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uncertainty? The Big Shift in IT Leadership offers CIOs an essential guide for understanding and developing the skills needed to establish trust and cooperation across the enterprise, recruit and retain top talent in your field, leverage new technology for continuous business growth, and inspire loyalty and optimal performance from everyone on the team. Offering step-by-step guidance and filled with illustrative examples from forward-thinking CIOs, this vital handbook clearly explains how to put into play the leadership techniques needed to deliver great value and service throughout an enterprise. The Big Shift in IT Leadership is the handbook CIOs need if they are to provide the leadership required to stay ahead of the competition in complex, rapidly changing markets.

About the Author HUNTER MULLER is President and Chief Executive Officer of HMG Strategy, LLC, a global IT strategy consulting firm. Muller's ideas and programs have been adopted by corporations worldwide and have proven to enhance executive performance, improve collaboration, elevate the role of IT, and align enterprise strategy across the topmost levels of management.