

Developing a cost system that can meet the multiple needs of your organization.

This book provides a roadmap for the design, development, and implementation of a strategic cost system. It shows how to design a cost system to become a more effective decision-making tool and a source of competitive advantage for the organization. It describes how to structure a cost systems design project and discuss the issues that should be addressed upfront from a management, operations, and costing perspective. This book is based on the premise that a good cost system should be tailored toward the needs of its users and adapted to the maturity level of the organization.

Designing Strategic Cost Systems: How to Unleash the Power of Cost Information will also include a URL site that contains definitions of key terms, an Excel template that can be used to calculate total labor hours available, as well as an Excel template with the cost model that uses Monte Carlo simulation.

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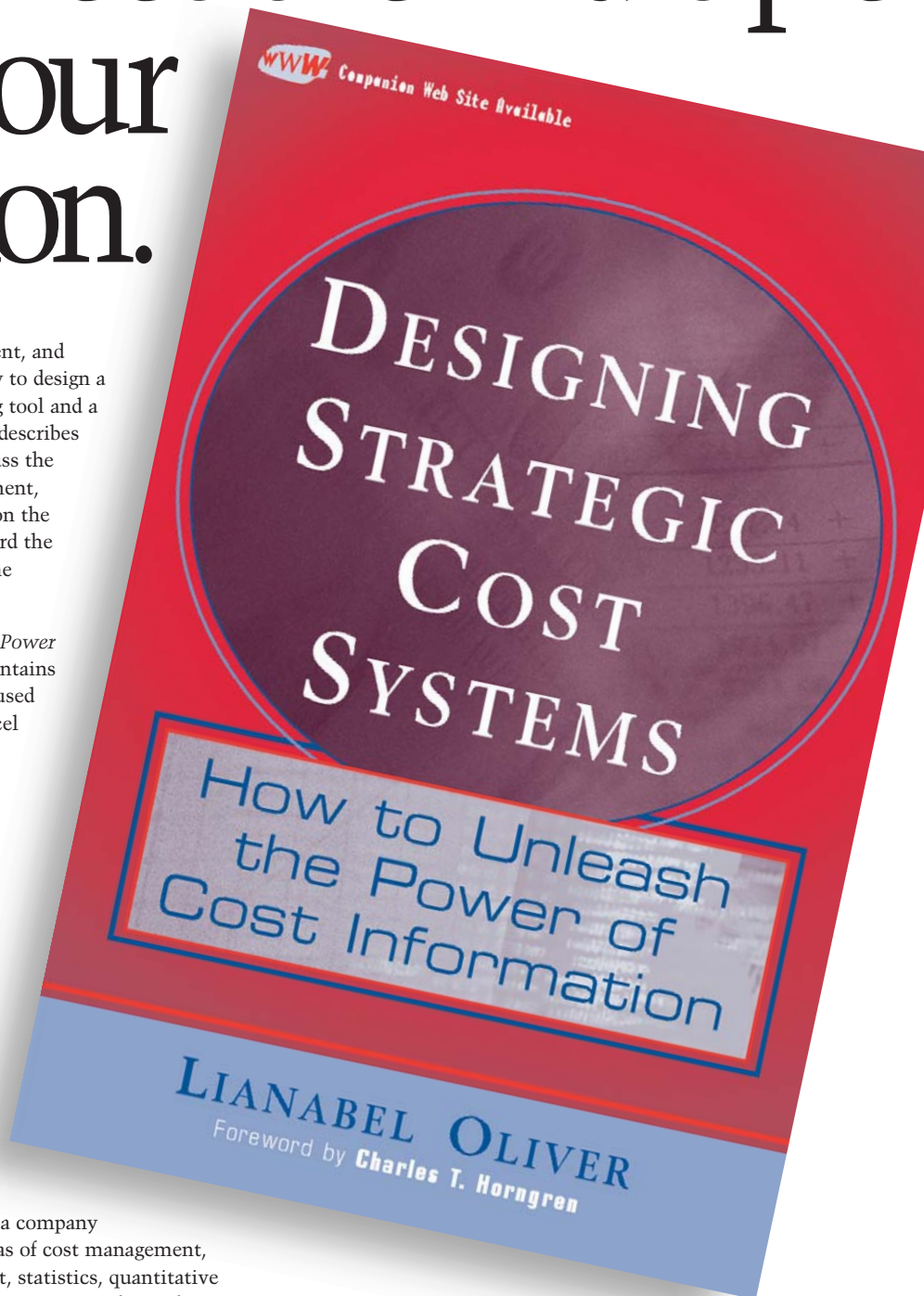
- Takes a systematic and multidisciplinary approach to cost systems design integrating accounting and operations theory with practical, hands-on experience so that readers can readily apply the information within their organizations.
- Walks the readers through the design and implementation process of a new cost system, highlighting not only the logistics of putting together and managing the project team, but the technical and political issues that may arise as the project unfolds.

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