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The Sumerians, the pragmatic and gifted people who preceded the Semites in the land first known as Sumer and later as Babylonia, created what was probably the first high civilization in the history of man, spanning the fifth to the second millenniums B.C. This book is an unparalleled compendium of what is known about them.

Professor Kramer communicates his enthusiasm for his subject as he outlines the history of the Sumerian civilization and describes their cities, religion, literature, education, scientific achievements, social structure,

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and psychology. Finally, he considers the legacy of Sumer to the ancient and modern world. "There are few scholars in the world qualified to write such a book, and certainly Kramer is one of them. . . . One of the most valuable features of this book is the quantity of texts and fragments which are published for the first time in a form available to the general reader. For the layman the book provides a readable and up-to-date introduction to a most fascinating culture. For the specialist it presents a synthesis with which he may not agree but from which he will nonetheless derive stimulation."—American Journal of Archaeology "An uncontested authority on the

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civilization of Sumer, Professor Kramer writes with grace and urbanity."—Library Journal
PMBOK® Guide is the go-to resource for project management practitioners. The project management profession has significantly evolved due to emerging technology, new approaches and rapid market changes. Reflecting this evolution, The Standard for Project Management enumerates 12 principles of project management and the PMBOK® Guide &- Seventh Edition is structured around eight project performance domains. This edition is designed to address practitioners' current and future needs and to help them be more proactive, innovative and nimble

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in enabling desired project outcomes. This edition of the PMBOK® Guide:

- Reflects the full range of development approaches (predictive, adaptive, hybrid, etc.);***
- Provides an entire section devoted to tailoring the development approach and processes;***
- Includes an expanded list of models, methods, and artifacts;***
- Focuses on not just delivering project outputs but also enabling outcomes; and***
- Integrates with PMI standards+™ for information and standards application content based on project type, development approach, and industry sector. This essential book introduces the concept of nD modelling, which takes the theory of computer modelling of the built***

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environment to n dimensions. nD modelling utilizes a decision support tool for systematic assessment and comparison between various design parameters such as cost, accessibility, maintainability, sustainability, crime, energy, whole life costing, acoustics and scheduling among others.

Constructing the Future is a comprehensive book which provides a global perspective on the concept of nD modelling and examines its impact on construction, from development to application. The text offers a critique of competing views that seek to justify (or ignore) the role of nD modelling in the future of construction as well as describing developments in this area which

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are already happening worldwide. Presenting a thorough critique of competing views as well as providing guidance on best practice, Constructing the Future is a bold, well-grounded and illustrated title introducing construction management professionals and researchers to this exciting new development in the quest for a single building and product model.

***RSMMeans Estimating Handbook
Rawlinsons Australian
Construction Handbook 2020***

***Rawlinsons Australian
Construction Handbook 2022***

***The Impact of Building
Information Modelling***

Transforming Construction

This brand-new book provides

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a thorough introduction to cost estimating in a self-contained print and online package. With clear explanations and a hands-on, example-driven approach, it is the ideal reference for students and new professionals who need to learn how to perform cost estimating for building construction. With more than 930 Location Factors in the United States and Canada, the data includes up-to-date system prices for more than 100 standard assemblies and in-place costs for thousands of alternates

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making it easy to customize budget estimates and compare system costs. The book includes a free access code to the supplemental website with plans, specifications, problem sets, and a full sample estimate.

Cost management of all building projects has become increasingly important as clients in the public and private sector demand the highest quality cost planning services with accurate budgeting and cost control. All members of the design team must integrate their activities to ensure that a high quality

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project is delivered on time and within budget. This book considers building cost planning and cost control from the client and the design team's perspective, where all decisions whether concerned with design, cost, quality, time, value or sustainability are taken as being interrelated. The latest Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Plan of Work and the New Rules of Measurement for Early Stage Estimating and Cost Planning issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) have been incorporated into this new text. The book

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follows the building design cost planning process from the crucial inception stages and then through all the design stages to the completion of the technical design, contract documentation and the tender. It provides a template for good cost planning practice. An essential addition to this third edition is the introduction of integrated design and documentation processes captured in building Information modelling (BIM), on-line cost databases and computerised methods of cost planning. The

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integrated approaches are explained and provide vital information and knowledge for practitioners involved in building projects. All stakeholders involved in development and design and client teams in public and private sector policy making and implementation need to understand the new approaches to design management processes and how cost planning and design approaches are adapting to using the new technology in practice. The interactive style, using in-text and review questions makes this ideal for

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students and practitioners alike in property, architecture, construction economics, construction management, real estate, engineering, facilities management and project management.

