

NAMES IN THE NEWS

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Elliot Bendoly and F. Robert Jacobs announce the publication of *Strategic ERP Extension and Use* (Stanford Press, 2005). This text provides practitioners and researchers with a window into the strategic extension and the use of modern enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems, focusing on current use of ERP system implementation as well as outlooks for future developments for operations and strategic managers. With contributions and real-world case studies by established experts in the field at such institutions as MIT, Accenture Institute for High Performance Business, and the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University, this volume clarifies the existing capabilities of ERP systems and the potential for extensions of these capabilities in support of resource management strategies. **Elliot Bendoly** is a faculty member in Decision and Information Analysis at Emory University's Goizueta Business School. He received his PhD in the fields of operations management and decision sciences from Indiana University in 2001. Dr. Bendoly's research interests include alignment of operational strategies, policies, and IT capabilities in extended-enterprise planning and interactions between resource allocation decisions and organizational behavioral dynamics. **F. Robert Jacobs** is a professor of operations management at the Kelley School of Business, Indiana University. He is the author of nine books and over 50 research articles on topics that include enterprise resource planning, inventory control, the design of manufacturing facilities, cellular manufacturing and the scheduling of manufacturing operations. He is also a past president and Fellow of DSI.



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Jagan Iyengar, University System of North Carolina-NCCU, recently received a research award from NASA for his work on Intelligent Software Agent Technology Applications in Formulating a Deep Space Exploration. He also presented his research papers in the area of Agent-Human Interface Design Considerations at a NASA Research Workshop in April 2005.

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Larry Mallak and David Lyth, Western Michigan University, are co-directors of WMU's engineering management degree programs, which have been singled out as being among the nation's best by the American Society for Engineering Management. In 2004, WMU's master's program in engineering management was named as one of the top three such programs in the U.S., and the program finished as the first runner-up in 2005. Meanwhile, the WMU undergraduate program in engineering management technology has again earned an ASEM top-five designation. WMU is the only school with top-ranked programs at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. Both Mallak and Lyth are faculty members in the Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering.



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the AACSB in both business and accounting, recognition which only 9 percent of U.S. business schools achieve, and hosts a bronze award-winning chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma, the AACSB national honor society.

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To confer distinction to students in the decision sciences and information systems disciplines for academic excellence;

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