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#### DYNAMIC SYSTEMS, ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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*Springer Science & Business Media* **The major goal of the book is to create an environment for matching different disciplinary approaches to studying economic growth. This goal is implemented on the basis of results of the Symposium “Applications of Dynamic Systems to Economic Growth with Environment” which was held at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) on the 7th-8th of November, 2008, within the IIASA Project “Driving Forces of Economic Growth” (ECG). The symposium was organized by coordinators of the ECG project: Jesus Crespo-Cuaresma from IIASA World Population Program, and Tapio Palokangas and Alexander Tarasyev from IIASA Dynamic Systems Program. The book addresses the issues of sustainability of economic growth in a changing environment, global warming and exhausting energy resources, technological change, and also focuses on explanations of significant fluctuations in countries’ growth rates. The chapters focus on the analysis of historical economic growth experiences in relation to environmental policy, technological change, development of transport infrastructure, population issues and environmental mortality. The book is written in a popular-science style, accessible to any intelligent lay reader. The prime audience for the book is economists, mathematicians and engineers working on problems of economic growth and environment. The mathematical part of the book is presented in a rigorous manner, and the detailed analysis is expected to be of interest to specialists in optimal control and applications to economic modeling. The book consists of four interrelated parts.**

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#### GREEN GROWTH AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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*Springer Science & Business Media* **The book examines problems associated with green growth and sustainable development on the basis of recent contributions in economics, natural sciences and applied mathematics, especially optimal control theory. Its main topics include pollution, biodiversity, exhaustible resources and climate change. The integrating framework of the book is dynamic systems theory which offers a common basis for multidisciplinary research and mathematical tools for solving complicated models, leading to new insights in environmental issues.**

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#### CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH AT UNIVERSITIES

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#### ADDRESSING THE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION CHALLENGES

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*Springer* **This unique book provides a multidisciplinary review of current, climate-change research projects at universities around the globe, offering perspectives from all of the natural and social sciences. Numerous universities worldwide pursue state-of-the-art research on climate change, focussing on mitigation of its effects as well as human adaptation to it. However, the 2015 Paris 21st Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) (COP 21)” demonstrated that there is still much room for improvement in the role played by universities in international negotiations and decision-making on climate change. To date, few scientific meetings have provided multidisciplinary perspectives on climate change in which researchers across the natural and social sciences could come together to exchange research findings and discuss methods relating to climate change mitigation and adaptation studies. As a result the published literature has also lacked a broad perspective. This book fills that gap and is of interest to all researchers and policy-makers concerned with global climate change regardless of their area of expertise.**

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#### LA CUARESMA, DÍA A DÍA

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*Editorial SAL TERRAE* **MEGAN MCKENNA** es una polifacética escritora norteamericana muy conocida en su país por sus relatos populares, extraídos de las tradiciones culturales de todo el mundo. En el presente libro, la autora camina con nosotros durante los cuarenta días de la Cuaresma y de la Semana Santa: comienza el Miércoles de Ceniza y termina con el Triduo Pascual, pasando por las fiestas de San José y la Anunciación, que también incluye. Relatos y reflexiones para ilustrar los tres ciclos litúrgicos de este tiempo y ayudarnos tanto a resistir la tentación de un mundo que quiere desviar nuestros pasos del proyecto de Jesús, como a encontrar fuerza en la Eucaristía y la Palabra de Dios, y lucidez para saber que el lento camino hacia la paz y la reconciliación, la libertad y la resurrección no será posible sin tomar la cruz de cada día y aceptar el reto que Dios nos propone. MEGAN MCKENNA, doctora en Teología por el Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California, ha enseñado en Chicago, San Francisco, Dublín y Albuquerque. Otros títulos de la autora de pronta aparición en esta editorial Adviento, Navidad y Epifanía y María, sombra de gracia.

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#### MEDITACIONES BREVES EN CUARESMA

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#### 40 ASPECTOS DE LA CONVERSIÓN

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Reflexiones sobre 40 aspectos de la conversión estructuradas en tres capítulos: Actitudes básicas del Reino. Superación de la mentalidad legalista. El estilo de vida del discípulo.

