INNOVATION MANAGEMENT AND NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERS

SUPPLEMENT

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ABSTRACT

This textbook, consisting of two volumes, brings innovation management closer to the practices of new product development. To this purpose, it presents concepts of innovation management, and processes, methods and tools for product development, particularly aiming at engineers and engineering students; it is also relevant to those in other studies, such as business and management to better understand the actual conversion from ideas and inventions into commercialization.

Volume II extends the basic concepts for innovation management and new product development of the first volume. Its first chapter pays attention to the role of intellectual property, particularly patents. Also, the role of non-practicing entities, who have attracted attention through court cases, but are said to be having an enormous impact on technological development, is discussed. The second chapter in this volume concerns national innovation systems, highlighting how government, industry, and universities work together. The third chapter presents some contemporary approaches to innovation management and product development: lean product development, open innovation, living labs, crowdsourcing, and sustainability. The fourth chapter offers a holistic view about how innovation management can be embedded in companies; this builds on the concepts of the previous chapters in both volumes of this book. The second volume concludes with an epilogue highlighting the importance of systems thinking for innovation management.

KEYWORDS

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