Emerging from what was a somewhat staid sub-discipline, there is currently a battle for the soul of Management and Organizational History (MOH), at the centre of which is a widespread concern that much recent work has been more about how one should or might do history rather than actually doing historical work. If ever there was a time for a new volume on MOH, this is certainly it.

‘Kyle Bruce has succeeded in producing a worthwhile introduction to the tension between management historians who actually do historical work and their postmodern colleagues who write about how one should or might do it. The contributed chapters composing the Handbook make abundantly clear that the practice of history cannot be separated from its theoretical foundations. Regardless of academic persuasion – whether one thinks that all interpretations of the past are invented or, in contrast, believe that there is an objective reality – readers of all stripes will benefit from being exposed to the arguments advanced by adherents of both camps.’

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