The revised and updated comprehensive resource for Quantity Surveyors working with a construction contractor

The second edition of Construction Quantity Surveying offers a practical guide to quantity surveying from a main contractor's perspective. This indispensable resource covers measurement

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methodology (including samples using NRM2 as a guide), highlights the complex aspects of a contractor's business, reviews the commercial and contractual management of a construction project and provides detailed and practical information on running a project from commencement through to completion. Today's Quantity Surveyor (QS) plays an essential role in the management of construction projects, although the exact nature of the role depends on who employs the QS. The QS engaged by the client and the

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contractor's QS have different parts to play in any construction project, with the contractor's QS role extending beyond traditional measurement activities, to encompass day-to-day tasks of commercial building activities including estimating, contract administration, and construction planning, as well as cost and project management. This updated and practical guide: Focuses on the application, knowledge and training required of a modern Quantity Surveyor Clearly shows how Quantity Surveying plays an essential

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central role within the overall management of construction projects Covers measurement methodology, the key elements of the contractor's business and the commercial and contractual management of a construction project The construction industry changes at fast pace meaning the quantity surveyor has a key role to play in the successful execution of construction projects by providing essential commercial input. Construction Quantity Surveying meets this demand as an up-to-date practical guide that includes the

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information needed for a Quantity Surveyor to perform at the highest level. It clearly demonstrates that quantity surveying is not limited to quantifying trade works and shows it as an important aspect of commercial and project management of construction projects.

...and Death Came Third!

**Proceedings of the 21st International Symposium on Advancement of Construction Management and Real Estate
A Complete Guide to Creating Environmental Graphic Design Systems**

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Guide 2015

Tesla, Elon Musk, and the Bet of the Century

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Construction projects involve a complex set of relationships, between parties with different professional backgrounds trying to achieve a very complex goal. Under these difficult circumstances, the quality of information on which projects are based should be of the highest possible standard. The line-

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based, two dimensional drawings on which conventional construction is based render this all but impossible. This is the source of some major shortcomings in the construction industry, and this book focuses on the two most fundamental of these: the failure to deliver projects predictably: to the required quality, on time and within budget; and the failure of most firms in the industry to make a survivable level

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of profit. By transforming the quality of information used in building, BIM aims to transform construction completely. After describing and explaining these problems, the way in which BIM promises to provide solutions is examined in detail. A discussion of the theory and practice of BIM is also provided, followed by a review of various recent surveys of BIM usage in the US, UK and selected European

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economies. The way in which other industries, including retail and manufacturing, have been transformed by information are explored and compared with current developments in the deployment of BIM in construction. Five case studies from the UK show how BIM is being implemented, and the effects it is having on architects and contractors. This book is perfect for any construction professional interested

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in improving the efficiency of their business, as well as undergraduate and postgraduate students wishing to understand the importance of BIM. Construction Cost Estimating equips a new generation of students and early-career professionals with the skills they need to bid successfully on projects. From developing bid strategies to submitting a completed bid, this innovative textbook

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introduces the fundamentals of construction estimating through a real-life case study that unfolds across its 24 chapters. Exercises at the end of each chapter offer hands-on practice with core concepts such as quantity take-offs, pricing, and estimating for subcontractor work. Online resources provide instant access to examples of authentic construction documents, including complete, detailed direct work

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estimates, subcontractor work estimates, general conditions estimates, markups, and summary schedules. Through its unique mix of real-world examples and classroom-tested insights, Construction Cost Estimating ensures that readers are familiar with the entire estimating process even before setting foot on the jobsite.

A WALL STREET JOURNAL
BUSINESS BESTSELLER •

The riveting inside
story of Elon Musk and

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Tesla's bid to build the world's greatest car—from award-winning Wall Street Journal tech and auto reporter Tim Higgins. "A deeply reported and business-savvy chronicle of Tesla's wild ride."

