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Culture and
Culture Defined

This book of research, philosophy, and multiculturalism remains the seminal work on the understanding and experience of different cultures throughout the world. It covers the impact of culture on leadership and its application in cross-cultural awareness and practice, and provides real-world solutions and strategies for managers and leaders in multicultural environments.

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Chapter 3: The Importance of Culture in Leadership

Ethnocentrism

Impact on how leaders influence others.

Multiculturalism

Important issues faced in a multicultural society.

Related Concepts

Ethnocentrism, multiculturalism, and leadership

The Importance of Multicultural Competence

Embracing a group of organizations through the concept of multicultural competence can have many advantages for organizations, including increased diversity, better integration of different cultures, and improved decision-making. This chapter focuses on 11 real-life examples from different industries to illustrate the impact of multicultural competence on organizations.

Cultural Awareness and Practice

The importance of cultural awareness and practice in leadership.

Ethnocentrism and Multiculturalism

Ethnocentrism and multiculturalism are two key concepts in understanding cultural differences. Ethnocentrism is the belief that one's own culture is superior to others, while multiculturalism embraces the diversity of different cultures and recognizes the unique contributions of each culture.
The relationship between culture and leadership is a complex one. The study of cultural leadership and organizational behavior explores how these two factors interact in various settings. The dimensions of culture help to understand how leadership styles and practices are influenced by cultural factors. Understanding these dimensions is crucial for effective leadership in multicultural environments.

**Dimensions of Culture**

- **Culture and Leadership**
- **Leadership and Followership**

Leadership needs to be sensitive to cultural differences and values. Effective leaders understand how cultural norms influence decision-making and interaction styles. A leader who can adapt to different cultural contexts is more likely to gain the trust and support of followers from diverse backgrounds.

**Prudential Leadership**

In addition, prudential leadership involves making decisions that are consistent with cultural values and norms. Effective leaders consider the cultural context of their actions and ensure that they align with the values of the people they are leading. This approach promotes a more inclusive and respectful leadership style that fosters a sense of belonging and mutual respect among team members.

The study of cultural dimensions and leadership styles provides insights into how organizations can better adapt to diverse environments. Leaders who are knowledgeable about cultural differences and values are better equipped to navigate complex situations and foster a positive organizational culture.
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CHARACTERISTICS OF CLUSTERS

Figure 1.3: Country Clusters According to GLOBE

Cultures and Leadership

10 clusters were formed based on similarities and differences between cultural groups (clusters) that do not fit into regional clusters. These clusters provided a foundation to analyze how cultural dimensions are used in global leadership.

HUMAN ORIENTATION

Culture is rewarded for solving challenging goals and measuring them. Excellence in Performance Orientation is concerned with whether people in a
Social groups and individualistic cultures have less in common than you think. They tend not to emphasize broad community and less group-oriented. They seek and prefer independent or personal achievement and the recognition of their individual abilities. In such cultures, people are more focused on their own goals and interests and less on the goals and interests of the group. This can lead to less cooperation and less collective action. These cultures often have lower trust in government and other institutions, and these individuals are often less likely to engage in collective action. However, in some cases, these cultures may also produce high trust in government and other institutions, and these individuals may be more likely to engage in collective action.

###Eastern Europe

This region includes Russia, Poland, and the Czech Republic. These countries are often praised for their performance in economic terms, but they are also criticized for their lack of democratic institutions and lack of respect for human rights. The political and economic systems of these countries are often described as authoritarian or semi-authoritarian.

###Nordic Europe

This region includes countries like Norway, Sweden, and Denmark. These countries are often seen as models of democratic prosperity due to their strong welfare states, high levels of trust in government, and strong human rights records.

###Middle East

This region includes countries like Saudi Arabia, Iran, and Iraq. These countries are often described as authoritarian and repressive, with low levels of democracy and human rights.

