

# FEATURED LIBRARY BOOKS OF THE MONTH

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## THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

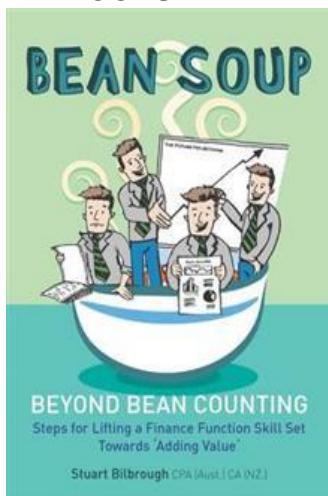
### **Business Enterprises Finance**

#### Books

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#### **Books**



**Title:** Bean soup : beyond bean counting : steps for lifting a finance function skill set towards "adding value"

**Author:** Stuart Bilbrough

**Publisher:** Auckland : Finance Mechanics

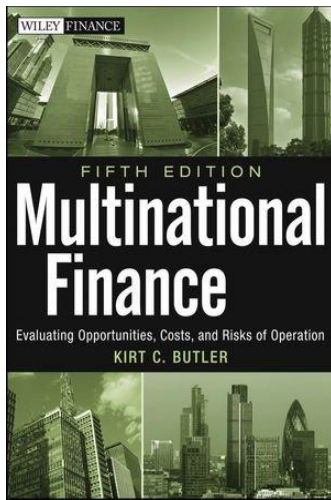
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◆ Written as fiction, it follows Callum Dangerfield, a newly appointed CFO at the Haven Hotel Group. *Bean Soup* is more than a business book, it is a complete training toolkit that provides valuable yet logical steps for lifting a Finance function skill set towards adding value.

- ◆ Chapters of the book include:
- Value and finance transformations
  - The "3 Cs" – consistency, control, contributor
  - Getting the balance right and the 4 questions
  - The data – validation and control
  - The client – stakeholder management
  - The product – financial and non-financial analytics
  - The value – financial planning and the strategic plan
  - Process improvement – challenging the status quo
  - Rudimentary risk – no surprises please



**Title:** Multinational finance : evaluating opportunities, costs, and risks of operations

**Author:** Kirt C. Butler

**Publisher:** Hoboken, N.J. : John Wiley & Sons,

**Edition:** 5th ed.

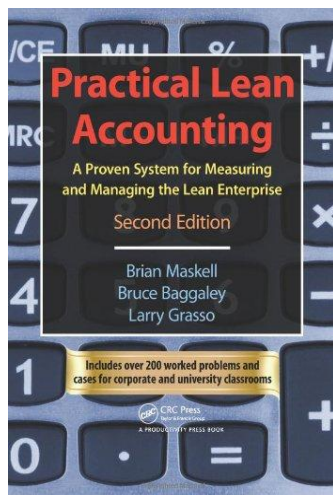
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◆ A solid understanding of multinational finance is crucial to success in today's, and ultimately tomorrow's, marketplace. This is as true for firms competing directly with foreign companies as it is for domestic firms whose suppliers, customers, and competitors are increasingly likely to be from foreign countries. The title presents a difficult subject in an accessible way. It provides a clear framework for evaluating the many opportunities, costs, and risks of multinational operations in a manner that allows readers to see beyond the algebra and terminology to the general principles of multinational financial management. And while this book assumes the viewpoint of the financial manager of a large multinational enterprise – with investment or financial operations in more than one country – the insights outlined here can work just as well for government entities, small businesses, and even individuals that operate in the global marketplace.

- ◆ Chapters of the book include:
- The international financial environment
  - Derivative securities for financial risk management
  - Managing the risks of multinational operations
  - Valuation and the structure of multinational operations
  - International portfolio investment and asset pricing