—Walter Isaacson, New York Times Book Review
Tesla is the envy of the automotive world. Born at the start of the millennium, it was the first car company to be valued at \$1 trillion. Its CEO, the mercurial, charismatic Elon Musk

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has become not just a celebrity but the richest man in the world. But Tesla's success was far from guaranteed. Founded in the 2000s, the company was built on an audacious vision. Musk and a small band of Silicon Valley engineers set out to make a car that was quicker, sexier, smoother, and cleaner than any gas-guzzler on the road. Tesla would undergo a hellish fifteen years, beset by

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rivals—pressured by investors, hobbled by whistleblowers. Musk often found himself in the public's crosshairs, threatening to bring down the company he had helped build. Wall Street Journal tech and auto reporter Tim Higgins had a front-row seat for the drama: the pileups, breakdowns, and the unlikeliest outcome of all, success. A story of impossible wagers and unlikely triumphs, Power Play is an exhilarating look at how a team of

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innovators beat the odds—and changed the future.

History of Phoenicia
A Guide to Best Practice
in Construction

Rawlinsons Construction
Cost Guide 2007

Rawlinsons Construction
Cost Guide 2021

Cash Flows and Cash
Farming

Building Procurement
...and death came third! The definitive
guide to networking and speaking in
public. Do you dread going to
networking events? Do you hide at
the back of the room when you have
the opportunity to present your

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business? In 1984 a New York Times Survey on Social Anxiety placed death third in the list of people's biggest fears. The top two responses were walking into a room full of strangers and speaking in public. Facing these two fears head on, '...and death came third!' rocketed straight to Number Two on the Amazon UK bestseller lists on publication of its First Edition in 2006. Since then thousands of people have turned to its pages to help them network and present with much more confidence. In this updated second edition you can discover how to: Walk into a networking event and approach people with **CONFIDENCE**, **STRUCTURE** a talk so that you can

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get your key message across POWERFULLY, ENGAGE people in conversation and get them interested in YOU, FOCUS on the results you want from networking and achieve them EASILY, STAND and speak with CONVICTION and AUTHORITY and much, much more. Brought to you by Andy Lopata, Business Networking Strategist and Peter Roper, The Natural Presenter.

Cash is king, not least in the construction industry. Recent government-commissioned reports have highlighted the importance of better financial management in the construction industry. This professional text provides a

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considered analysis of the tools and techniques of project financial management in construction; notably it covers cash flow modelling and provides the first detailed investigation of the contentious issue of cash farming. Through use of case studies, worked examples and questions this book will appeal to practitioners and students alike.

In this updated and expanded second edition, Keith Potts and Nii Ankrah examine key issues in construction cost management across the building and civil engineering sectors, both in the UK and overseas. Best practice from pre-contract to post-contract phases of the project life-cycle are illustrated using major projects such

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as Heathrow Terminal 5, Crossrail and the London 2012 Olympics as case studies. More worked examples, legal cases, case studies and current research have been introduced to cover every aspect of the cost manager ' s role. Whole-life costing, value management, and risk management are also addressed, and self-test questions at the end of each chapter support independent learning. This comprehensive book is essential reading for students on surveying and construction management programmes, as well as built environment practitioners with cost or project management responsibilities.

A Practical Guide for the Contractor's

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QS
Power Play

RSMMeans Cost Data, + Website

Estimating and Tendering for

Construction Work

Procurement Systems

The Management of Construction: A
Project Lifecycle Approach

This book contains selected papers from SEB-18, the Tenth International Conference on Sustainability in Energy and Buildings, which was organised by KES International and Griffith University and held in Gold Coast, Australia in June 2018. SEB-18 invited contributions on a range of

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topics related to sustainable buildings and renewable energy, and explored innovative topics regarding intelligent buildings and cities. Applicable areas included the sustainable design and of buildings, neighbourhoods and cities (built and natural environment); optimisation and modelling techniques; smart energy systems for smart cities; green information communications technology; and a broad range of solar, wind, wave and other renewable energy topics. The aim of the

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conference was to bring together researchers and government and industry professionals to discuss the future of energy in buildings, neighbourhoods and cities from a theoretical, practical, implementation and simulation perspective. In addition, SEB-18 offered an exciting opportunity to present, interact, and learn about the latest research in Sustainability in Energy and Buildings.