###Latin America

This region includes countries like Brazil, Argentina, and Mexico. These countries are often seen as examples of democratic transition, with varying levels of political instability and economic development.

###Southern Asia

This region includes countries like India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh. These countries are often characterized by high levels of poverty, political instability, and social inequality.

###Western Europe

This region includes countries like Germany, France, and the United Kingdom. These countries are often seen as models of democratic prosperity due to their strong welfare states, high levels of trust in government, and strong human rights records.

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Observations can be made about the characteristics of these regional clusters.
leadership behavior and culture clusters

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In cultures such as China and Japan, leadership is more of a collective effort, with leaders often working in a group to make decisions. In contrast, cultures such as the United States and Western Europe place a higher value on individual leadership and decision-making. Understanding these differences is crucial for leaders working in global contexts.

The overall goal of the GLOBE project was to determine how leadership behaviors are perceived across different cultures. The project involved extensive research across 62 countries, with data collected from a variety of sources, including surveys, interviews, and observations. The findings from the project have important implications for leaders working in multicultural environments.

Middle East

Leaders in the Middle East often prioritize the needs of the organization and the group over the individual. Leadership styles tend to be autocratic, with leaders making decisions and expecting compliance from subordinates. Women are often underrepresented in leadership positions, and gender differences in leadership styles are more pronounced.

Latin America

In Latin America, leadership styles are more individualistic, with a focus on personal relationships and networks. Leadership is often characterized by strong personal connections and a willingness to engage in personal favors. Women are less likely to hold positions of power, and there is a strong emphasis on family and community ties.

Overall, understanding leadership behavior and culture clusters is essential for effective leadership in a global context. By recognizing the unique cultural perspectives on leadership, leaders can better adapt their approaches to meet the needs of diverse teams and organizations.
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### Figure 13.6 Nordic Europe Leadership Profile

An ideal example of leadership for the Nordic European countries is leadership that is highly strategic and participative while being somewhat independent and diplomatic (Figure 13.6). For these countries, it is often less important that their leaders be people-oriented or protectors of their office. Nordic Europeans prefer leaders who are inspiring and involved in decision making. They do not expect their leaders to be exceedingly compassionate, nor do they expect them to be concerned with status and other self-centered attributes.

**SOURCE:** Adapted from House, et al. (2004).

### Figure 13.7 Anglo Leadership Profile

The profile leadership for the Anglo countries emphasizes that leaders are especially charismatic/value-based, participative, and sensitive to people (Figure 13.7). Stated another way, Anglo countries want leaders to be exceedingly motivating and visionary, not autocratic, and considerate of others. Furthermore, they expect leaders to be team-oriented and...
The ideal leader in the German Europe Cluster has a style that is very participative while also being inspirational and transformational (Figure 13.10).

**German Europe Leadership Profile**

Adapted from House et al. (2004).

For countries in Sub-Saharan Africa an ideal leader is modelled on the Southern Africa profile. The Sub-Saharan profile is similar to the profile of Southern Africa. It is marked by inspirational and transformational leadership, a leader who is likely to be able to create a vision and communicate it with effectiveness, and one who is able to set clear goals, lead change, and inspire followers. The Southern Africa profile is marked by inspirational and transformational leadership, a leader who is able to create a vision and communicate it with effectiveness, and one who is able to set clear goals, lead change, and inspire followers.

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**Behaviors: Anglo**

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**Unequivocal Leadership Attributes**

| Source: Adapted from House, C. L. (2004). |

- Participative Leadership
- Team-Centered Leadership
- Human-Centered Leadership
- Paramount Value-Based Leadership
- Autonomous Leadership
- Self-Proactive Leadership

**Middle East**

**Behaviors: Middle East**

The Middle East is characterized by a strong emphasis on family and community, with leadership roles often centered around these values. In the Middle East, collective decision-making is highly valued, and leaders are expected to work closely with their team members to achieve common goals. This collaborative style fosters a sense of unity and shared responsibility. The Middle East leadership profile is often characterized by a focus on interpersonal skills, empathy, and a strong sense of duty towards the community and family. Leaders in this region are expected to be respected by their peers, and their decision-making processes are often influenced by traditional customs and values.

