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seminar paper from the year 2011 in the subject ergonomics grade 1 0 technical university of chemnitz fakultät für wirtschaftswissenschaften professur für organisation und arbeitswissenschaft language english abstract the text at hand deals with max weber s theory of bureaucracy and its negative consequences in robert k merton s functional analysis the starting point is the description of what weber understands as rationalization and his conceptualization of the three types of legitimate domination the purest and most rational type of legal domination is in weber s eyes bureaucracy with its benefits of precision calculability controllability and efficiency in short with its technical superiority weber s position concerning bureaucratization is ambivalent because he also sees the negative consequences in dehumanization and excessive control which ends in an iron cage merton analysis outlines the dysfunctions resulting from bureaucratic structures the negative consequences he identifies are the displacement of goals the trained incapacity over conformity and esprit de corps of the officials and the depersonalization of relationships monograph on theory of social structure social justice and the functioning of bureaucracy comprises interdisciplinary research on the stratification of management and work levels in bureaucratic hierarchies and analyses the contribution of constitutional bureaucracy to individual freedom in industrial societys bibliography pp 378 to 393 diagrams and statistical tables based mainly on state department materials but addressing generic problems of organizational politics as well this book provides a fresh intelligent and lively account of bureaucratic behavior essay from the year 2007 in the subject business economics business management corporate governance grade a university of bradford language english abstract the theory of bureaucracy is one of the fundamental elements of the study of organisations and derives from the work of the german sociologist max weber 1864 1920 toyé 2006 a bureaucratic organisation is typified by formal processes standardisation hierarchic procedures and written communication when operated sensibly bureaucracy is efficient because it benefits from economies of scale and avoids duplication of effort whilst maintaining standards of quality ballé 1999 aim of this essay is to provide an overall understanding of bureaucratic management by illustrating why bureaucratic systems developed in the 19th century how bureaucracy solved the problems and satisfied the needs of the last two centuries which advantages and disadvantages derive from the main characteristics of bureaucracy and to which extend bureaucratic management form is able to survive in the modern ever changing world the first section of this paper

comments on the weberian characteristics of bureaucracy in the way it has been used in recent organisation literature development and importance of those characteristics will be introduced and main advantages and disadvantages will be identified in the second part reasons for the development of the bureaucratic model will be analysed and changes in the 19th century which caused the need for a bureaucratic approach will be illustrated moreover it will be shown how and to which extent the bureaucratic approach solved the problems of those times the third section will demonstrate whether or not we are now working in a post bureaucratic management tradition the modern times with its challenging environment and changing technologies will be analysed along with the post bureaucratic concept and its characteristics as well the academic literature will be consulted in order to understand whether or not we are living in a post bureaucratic management tradition the american journal of sociology says of this book mouzelis knows and handles the literature well and accurately brings the reader up to the early sixties a summarizer synthesizer and historian of modern theories he serves his novice well the more initiated student of formal organizations will appreciate the critiques of his favorite theorists mouzelis cuts clean and bold along with order he does add critical insight to his borrowed materials this book is a carefully integrated and very straightforward guide to the labyrinth of theory on organizational phenomena and surveys the most important approaches to the study of organizations and the manner in which these approaches are interrelated the author s interest is in showing the successive stages of theory generation and development in the two major traditions of thought on this subject thereby providing a coherent overview of the field a method for systematically investigating it and an unusually broadening supplement to the standard treatment of organizations in undergraduate and graduate courses the author discusses the writings of such theorists as marx weber and michels who from a very wide perspective tried to assess the impact of large scale bureaucracy on the power structure of modern society he also examines the other tradition of organizational writings that starts with taylor and the movement of scientific management finally an analysis is made of recent theoretical trends that indicate a certain convergence of the bureaucracy and the managerial lines of thought in emphasizing the conceptual frameworks that underlie organization theory and in showing the dynamics of theory progression the author provides students with invaluable assistance in understanding the levels of theoretical analysis the variables to be taken into consideration and the manner in which these variables may be accounted for in a systematic manner martin albrow honorary vice president of the british sociological association martin albrow honorary vice president of the british sociological association first published in 1998 this is volume viii of the eighteen in the sociology of work and

