abuse of bankruptcy, and hostile takeovers. Ethics in Finance also contains a critical examination of conception of the theory of the firm in finance and the financial objective of firms." - product description.

Get closer to finance as it's actually practiced today with the powerful approach from award-winning authors John Graham and Scott Smart found in INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE FINANCE: WHAT COMPANIES DO, 3E. Theoretically sound yet practically relevant, INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE FINANCE, 3E integrates examples throughout to emphasize the roles of financial managers and CFOs and show how financial management actually works in today's real companies. This book's accessible, inviting approach gives finance majors the solid foundation they need while remaining relevant to the large number of non-majors in your course. Timely real examples and the latest material on the recent financial crisis, innovative online learning tools, and an integrated approach enable you to keep students of varying degrees of ability both motivated and involved. New author John Graham, one of the most prolific and widely cited scholars in finance today, brings new emphasis to connecting real-life corporate finance to everyday life. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Capital investment decisions are a constant challenge to all levels of financial managers. Capital Budgeting: Theory and Practice shows you how to confront them using state-of-the-art techniques. Broken down into four comprehensive sections, Capital Budgeting: Theory and Practice explores and illustrates all aspects of the capital budgeting decision process. Pamela Peterson and Frank Fabozzi examine the critical issues and limitations of capital budgeting techniques with an in-depth analysis of: Classifying capital budgeting proposals Determining the relevant cash flows for capital budgeting proposals Assessing the economic value of a capital budgeting proposal using different techniques Incorporating risk into the capital budgeting decision Evaluating whether to lease or borrow-to-buy Capital Budgeting: Theory and Practice provides the knowledge, insight, and advice that will allow you to handle one of the most important aspects of your firm's financial management. Advanced enough for practitioners yet accessible enough for the novice, Capital Budgeting: Theory and Practice is your complete guide to understanding and benefiting from the essential techniques of capital budgeting.

Socially responsible investing (SRI) is an investment approach that combines investors' financial as well as nonfinancial goals in the security selection process. Technically, investors can engage in SRI either by directly investing in companies that implement corporate social activities or by investing their money in SRI funds, which apply screening criteria to select securities. The screening process applied by the SRI funds has led to controversy among academics regarding whether the use of SRI screens in the security selection process influences the financial performance of the funds. The empirical study analyzes whether or not the screening process applied by such funds influences their financial performance. Previous research mostly has focused on analyzing the performance of SRI equity funds established in the United States. The study at hand not only includes SRI equity funds, but also SRI balanced and fixed income funds established in Europe, the biggest market for SRI globally. The study provides unexpected results that are not only of interest for investors, who want to get a better understanding of the effect on the financial performance of their portfolios in case SRI funds are added. The results are also relevant for SRI fund managers, who are interested in promoting their funds and attracting (new) investors, and for academics, whose research interests are e. g., located in the fields of SRI, fund portfolio performances and market efficiencies.

You can achieve your business dream. Beat the odds as you learn from the best - including Henry Ford, Steve Jobs, and Bill Gates - and turn your idea into an amazing and profitable enterprise. The Business Book helps you over the hurdles facing every new business, such as finding a gap in the market, securing finance, employing people, and creating an eye-catching brand. It is a plain-speaking visual guide to 80 of the most important commerce theories including chaos theory, critical path analysis, market mapping, and the MABA matrix. Its graphics and flow diagrams demystify complicated concepts and explain the ideas of seminal business thinkers, such as Malcolm Gladwell's "tipping point" or Michael Porter's "five forces". It shows that you can succeed with stories of rags-to-riches entrepreneurs, including the founders of Hewlett-Packard, who began their global enterprise from their garage. Whether you are a student, a CEO, or a would-be entrepreneur, The Business Book will inspire you and put you on the inside track to making your goal a reality. Series Overview: Big Ideas Simply Explained series uses creative design and innovative graphics along with straightforward and engaging writing to make complex subjects easier to understand. With over 7 million copies worldwide sold to date, these award-winning books provide just the information needed for students, families, or anyone interested in concise, thought-provoking refreshers on a single subject.