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#### LECCIONARIO BIENAL II (AÑO PAR): CUARESMA-PASCUA

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#### LECTURAS BÍBLICAS Y PATRÍSTICAS DEL OFICIO PARA LA LITURGIA DE LAS HORAS

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*Alfertsón Cedano (deiverbum.org)* **Este es el volumen II del Leccionario Bienal Bíblico-Patristico del Oficio de Lecturas para el Año Par. Contiene las lecturas para los tiempos de Cuaresma y Pascua, el Propio de los Santos, los Oficios Comunes y el Oficio de Difuntos. Los textos bíblicos son tomados de la Biblia oficial de la Conferencia Episcopal Española (2012), texto de referencia para la liturgia de habla hispana. Se trata de una humilde contribución para aquellos que deseen acompañar su oración cotidiana con estos preciosos escritos de la Sagrada Escritura y de los padres de la Iglesia, al ritmo marcado por la liturgia de la Iglesia. Este documento es gratis, se ha realizado sin fines de lucro. No pretende sustituir en ningún caso los textos oficiales aprobados por la Iglesia, sino simplemente ser una ayuda para quienes se les haga difícil acceder a los textos del ciclo bienal, o si un día olvidamos nuestro breviario y estamos lejos de casa... Para más información, puede visitar la web <http://www.deiverbum.org>**

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#### BOOK OF GOOD LOVE

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*SUNY Press* **A masterpiece in the tradition of the Decameron and the Canterbury Tales, Juan Ruiz’s fourteenth-century Spanish narrative poem combines the comic and the serious, the bawdy and the practical, the satiric and the tender, the devout and the blasphemous. In a first prose translation, Professors Mignani and Di Cesare succeed in conveying the vitality and sly humor of the original. The poem consists of a loosely unified series of fourteen amorous adventures of the Archpriest of Hita, interlaced with debates, fabliaux, fables,**

and exempla. Ruiz suggests that while man ought to seek buen amor (true love, or love of God), he is prone to loco amor, or worldly love. The Book proposes to show human folly so that men may be forewarned of the bad and choose the good. The episodes related in the stanzas and in songs in various lyrical styles parody such conventions as courtly love, epic battle, or church ritual. Ruiz was clearly fascinated by the concrete, as well as the allegorical, for his episodes have dates and actual settings, and popular speech is incorporated into his verses. In their introduction, the translators survey the major scholarly studies of the poem and offer their own critical reading of it. Their annotated bibliography and notes to the translation will be useful to students as well as scholars.

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## FISCAL DECENTRALIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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### EXPERIENCES OF THREE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

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*Springer* An in-depth analysis of the fundamental role that decentralization plays in developing countries, using detailed statistical data to examine the actual fiscal structure between tiers of government, and the effects of decentralization at the local, national and international levels.

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## LA CUARESMA

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### ORACIONES, AYUNO Y OFRENDAS

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*Libros* En el año litúrgico, la temporada de Cuaresma nos ofrece una buena oportunidad de prepararnos para la fiesta de la Pascua y la celebración de la Resurrección del Señor. Según la tradición católica, cumplimos con esta meta principalmente por las prácticas del ayuno, la oración, y las obras de caridad. Estas tres prácticas nos ayudan ponernos en solidaridad con el Señor y el gran sacrificio que él hizo para nosotros por su muerte en la cruz. Con un estilo de narración novelesco, examinaremos las ofrendas, sacrificios, y prácticas cuaresmales en la Iglesia católica desde el punto de vista de Manuel y su búsqueda de Dios durante su visita a la Iglesia el Miércoles de Ceniza. Lenten season gives us an opportunity to reflect and prepare our faith for Easter. In order to achieve this, there are several popular practices. Father Sosa's book, La Cuaresma: Oraciones, ayuno y ofrendas, walks us through these practices--prayer, fasting, and almsgiving--in a narrative way from the point of view of Manuel and his search for God during a visit to his parish during Ash Wednesday. Fr. Sosa will describe the tradition and history of the Ashes, give an insight of personal prayer and communal prayer during Lent, explain fasting and the meaning of that sacrifice, distinguish between almsgiving and stewardship, and define and explain the Triduum. View sample pages.

