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Sommario/riassunto

Die Neuauflage berücksichtigt eine Anzahl neuerer Entwicklungen, die die Rolle von Information in unserem Leben betreffen. Aktuelle Beispiele veranschaulichen, was wir aus viel diskutierten Ereignissen lernen können: so ist der in der ersten Auflage noch als einzubringender Entwurf skizzierte "UK Freedom of Information Act" inzwischen Gesetz. Die vorliegende Ausgabe trägt dieser und anderen Veränderungen Rechnung. Auch die gewachsene, große Bedeutung, die Wissensmanagement heute hat, erfordert eine erneute Auseinandersetzung mit diesem Bereich und seiner Relevanz für das Informationsmanagement. Im Rahmen der kritischen Neuauflage des Titels wurde eine Reihe von Bereichen erweitert, umgestellt und - wo immer erforderlich - mit aktuellem Material ergänzt. Um nur einige wenige Stichpunkte zu nennen: Seit der ersten Auflage kam es zu Veränderungen in der Rechtssprechung zum Thema Urheberrecht, zum Datenschutz und zu den Menschenrechten. Auch die Auswirkungen der bereits heute enormen und stetig wachsenden Nutzung von Internet, E-Mail und Mobiltelefonen (einschließlich SMS) müssen neu bewertet werden.

This new edition of Impact of Information on Society takes account of a number of new developments affecting information's impact on our lives. It also incorporates lessons to be learnt from prominent events. For example, a 'UK Freedom of Information Act', forecast in the 1st edition, is now law and so updating is necessary. The growing significance of knowledge management today requires a closer look at this field and clarification of its relation to information management. The first edition has been reviewed critically and sections have been amplified and rearranged, with new material being added where necessary. To mention just a few points: since the 1st edition, there have been amendments to copyright, data protection legislation and human rights legislation. The consequences of the enormous and growing level of use of the Internet, eMail and mobile phones (including text messaging) also requires reassessment.
