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Perspectives on Initiation René Guénon, 2004-05 The present volume first published at the close of World War II and based on a series of articles on initiation originally written between 1932 and 1938 for *Le Voile d Isis* later renamed *Traditionnelles* is unique in giving a comprehensive account both of the conditions of initiation and of the characteristics of organizations qualified to transmit it Guénon's distinction between the initiatic and the mystical paths the first requiring a formal relationship with a master a set of specific contemplative techniques and a chain of transmission stretching back to the origin of the tradition in question the second generally lacking these elements led to some controversy between those who accept this distinction and others who believe that initiatory and mystical spirituality are one and the same The book presents such central principles as the dangers and barrenness of syncretism the often dire consequences of fostering psychic powers and the superiority of sacerdotal initiation into the Greater Mysteries over royal initiation into the Lesser Mysteries though both are necessary parts of the initiatic path This last point precisely defines the rift between Guénon and Julius Evola whose elevation of royal initiation over sacerdotal must be seen according to Guénon's criteria as a modern day echo of the ancient revolt of the warrior caste against the priestly one Whoever follows Guénon's argument will realize that a romantic warrior mysticism held no fascination for him and is in fact explicitly contrary to his principles But *Perspectives on Initiation* provides indispensable points of reference for anyone attempting to distinguish between initiatic pseudo initiatic and counterfeit initiatic spiritualities in these profoundly uncertain times

Perspectives on Initiation René Guénon, 2015-04-02 Guénon's writings encompass a wide range of metaphysical themes yet these works as a whole evince a unity and organic coherence which Guénon always saw as a critical part of his work As a result each topic is integrally related to many others In 1921 Guénon published an *Introduction to the Study of the Hindu Doctrines* His goal as he writes it is an attempt at presenting to westerners eastern metaphysics and spirituality as they are understood and thought by easterners themselves while pointing at what René Guénon describes as all the erroneous interpretations and misunderstandings of western orientalism and neospiritualism for the latter notably the proponents of Madame Blavatsky's theosophism Right from that time he presents a rigorous understanding not only of Hindu doctrines but also of eastern metaphysics in general 17 He managed to expose these doctrines to a western public viewed by him as quite unprepared and unreceptive as a whole 18 He departed from standard scholarship orientalist terminology and methods and preferred to expose the doctrines as a simple easterner devoid of what he called western prejudices 19 For one of the most famous aspects of René Guénon's work is the irreducible difference he describes between the East and the West 20 René Guénon defines eastern metaphysics and intellectuality as of universal nature that opens possibilities of conception which are truly beyond any limitation His work comprises

Initiation and Spiritual Realization René Guénon, 2004-05 *Initiation and Spiritual Realization* is the closest thing to a work on spiritual direction René Guénon ever wrote touching as it does upon such vital topics as the transmission of

initiatic grace the various types and functions of the spiritual master obstacles the aspirant is likely to encounter different modes of contemplation and the degrees of spiritual realization A companion volume to Perspectives on Initiation where Gu non had defined the nature of initiation and of the organizations qualified to transmit it Initiation and Spiritual Realization was the first thematic collection of Gu non s articles to appear after his death And one doctrine expressed in this book stands out as particularly timely that esoterism is not and cannot be a religion in itself since to take it as such is to reduce it to an alternative exoterism and a heterodox one at that Initiatic esoterism can only be legitimately and effectively practiced within the context of one of the established revealed religions

Perspectives in Business Informatics Research Robert Andrei Buchmann, Andrea Polini, Björn Johansson, Dimitris Karagiannis, 2021-09-07 This book constitutes the proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Perspectives in Business Informatics Research BIR 2021 The conference was held during September 22-24, 2021 The 16 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 49 submissions They were organized in topical sections as follows Technology adoption and acceptance during COVID-19 times conceptual modeling for enterprise systems enterprise modeling methods and frameworks compliance and normative challenges and empirical investigations on digital innovation and transformation prerequisites