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## LITURGIA DE LAS HORAS

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### TIEMPO DE CUARESMA, TRIDUO PASCUAL Y PASCUA/TIME OF LENT, EASTER TRIDUUM AND EASTER

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Tomo 2: Tiempo de Cuaresma, Triduo pascual y Pascua (Volume 2: Lent, Easter Triduum and Easter)

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## THE GLOBAL FINDEX DATABASE 2017

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### MEASURING FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND THE FINTECH REVOLUTION

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*World Bank Publications* In 2011 the World Bank—with funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation—launched the Global Findex database, the world's most comprehensive data set on how adults save, borrow, make payments, and manage risk. Drawing on survey data collected in collaboration with Gallup, Inc., the Global Findex database covers more than 140 economies around the world. The initial survey round was followed by a second one in 2014 and by a third in 2017. Compiled using nationally representative surveys of more than 150,000 adults age 15 and above in over 140 economies, The Global Findex Database 2017: Measuring Financial Inclusion and the Fintech Revolution includes updated indicators on access to and use of formal and informal financial services. It has additional data on the use of financial technology (or fintech), including the use of mobile phones and the Internet to conduct financial transactions. The data reveal opportunities to expand access to financial services among people who do not have an account—the unbanked—as well as to promote greater use of digital financial services among those who do have an account. The Global Findex database has become a mainstay of global efforts to promote financial inclusion. In addition to being widely cited by scholars and development practitioners, Global Findex data are used to track progress toward the World Bank goal of Universal Financial Access by 2020 and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The database, the full text of the report, and the underlying country-level data for all figures—along with the questionnaire, the survey methodology, and other relevant materials—are available at [www.worldbank.org/globalfindex](http://www.worldbank.org/globalfindex).

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## HABLAR CON DIOS. TOMO II

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### CUARESMA, SEMANA SANTA Y PASCUA

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*Ediciones Palabra, S.A.* En el tomo II de la colección, el autor nos invita a realizar la oración diaria con meditaciones concretas y dirigidas al tiempo litúrgico de Cuaresma, Semana Santa y Pascua.

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## SUSTAINABILITY ON UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES: LEARNING, SKILLS BUILDING AND BEST PRACTICES

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*Springer* The implementation of sustainability initiatives on campuses is an essential component of promoting sustainability in the higher education context. In addition to reflecting an awareness of environmental issues, campus programmes demonstrate how seriously universities take sustainability at the institutional level. There is a lack of truly interdisciplinary publications that comprehensively address the issue of campus greening, and there is an even greater need for publications that do so at a truly international level. This book meets these needs. It is one of the outcomes of the "Second Symposium on Sustainability in University Campuses" (SSUC-2018), which was jointly organised by the University of Florence (Italy), Manchester Metropolitan University (UK), the Research and Transfer Centre "Sustainable Development and Climate Change Management" and the "European School of Sustainability Science and Research" at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (Germany), in cooperation with the Inter-University Sustainable Development Research Programme (IUSDRP). The book showcases examples of campus-based research and teaching projects, regenerative campus design, low-carbon and zero-carbon buildings, waste prevention, and resilient transport, among others. Ultimately, it demonstrates the role of campuses as platforms for transformative social learning and research, and explores the means by which university campuses can be made more sustainable. The aims of this publication are as follows: • to provide universities with essential information on campus greening and sustainable campus development initiatives from around the world; • to share ideas and lessons learned in the course of research, teaching and projects on campus greening and design, especially successful initiatives and good practice; and • to introduce methodological approaches and projects intended to integrate the topic of sustainable development in campus design and operations. This book gathers contributions from researchers and practitioners in the field of campus greening and sustainable development in the widest sense, from business and economics, to the arts, administration and the environment, and hailing from Europe, Latin America, North America and Asia.

