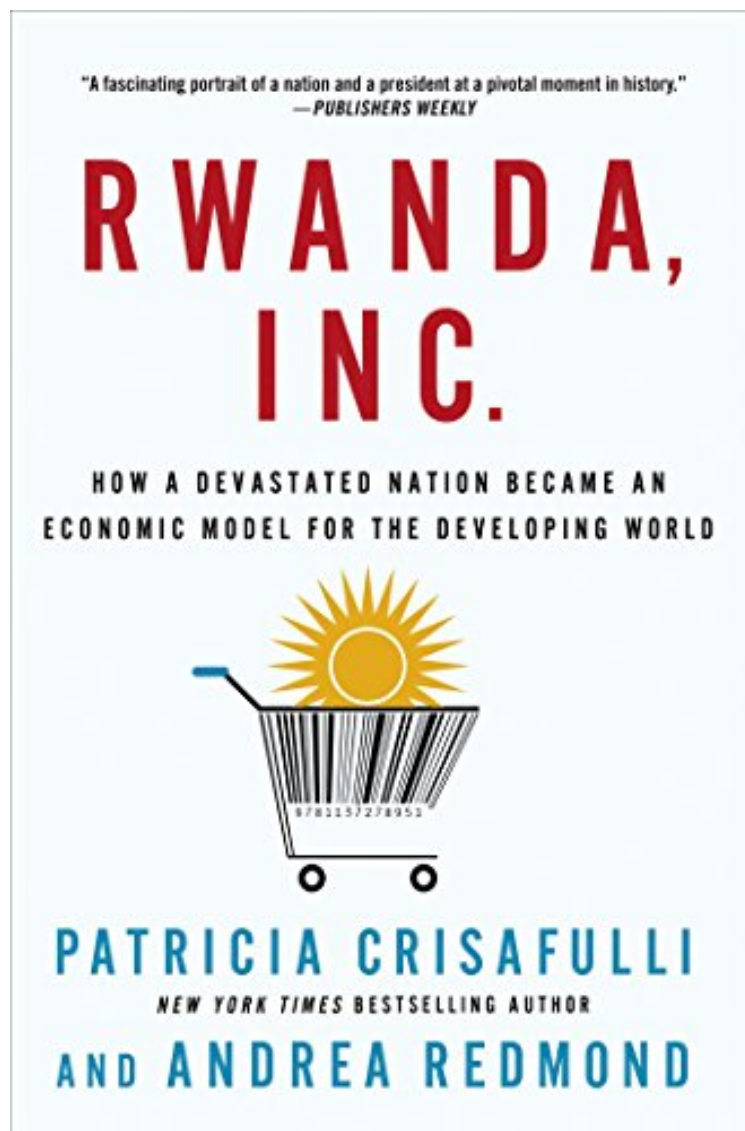


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and even from those who experienced the genocide firsthand. My organization has been in Rwanda for a couple of years and I learned many new things from this book. It changed my perspective to an even more positive one on Rwanda. The chapter detailing President Paul Kagame's "short falls" was detailed enough so that those who disagree with some of Kagame's methods and policies should be placated; this wasn't just a pro-Kagame PR piece. If all African rulers were as motivated, principled and enlightened as Kagame, even with his flaws, the continent would be completely transformed in a generation.

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By John This book is easy to read and takes one through the recent history of Rwanda focusing on the rapid economic and social developments that the country has experienced post-genocide. The book increased my excitement about Rwanda and the improvement in living conditions that many Rwandans have been experiencing. It has consequently increased my desire to visit the country. However, I have given this book only three stars as the writing often sounds like propaganda and contains a lot of opining by the authors. There is certainly a place for opinion, but the book doesn't make a clear distinction between supported assertions and the opinions of the authors.

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By Pandamantran If you ever wondered what happened after the events of "Hotel Rwanda" or the genocide of 1994, this is the book for you. If you've ever wondered why Rwanda did not end up like Somalia, even though Somalia had Western intervention, Kagame is why. This work gives insight into both subjects.