Three Perspectives of Anthroposophy Rudolf Steiner, 2021-04-28 What is truly real Rudolf Steiner sheds light on everyday reality through spiritual knowledge repeatedly urging us to bring anthroposophy into daily human existence We might consciously experience the difference between consuming a potato as compared to cereals such as rye for example or we could grasp ordinary phenomena such as sleepwalking through an understanding of the threefold human being Likewise we might strive to comprehend how our head is the transformed organism of our previous life Throughout Steiner emphasizes that we can achieve spirituality on earth if only we make anthroposophy real The twelve lectures here were delivered during the portentous year of 1923 in the context of increasing attacks from Steiner s opponents His architectural masterpiece the first Goetheanum had already been destroyed by fire but he was yet to refound the Anthroposophical Society at the Christmas Conference In these uncertain times Steiner speaks of the decline of European culture and the development of materialism as a philosophy leaving anthroposophy with no exoteric foundation on which to build But Rudolf Steiner strikes a positive note with an exciting and constructive way forward providing us with the tools to see the world through three key perspectives of anthroposophy the physical the soul and the spiritual dimensions of reality This previously unpublished volume is translated by Elizabeth Marshall and includes an introduction notes and index

The Essential Rene Guenon John Herlihy, 2009-10-15 A prolific writer and author of over 24 books Rene Guenon was the founder of the Perennialist Traditionalist school of comparative religious thought Known for his discourses on the intellectual and spiritual bankruptcy of the modern world symbolism tradition and the inner or spiritual dimension of religion this book is a compilation of his most important writings A key component of his thought was the assertion that universal truths manifest themselves in various forms in the world s

religions and his writings on Hinduism Taoism and Sufism are particularly illuminating in this regard

Remanufacturing Initiation for Original Equipment Manufacturers Johan Vogt Duberg, 2024-04-29

Remanufacturing is an industrial process in which a core a used discarded or broken product is transformed into a product with a like new specification and condition However to this date remanufacturing activities on the market are few compared to manufacturing There are several types of remanufacturers the least common type is the original equipment remanufacturer an original equipment manufacturer that not only manufactures new products but also remanufactures cores of its own products Remanufacturing is potentially becoming a more widely used industrial process for original equipment manufacturers and increased remanufacturing activities can positively contribute to the environment The contribution comes from a reduction of raw material and energy consumption compared to manufacturing Therefore remanufacturing has the potential to decouple environmental impact from economic growth thus contributing to more sustainable societies However assessing the benefits of remanufacturing does not directly correlate to growth within the remanufacturing industry To encapsulate the environmental social and economic benefits of remanufacturing manufacturers need to be aware of how remanufacturing can be initiated and implemented in practice Therefore the objective of this dissertation is to develop support measures for original equipment manufacturers to initiate profitable remanufacturing This research takes a stand in case study and transdisciplinary research where the initiation of profitable remanufacturing is studied at two original equipment manufacturers The research study developed knowledge of how remanufacturing could be incorporated into existing operations at original equipment manufacturers In parallel financial assessments based on cost benefit analysis were built to measure how well the case companies could perform remanufacturing For the case study research seven remanufacturing scenarios were developed ranging from centralised remanufacturing performed by the original equipment manufacturer to decentralised performed at multiple locations using a retail network Which scenario is preferable depends on for example risk consciousness cooperation between actors and volume targets However given ideal circumstances remanufacturing in house in a centralised scenario was shown to be the most beneficial for the investigated original equipment manufacturer since the fewer middle hands and economies of scale also potentially enable lower costs For the transdisciplinary research the remanufacturing initiation was business model centric meaning that the remanufacturing system was a consequence of a decision for a specific business model Here a scenario based analysis was developed to understand under which circumstances the business model with remanufacturing was more lucrative for the provider the original equipment manufacturer and less costly for the users the customers For this a systematic assessment approach was developed consisting of three steps 1 provide a cost overview for each business model 2 create scenarios by modifying the cost drivers and 3 combine scenarios to reach synergetic effects Based on the case study two sets of four prerequisites for initiating remanufacturing were derived These are divided into essential and supporting prerequisites and illustrated through a