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## HEALTH OF PEOPLE, HEALTH OF PLANET AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY

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### CLIMATE CHANGE, AIR POLLUTION AND HEALTH

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*Springer Nature* This open access book not only describes the challenges of climate disruption, but also presents solutions. The challenges described include air pollution, climate change, extreme weather, and related health impacts that range from heat stress, vector-borne diseases, food and water insecurity and chronic diseases to malnutrition and mental well-being. The influence of humans on climate change has been established through extensive published evidence and reports. However, the connections between climate change, the health of the planet and the impact on human health have not received the same level of attention. Therefore, the global focus on the public health impacts of climate change is a relatively recent area of interest. This focus is timely since scientists have

concluded that changes in climate have led to new weather extremes such as floods, storms, heat waves, droughts and fires, in turn leading to more than 600,000 deaths and the displacement of nearly 4 billion people in the last 20 years. Previous work on the health impacts of climate change was limited mostly to epidemiologic approaches and outcomes and focused less on multidisciplinary, multi-faceted collaborations between physical scientists, public health researchers and policy makers. Further, there was little attention paid to faith-based and ethical approaches to the problem. The solutions and actions we explore in this book engage diverse sectors of civil society, faith leadership, and political leadership, all oriented by ethics, advocacy, and policy with a special focus on poor and vulnerable populations. The book highlights areas we think will resonate broadly with the public, faith leaders, researchers and students across disciplines including the humanities, and policy makers.

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## INTERNATIONAL HANDBOOK OF POPULATION POLICIES

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*Springer Nature* This Handbook offers an array of internationally recognized experts' essays that provide a current and comprehensive examination of all dimensions of international population policies. The book examines the theoretical foundations, the historical and empirical evidence for policy formation, the policy levers and modelling, as well as the new policy challenges. The section Theoretical Foundations reviews population issues today, population theories, the population policies' framework as well as the linkages between population, development, health, food systems, and the environment. The next section Empirical Evidence discusses international approaches to design and implement population policies on a regional level. The section Policy Levers and Modelling reviews the tools and the policy levers that are available to design, implement, monitor, and measure the impact of population policies. Finally, the section New Policy Challenges examines the recurrent and emerging issues in population policies. This section also discusses prospects for demographic sustainability as well as future considerations for population policies. As such this Handbook provides an important and structured examination of contemporary population policies, their evolution, and their prospects.

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## CAMINO DE FE CUARESMA

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*Libros* Presentamos la nueva edicion revisada y actualizada de "Camino de Fe" para adultos - el mejor programa de formacion cristiana en Estados Unidos. Este programa es ideal para acompanar a los catecumenos que siguen el Rito de Iniciacion Cristiana de Adultos, pero tambien es un excelente recurso pastoral para la formacion en otros programas. Usted contara con 44 temas, divididos en cuatro bloques (Preguntas, Catecumenado, Cuaresma y Mistagogia), en hojas independientes, que le permitiran adaptar el programa al espacio de tiempo y a las necesidades particulares de su parroquia. Los documentos de la Iglesia han sugerido que el Catecumenado de Adultos sea el modelo de la catequesis, pues de una manera procesual acompaña a las personas que quieren iniciarse o crecer en su fe. Siguiendo estos criterios, Libros Liguori pone este exito editorial al alcance de su mano en ingles y espanol. Journey of Faith For those who have used Liguori's "Journey of Faith" in the past - this is the SAME GREAT PROGRAM - now revised and updated with several new features to make your RCIA program even better! "8 boletines" Muestras del pdf Mire las paginas escogidas.

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## TOWARDS GREEN CAMPUS OPERATIONS

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### ENERGY, CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES AT UNIVERSITIES

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*Springer* Matters related to sustainable development, albeit global in nature, are best handled at the local level. This line of thinking is particularly true to the higher education context, where the design and implementation of sustainability initiatives on campuses can demonstrate how a given university translates the principles of sustainable development into practice, at the institutional level. Yet, there is a paucity of specific events where a dialogue among sustainability academics and practitioners concerned with a) research, projects b) teaching and c) planning and infra-structure leading to campus greening takes place, so as to allow a transdisciplinary and cross-sectoral exchange of ideas and experiences on the issues, matters and problems at hand. It is against this background that this book has been prepared. It is one of the outcomes of the "First Symposium on Sustainability in University Campuses" (SSUC-2017) organised by the University of São Paulo in Brazil, Manchester Metropolitan University (UK), the Research and Transfer Centre "Applications of Life Sciences" of the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (Germany), and the Inter-University Sustainable Development Research Programme (IUSDRP). This book showcases examples of campus-based research and teaching projects, regenerative campus design, low-carbon and zero carbon buildings, waste prevention, and resilient transport, among others. It also demonstrates the role of campuses as platforms for transformative social learning and research, and explores the means via which university campuses can be made more sustainable. The aims of this publication are as follows: i. to provide universities with an opportunity to obtain information on campus greening and sustainable campus development initiatives from round the world; ii. to document and promote information, ideas and experiences acquired in the execution of research, teaching and projects on campus greening and design, especially successful initiatives and good practice; iii. to introduce methodological approaches and projects which aim to integrate the topic of sustainable development in campus design and operations. This book entails contributions from researchers and practitioners in the field of campus greening and sustainable development in the widest sense, from business and economics, to arts, administration and environment.