Estimators need to understand the consequences of entering into a contract, often defined

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by complex conditions and documents, as well as to appreciate the technical requirements of the project. Estimating and Tendering for Construction Work, 5th edition, explains the job of the estimator through every stage, from early cost studies to the creation of budgets for successful tenders. This new edition reflects recent developments in the field and covers: new tendering and procurement methods the move from basic estimating to cost-planning and the greater emphasis placed on

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partnering and collaborative working the New Rules of Measurement (NRM1 and 2), and examines ways in which practicing estimators are implementing the guidance emerging technologies such as BIM (Building Information Modelling) and estimating systems which can interact with 3D design models With the majority of projects procured using design-and-build contracts, this edition explains the contractor's role in setting costs, and design statements, to inform and control the development of a project's design. Clearly-

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written and illustrated with examples, notes and technical documentation, this book is ideal for students on construction-related courses at HNC/HND and Degree levels. It is also an important source for associated professions and estimators at the outset of their careers.

Procurement Systems details the whole spectrum of procurement issues in the construction industry, starting with the client /customer and running through managerial, cultural and IT-based issues. The

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book commences with an overview of previous work and a section on selection criteria is provided to enable practitioners to make their choices of procurement form. Importantly, performance comparisons of different procurement forms are discussed and the main emphasis of the book is to highlight best practice based on the most up-to-date research. One chapter deals specifically with developmentally orientated procurement issues in NICs (newly industrialised countries), where best

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practice is assessed from a different set of perspectives.

The authors contributing to this book are among the most highly respected and eminent in the field.

The Book of Coniston
ND Modelling

Constructing the Future

The Twins Survival Guide
from Pregnancy Through the
First Year

Proceedings of the 10th
International Conference in
Sustainability on Energy and
Buildings (SEB'18)

Learning from Case Studies

***Australia's largest
library of construction***

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cost information, providing vital data to all those involved in medium and larger projects.

This book presents the proceedings of CRIOCM_2016, 21st International Conference on Advancement of Construction Management and Real Estate, sharing the latest developments in real estate and construction management around the globe. The conference was organized by the Chinese Research Institute of

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Construction Management (CRIOCM) working in close collaboration with the University of Hong Kong. Written by international academics and professionals, the proceedings discuss the latest achievements, research findings and advances in frontier disciplines in the field of construction management and real estate. Covering a wide range of topics, including building information modelling, big data, geographic

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*information systems,
housing policies,
management of
infrastructure projects,
occupational health and
safety, real estate
finance and economics,
urban planning, and
sustainability, the
discussions provide
valuable insights into
the implementation of
advanced construction
project management and
the real estate market
in China and abroad. The
book is an outstanding
reference resource for
academics and*

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professionals alike. This comprehensive reference covers the full spectrum of technical data required to estimate costs for major construction projects. Widely used in the industry for tasks ranging from routine estimates to special cost analysis projects, the book has been completely updated and reorganized with new and expanded technical information. RSMeans Estimating Handbook will help construction

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professionals: Evaluate architectural plans and specifications Prepare accurate quantity takeoffs Compare design alternatives and costs Perform value engineering Double-check estimates and quotes Estimate change orders

FEATURES: This new edition includes expanded coverage of: Construction specialties—green building, metal decking, plastic pipe, demolition items, and more Preliminary or square

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Updated city cost
indexes to adjust
costs—by trade—for 30
major cities Historic
indexes to factor costs
for economic effects
over time Complete
reorganization to the
newest CSI MasterFormat
classification system
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Cost Guide 2017
Construction Cost
Management
Spons' Household Manual
Building Cost Planning*

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**for the Design Team
Construction Quantity
Surveying**

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Time was when the foremost aim and ambition of the English housewife was to gain a full knowledge of her own duties and of the duties of her servants. In those days; bread was home-baked; butter home-made; beer home-brewed; gowns home-sewn; to a far greater extent than now.

Australia's largest library of construction cost information, providing vital data to all those involved in small projects.