framework called the Remanufacturing Rocket The essential prerequisites highlight fundamental requirements to perform remanufacturing Should one of these four factors be missing remanufacturing cannot be successfully initiated The supporting prerequisites are valuable to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the process such as through streamlined operations organisational change or information exchange Hence to reach the fullest potential of remanufacturing both the essential and the supporting prerequisites are needed Furthermore the area of financial assessments was explored in a systematic literature review to identify insights for developing such assessments tailored for individual original equipment manufacturers in initiating remanufacturing For this six perspectives for framing financial assessments are proposed These cover the system boundaries for the assessments as well as the individual needs and visions of original equipment manufacturers Additionally a framework was developed to select financial assessment models for remanufacturing initiations based on ease of use and capability to handle complex datasets Conclusively it is proposed to apply the prerequisites for initiating remanufacturing together with a financial assessment in an iterative manner to investigate the profitability for original equipment manufacturers to initiate remanufacturing The essential prerequisites influence the first iteration of the financial assessment which then contributes to refinements of how the essential prerequisites should be aligned in an economically preferable way Once satisfactory another iterative process could be initiated between the supporting prerequisites and the financial assessment By using the proposed approach the prospects of profitable remanufacturing could be thoroughly investigated before attempting to initiate a process in practice thus reducing the number of resources spent in vain Additionally the iterative process was integrated into a 5 step Approach For Initiating Remanufacturing 5AFIR to guide original equipment manufacturers towards initiating profitable remanufacturing

Refabrikation oder Wiederaufbereitung engl Remanufacturing ist ein industrieller Prozess bei dem ein Altteil ein gebrauchtes ausrangiertes verschlissenes oder defektes Produkt gem den Herstellerspezifikationen in einen neuwertigen Zustand gebracht wird Heutzutage macht Refabrikation allerdings nur einen kleinen Teil der Fertigungsindustrie aus Verschiedene Arten von Unternehmen betreiben Refabrikation wobei Originalger tehersteller sogenannte OEMs engl f r Original Equipment Manufacturer am seltensten sind Solche OEMs betreiben neben Produktion auch eine Wiederaufbereitung ihrer eigenen Produkte Refabrikation kann sowohl kologische als auch konomische Vorteile bringen und hat somit grunds tzlich hohes Marktpotential Der geringere Rohstoff und Energieverbrauch von Refabrikation im Vergleich zu Neuproduktion ist ein Beispiel f r kologischen Vorteil Refabrikation erm glicht au erdem negative Umweltauswirkungen durch Produktion und Wirtschaftswachstum voneinander unabh ngig zu machen und tr gt somit zu nachhaltigem Wachstum bei Allerdings h ngt der Nutzen von Refabrikation nicht direkt mit dem Wachstum innerhalb der Refabrikationsbranche zusammen Um die kologischen sozialen und konomischen Vorteile nutzen zu k nnen m ssen Hersteller Kompetenz zur praktischen Umsetzung von Refabrikation aufbauen Ziel dieser Dissertation ist daher die Entwicklung von Unterst tzungsm anahmen und konzepten f

