

**T**he process of modernization, especially during the twentieth century, has brought about dramatic changes. Written by leading experts in the field and illustrated with a variety of global case studies and best practice examples, this book offers an introduction to recent developments in port and hinterland strategies, operations and related specializations.

Opening with a broad overview of port definitions, concepts and the role of ports in global supply chains, the first section of the book examines strategic topics, for example port management, governance at different scales, performance, hinterlands and the port-city relationship.

The second section of the book examines operational aspects of maritime, port and land networks. A range of topics are explored, such as liner networks, finance aspects and business models, port-industrial clusters, container terminals, intermodality/synchromodality, handling and warehousing.

The final section offers perspectives on key issues in port development and management including current concerns on security, sustainability, innovation strategies, transition management and labour issues.

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