**Title:** Practical lean accounting : a proven system for measuring and managing the lean enterprise

**Author:** Brian Maskell, Bruce Baggaley and Larry Grasso

**Publisher:** Boca Raton, FL : CRC Press

**Edition:** 2nd ed.

**Year of Pub.:** 2012

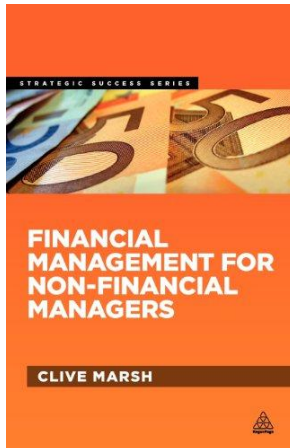
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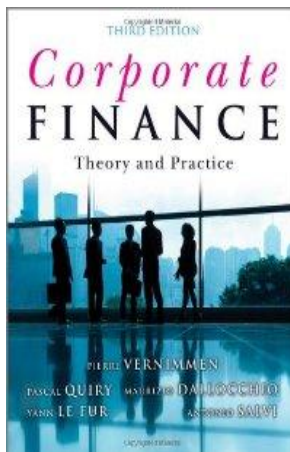
◆ Very little consideration was given to changing accounting systems to support the new production methods in the past. In recent years, there has been a lot more interest in and acceptance of Lean Accounting. Most companies introducing Lean thinking realize that their finance and control systems are very wasteful and ineffective. They want to have practical methods to control the business, without the hugely wasteful, time-consuming, and misleading costing and measurement systems. The purpose of this book is to provide a roadmap for finance managers in companies seeking to transition their organizations to Lean enterprises.

- ◆ Chapters of the book include:
- Why is Lean Accounting important?
  - Maturity path to Lean Accounting
  - Cell performance measurements
  - Financial benefits of Lean manufacturing
  - Eliminating wasteful transactions
  - Lean financial accounting
  - Managing by value stream
  - Value stream performance measurements
  - Value stream costing
  - The Lean enterprise
  - Target costing

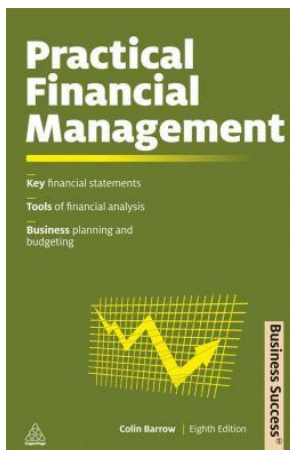
## E-books



**Title:** Financial management for non-financial managers  
**Author:** Clive Marsh  
**Publisher:** London ; Philadelphia, PA : Kogan Page  
**Year of Pub.:** 2012  
**ISBN.:** 9780749464684 (ebk.)



**Title:** Corporate finance : theory and practice  
**Author:** Pierre Vernimmen ... [et al.]  
**Publisher:** Chichester, West Sussex : John Wiley & Sons  
**Edition:** 3rd ed.  
**Year of Pub.:** 2011  
**ISBN.:** 9781119951841 (ebk.)



**Title:** Practical financial management  
**Author:** Colin Barrow  
**Publisher:** London : Kogan Page  
**Edition:** 8th ed.  
**Year of Pub.:** 2011  
**ISBN.:** 9780749462673 (ebk.)

## E-journals

### **Financial management and control of iterative software processes: advances in similarity-based calculation methods**

Baumeister, Alexander; Ilg, Markus. *International Conference on Accounting and Finance (AT). Proceedings*: 33-38. Singapore: Global Science and Technology Forum. (2013)

### **Five practical approaches to cost reduction**

McCormick, Tim. *Accountancy Ireland* 45.2 (Apr 2013): 52-53

### **Flexing the strategy muscles**

Hagel, Jack. *Journal of Accountancy* 215.4 (Apr 2013): 20-21

### **Corporate financing decisions: integrated analyses of trade-off, pecking order, and market timing influences**

Ogden, Joseph P; Wu, Shanhong. *Journal of Accounting and Finance* 12.5 (Dec 2012): 34-58

### **Leading change in the finance organization: the back office**

Shannon, Brian. *Financial Executive* 28.8 (Oct 2012): 56-58

### **Total profitability management: a powerful framework**

Collins, Kevin. *Financial Executive* 28.7 (Sep 2012): 58-61

### **Impact of the financial crisis on corporate trade finance**

Broens, Herbert. *Business Credit* 114.3 (Mar 2012): 46,48

### **80 years and counting: the changing role of of financial management**

Howell, Robert A. *Financial Executive* 27.4 (May 2011): 19-22