r OEMs die zu profitabler Refabrikation führen Diese Arbeit basiert auf einer Fallstudie und auf transdisziplinärer Forschung bei der die Einführung von profitabler Refabrikation bei zwei OEMs untersucht wurde Die Fallstudie lieferte Erkenntnisse darüber wie Refabrikation in bestehende Abläufe bei OEMs integriert werden kann Außerdem wurden finanzielle Bewertungskriterien auf der Grundlage einer Kosten Nutzen Analyse erstellt um messen zu können wie erfolgreich die untersuchten Unternehmen Refabrikation implementieren konnten Für die Fallstudie wurden sieben Refabrikationsszenarien entwickelt die von zentraler Refabrikation durch das OEM bis zu dezentraler Refabrikation an mehreren Standorten durch ein Netzwerk von Niederlassungen reichen Welches der Szenarien vorzuziehen ist hängt beispielsweise vom Risikobewusstsein der Zusammenarbeit der Akteure und den angestrebten Stückzahlen ab Unter idealen Umständen erwies sich die unternehmensinterne Refabrikation mit zentralisierter Struktur als das vorteilhafteste Szenario Für die untersuchten OEMs führten weniger Zwischenhändler und Grenvorteile zu geringeren Kosten In der transdisziplinären Forschung dieser Dissertation wurde davon ausgegangen dass das Refabrikationssystem aus der Entscheidung für ein bestimmtes Geschäftsmodell folgt Basierend auf verschiedenen Szenarien wurde analysiert unter welchen Umständen das Geschäftsmodell inklusive Refabrikation für den Anbieter OEM lukrativer und für die Anwender Kunden kostengünstiger war Hierzu wurde ein systematisches Bewertungsschema entwickelt das aus drei Schritten besteht 1 Bereitstellung einer Kostenübersicht für jedes Geschäftsmodell 2 Erstellung von Szenarien durch Modifikation der Kostentreiber und 3 Kombination von Szenarien um Synergieeffekte zu erzielen Anforderungen für die Einführung von Refabrikation wurden auf Basis der Fallstudie abgeleitet Diese sind in vier essentielle und vier unterstützende Anforderungen eingeteilt und werden durch ein Modell namens Refabrikationsrakete veranschaulicht Die essentiellen Anforderungen sind grundlegend für die Durchführung von Refabrikation Ist eine dieser vier Anforderungen nicht erfüllt kann Refabrikation nicht erfolgreich umgesetzt werden Die unterstützenden Anforderungen steigern die Effektivität und Effizienz des Einführungsprozesses beispielsweise durch optimierte Abläufe organisatorische Änderungen oder Informationsaustausch Um das volle Potenzial von Refabrikation auszuschöpfen müssen sowohl die essentiellen als auch die unterstützenden Anforderungen erfüllt werden Wirtschaftliche Bewertungskriterien wurden im Rahmen einer systematischen Literaturrecherche betrachtet Ziel der Recherche war es Erkenntnisse für die Entwicklung solcher Bewertungskriterien zu erlangen Die Kriterien sollen dabei auf einzelne OEMs und die Einführung von Refabrikation zugeschnitten sein In dieser Arbeit werden sechs Ansätze für die Entwicklung wirtschaftlicher Bewertungskriterien vorgeschlagen Diese Ansätze behandeln sowohl Systemgrenzen für die Bewertungskriterien als auch individuelle Bedürfnisse und Ziele der OEM Darüber hinaus wurde ein Rahmenwerk entwickelt um wirtschaftliche Bewertungskriterien auf Basis ihrer Benutzerfreundlichkeit und ihrer Fähigkeit zur Bewältigung komplexer Datenmengen auszuwählen Abschließend wird vorgeschlagen die Anforderungen für die Einführung von Refabrikation zusammen mit einer wirtschaftlichen Bewertung iterativ zu prüfen um die Rentabilität von Refabrikation für OEMs zu

analysieren Die essentiellen Anforderungen beeinflussen die erste Iterationsschleife der wirtschaftlichen Bewertung In dieser ersten Schleife wird verfeinert wie die Grundanforderungen wirtschaftlich sinnvoll kombiniert werden können Es folgt eine zweite Iterationsschleife zwischen den unterstzenden Anforderungen und der finanziellen Bewertung Mit diesem Vorgehen kann das Potential einer rentablen Refabrikation gründlich untersucht werden bevor mit der Realisierung begonnen wird Dadurch können eventuell erfolglose Einführungsversuche vermieden und vergeblich aufgewendete Ressourcen reduziert werden Der iterative Prozess wurde in einen 5 stufigen Modell zur Einführung von Refabrikation 5AFIR zusammengefasst