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## MODELLING AND SIMULATION FOR AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS

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### 8TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, MESAS 2021, VIRTUAL EVENT, OCTOBER 13-14, 2021, REVISED SELECTED PAPERS

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*Springer Nature* This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post-conference proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Modelling and Simulation for Autonomous Systems, MESAS 2021, held as a virtual event due COVID-19, in October 2021. The 30 full papers together with 2 short papers included in the volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 50 submissions. They are organized in the following topical sections: M&S of intelligent systems, R&D and application; and AxS/AI in context of future warfare and security environment and future challenges of Advance M&S Technology.

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## QUALITY CONTROL AND ASSURANCE

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### AN ANCIENT GREEK TERM RE-MASTERED

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*BoD - Books on Demand* Quality control and assurance cover a diverse area of modern life and play, undeniably, an important role. This book brings together a collection of international papers that showcase examples of current research and practice in industry and the medical profession. It is hoped that engineers, researchers and scientists will be assisted in their continuous quest for excelling in qualitative aspects. The Ancient Greek word arete means excellence or virtue and defines the highest qualitative state: a mans effectiveness and skill in goodness (optimum potentiae). Indeed, Ancient Greeks believed that without quality control, specifications are useless and may result to illegitimacy, which in turn may become a threat to society itself.

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## AUTHENTIC LOVE

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### THEORY AND THERAPY

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*Saint Pauls* Love is at the heart of our being, and missing or damaged love is often behind many mental and emotional problems. Love Therapy is an effective way of healing them.

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## THE FUTURE AIN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE

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### GROWTH MODELS, STRUCTURAL CHANGE, AND HISTORY

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*Intl Food Policy Res Inst* In this paper I focus only on medium- to long-term trends for economic growth, considering first the global historical experience and discussing then projections for future growth utilized in some important exercises of prospective. A conclusion is that many projections suggest further acceleration of world economic growth at levels that do not seem to be in line with historical experience. This paper then speculates about possible reasons for that discrepancy.

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## CLIMATE EXTREMES AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS FOR IMPACT AND RISK ASSESSMENT

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Climate extremes often imply significant impacts on human and natural systems, and these extreme events are anticipated to be among the potentially most harmful consequences of a changing climate. However, while extreme event impacts are increasingly recognized, methodologies to address such impacts and the degree of our understanding and prediction capabilities vary widely among different sectors and disciplines. Moreover, traditional climate extreme indices and large-scale multi-model intercomparisons that are used for future projections of extreme events and associated impacts often fall short in capturing the full complexity of impact systems. *Climate Extremes and Their Implications for Impact and Risk Assessment* describes challenges, opportunities and methodologies for the analysis of the impacts of climate extremes across various sectors to support their impact and risk assessment. It thereby also facilitates cross-sectoral and cross-disciplinary discussions and exchange among climate and impact scientists. The sectors covered include agriculture, terrestrial ecosystems, human health, transport, conflict, and more broadly covering the human-environment nexus. The book concludes with an outlook on the need for more transdisciplinary work and international collaboration between scientists and practitioners to address emergent risks and extreme events towards risk reduction and strengthened societal resilience. Provides an overview about past, present and future changes in climate and weather extremes and how to connect that knowledge to impact and risk assessment under global warming. Presents different approaches to assess societal-relevant impacts and risk of climate and weather extremes, including compound events, and the complexity of risk cascades and the interconnectedness of societal risk. Features applications across a diversity of sectors, including agriculture, health, ecosystem services and urban transport.