**Southern Asia**

**Behaviors: Southern Asia**

Leadership in Southern Asia is often characterized by a strong emphasis on cultural and religious values. Leaders are expected to be respected for their moral integrity and ethical conduct. They are often seen as role models for their community, and their leadership style is often guided by the principles of respect for authority and obedience. In this region, the concept of hierarchy is highly valued, and leaders are expected to be able to navigate complex social dynamics. The Southern Asia leadership profile is characterized by a focus on moral leadership, cultural sensitivity, and the ability to build strong relationships with followers.

**Europe**

**Behaviors: Europe**

In Europe, leadership is often characterized by a strong emphasis on individualism and personal achievement. Leaders are expected to be innovative, creative, and able to inspire and motivate their teams. The European leadership profile is often characterized by a focus on strategic thinking, personal integrity, and the ability to lead change. In this region, leaders are often seen as visionaries who are able to inspire their teams to achieve exceptional results.

**North America**

**Behaviors: North America**

Leadership in North America is characterized by a strong emphasis on innovation, entrepreneurship, and personal achievement. Leaders are expected to be able to lead change, to take risks, and to think creatively. The North American leadership profile is often characterized by a focus on innovation, personal integrity, and the ability to inspire and motivate others. In this region, leaders are often seen as visionaries who are able to lead their organizations towards new frontiers.
First, the GLOBE study is unique and limited by its design. The only sample included is a group of Western countries, which do not represent a single world culture. Although the chapter on culture and leadership does not represent a single world culture.

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The influence of the situational context on leadership is an important factor to consider when analyzing leadership effectiveness. The GLOBE (Global Leadership and Organizational Behavior Effectiveness) study is one such research that explores this context. The GLOBE study is a large-scale, multi-country research project that examines leadership across different cultural and contextual settings.

Leadership process:
A single factor that influences leadership is the way culture relates to leadership. Leadership theories suggest that culture can affect leadership behaviors. The GLOBE study identified several dimensions of culture that influence leadership: power distance, individualism, masculinity-femininity, and long-term orientation.

Criticism:
Leadership research has been criticized for not adequately considering cultural dimensions and contextual factors. The GLOBE study, while comprehensive, may not be universally applicable to all cultures. The study's findings may not be generalizable to all leadership contexts.

Conclusion:
The GLOBE study provides a valuable framework for understanding leadership across different cultural contexts. However, further research is needed to validate and expand the GLOBE framework to ensure its applicability in diverse leadership settings.
**CASE STUDIES**

Leadership in the Workplace

Leadership is a critical component of effective management. Great leaders have the ability to inspire and motivate their teams, leading to increased productivity and job satisfaction. In this section, we will explore the qualities and strategies of effective leadership in various contexts.

**CASE 13.1**

**GLOBALIZE WORKPLACE**

American managers often find it challenging to manage employees from diverse cultural backgrounds. This is particularly true in today's globalized workplace, where companies operate in multiple countries and cultures. The ability to navigate these differences effectively is crucial for success.

**APPLICATION**

Understanding cultural differences and adapting leadership styles accordingly can improve the effectiveness of global leaders. This requires a deep understanding of cultural practices, values, and communication styles. By developing cultural competence, leaders can better understand and align with the perspectives and expectations of their international teams.

**CASE 13.2**

**GLOBALIZE LEADERSHIP**

In addition to cultural competence, global leaders must also be adept at managing diverse teams. This includes understanding and addressing the unique needs and challenges faced by employees from different backgrounds. By fostering an inclusive environment, leaders can create a more effective and harmonious workplace.