tertillverkning r en industriell process d r en stomme en använd uttj nt eller trasig produkt omformas till en produkt vars specifikation och kvalitet motsvarar nyskick Idag utg r tertillverkning endast en liten del av den totala tillverkningsindustrin Det finns flera typer av tertillverkare den ovanligaste r originaltillverkande tertillverkare det vill s ga ett tillverkande företag som ven tertillverkar sina egna produkter Genom den l ga grad av tertillverkning bland originaltillverkare idag finns det utrymme f r att verka f r en kning En s dan kning kan bidra till milj m ssiga f rdelar genom att m ngden r material och energi reduceras j mf rt med nytillverkning Det finns d rf r en m jlighet f r tertillverkning att bidra till en frikoppling av milj m ssig p verkan fr n ekonomisk tillv xt vilket i sin tur bidrar till ett mer h llbart samh lle Fast att endast v rdera nyttan av tertillverkning leder inte direkt till en tillv xt inom tertillverkningsindustrin F r att omfamna de milj m ssiga sociala och ekonomiska nyttor som tertillverkning kan bidra med m ste originaltillverkare vara medvetna om hur tertillverkning kan initieras och implementeras i praktiken p ett ekonomiskt l nsamt s tt Denna doktorsavhandlings syfte r d rf r att utveckla st d f r originaltillverkare att initiera l nsam tertillverkning Forskningen utg r fr n en fallstudie och transdisciplin r forskningsmetodik d r initieringen av l nsam tertillverkning studeras vid tv originaltillverkare Den utf rda forskningen utvecklade kunskap om hur tertillverkning kan integrerats i en originaltillverkares befintliga verksamhet Parallellt med detta utvecklades ekonomiska utv rderingsmetoder f r att tillhandah lla ett m tt p hur v l fallf retagen skulle kunna utf ra tertillverkning F r fallstudien utvecklades det sju tertillverkningsscenarion som str cker sig fr n centraliserad tertillverkning som utf rs av originaltillverkaren till decentraliserad som utf rs vid flertalet platser inom ett terf rs ljarn tverk Vilket scenario som var mest f rdelaktigt berodde exempelvis p riskmedvetenhet samarbete mellan akt rer och tillverkningsvolym Men givet ideala f rh llanden visades det att centraliserad tertillverkning vore potentiellt mest f rdelaktigt f r fallf retaget eftersom f rre mellanh nder och stordriftsf rdelar m jligg r l gre kostnader F r det andra fallf retagets initieringen av tertillverkning vid till mpning av den transdisciplin ra forskningsmetodiken var det ett aff rsmodellsfokus vilket innebar att tertillverkningssystemet var en konsekvens av ett beslut f r en viss aff rsmodell I denna del av forskningen utvecklades en scenariobaserad analysmetod f r att f rst under vilka f rh llanden som aff rsmodellen tillsammans med tertillverkning vore mer lukrativt f r f retaget originaltillverkaren och mindre kostsamt f r anv ndaren kunden F r detta utvecklades en systematisk ansats f r ekonomiska utv rderingar best ende av tre steg 1 tillhandah ll en kostnads verblick f r

varje affrsmodell 2 skapa scenarion genom att modifiera kostnadsdrivarna och 3 kombinera scenarion för att uppnå synergieffekter Med utgångspunkt i fallstudien utvecklades även faktorer för att forma krav för hur originaltillverkare kan initiera tertillverkning Dessa faktorer delas upp i grundläggande och st djande kravställningar och de bygger tillsammans upp ett ramverk benämnt tertillverkningsraketen De grundläggande kravställningarna lyfter fram elementära krav vid utförandet av tertillverkning och om en av de fyra skulle saknas kan tertillverkning inte utföras på ett framgångsrikt sätt De st djande kravställningarna är avsedda för att förbättra tertillverkningseffektiviteten genom exempelvis bekymmersfritt utförande av processer organisationsförändringar eller informationsutbytet Därför för att nå den fulla potentialen av tertillverkning behövs både de grundläggande och de st djande kravställningarna Dessutom utforskades om det finns ekonomiska utvärderingsmetoder i en systematisk litteraturgenomgång för att identifiera insikter för att utveckla sådana metoder skreddarsydda för individuella originaltillverkare som initierar tertillverkning För nämligen för respektive sex perspektiv för att forma ekonomiska utvärderingsmetoder Dessa tecken är systemgränserna för utvärderingarna som individuella behov och visioner hos originaltillverkare För att vidare stödja förutagen utvecklades ett ramverk för att välja ekonomiska utvärderingsmetoder för initieringar av tertillverkning baserat på användarvalighet och förmåga att hantera komplexa datamängder Slutligen för respektive det att tillämpa de framtagna kravställningarna tillsammans med ekonomisk utvärdering genom att iterativt undersöka möjligheterna för hur tertillverkning kan initieras för originaltillverkare De grundläggande kravställningarna influerar upplägget för den första iterationen av den ekonomiska utvärderingen vilken i sin tur nyttjas för att förfinas hur de grundläggande kravställningarna kan ligga samman på ett ekonomiskt fördelaktigt sätt När en godtagbar nivå uppnås kan ytterligare en iterativ process utföras mellan de st djande kravställningarna och den ekonomiska utvärderingen Genom att tillämpa det förslagna tillvägagångssättet kan möjligheterna för tertillverkning undersökas på en detaljerad nivå innan initieringsförsöket i praktiken och således kan möjligheten till sådana resurser minskas Utöver detta integrerades det iterativa tillvägagångssättet med en 5 stegsansats för initiering av tertillverkning 5AFIR

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