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The author, in practice and in his scientific articles, considers that financial instruments provide support to neo-industrialization policy and prominently would have an impact on labor productivity increase, development of agro-industrial production due to automation and import substitution, and growth of the Russian economy in general.

Andrey Orobinsky provides his point of view on the problem regarding the importance of management of financial solvency of agro-industrial enterprises. In particular, the author in the example of agro-industrial production underlines that additional resources and new investment financial instruments based on the implementation of the latest technologies to the sphere of corporate financial management and risk management are necessary for domestic economic system for transition to the implementation of the concept of the new industrial growth.

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# SERIES EDITORS' INTRODUCTION

The Emerald book series, *Contemporary Studies in Economic and Financial Analysis* special edition CSEF100, includes studies on Contemporary Issues in Business and Financial Management in Eastern Europe by authors invited mainly from the Rostov State University of Economics. As the title suggests, the chapters are a mix of studies on business economics and financial management in Eastern Europe.

Contributors have been invited to cover subjects related to their academic and professional expertise, providing innovative ideas and new initiatives for further development in business and finance fields in Eastern Europe. Initial submissions have been evaluated by the editors on a double-blind evaluation procedure before approval. After the approval, and in close cooperation with the authors, the approved chapters have been revised accordingly before their inclusion in this volume.

The Editors, Professor Grima and Professor Thalassinou, are thankful to the contributors for their cooperation during the preparation stage of the volume. The general intention of this volume is to see that it is being used by colleagues, academics, researchers, professionals, politicians, and graduate students interested in contemporary issues in business and financial management in Eastern Europe.

For a better understanding of the content of the volume, a short description of all chapters is presented here:

Chapter 1 is related to the Green Economy. Herein, the authors present prospects of the development of environmentally safe standards in the Russian Federation. They provide the characteristics of the imbalance in the development of natural, socioeconomic, and scientific substantiation of the green economy development. The chapter highlights the necessity of technological modernization, which would facilitate environmentally unfriendly pollution reduction, natural resources depletion, and economy competitiveness increase by reducing dependence on carbon stocks. The authors provide effective solutions of the green economy aimed at realization, implementation, and successful exploitation of innovative achievements in the sphere of alternative generation.

In Chapter 2, the authors highlight the need to support new theoretical and methodological approaches for the development of a green economy's financial framework. The authors consider the modern growing risks in the ecological, economic, social, and geopolitical environment. They note that the increase in environmental expenditures of both national economies and international financial institutions is determined by the global state of the economy. The climate has been caused by escalating the energy supply struggle, the nature exhaustion, and the need for providing balance for the market stating green economy regulators.

Herein, they highlight the results of a study on the trends and the key state green finance regulation points.

The development of the digital economy in the context of modern financial globalization is the study laid out in Chapter 3. The authors note that this is becoming an issue of national security and independence of a country. They note the openness and vulnerability of digital technologies. Thus, they conclude that these can result in reduction of employees' number in financial institutions, primarily, inadequately qualified specialists.

The authors devote Chapter 4 to the problem of forming effective tools for attracting extra-budgetary sources and increasing the interest of contemporary Russian enterprises in implementing projects to repair past (accumulated) environmental damage. The chapter deals with the investigation of the basic concepts of the problems of accumulated damage, the identification of the main problems and contradictions in the solution of the problem of attracting financing for the implementation of damage repair projects in the Russian law enforcement field, the analysis of indicators characterizing the dynamics of financing of such projects in the Russian regions, and the methodology for selecting priority objects of accumulated damage for their financing at the federal level.

In Chapter 5, the authors shed light on the issues of the current state of marketing business orientation in Russia. In doing this, they define the demand for marketing models for increasing the consumer orientation of business. Their research reveals the current approaches to organizing effective marketing models including national business specific features, highlighting in the process the role and place of the marketing framework on emerging markets.

A discussion of the features, factors, and conditions for competence-based management development highlighting its role in the system of banks and financial technology companies' management system of sustainable development is laid down in Chapter 6.

Chapter 7 demonstrates the use of the Coenosis Theory to design and analyze cost systems of an ordinary industrial enterprise, including the use of numerically reliable statistical computations.

The study in Chapter 8 looks at the prospects of treasury technologies considering the current financial environment in Russia. The purpose of the chapter is to justify the promising treasury technologies improving the quality of budget flows' management. Herein, the authors highlight the mission, role, and values of the treasury institute. They carry out a comparative analysis of treasury technology for the implementation of foreign budgets with domestic practice and justify the need for development of treasury technologies providing the liquidity of single treasury account. Finally, they suggest expanding the positive experience of the Federal Treasury using treasury technologies ensuring the efficient use of budgetary funds on both regional and local levels.

In Chapter 9, the authors investigate the essence of an individual strategy for entrepreneurship activities. In addition, they provide characteristics of survival, growth, and product strategies. They also prove the reasons for the overwhelming use of survival strategy compared to growth strategy, to ensure individual

entrepreneurship activities. Moreover, the importance of forming a proper product strategy to survive in the severe competition is also revealed. They suggest estimating the compliance of the chosen strategy with the potential and opportunities of an entrepreneur to assess risks built in the strategy, monitor the growth goals, and control their compliance with the chosen strategy.

Chapter 10 is devoted to the problems of an optimal and economically grounded approach of the tax revenue distribution among the Russian Federation subjects. They note that the large territory of Russia and inhomogeneity of the tax space make this problem more complex. The object of this research is to identify a fiscal mechanism aimed at improving the country's fiscal tools.

The authors in Chapter 11 look at the post-industrial information society, the role of mass communication, public information, information space, social and political discourse, as well as how Internet as a new communication environment has become exceptional. They note that according to the widespread view, the social system and history as a whole change not only the development of material production, but also improve the information resources. They continue to note that information technologies are now widely used both in the activities of commercial organizations and public authorities. Moreover, they lay down the key aspects of economic interaction of the world information economy and the features of the development of Russian society in this process.

Within Chapter 12, the authors reveal the concept of economic capital, explore approaches to its evaluation, assess the implementation of the concept of economic capital in the national banking system, and identify problems and possible directions for development and convergence of the Russian approach with international requirements.

In Chapter 13, the authors present and discuss corporate reporting presented by the companies themselves as one of the major sources of information for the successful business of investors and other stakeholders. They suggest that such report significantly facilitates a dialogue between western stakeholders and companies that plan to enter the world markets. They note that a corporate report reveals information on the priorities and values of the company in the sphere of sustainable development and provides data on the results of its impact on the economic, social, and ecological sphere.

In Chapter 14, the authors examine various scientific projections of Marx's central concept of labor alienation (ontological, epistemological, praxeological, and perceptual). They carry out a comparative analysis of the essential characteristics of the category of "alienation" by Karl Marx, which allows one to systematize new features and ways of realizing the alienation phenomenon. This phenomenon is analyzed from the perspective of the modern context of reality, distinct from new forms of social and economic transformations and modernization of productive forces, considering different spheres and levels of interaction between economic actors.