

Saving Investa How An Ex Factory Worker Helped Sa

In September 2007, Morgan Stanley bought The Investa Property Group, one of Australia's premier property companies, for around \$6.5 billion, including about \$4.5 billion in debt. It was one of the largest "take-private" leveraged buyout transactions in Australian history. Within a year, however, Investa was in serious financial trouble and in danger of collapse. Failure of this investment during the emerging GFC would have threatened several Australian and other global banks. Scott MacDonald, a seasoned American real estate executive with a history of successful corporate turnarounds, agreed to go to Sydney in June of 2008 for a week and review the Investa situation. Five years later, he returned to the US. Saving Investa is the extraordinary true story of how a company, taken over by private equity funds relying on excessive levels of debt, survived against all reasonable odds, and a remarkable tale of an ex-factory worker who triumphed at the big end of town. Praise for Saving Investa "A fascinating read. I particularly enjoyed the interwoven stories of family and past experiences. I am so glad you wrote your story." — Lynn Thurber, Chairman and past CEO, LaSalle Investment Management "Scott MacDonald's gripping account of his five year effort to steer a multi-billion dollar Australian company through the Global Financial Crisis had me up late turning the pages. I was in deep suspense as each challenge arose." — Niels Marquardt, U.S. Ambassador (Ret), CEO American Chamber of Commerce in Australia "Scott has given us a rare insight into his life, culminating in an insider's view into a \$6.5 billion Australian company on the verge of collapse as it is caught in the throes of the Global Financial Crisis." — David Baffsky, Chairman, Ariadne, Honorary Chairman, Accor Asia Pacific Hearings Before a Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations, United States Senate, Ninety-fourth Congress, Second Session

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Containing political, historical, geographical, scientific, statistical, economical, and biographical documents, essays and facts: together with notices of the arts and manufactures, and a record of the events of the times. Preliminary Inquiry Into Allegations Regarding Senators Cranston, DeConcini, Glenn, McCain, and Riegle, and Lincoln Savings and Loan: Exhibts of Senator John McCain

Far Eastern Economic Review

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Communism and Development (Routledge Revivals)

Compendium of World Development Indicators, 1982

It was the biggest investment in the history of Morgan Stanley's \$100 Billion real estate fund business; it was one of the largest deals in the history of Australian property. In 2007,

Morgan Stanley bought Investa Property Trust for more than \$6.5 billion. In less than a year, the investment was in trouble. Scott MacDonald, an American CEO with no prior experience in Australia, agreed to meet with the Company and Morgan Stanley executives in Sydney for one week in 2008. He returned home more than five years later after guiding Investa through its perilous journey to survival. The Company moved from crisis to crisis from 2008 through 2012, sometimes avoiding insolvency by hours. The drama of corporate survival is played against the backdrop of the Global Financial Crisis. The story of corporate struggle draws upon Scott MacDonald's personal experiences as chapters alternate between his life growing up and the fight to save Investa. His career includes an amazing range of experiences from fortune telling, street sweeper, and corporate CEO. Using stories and antidotes from every stage of his life, the Investa story is personalized and much more than a business memoir. -- Scott MacDonald

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The Congressional Record is the official record of the proceedings and debates of the United States Congress. It is published daily when Congress is in session. The Congressional Record began publication in 1873. Debates for sessions prior to 1873 are recorded in The Debates and Proceedings in the Congress of the United States (1789-1824), the Register of Debates in Congress (1824-1837), and the Congressional Globe (1833-1873)

Savings Bank Journal

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Implications of World Energy Trends for International Development Trade and Finance

Report of the Congressional Committees Investigating the Iran-Contra Affair

Almost 50 million Americans have cumulatively borrowed more than \$1.5 trillion to attend college. Roughly one-third of all adults aged 25 to 34 have a student loan. In Education without Debt businessman and philanthropist Scott MacDonald examines the real-life impact of crushing levels of student debt on borrowers and what can be done to fix this crisis. Weaving together stories of debt-impaired lives with stories of personal success achieved with the essential help of financial aid, MacDonald reveals the devastating personal and societal impact of the debt problem and offers possible solutions. He explores the efforts of colleges and private philanthropists to make education affordable and relates his own experience of funding financial aid for need-eligible students at five universities. Education without Debt is a must-read book for anyone concerned about the rising cost of education and what to do about this critical policy and societal issue.

How an ex-factory worker helped save one of Australia's iconic companies

Annual Report

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Hearing Before the Subcommittee on International Development, Finance, Trade, and Monetary Policy of the Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs, House of Representatives, One Hundred Second Congress, First Session, March 5, 1991

Education without Debt

They're loyal, loving, and big-hearted—dogs are our best friends for a good reason. Yet they have much more to offer than just love and friendship. Let CEO Scott MacDonald and rescue dog Sadie show you how to have a more rewarding life and a more successful career in Think Like a Dog. With whimsy and insight, Scott and Sadie offer important lessons in loyalty, persistence, leaving your mark, and always being a great sniffer. Scott reveals what Sadie and other dogs teach us about successful work habits and organizational strategies for outstanding business success. Want a better, happier, and more satisfying life? Want to be successful? Start by understanding a dog's perspective and applying the lessons learned!

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Major Economic Indicators Showing Historical Development Trends

First published in 1985, this book provides a comprehensive reappraisal of the diverse Communist development strategies that shaped the twentieth century. Robert Bideleux emphasises the appalling human and economic costs of the most widely adopted 'Stalinist' strategies of forced industrialisation and rural collectivisation. He also reconsiders the powerful arguments in favour of the most feasible and cost-effective alternatives to Stalinism, including 'village communisms' and 'market socialisms'. A highly readable and challenging study, this reissue will be of particular value to students with research interests in Development Studies, East European History and Politics.

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