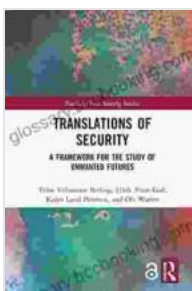


Framework for the Study of Unwanted Futures: A Paradigm Shift in Security Studies

In a world where the future seems increasingly uncertain and unpredictable, it is more important than ever to have a framework for thinking about unwanted futures. The concept of unwanted futures refers to those possible futures that we do not want to happen and that we should take steps to avoid.

The study of unwanted futures is a relatively new field of research, but it is one that is rapidly gaining importance. This is due in part to the increasing recognition of the need to think about the long-term consequences of our actions and to the growing awareness of the risks associated with global environmental change, climate change, and other threats.

The framework for the study of unwanted futures that is presented in this book is based on the premise that the future is not predetermined and that we have the power to shape it. However, in Free Download to do so, we need to be able to identify and assess the risks associated with different possible futures and to develop strategies for avoiding those futures that we do not want.



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The framework that is presented in this book includes four main components:

1. **Identification of unwanted futures:** The first step in the study of unwanted futures is to identify those possible futures that we do not want to happen. This can be done through a variety of methods, including scenario planning, foresight exercises, and risk assessment.
2. **Assessment of the risks associated with unwanted futures:** Once we have identified the unwanted futures that we are concerned about, we need to assess the risks associated with those futures. This can be done through a variety of methods, including quantitative risk assessment, qualitative risk assessment, and expert judgment.
3. **Development of strategies for avoiding unwanted futures:** Once we have assessed the risks associated with unwanted futures, we need to develop strategies for avoiding those futures. This can be done through a variety of methods, including policy analysis, decision-making, and implementation.
4. **Monitoring and evaluation of progress:** Once we have implemented strategies for avoiding unwanted futures, we need to monitor and evaluate our progress. This can be done through a variety of methods, including performance measurement, feedback mechanisms, and adaptive management.

The book includes a number of case studies that illustrate the application of the framework for the study of unwanted futures to a variety of real-world problems. These case studies include:

- The use of scenario planning to identify and assess the risks associated with climate change
- The use of foresight exercises to develop strategies for avoiding a nuclear war
- The use of risk assessment to identify and assess the risks associated with terrorism
- The use of policy analysis to develop strategies for avoiding a global pandemic
- The use of decision-making to choose between different strategies for avoiding an unwanted future

The study of unwanted futures is a critical tool for helping us to create a better future. By understanding the risks associated with different possible futures, we can develop strategies for avoiding those futures that we do not want. The framework that is presented in this book provides a systematic and comprehensive approach to the study of unwanted futures. It can be used by policymakers, planners, analysts, and other decision-makers to help them make better decisions about the future.



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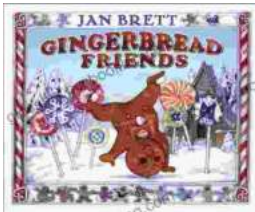
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