Record Nr. UNINA9910254935103321 Autore Chernov Dmitry Titolo Man-made Catastrophes and Risk Information Concealment: Case Studies of Major Disasters and Human Fallibility / / by Dmitry Chernov, Didier Sornette Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2016 3-319-24301-2 ISBN Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (354 p.) Disciplina 650 Soggetti **Business logistics** Pollution prevention Quality control Reliability Industrial safety **Business ethics** Environmental economics Supply Chain Management Industrial Pollution Prevention Quality Control, Reliability, Safety and Risk **Business Ethics Environmental Economics** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di contenuto Preface -- Setting the landscape -- Examples of risk information concealment practice -- Causes of risk information concealment --Major on-going cases with information concealment practice --Succesful risk information management. Sommario/riassunto This book discusses the risks of information concealment in the

context of major natural or industrial disasters - offering detailed

descriptions and analyses of some 25 historical cases (Three Mile Island nuclear accident, Bhopal disaster, Challenger Space Shuttle explosion, Chernobyl nuclear disaster, Deepwater Horizon oil spill, Fukushima-

Daiichi nuclear disaster, Enron's bankruptcy, Subprime mortgage crisis, Worldwide Spanish flu and SARS outbreaks, etc.) and applying these insights to selected on-going cases where such information concealment is suspected. Some successful examples of preventive anti-concealment practice are also presented. In the book, the term 'concealment' is used to represent the two distinct behaviors uncovered in the investigations: (i) facts and information about an organization and its functioning being hidden from those that need them – here the concealment can be due to various factors, such as complexity and miscommunication, to name but two - and (ii) the conscious and deliberate action of keeping important information secret or misrepresenting it. This second meaning makes up a surprisingly important part of the evidence presented. Accordingly, emphasis has been put on this second aspect and the approach is more pragmatic than academic, remaining focused on evidence-based practical and useful factors. It raises awareness and provides valuable lessons for decision- makers, risk specialists and responsible citizens alike. This work is also intended as a fact-based reference work for future academic and scholarly investigations on the roots of the problem, in particular regarding any psychological or sociological modeling of human fallibility. .