# **Organizational Theories, Structure & Design**

# Section I: Organizations and Organization Theory

- a. Organization theory in action.
- b. What is an organization?
- c. Perspectives on organizations: open systems and organizational configuration.
- d. Dimensions of organization design: structural and conceptual.
- e. The evolution of organization theory and design.

# Section II: Strategy, Organization Design, and Effectiveness

- a. The role of strategic direction on organization design.
- b. Organization purpose.
- c. A framework for selecting strategy and design/structure.
- d. Assessing organizational effectiveness.

e. Contingency effectiveness approach, resource based approach, and internal process approach.

f. An integrated effectiveness model.

# Section III: Fundamental of Organization Structure

- a. Organization structure
- b. Information processing perspective in organization structure
- c. Organization design alternatives
- d. Functional, divisional, and geographical designs
- e. Matrix structure
- f. Horizontal structure
- g. Modular structure
- h. Hybrid structure

# **Section IV: Open Systems Design Elements**

- a. The external environment.
- b. Inter-organizational Relationships.
- c. Organization size and life cycle and design/structure.
- d. Comparative management.

# **Section V: Organizational Culture**

- a. Organizational culture.
- b. Organization design and culture.
- c. Culture and the learning organization.

- d. Ethical values in organizations.
- e. Leadership and culture and ethics.

#### Section VI: Innovation and Change and Organizational Design

- a. The strategic role of change.
- b. Elements of successful change.
- c. New products and services.
- d. Technology change.
- e. Strategy and structure change.
- f. Culture change.
- g. Strategies for implementing change.

#### Section VII: Decision-Making Process

- a. Rational approach.
- b. Bounded rationality perspective.
- c. Organizational decision-making.
- d. The learning organization.
- e. Contingency decision-making perspective.
- f. Special decision circumstances.

# Section VIII: Conflict, Power, and Politics

- a. Intergroup conflict in organizations.
- b. Power and organizations.
- c. Political processes in organizations.
- d. Using power, politics, and collaboration.

# Case Studies and Presentations

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