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Duke University, joins master-teacher Scott Smart and international business expert Bill Megginson to help bridge the gap between academic rigor and corporate finance practices. Each chapter in this edition now integrates the latest results from Duke University's prestigious CFO Global Business Outlook, a quarterly survey of financial executives that gauges business outlook and topical economic issues. The authors have refined this practical text and integrated technology to closely correspond with the way you teach your MBA-level course. Engaging examples, meaningful cases, and practical exercises reflect how today's changing events and recent financial crises relate to established finance principles. Cross-functional applications and career-focused features, such as actual job interview questions in the margin, make the book applicable to all students, whether finance majors or general business professionals. Time-saving online Smart Finance tools, created by author Scott Smart, further reinforce learning with integrated tutorials, interactive practice, and videos from leading finance researchers introducing key theories and concepts. Graham/Smart/Megginson's CORPORATE FINANCE: LINKING THEORY TO WHAT COMPANIES DO, 3E offers the practical, global financial perspective students need to remain first in finance now and throughout their future careers. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

"Written with enthusiasm and dedication, Analysis for Financial Management, 9th edition, presents Financial Management in a clear and conversational style that both business students and non-financial executives comprehend." --Book Jacket.

CORPORATE FINANCE, 2nd Edition was crafted to match the way you teach your MBA-level course. It's a claim we're confident to make because before creating the text, the authors analyzed more than 150 MBA-course syllabi and blended this research with input from professors like you and more than 50 years of personal corporate finance and teaching experience. The result is the most relevant text available for your students-one that presents the latest financial theories within the practical context of today's business. This balance of modern theory and practice is found in features such as Applying the Model examples that demonstrate concepts in action, cross-functional applications that make the book applicable to all students, and innovative CengageNOW for Smart Finance technology that reinforces learning throughout each chapter.

The theme of this volume is "Dealing with Volatility and Enhancing Performance". During a time when there is much concern about the perceived volatility of global equity markets, the insights offered here could be reassuring as well as useful.

Advanced Accounting delivers an in-depth, comprehensive introduction to advanced accounting theory and application, using actual business examples and relevant news stories to demonstrate how core principles translate into real-world business scenarios. Clearly defined and logically organized Learning Objectives aid in student comprehension, while highlighted Related Concepts illustrate how individual concepts fit into the larger picture. Short answer questions throughout the chapter allow students to test their knowledge before reaching the more in-depth end-of-chapter questions, promoting a deeper understanding of both technical and conceptual aspects of the field. Written by active accounting researchers, this text brings clarity and flexibility to the central ideas underlying business combinations, consolidated financial statements, foreign currency transactions, partnerships, non-profit accounting and more. This new Seventh Edition has been updated to reflect the latest changes to FASB and GASB standards, allowing students to build a skill set based on up-to-date practices. With a student-oriented pedagogy designed to enhance comprehension, promote engagement, and build real-world understanding, this user-friendly book provides an essential foundation in current advanced accounting methods and standards.

The workbook to accompany Corporate Finance: A Practical Approach, Second Edition

Annotation Digital Economy provides information about the socioeconomic aspects of the digital economy. This set of eighteen essays covers the effects of digital economy on business transactions, technology and culture, as well as on education. It also covers various aspects of global production, trade, and investment and the effects of the Internet. Corporate Finance, 3e offers a dynamic, modern and practical approach that illustrates how financial management really works. It features up-to-date content including a focus on ethics in finance, following the Australian Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry. This resource is distinguished by the cash-flow 'arc' of the narrative, which gives a practical learning path, and the use of real options - a practical analysis tool that is used in corporate finance. Students are provided with an engaging and contemporary learning path, giving them realistic preparation for a career in finance. The strong five-part framework of the book is supported by integrated online elements and easy-to-read chapter narratives. Premium online teaching and learning tools are available on the MindTap platform. Learn more about the online tools cengage.com.au/mindtap

L'obiettivo primario dell'impresa è aumentare il valore economico dell'investimento dei fornitori di capitale di rischio, cioè lo shareholder value o equity value. Il libro illustra i concetti e le tecniche chiave dell'analisi finanziaria finalizzata a comprendere e valutare l'impatto potenziale delle decisioni da prendere sullo shareholder value.