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hampered because promises are not enforceable so trust and loyalty between members of bureaucratic networks play an important part the authors find that vertical networks promote efficiency while horizontal ones impede it highly original and based on unique empirical research in the fields of organization theory and organization behaviour this work makes an invaluable contribution to the literature on bureaucracy and innovation focusing on a study of two major companies working with innovation and new product development styhre s critical analysis pushes the bound in this provocative new study paul du gay makes a compelling case for the continuing importance of bureaucracy taking inspiration from the work of max weber du gay launches a staunch defence of the bureaucratic ethos and highlights its continuing relevance to the achievement of social order and good government in liberal democratic societies through a comprehensive engagement with both historical and contemporary critiques of bureaucracy and a careful examination of the policies of organizational change within the public services today du gay develops a major reappraisal of the so called traditional ethic of office in doing so he highlights the ways in which many of the key features of bureaucratic conduct that ca bureaus are among the most important institutions in every part of the world not only do they provide employment for a very significant fraction of the world s population but they also make critical decisions that shape the economic educational political social moral and even religious lives of nearly everyone on earth this book develops a useful theory of bureaucratic decision making the theory will enable analysts to predict at least some aspects of bureau behavior accurately and to incorporate bureaus into a more generalized theory of social decision making particularly one relevant to democracies it would be impossible to solve all the problems involved in this immense and complex field however this book will solve many and create a framework upon which solutions to still more may be built by other theorists originally presented as the author s thesis ph d london school of economics an excellent book arnold seeks to examine the interactions between members of the house of representatives and members of the upper bureaucracy in respect to the geographical allocation of federal expenditures the methodology employed is ingenious and persuasive david fellman the annals of the american academy of political and social science the best book now available on the decision making process linking bureaucrats and congressmen a model blending of theory and evidence overlaid with a lot of good judgment and political sensitivity richard f fenno jr douglas arnold s carefully wrought study of relations between the u s representatives and selected administrative agencies is a challenging thought provoking imaginative contribution that greatly enriches the field herbert kaufman an indispensable book for political scientists studying congress and highly relevant for many others whose interest is in bureaucratic

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suggests a set of changes to improve the performance of our bureaucratic and political institutions based both on theory and Niskanen's professional experience it is essential reading for professionals and students in the social sciences and could prove instrumental in reforming some of our government institutions monograph on theories of bureaucracy and business organization in relation to workers participation in decision making reviews concepts of bureaucracy put forth in Marxism and by Weber and Michels as well as administration theory encompassing the perspectives of rationalism systems mechanistic and organic structure and examines aspects of political participation workers representation workers self management in Yugoslavia and egalitarian democracy bibliography pp 231 to 236 and flow charts this book is an interdisciplinary analysis of big organizations and their influence upon the individuals who work in them conceptually the analysis operates at three distinct but interrelated levels society as a whole the big rational organization and the individual organizations are defined as miniature societies in which the dominant values of society are inculcated and sought in a more structured spatially restricted context a major object is to show how individuals work out an accommodation in this milieu and to develop a theory of organizational behavior that posits three ideal types of accommodation to big organizations upward mobiles indifferent and ambivalents preface psycinfo database record c 2013 apa all rights reserved red tape like politics or public interest is one of those terms everyone knows but for which there is surprisingly little shared meaning is red tape perceptual or objective is it neutral or negative or can red tape even be positive does it necessarily entail delays does red tape equate with bad management does it flow from rules or are rules themselves red tape Barry Bozeman author of the classic *Bureaucracy and Red Tape* and Mary Feeney re-examine these questions and more with a new focus on their application to public management rules and red tape provides the most comprehensive treatment available of red tape research and theory co-authors Barry Bozeman and Mary Feeney have fundamentally reworked and extended the previous book and include new chapters that review and integrate the recent work on red tape research that has burgeoned in the fields of public management public administration and public policy in addition in exploring the path of red tape research and theory the authors reflect on the topic as an illustration of how research and theory intersect in public administration and provide a critique of theory development organization theory tension and change provides the most current and concise analysis of the development and evolution of organizational theories forms and practices from the rise of the factory system to the emergence of the virtual global organization using a wide variety of examples and applications from private and public sector organizations the text emphasizes the tensions contradictions and paradoxes inherent in all

organizational arrangements in addition to the classic themes such as scientific management human relations rational bureaucratic models and environmental models the book explores emerging organizational forms based on lean and flexible production post bureaucracy alliances and networks virtual organization and information technologies corporate cultures learning organizations transnational commodity chains and post modernism l auteur décrit la composition des nouvelles organisations de l administration publique et le défis de leur gestion this volume presents a comprehensive in depth analysis of the theories evidence and methodological issues of contingency theory one of the major theoretical lenses used to view organizations presents weber s theme of political theory as not a closed system but it must lay the claim to remain permeable and variable in practice to maintain the balance between responsible political leadership and compliance with principles based on law and ensuring freedom politics consists neither in the realization of absolutely posited ideals nor in the implementation of mere techniques in the exertion of power this book examines dysborgs dysfunctional bureaucratic organizations through the establishment of a theory of the dysborg and some of its theoretical antecedents the study of conditions under which dysborgian elements recede in favor of functional bureaucracy the reformulation of a theory of bureaucracy in academia a study of the politics of bureaucracy in command economies and an inquiry into the existence of convergence and divergence in the operation of the institution of bureaucracy in the east and west contents the theory of dysfunctional bureaucratic organizations ibn khaldun s fourteenth century views on bureaucracy the bureaucratic east west synthesis bureaucracy politics and economics in command economies the bureaucratic syndrome in academia an analysis of the uniqueness of the japanese public and private bureaucracy contents theory of public administration definition of administration nature scope and importance of public administration methodology basic principles of public administration the principles of administration administrative science and other social science development administration comparative public administration international public administration state of public administration in india today perspectives on public administration for the 21st century administrative reorganisation in india some strategic issues new public management challenges and issues in an international perspective

