Making Sense of the Organization, Volume 2: The Impermanent Organization

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DESCRIPTION

Making Sense of the Organization elaborates on the influential idea that organizations are interpretation systems that scan, interpret, and learn. These selected essays represent a new approach to the way managers learn and act in response to their environment and the way organizational change evolves. Readers of this volume will find a wealth of examples and insights which go well beyond thinking and cognition to explain action. The author’s ideas are at the forefront of our thinking on leadership, teams, and the management of change.

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