**CASE 13.3**

**GLOBALIZE ORGANIZATION**

Companies operating in a global marketplace need to be aware of the cultural nuances of different countries. This includes understanding local customs, laws, and business practices. By adapting to these differences, organizations can better navigate international markets and achieve success.

**APPLICATION**

Adapting to cultural differences is essential for organizations seeking to expand globally. This involves translating strategies and processes to fit the local context, as well as fostering a mindset of flexibility and openness. By doing so, companies can build strong relationships with partners and customers, leading to long-term success in international markets.
A Special Kind of Financing

Case 13.2

Questions

1. What similarities and differences can you identify between North American and European customer relationship management practices?

2. In what way did this company reflect the characteristics of other companies, and in what ways did it differ?

3. Why do you think this company was not seen as a team player?

4. What universal leadership attributes did this company exhibit?

5. What other suggestions would you have for solving this situation?

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work for this company, the evolution of the traditional Western leadership.

The most effective leaders create an environment where the employees

are clear on their role and expectations. In this environment, the employees

are motivated and engaged, which leads to increased productivity and

organizational success.

The leadership style of the company in question did not align with

these principles. The company had a strict, hierarchical structure

that limited employee autonomy and discouraged open communication.

This resulted in a lack of trust and collaboration among employees,

leading to decreased job satisfaction and lower overall performance.

In order to improve this situation, the company could consider

implementing a more扁平化 leadership style that promotes

employee involvement, trust, and open communication.

By doing so, the company could create a more positive and

productive work environment, leading to increased employee

engagement and overall success.
the leadership and board members of the Hispanic community. These leaders have a strong sense of the needs of the Hispanic community and are able to influence the decision-making process. The Hispanic Center is a valuable resource for the Hispanic community.

Questions

1. Why do you think banks in the United States have been slow to offer Hispanic small business loans?

2. How do Hispanic small businesses compare to their non-Hispanic counterparts in terms of access to capital?

3. How do Hispanic small businesses use available resources to overcome challenges?

4. How do Hispanic small businesses differ in terms of growth strategy and innovation?

5. How do you think the Hispanic community will fare in Central Bank's overall strategy?
LEADERSHIP INSTRUMENT

Culture and leadership are different concepts, and when they are measured they are measured in separate ways using different questionnaires. Currently, there are no measures that assess culture and leadership simultaneously, nor are there measures of cultural leadership. There are questionnaire techniques that measure culture, and, as shown throughout the book, there are many measures of leadership.

Perhaps the best-known measure of culture is Hofstede's Culture in the Workplace questionnaire. This questionnaire measures a person's cultural preferences, such as individualism, power distance, uncertainty, and achievement. People can use their profiles on these dimensions to learn about themselves and to compare themselves with the profiles of people in other cultures.

The Dimensions of Culture questionnaire, which follows, is an abbreviated version of the original questionnaire used in the GLOBE studies. This questionnaire is included in the chapter for illustrative purposes only. The scores you receive on the questionnaire are individual-level scores rather than societal or organizational-level scores. People who are interested in using the GLOBE scales for research should use the complete questionnaire, as referenced in House et al. (2004).

The Dimensions of Culture questionnaire will help you examine your perceptions about various characteristics of your culture. This questionnaire is not a personality measure (e.g., the Myers-Briggs instrument) but rather a measure of your attitudes and perceptions about culture.

questions

1. How would you describe the strengths and weaknesses of Mary's and Jose's leadership on this project?

2. Do you see any problem in targeting part of the fund-raising campaign directly toward the Hispanic community?

3. The Latin America leadership profile stresses the importance of team-oriented leadership and de-emphasizes individualistic leadership. How does the leadership of Mary and Jose compare with the Latin America profile?

4. How do Hispanic cultural dimensions help explain the resistance some people felt and expressed toward the renovation project?

