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# LOGISTICS & SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

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# Praise for *Logistics and Supply Chain Management*

‘Major world events in recent years – ranging from the Covid-19 pandemic, blockage of the Suez Canal and war in Ukraine – have highlighted the critical role played by logistics and supply chain management in the global economy and have brought these subjects to the forefront of public interest. This important book by one of the leading thinkers in the field is essential reading, not just for practitioners and students of these subjects, but for everyone with a keen interest in how logistics activities and supply chain designs shape our everyday lives. The clear text and logical flow of chapters, augmented by a range of interesting and diverse case examples, take the reader on a journey of discovery into how today’s supply chains should be structured and managed.’

**Professor John Mangan, Chair in Marine Transport and Logistics,  
School of Engineering, Newcastle University, UK**

‘It should not have needed a global pandemic and a war in Europe to raise the importance of building and managing resilient supply chains. The techniques to achieve this are not new; achieving value has always been the goal, and the latest edition of this excellent book lays these out in a clear and compelling manner. It is updated to embrace digitisation, and to address the sustainability imperative, and is set in today’s context of volatility and disruption. Procurement and supply chain professionals can learn from this book as part of their continuing professional development.’

**Malcolm Harrison, CEO, Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply**

‘Since the first edition was published thirty years ago, this book has become one of the leading texts on logistics and supply chain management, providing guidance both to students and practitioners. The author provides valuable insights into how performance in these vital business processes can be improved and sustained.’

**Yossi Sheffi, Eliza Gray II Professor of Engineering Systems, MIT, USA**

‘Martin Christopher’s latest book captures the entire evolution of logistics and supply chain thinking and associated concepts through to current times, including digitisation, new business models, sustainability, and perspectives on what we can expect to see in the years ahead. It is comprehensive and beautifully illustrated with examples and short case studies. A must-read for students and managers alike.’

**Dr John Gattorna, global supply chain ‘thought leader’ and author**

‘Excellence in supply chain management is imperative in today’s commercial environment. It is the heartbeat of the enterprise, significantly influencing its success / failure and, when orchestrated correctly, will assure the right balance of growth, cash and cost.

The utopia of supply chain excellence requires transparency, real time visibility, collaboration and digital integration end to end to empower relationships with customers and suppliers, thus facilitating optimal fulfilment and perfect order achievement. In this valuable guide the author addresses how end-to-end processes, systems, tools and competencies must be designed and managed to achieve success in the marketplace.’

**Stuart Whiting, Senior Vice President, Logistics and Planning,  
Global Supply Chain, Schneider Electric**

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