

The Oxford Handbook of Management Consulting

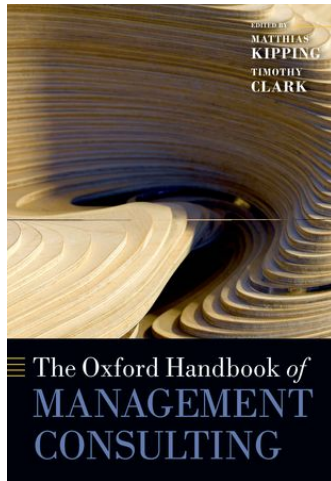
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- Comprehensive review of state-of-the art thinking on management consultancy
- Contributions from leading international scholars in the field
- Examines main theoretical approaches and key empirical themes
- Interdisciplinary approach spanning organization, management studies, economics, and sociology

Management consultants of various kinds play an important role in the world of business, and within other types of organization. *The Oxford Handbook on Management Consulting* is a comprehensive overview of eminent thinking and research on management consultancy with contributions from leading international scholars.

The first section provides an account of the historical developments in management consultancy research, and how current thinking has evolved from prior work. The second section focuses on disciplinary and theoretical perspectives on management consulting, their diversities, areas of synergy, and parallel concerns. The following sections examine consulting as a knowledge business; the consultants in management fashion; and the relationship between management consultants and their clients. The *Handbook* concludes with an assessment of areas of future research and debate.

By bringing together a wide range of research and thinking on management consultancy across different disciplines, sub-disciplines, and conceptual approaches, the *Handbook* provides a comprehensive understanding of both current thinking and future directions for research.

Readership: Academics, researchers, and advanced students in the field of Organization Studies, Management Consultancy, Strategy, Professional Services, Knowledge and Innovation; practitioners, especially management consultants and clients.

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