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## REPORTING ON MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

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## HANDBOOK FOR JOURNALISM EDUCATORS

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## BEYOND SMART CITIES

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## CREATING THE MOST ATTRACTIVE CITIES FOR TALENTED CITIZENS

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Springer Nature

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## COPING WITH DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT IN NORTHEAST ASIA

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## ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PREPAREDNESS IN CHINA, TAIWAN, JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA

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*Emerald Group Publishing* This book analyzes the diversity of national disaster risk governance across Northeast Asia by comparing the national disaster management plans implemented by the governments of China, Taiwan, Japan and South Korea. It also provides an overview of the financial protection measures employed by these jurisdictions to insure against losses.

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## LECTIO DIVINA PARA CADA DÍA DEL AÑO: TIEMPO DE CUARESMA Y TRIDUO PASCUAL

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### VOLUMEN 3

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Lectio Divina para cada día del año: Tiempo de Cuaresma y Triduo Pascual Para el cristiano la cuaresma es un tiempo de verdadero cambio y renovación, tiempo de volver a respirar a pleno pulmón, tiempo para poner en orden tantas confusiones, para entablar relaciones auténticas, para restablecer diálogos rotos, para disfrutar del verdadero descanso. Siguiendo el itinerario de la lectio divina para cada día con la lectio, meditatio, oratio, contemplatio, actio y la lectura espiritual podemos disfrutar de esta nueva oportunidad de encontrarnos con el Señor en el alimento diario de su Palabra.

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## RISK GOVERNANCE

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## THE ARTICULATION OF HAZARD, POLITICS AND ECOLOGY

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*Springer* This book explores the common language of politics, ecology and risk, and crosses their conceptual divides. It seeks to shed light on the underlying structural factors, processes, players and interactions in the risk scenario, all of which influence decision-making that both increases and reduces disaster risk. The first section explores risk governance under conditions of increasing complexity, diversity and change. The discussion includes chapters on The problem of governance in the risk society; Making sense of decentralization; Understanding and conceptualizing risk in large-scale social-ecological systems; The disaster epidemic and Structure, process, and agency in the evaluation of risk governance. Part II, focused on governance in regions and domains of risk, includes nine chapters with discussion of Climate governance and climate change and society; Climate change and the politics of uncertainty; Risk complexity and governance in mountain environments; On the edge: Coastal governance and risk and Governance of megacity disaster risks, among other important topics. Part III discusses directions for further advancement in risk governance, with ten chapters on such topics as the transition From risk society to security society; Governing risk tolerability; Risk and adaptive planning for coastal cities; Profiling risk governance in natural hazards contexts; Confronting the risk of large disasters in nature and Transitions into and out of a crisis mode of socio-ecological systems. The book presents a comprehensive examination of the complexity of both risk and environmental policy-making and of their multiple—and not always visible—interactions in the context of social-ecological systems. Just as important, it also addresses unseen and neglected complementarities between regulatory policy-making and ordinary individual decision-making through the actions of nongovernmental actors. A range of distinguished scholars from a diverse set of disciplines have contributed to the book with their expertise in many areas, including disaster studies, emergency planning and management, ecology, sustainability, environmental planning and management, climate change, geography, spatial planning, development studies, economy, political sciences, public administration, communication, as well as physics and geology.

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## GLOBAL PRODUCTIVITY

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## TRENDS, DRIVERS, AND POLICIES

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*World Bank Publications* The COVID-19 pandemic struck the global economy after a decade that featured a broad-based slowdown in productivity growth. *Global Productivity: Trends, Drivers, and Policies* presents the first comprehensive analysis of the evolution and drivers of productivity growth, examines the effects of COVID-19 on productivity, and discusses a wide range of policies needed to rekindle productivity growth. The book also provides a far-reaching data set of multiple measures of productivity for up to 164 advanced economies and emerging market and developing economies, and it introduces a new sectoral database of productivity. The World Bank has created an extraordinary book on productivity, covering a large group of countries and using a wide variety of data sources. There is an emphasis on emerging and developing economies, whereas the prior literature has concentrated on developed economies. The book seeks to understand growth patterns and quantify the role of (among other things) the reallocation of factors, technological change, and the impact of natural disasters, including the COVID-19 pandemic. This book is must-reading for specialists in emerging economies but also provides deep insights for anyone interested in economic growth and productivity. Martin Neil Baily Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution Former Chair, U.S. President's Council of Economic Advisers This is an important book at a critical time. As the book notes, global productivity growth had already been slowing prior to the COVID-19 pandemic and collapses with the pandemic. If we want an effective recovery, we have to understand what was driving these long-run trends. The book presents a novel global approach to examining the levels, growth rates, and drivers of productivity growth. For anyone wanting to understand or influence productivity growth, this is an essential read. Nicholas Bloom William D. Eberle Professor of Economics, Stanford University The COVID-19 pandemic hit a global economy that was already struggling with an adverse pre-existing condition—slow productivity growth. This