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*A Guide to the Study and Use of
Military History*

*A Guide to the Project
Management Body of
Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) -
Seventh Edition and The
Standard for Project
Management (RUSSIAN)*

*Sustainability in Energy and
Buildings 2018*

Financing Construction

*Their History, Culture, and
Character*

*What to Do When You're Having
Two*

*Revised and updated in
2020 The creator of
Twiniversity delivers an
essential update to her must-*

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have manual to having twins, now with expanded info on twin pregnancy and tandem breastfeeding, and advice on the best gear to help save your sanity. With almost two times as many sets of twins today as there were forty years ago, What to Do When You're Having Two has quickly become the definitive resource for expectant and new parents of multiples. A mom of fraternal twins and a world-renowned expert on parenting multiples, author Natalie Diaz launched Twiniversity, the world's

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leading global resource for twin parenting information and support online. Now, with her expanded edition of What to Do, she includes new information on breastfeeding, gear, sleep, and having two when you already have one, as well as:

- creating your twin birth plan,*
- maintaining a realistic sleep schedule,*
- managing tandem breastfeeding,*
- stocking up on what you'll need (and knowing what high-tech products are now available and what's a waste of money), and*
- building a*

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special bond with each of your twins. Accessible, informative, and humorous, What to Do When You're Having Two is the must-have manual for every parent of twins.

Management of Construction introduces all aspects of management practice to students and professionals based in the construction industry. It is also important for those involved in allied fields such as design, project development, and site monitoring and inspection. The book addresses each

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stage of the construction project from conception to completion, giving a perspective on the whole life cycle often missing from textbooks. The author also balances engineering concerns with the human resource and personal aspects of construction management that are so important to the successful outcome of a project.

A new edition of the market-leading guide to signage and wayfinding design This new edition of Signage and Wayfinding Design: A Complete Guide to Creating

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Environmental Graphic Design Systems has been fully updated to offer you the latest, most comprehensive coverage of the environmental design process—from research and design development to project execution. Utilizing a cross-disciplinary approach that makes the information relevant to architects, interior designers, landscape architects, graphic designers, and industrial designers alike, the book arms you with the skills needed to apply a standard, proven design

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process to large and small projects in an efficient and systematic manner.

Environmental graphic design is the development of a visually cohesive graphic communication system for a given site within the built environment. Increasingly recognized as a contributor to well-being, safety, and security, EGD also extends and reinforces the brand experience. Signage and Wayfinding Design provides you with Chris Calori's proven "Signage Pyramid" method, which makes solving complex design

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problems in a comprehensive signage program easier than ever before. Features full-color design throughout with 100+ new images from real-world projects Provides an in-depth view of design thinking applied to the EGD process Explains the holistic development of sign information, graphic, and hardware systems. Outlines the latest sign material, lighting, graphic application, and digital communication technologies Highlights code and updated ADA considerations If you're a

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design professional tasked with communicating meaningful information in the built environment, this vital resource has you covered.

The Definitive Guide to Networking and Speaking in Public

*The Sumerians
Construction Cost
Estimating*

*Rawlinsons Construction
Cost Guide 2019*

*Rawlinsons Construction
Cost Guide 2012*

*Rawlinsons Construction
Cost Guide 2020*

As an industrial process,

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construction is unique. The procurement processes used to achieve the successful completion of built assets requires a different approach to that adopted in most other industries, due to the design of buildings being bespoke and the sites being geographically varied. The procurement process is central to the success of any construction project and many of the problems which impact construction projects can be traced back to the procurement phase, so a good understanding of the methods of procurement, the development of a procurement strategy and the influence it has on project success is essential for all those working in the industry. Much has changed in the global construction industry since publication of the second edition of

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Building Procurement, for example the increase in debt burden of many major economies, widespread adoption of Building Information Modelling (BIM) Technology in the industry and the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union. This new edition has been rewritten to take account of these significant developments, but at its core it continues to provide a critical examination and review of current procurement practices in the UK, continental Europe (including EU procurement procedures), China, Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa and the USA. It retains its original strong emphasis on the need for clients to establish achievable objectives which reflect the project business case and focuses on development of suitable strategies

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and management structures to meet those objectives in the current construction climate. Building Procurement will be essential reading for senior undergraduate and postgraduate students of construction management and practitioners working in all areas of construction management.

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2013*

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