Molteplici esempi e casi sono utilizzati per illustrare le applicazioni di tali concetti e tecniche. Il testo aiuta il lettore a: comprendere e riorganizzare i prospetti contabili per meglio capire e misurare la performance finanziaria-economica; analizzare la performance finanziaria passata; valutare le interrelazioni tra la gestione strategica, la gestione operativa e le politiche finanziarie per conseguire una crescita profittevole sostenibile; sviluppare delle proiezioni finanziarie solide; identificare, misurare e usare delle informazioni finanziarie rilevanti per prendere delle decisioni efficaci; stimare i tassi di rendimento richiesti dagli investitori in capitale di debito ed in capitale di rischio quindi stimare il costo del capitale; determinare il valore economico creato per gli azionisti attraverso i nuovi investimenti, le acquisizioni ed i disinvestimenti; identificare le business units che creano valore e quelle che distruggono valore; misurare il valore intrinseco ed il valore relativo di un'impresa; stabilire il mix capitale di debito-capitale di rischio appropriato per finanziare le strategie e le operazioni dell'impresa; identificare, valutare e selezionare le opportunità strategiche, operative e finanziarie per raggiungere il valore economico potenziale dell'investimento

degli azionisti nell'impresa. Nella nuova edizione è stata introdotta una nuova parte dedicata alla politica di payout (ossia l'ammontare e la modalità della distribuzione di cassa da parte dell'impresa agli azionisti) e sono stati aggiunti nuovi casi. STRUTTURA DEL VOLUME I prospetti contabili Dai prospetti contabili ai prospetti gestionali-finanziari Analisi della performance finanziaria passata Il valore del denaro nel tempo Rendimento sul capitale di rischio e analisi della crescita Proiezione della performance finanziaria futura (pianificazione finanziaria) Analisi finanziaria per prendere decisioni Valutazione e Selezione degli Investimenti Opportunità d'investimento e opzioni reali Misurazione del rischio e rendimenti richiesti Mix Capitale di debito – Capitale di rischio Politica di payout Valutazione d'Impresa Valutazione delle acquisizioni Valutazione dei disinvestimenti Ristrutturazione d'Impresa Bibliografia

From small law offices to federal agencies, all entities within the justice system are governed by complicated economic factors and face daily financial decision-making. A complement to Strategic Finance for Criminal Justice Organizations, this volume considers the justice system from a variety of economic and financial perspectives and introduces quantitative methods designed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of organizations in both the non-profit and for-profit sectors. Using only a minimum of theory, Economic and Financial Analysis for Criminal Justice Organizations demonstrates how to make decisions in the justice system using multiple financial and economic models. Designed for readers with little knowledge of advanced mathematics, quantitative analysis, or spreadsheets, the book presents examples using straightforward, step-by-step processes with Excel and Linux Calc spreadsheet software. A variety of different types of decisions are considered, ranging from municipal bond issuance and valuation necessary for public revenues, pension planning, capital investment, determining the best use of monies toward construction projects, and other resource planning, allocation, and forecasting issues. From municipalities and police departments to for-profit prisons and security firms, the quantitative methods presented are designed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of all organizations in the justice domain.

This volume is about the challenges and opportunities facing developing countries in using their extractive industries to achieve inclusive and sustainable development. It recognises explicitly the greatly increased importance of mining, oil and gas in many lower income countries.

Introduction to Corporate Finance has been developed to provide a first course in the subject that interests and motivates students. The text has been designed to meet the needs of finance specialists and non-specialists, the latter being a segment of the audience that are not well catered for in the finance subject area. The text thus addresses the challenges all finance educators face: keeping students at varying degrees of ability and interest motivated and committed to the learning experience. The principal aim of the book is to deliver a student-friendly text that at the same time is theoretically rigorous. Corporate Finance covers the traditional topics of time value of money, risk and return, valuation, investment appraisal, capital structure and dividend policy, international finance and risk management, and financial planning. This edition is an adaptation for a European and UK audience of the text originally authored by Bill Megginson and Scott Smart, Introduction to Corporate Finance. The book has been rewritten, restructured and reorganized to reflect a European-centric approach. Throughout the authors have attempted to blend a balance of material it is impossible and improper to ignore the interlinkedness of modern finance, and in adapting this book the authors have been conscious of this. Although the examples, terminology and currencies are mainly those of Europe and the UK, the authors have not neglected to include US and other examples where needed to illustrate a point. Students working through this text will realise by the end that while details may differ from country to country the essential questions and concerns of corporate finance remain constant.