extraordinarily valuable and timely book brings considerable new evidence that shows the broad-based, long-standing nature of the slowdown. It is comprehensive, with an exceptional focus on emerging market and developing economies. Importantly, it shows how severe disasters (of which COVID-19 is just the latest) typically harm productivity. There are no silver bullets, but the book suggests sensible strategies to improve growth prospects. John Fernald Schrodgers Chaired Professor of European Competitiveness and Reform and Professor of Economics, INSEAD

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#### THE COMMON EXTREMALITIES IN BIOLOGY AND PHYSICS

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#### MAXIMUM ENERGY DISSIPATION PRINCIPLE IN CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY, PHYSICS AND EVOLUTION

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*Elsevier* This book is the first unified systemic description of dissipative phenomena, taking place in biology, and non-dissipative (conservative) phenomena, which is more relevant to physics. Fully updated and revised, this new edition extends our understanding of nonlinear phenomena in biology and physics from the extreme / optimal perspective. The first book to provide understanding of physical phenomena from a biological perspective and biological phenomena from a physical perspective Discusses emerging fields and analysis Provides examples

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#### HUMAN CAPITAL AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

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#### THE IMPACT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE

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*Springer Nature* This edited collection explores the links between human capital (both in the form of health and in the form of education), demographic change, and economic growth. Using empirical as well as theoretical perspectives, the authors investigate several important issues in the context of human capital, namely population ageing, inequality, public policy, and long-term economic development. Ultimately, they demonstrate that the accumulation of human capital is of crucial importance to long-run economic growth.

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#### HAVANA FEVER

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*Bitter Lemon Press* Scorching novel from a star of Cuban fiction. The return of Mario Conde.

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#### THE SAD END OF POLICARPO QUARESMA

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*Penguin UK* 'The seed of madness exists in all of us and with no warning may attack, overpower, crush and bury us ... ' Policarpo Quaresma - fastidious civil servant, dedicated patriot, self-styled visionary - is a defender of all things Brazilian, full of schemes to improve his beloved homeland. Yet somehow each of his ventures, whether it is petitioning for Brazil's national language to be changed, buying a farm to prove the richness and fertility of the land, or offering support to government forces as they suppress a military revolt - results in ridicule and disaster. Quixotic and hapless, Quaresma's dreams will eventually be his undoing. Funny, despairing, moving and absurd, Lima Barreto's masterpiece shows a man and a country caught in the violent clash between illusion and reality, hope and decline, sanity and madness.

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#### HUMAN AGING

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#### FROM CELLULAR MECHANISMS TO THERAPEUTIC STRATEGIES

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*Academic Press* Human Aging: From Cellular Mechanisms to Therapeutic Strategies offers an exhaustive picture of all the biological aspects of human aging by describing the key mechanisms associated with human aging and covering events that could disrupt the normal course of aging. Each chapter includes a summary of the salient points covered, along with futures prospects. The book provides readers with the information they need to gain or deepen the skills needed to evaluate the mechanisms of aging and age-related diseases and to monitor the effectiveness of therapies aimed at slowing aging. The book encourages PhD and Postdoc students, researchers, health professionals and others interested in the biology of aging to explore the fascinating and challenging questions about why and how we age as well as what can and cannot be done about it. Concentrates on different processes, e.g., oxidative stress, cellular senescence and Inflammaging Offers the ability to access cross-sectional knowledge more easily Written by expert researchers in biogerontology who are actively involved in various fields within aging research