Max Weber 's Theory of Bureaucracy and Its Negative Consequences

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A General Theory of Bureaucracy

1976

monograph on theory of social structure social justice and the functioning of bureaucracy comprises interdisciplinary research on the stratification of management and work levels in bureaucratic hierarchies and analyses the contribution of constitutional bureaucracy to individual freedom in industrial societys bibliography pp 378 to 393 diagrams and statistical tables

A Theory of Public Bureaucracy

1980

based mainly on state department materials but addressing generic problems of organizational politics as

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Bureaucratic Management

2008-05-30

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Organization and Bureaucracy

2017-07-05

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A Theory of Public Bureaucracy

1975

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Bureaucracy in Modern Society

1987

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Bureaucracy

1970-06-18

controls on the bureaucracy through administrative due process and presidential and congressional prerogatives are the focus of this book the author examines these controls and assesses the trade offs among them

Organization and Bureaucracy

2013-08-21

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A Theory of Public Bureaucracy

1978

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Controlling the Bureaucracy

2016-09-17

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Organization and Bureaucracy

1967

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Bureaucratic Approach towards Managing Contemporary Organisations. Case Study of Walmart

2019-07-11

highly original and based on unique empirical research in the fields of organization theory and organization behaviour this work makes an invaluable contribution to the literature on bureaucracy and innovation focusing on a study of two major companies working with innovation and new product development styhre s critical analysis pushes the bound

The Public Administration Theory Primer

2018-04-17

in this provocative new study paul du gay makes a compelling case for the continuing importance of bureaucracy taking inspiration from the work of max weber du gay launches a staunch defence of the bureaucratic ethos and highlights its continuing relevance to the achievement of social order and good government in liberal democratic societies through a comprehensive engagement with both historical and contemporary critiques of bureaucracy and a careful examination of the policies of organizational change within the public services today du gay develops a major reappraisal of the so called traditional ethic of office in doing so he highlights the ways in which many of the key features of bureaucratic conduct that ca

Bureaucracy in Modern Society

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The Logic of Bureaucratic Conduct

2008-08-14

originally presented as the author s thesis ph d london school of economics

The Innovative Bureaucracy

2007-02-01

an excellent book arnold seeks to examine the interactions between members of the house of representatives and members of the upper bureaucracy in respect to the geographical allocation of federal expenditures the methodology employed is ingenious and persuasive david fellman the annals of the american academy of political and social science the best book now available on the decision making process linking bureaucrats and congressmen a model blending of theory and evidence overlaid with a lot of good judgment and political sensitivity richard f fenno jr douglas arnold s carefully wrought study of relations between the u s representatives and selected administrative agencies is a challenging

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In Praise of Bureaucracy

2000-09-05

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Inside Bureaucracy

1967

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Metaphysical Pathos and the Theory of Bureaucracy

1967

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Organisation and Bureaucracy

1967

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objectives rather than those of the organization

Congress and the Bureaucracy

1980-01-01

everyone has trouble with bureaucracy citizens and politicians have trouble controlling the runaway bureaucratic machine managers have trouble managing it employees dislike working in it clients can't get the goods from it teachers have difficulty getting a grip on it optimists argue that soon all of this will be fixed the new fifth edition of ralph p hummel's classic text maintains just the opposite that despite all the current rhetoric from proponents of total quality management corporate reengineering and the new public management it's still business as usual for bureaucracies the persistent reality of organizational structure remains resilient in the face of feel good trends and values for this edition the book has been thoroughly revised and updated with two key changes each of the six core chapters has been trimmed and edited to consolidate and streamline the important organizational theory developments since the book's initial publication and each chapter contains newly added critiques of the postmodern theory of modern organizations pursuing the theme that postmodernism covers up the persistent reality of organizational structure

Power and Money

1992-06-17

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Organization Theory and Public Management

2005

monograph on theories of bureaucracy and business organization in relation to workers participation in decision making reviews concepts of bureaucracy put forth in marxism and by weber and michels as well as administration theory encompassing the perspectives of rationalism systems mechanistic and organic structure and examines aspects of political participation workers representation workers self management in yugoslavia and egalitarian democracy bibliography pp 231 to 236 and flow charts

The Values of Bureaucracy

2005-03-17

this book is an interdisciplinary analysis of big organizations and their influence upon the individuals who work in them conceptually the analysis operates at three distinct but interrelated levels society as a whole the big rational organization and the individual organizations are defined as miniature societies in which the dominant values of society are inculcated and sought in a more structured spatially restricted context a major object is to show how individuals work out an accommodation in this milieu and to develop a theory of organizational behavior that posits three ideal types of accommodation to big organizations upward mobiles indifferentes and ambivalents preface psycinfo database record c 2013 apa all rights reserved

Metaphysical Pathos and the Theory of Bureaucracy

2011-06-01

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The Logic of Organizations

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