Eighteen years after the genocide that made Rwanda international news, but left it all but abandoned by the West, the country has achieved a miraculous turnaround. Rising out of the complete devastation of a failed state, Rwanda has emerged on the world stage yet again-this time with a unique model for governance and economic development under the leadership of its strong and decisive president, Paul Kagame. Here, Patricia Crisafulli and Andrea Redmond look at Kagame's leadership, his drive for excellence and execution that draws comparisons to an American CEO and emphasizes the development of a sophisticated and competitive workforce that leverages human capital. In Rwanda, the ultimate turnaround, strong and effective leadership has made a measurable and meaningful difference. Rwanda's progress offers an example for other developing nations to lift themselves out of poverty without heavy reliance on foreign aid through decentralization, accountability, self-determination, and self-sufficiency. The authors also explore Rwanda's journey toward its goal of becoming a middle-income nation with a technology-based economy, and its progress to encourage private sector development and foster entrepreneurship, while also making gains in education, healthcare, and food security-and all with a strong underpinning of reconciliation and unification. As so many nations stand on the brink of political and economic revolution, this is a timely and fascinating look at the implications of Rwanda's success for the rest of the continent-and the world.

"In Rwanda, Inc., Crisafulli and Redmond recount the rise of an unyielding people and their chief executive, President Paul Kagame. The Rwandans, rallying around their national pride, have built predictable systems that reward enterprise and hard work and created an exceptional blueprint for other developing countries." --Bill Clinton

"Crisafulli and Redmond investigate the Rwandan renaissance, focusing on 'Rwanda's CEO,' Paul Kagame . . . A fascinating portrait of a nation and a president at a pivotal moment in history." --Publishers Weekly

"An instructive snapshot of Rwanda today." --Kirkus

"Rwanda is the most amazing story in Africa - the fastest rate of poverty reduction ever achieved on the continent, despite huge handicaps of history and geography. Yet until now, these achievements have largely been missed by the outside world. This book will awaken you to Africa's most extraordinary phoenix." --Paul Collier, author of *The Bottom Billion*

"In the twenty-first century, finding ways to transform poor countries may mean the difference between war and peace. Any country that can provide a model for how to make poor societies prosperous will contribute decisively to global stability. This book suggests Rwanda may be building that model. Rwanda, Inc. is the story of the most exciting development project underway in the world today." --Stephen Kinzer, author of *A Thousand Hills*

Andrea Redmond and Patricia Crisafulli are known for their ability to connect with people, examine leadership skills, and teach us through their compelling observations and insights. As advocates for the future of Rwanda, they are now telling a story that we can all benefit from hearing." --Jamie Dimon, chairman and CEO, JPMorgan Chase

"Rwanda, Inc. documents this beautiful country's ongoing transformation through the lens of leadership, capturing the resilience of the human spirit and the potential for any country - or company - to chart an ambitious new course with ingenuity, collaboration, pragmatism, and passion." --Howard Schultz, chairman, president, and CEO, Starbucks

"Paul Kagame is one of my heroes and I believe should be recognized as a 'Hero of the World.' He has led Rwanda out of the most hellish nightmare one can imagine, into the daylight of national reconciliation and the formation of a democracy. This is a story that can become a model for the entire African continent." --James Sinegal, cofounder and director, Costco

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tell this turnaround story brilliantly." --Arne M. Sorenson, president and CEO, Marriott International, Inc. "In Rwanda, Inc., Patricia Crisafulli and Andrea Redmond outline how President Kagame rebuilt the Rwandan nation in a manner that encouraged business collaboration and projects like Path to Peace at Macy's. In the process, what was a tragedy has become a story of inspiration and hope, with all of the women of Rwanda working side by side." --Terry J. Lundgren, chairman, president, and CEO, Macy's, Inc.

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