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#### ANIMAL FEED FORMULATION

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#### ECONOMIC AND COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

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*Springer Science & Business Media* Students in animal science, industry personnel involved in the feeding of animals, and professionals working for feed-mixing companies will all benefit from this current, comprehensive package - a text on the economic and nutritional aspects of feed formulations that optimize nutritional content while minimizing costs. Animal Feed Formulation applies a well-tested, easy-to-use computer program called UFFDA that illustrates the principles of least-cost food formulation. Developed in a cooperative effort by the Departments of Poultry Science and Agricultural and Applied Economics at the University of Georgia, UFFDA is menu-driven software that has the editing capabilities of a spreadsheet program for altering the ingredient and nutrient matrix. The book begins by solving a simple ration-balancing problem, providing step-by-step instructions with the computer program that any user - even one without computer training - can readily follow. It then discusses specific feed formulation techniques in terms of their practical applications and economic implications. Included are such techniques as sensitivity analysis, parametric cost and nutrient ranging, optimum-density formulation, multi-blending, and risk analysis, among others. Applying these and other techniques using the special features of UFFDA, users can select the proper ingredients, adjust proportions among nutrients, determine which feeds might require scarce ingredients, consider the risks involved in dealing with ingredients with below-average compositions, and ultimately determine the costs and nutritional content of various feed formulations. The program can be applied to determining feed formulations for any animal, including sheep, beef and dairy cattle, swine, turkeys, broilers, catfish, and horses. Practitioners who are growing animals will be able to maximize the nutritional content of their feed while keeping costs down. Professionals working in feed-mixing companies will be able to maximize profits by offering products composed of low-cost ingredients that are also of good nutritional value. Students will gain a firm background in nutritional and economic concepts, insight into how to apply them to practical problems, and an understanding of the way good nutrition and good value can be achieved by applying the latest computer technology.

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#### EVERYTHING IN ITS PLACE

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#### ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND THE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF CITIES, REGIONS, AND STATES

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*Oxford University Press, USA* Audretsch posits a systematic and strategic framework to stimulate and guide practitioners, public policy leaders, and other individuals with a mandate to engage in the strategic management of their place in framing and implementing strategies designed to enhance the economic performance of their place. This includes not just public officials but also a much broader spectrum of practitioners, such as chambers of commerce, consulting firms, local activists, city leaders, and concerned citizens, as well as businesses with any kind of link or vested interest to a particular place.

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#### TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES FOR ECONOMIC DECISION ANALYSIS

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*IGI Global* The success of any business relies heavily on the evaluation and improvement on current strategies and processes. Such progress can be facilitated by implementing more effective decision-making systems. Tools and Techniques for Economic Decision Analysis provides a thorough overview of decision models and methodologies in the context of business economics. Highlighting a variety of relevant issues on finance, economic policy, and firms and networks, this book is an ideal reference source for managers,

professionals, students, and academics interested in emerging developments for decision analysis.

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**POWER AND JUSTICE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

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**INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES**

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*Ashgate Publishing, Ltd.* Outstanding and thought-provoking, this book provides up-to-date and in-depth analyses of current developments in international politics. It highlights the (unilateral) use of force in international relations and its implication for international law, the chances and risks of international criminal justice, and the question of epistemic violence with regard to dominant discourses in the theory of international relations, such as nation-building and intercultural dialogue. Furthermore, the book focuses on conditions for global social and ecological justice in international economics against the background of financial crisis. It contributes in particular to a better understanding of the relation between power and justice in view of current global tensions while reflecting the work of the internationally acclaimed philosopher Hans Köchler.

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**ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES IN COMMUNICATING CLIMATE CHANGE ACROSS VARIOUS AUDIENCES**

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**POPULATION: AN INTRODUCTION TO CONCEPTS AND ISSUES**

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*Cengage Learning* John R. Weeks's **POPULATION** introduces students to population issues, concepts, and theories by encompassing the entire field of demography, including both principle and practice. From fertility and mortality rates to agricultural production and urbanization, Weeks consistently engages students through compelling writing, comprehensive explication, and intriguing essays-giving students their best opportunity to truly master core demographic concepts. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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**FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH**

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