Judging by the sheer number of papers reviewed in this Handbook, the empirical analysis of firms' financing and investment decisions—empirical corporate finance—has become a dominant field in financial economics. The growing interest in everything “corporate is fueled by a healthy combination of fundamental theoretical developments and recent widespread access to large transactional data bases. A less scientific—but nevertheless important—source of inspiration is a growing awareness of the important social implications of corporate behavior and governance. This Handbook takes stock of the main empirical findings to date across an unprecedented spectrum of corporate finance issues, ranging from econometric methodology, to raising capital and capital structure choice, and to managerial incentives and corporate investment behavior. The surveys are written by leading empirical researchers that remain active in their respective areas of interest. With few exceptions, the writing style makes the chapters accessible to industry practitioners. For doctoral students and seasoned academics, the surveys offer dense roadmaps into the empirical research landscape and provide suggestions for future work.

*The Handbooks in Finance series offers a broad group of outstanding volumes in various areas of finance *Each individual volume in the series should present an accurate self-contained survey of a sub-field of finance *The series is international in scope with contributions from field leaders the world over

The past two decades has witnessed unprecedented changes in the corporate governance landscape in Europe, the US and Asia. Across many countries, activist investors have pursued engagements with management of target companies. More recently, the role of the hostile activist shareholder has been taken up by a set of hedge funds. Hedge fund activism is characterized by mergers and corporate restructuring, replacement of management and board members, proxy voting, and lobbying of management. These investors target and research companies, take large positions in their stock, criticize their business plans and governance practices, and confront their managers, demanding action enhancing shareholder value. This book analyses the impact of activists on the companies that they invest, the effects on shareholders and on activists funds themselves.

Chapters examine such topic as investors' strategic approaches, the financial returns they produce, and the regulatory frameworks within which they operate. The chapters also provide historical context, both of activist investment and institutional shareholder passivity. The volume facilitates a comparison between the US and the EU, juxtaposing not only

regulatory patterns but investment styles.

This—revised and enhanced—book examines the role of finance in supporting other functional areas while fostering an understanding of how financial decisions can create value. Corporate Finance covers areas related to estimating divisional cost of capital; executing a financing strategy; establishing debt and dividend policies consistent with the company's strategy and environment; choosing between dividends and stock repurchases; managing high growth and managing working capital. Its new topics include: - Corporate Financial Flexibility (Real options) - New Financial Instruments - Project Finance - Acquisitions and Control - Performance Measurement and Incentive Compensation The goal of this book is to provide a thorough understanding of how and why firms make their financial decisions the way they do and their impact on shareholder value. The central theme of the book is Value Based Management, which assumes that maximizing shareholder value is the governing objective of a firm. Each chapter of this new edition has detailed and real-life cases to help students easily understand and grasp concepts. The author has also provided the case-map of the Harvard Business School to make this book more user-friendly in classrooms. The inclusion of several new topics/cases, extensive pedagogical tools and a finance-for-non-finance approach make this book ideal for MBA/CA/CFA/ICWA students and executive education programs.

The authors wrote this text in response to the absence in the market of a text that would meet the needs of finance majors, but would still be accessible to all students. In many cases, as many as 80% of undergraduate corporate finance courses are filled with non-finance majors who are either intimidated by this course or who don't understand why they have to take the class (or both!). This text addresses the challenges all professors face: keeping students at varying degrees of ability and interest motivated and invested in the material.

This volume addresses the core topic areas in corporate finance and establishes an integrated understanding of the three decision areas in finance - investment, financing, and the dividend decision.

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