# **COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT: THEORY AND PRACTICE**

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# **Cooperative Business Model. P. 3.**

The article analyses the issue of a cooperative business model taking into account the double nature of a cooperative as an entrepreneurial activity and an association of members. The author highlights the necessity and the possibility to improve the performance of a cooperative business model by balancing the interests of a cooperative and all its stakeholders.

**Key words:** cooperative business model, social and economic relations, integration process, participation economy, effect and effectiveness of membership.

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#### Development of Economic Entities Based on the Diversification and Innovation Strategy in Consumer Cooperation. P. 12.

The article deals with the innovation development of economic entities based on the diversification strategy and its implementation in consumer cooperation.

**Key words:** innovation, strategy, development, economic entity, innovation activity, diversification, competitive advantages, consumer cooperation.

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# Health Cooperatives as a Key Strategy in Health Care. P. 16.

The paper examines the current issues in health care and states that many acute problems can be solved with the help of cooperatives providing health services to its members and wider community, but many countries still lack health cooperatives. Cooperatives are considered as one of the key strategies in keeping health costs (including health insurance costs) low. The author analyses the impact cooperatives have on the social health determinants as well as the role of IHCO – the sectoral organization of ICA.

Key words: cooperation, health care, health cooperatives, social health determinants, IH-CO, summit.

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# The Projects of the Siberian Cooperators to Consolidate on the International Butter Market (December 1917). P. 24.

The article analyzes the project of creation of the International Cooperative Association with its center in London with the participation of the Siberian Creamery Cooperatives Union. The author proves that the use of consumer principles and trade methods is possible in the conditions of tough competition with private businesses.

**Key words:** Siberian Creamery Cooperatives Union, international trade, export of butter, project of the International Creamery Cooperatives Association.

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#### Nikolay Krestinsky and Cooperative Issues in the Soviet Russia. P. 30.

The paper focuses on the creation of new cooperatives in the soviet Russia, considers the views of Nikolay Krestinsky on the cooperative development through the prism of the national political history of the 1920s.

**Key words:** cooperation, cooperation theory, cooperative movement, political history, power, Nikolay Krestinsky.

### **TOPICAL ECONOMIC ISSUES**

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#### Business Analysis: Genesis and Distinguishing Features. P. 36.

The article deals with the methodology issues of a modern type of economic analysisbusiness analysis. The business analysis is necessary for the development of instruments for monitoring and managing business activity.

Key words: business analysis, scientific base and directions of business analysis, analysis of business processes.

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#### Methodology of Economic Forecasting. P. 44.

The paper deals with some problematic issues of improving the methodology of management decision-making. The efficiency of decisions is determined by the correctness of economic forecasting. In modern conditions the forecasting is not possible without the use of computer methods of analysis.

Key words: decision making, economic forecasting, computer methods of analysis.

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#### Evaluation of the Technological Development Level of Agricultural Organizations. P. 49.

The authors develop and test the methodology of evaluating the agricultural production development level in the Omsk region. The methodology is based on the technological development coefficient, technology provision coefficient, and human potential coefficient. The authors offer a technological matrix according to which nine groups of districts are identified in the Omsk region. In conclusion recommendations on managing agricultural technologies are given to all groups of districts. **Key words:** management, technological development, technology provision, human potential, technological matrix.

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#### New Trends in Measuring Human Development. P. 56.

This article presents a survey of latest changes in the methodology of measuring human development indicators including human development index (HDI). We show how these changes take into account the criticism of the HDI. We present alternative methods of the human development measurement. We reveal the directions of methodological development which are useful for further research.

Key words: human development, capabilities, human development index (HDI), standard of living, quality of life.

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#### **Regional Market of Consumer Goods in the Integration Process. P. 67.**

The paper provides a comparative analysis of regional and local markets in the conditions of integration. It offers a development model of the integration process on the consumer market; shows a business model of management, the forms of integration on the regional consumer market.

Key words: market, regional market, local market, forms of integration, management model, consumer market development.

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The Model of a Store-Condenser. P. 74.

This article describes the econophysical approach to the study of retail food businesses. We propose a model of a store – condenser and provide definitions of its capacity, resistance and permeability, apply electric chains analysis methods to calculate these indicators and compare the operation of different grocery stores.

**Key words**: commodity and monetary charge, air condenser, capacity, internal resistance, permeability of a store, lifetime of a product, purchasing, sales, buyers.

# **EDUCATION ISSUES**

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#### Modernization of the Professional Education System. P. 82.

The paper examines reforms in the higher education of Russia. Reforms imply modernization as a wide-reaching process in the society embracing all aspects of life, especially the social and cultural spheres closely connected with education.

Key words: higher education, social sphere, modernization, reforms, system, law.

#### MATHEMATICAL METHODS IN ECONOMICS

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Conceptual Approach to Business Investment Decisions with a Retrospective Account. P. 93.

The paper offers an approach to making business investment decisions which implies three possible versions for a company to choose from. The choice of the optimal investment policy is based on a proposed criterion. The methodology is demonstrated on the example of a particular company.

**Key words**: investment decision, optimal investment structure, entropy, resource potential, synergetic effect.

### LEGAL ISSUES IN A MODERN SOCIETY

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#### The Mechanism of Civil Rights Protection in the Russian Federation. P. 112.

The paper examines the concept of the civil rights protection mechanism, analyses the norms of international law, the definitions and the characteristics of the constitutional mechanism, and other problematic issues involved.

**Key words**: constitutional mechanism of civil rights protection, system of government authorities, types of guarantees, coordinators of human rights activities, forms of protection.

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#### The Legal Status of an Executive Body. P. 117.

The paper deals with the system of executive bodies as a part of state apparatus which has a certain structure, competence, territorial coverage. The system of executive bodies is responsible for day-to-day management in economic, social, cultural, administrative, political, spheres as well as intersectoral management.

Key words: executive power, federal system of government.

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#### Holders of the Right to Complain to the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation: Regulation and Improvement Issues. P. 121.

The paper analyses the provisions of the RF Constitution and the federal constitutional law on the Constitutional Court of the RF which specify the categories of right-holders who can apply to the Constitutional Court with complaints. The author concludes that the range of applicants is part of the competence of the Constitutional Court of the RF which constant improvement.

**Key words**: holders of the right to apply to the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation with complaints, the Constitution of the Russian Federation, the Constitutional Court, citizens, foreign citizens, citizens ' associations.

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# Consideration of Citizens' Applications to the Public Prosecution Office of the Russian Federation. P. 131.

The paper focuses on the improvement of the procedure for consideration of petitions and applications to the Public Prosecution Office of the Russian Federation, the measures ensuring the right of citizens to apply to state authorities as well as measures of the public prosecutor's reaction taken in the case of law violations in this sphere.

**Keywords:** petitions of citizens, measures of public prosecutor's reaction, public prosecutor's supervision.