5. If you were Mary or Jose, how would you temper your excitement about the new fire station?


**Culture and Leadership**

Gender Equality

1. In this society, boys are encouraged more than girls to attain a higher education:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
   3. Neutral  
   4. Agree  
   5. Strongly agree

2. In this society, who is more likely to serve in a position of high office?  
   1. Women  
   2. Men  
   3. Equal opportunities

Asertiveness

1. In this society, people are generally:  
   1. Nonassertive  
   2. Assertive  
   3. Tendent

2. In this society, people are generally:  
   1. Tender  
   2. Tough

Future Orientation

1. In this society, the accepted norm is to:  
   1. Accept the status quo  
   2. Plan for the future  
   3. Solve current problems  
   4. Place more emphasis on

Performance Orientation

1. In this society, people are encouraged to strive for continuously improved performance:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
   3. Neutral  
   4. Agree  
   5. Strongly agree

Uncertainty Avoidance

1. In this society, externalities and consistency are stressed, even at the expense of experimentation and innovation:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
   3. Neutral  
   4. Agree  
   5. Strongly agree

Power Distance

1. In this society, followers are expected to obey their leaders without question:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
   3. Neutral  
   4. Agree  
   5. Strongly agree

2. In this society, power is distributed throughout the society:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
   3. Neutral  
   4. Agree  
   5. Strongly agree

Institutional Collection

1. In this society, the economic system is designed to maximize:  
   1. Collective interests  
   2. Individual interests  
   3. Concentrated at the top

2. In this society, children take pride in the individual accomplishments of their parents:  
   1. Strongly disagree  
   2. Disagree  
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In-group Collectivism

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SUMMARY

Improving understanding between you and people from other cultures is a step to
understanding their culture. Understanding how your culture differs from other
cultures is the first step. To improve your understanding of cultural differences
among various cultures, you can ask yourself:

- What is my culture?
- What are the values that define my culture?
- How do my values influence my behavior?
- How do my values differ from those of other cultures?
- How do I interpret cultural differences?
- How do I adapt my behavior to fit the cultural norms of others?

By understanding these questions, you can develop a better understanding of your
preconceived notions of other cultures. By understanding cultural differences, you
can better understand and appreciate the diversity of human societies.
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NOTES

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The GLOBE study is important because it is self-selected and includes leaders from a variety of cultural and organizational backgrounds. It reveals that leadership dimensions vary significantly across cultures, and that certain leadership behaviors are more effective in some cultures than in others. This has important implications for managers and organizations that operate in a global context.

The GLOBE study was conducted in 26 countries and involved over 17,000 managers. The results indicate that leadership behaviors such as transformational leadership, which involves inspiring and motivating followers, are more effective in some cultures than in others. This suggests that managers need to be aware of cultural differences in leadership styles and adapt their leadership approaches accordingly.

The GLOBE study also highlights the importance of cultural context in leadership effectiveness. For example, in collectivistic cultures, leaders tend to focus on social harmony and cooperation, whereas in individualistic cultures, leaders may be more focused on personal achievement and individual success.

The results of the GLOBE study have important implications for leader development and training programs. Leaders need to be aware of cultural differences in leadership styles and adapt their approaches accordingly. This may involve learning about cultural dimensions and developing cultural intelligence, which is the ability to understand and adapt to cultural differences.

The GLOBE study is also important because it provides a framework for understanding leadership in a global context. By examining leadership behaviors across cultures, the study offers insights into what makes effective leadership in different cultural contexts.

In conclusion, the GLOBE study is a valuable resource for understanding leadership in a global context. Its findings have important implications for managers and organizations that operate in a multicultural environment. By understanding cultural differences in leadership styles, leaders can develop more effective strategies for managing diverse teams and achieving organizational goals.
One of the central themes in this book is the significance of leadership in the workplace. There are two key books on leadership ethics. This section discusses the importance of leadership ethics in today's business world. Leadership ethics are crucial in shaping the behavior of leaders and employees, and they help to create a positive atmosphere for employees, who are the backbone of any business. This book provides a framework for understanding leadership ethics and their impact on the organization.