

Democratic Enterprise

Ethical business for the 21st century

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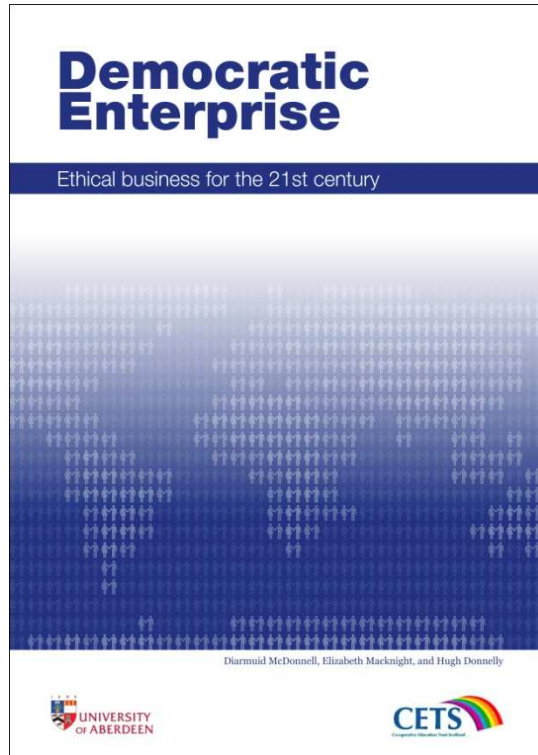
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On 18 December 2009, the UN declared that 2012 would be the International Year of Co-operatives, in recognition of the impact these models of enterprise have on more than three billion people across the globe. Despite the scale and impact of co-operatives, the study of these and other forms of democratic enterprises curiously remain largely absent from the offerings of higher education business schools around the world.

Designed for undergraduate students, Democratic Enterprise provides an open access, introductory-level analysis of democratic models of enterprise, namely co-operatives and employee-owned businesses. A supplement to any course or module that deals with these topics, it also stands alone as a template for academics who wish to incorporate material on democratic models of enterprise into their courses/modules.

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