

Information Technologies for Collaborative Supply Chains

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Aragon Institute of Technology (ITA)

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- Generation, adaptation, transfer and diffusion of knowledge
 Applying ICT to solve logistical problems
 To develop collaborative and sustainable logistics





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ICT4LOG identified challenges



- □ Challenges in eLogistics
 - Collaboration in the Supply Chain
 - Co-Modality / Multi-modality
 - Sustainable Urban Logistics
 - Humanitarian Supply Chain and action in emergency and natural disaster



Supply Chain Collaboration: benefits and difficulties

- Collaboration is a process of participation through which people, groups and organizations work together to achieve desired results.
- Supply Chain Collaboration: the common goal is to create a transparent, visible demand pattern that paces the entire supply chain. (Holweg et al.)

laboration	Yes	Type 1 Information Exchange	Type 3 Synchronized Supply
Planning Co	No	Type 0 Traditional Supply Chain	Type 2 Vendor Managed Replenishment
		No	Yes
		Inventory Collaboration	

"Supply Chain Collaboration: Making Sense of the Strategy Continuum", Holweg, M., Disney, S., Holmström, J., Smaros, J. Center for Technology, Policy and Industrial Development, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Judge Institute of Management; University of Cambridge, Logistics Systems Dynamics Group, Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University; and Logistics Research Group, BIT Research Centre, Helsinki University of Technology



Supply Chain Collaboration: benefits and difficulties

Benefits achieved through Collaboration

- Better customer service levels.
- Reduction in inventory levels.
- Elimination of bullwhip effect: linking inventory and replenishment decissions.
- Better utilization of transportation resources: load factors, routing, traffic info. Improved sustainability.
- □ Controlling risk for constrained components.

Difficulties in Collaboration

- □ Companies are reluctant to share information
- □ Security when sharing the information
- □ ICT integration in the supply chain needed









Supply Chain Collaboration: benefits and difficulties

"2016: Future Supply Chain", Global Commercial Initiative (GCI) and Capgemini (2008).



1. Information Sharing: driving the collaborative supply chain



Supply Chain Collaboration: technologies

□ Modelling, simulation, forecasting

- RFID (readers, lables, printers, doors), scanners, bar codes, 2-D codes, imageID: pallet and box identification, order preparation, delivery/pick up check
- LSN Logistic Sensors Networks. Communicated warehouses. Wifi, Zig-bee.
- □ Transportation: GPS and Galileo, GPRS and 3G.
- Urban and long distance freight transport. Real time scheduling for transport and warehouses.
- Adaptative Warehouse management systems WMS. ERP integration.



Supply Chain Collaboration: technologies

- □ IT Platforms, IT Security
- Next technologies in the IoT: miniaturization of sensors and low power comunications infraestrucutures.
- Next middleware generation: FI PPP (FIWARE) and transport and logistics FINEST, INSTANT MOBILITY. SW Infraestrucutures to publish, discover, execute, and dynamically compose Context dependent services. Collaborative DDSS







Supply Chain Collaboration: related projects

- The Digital Business Ecosystem (DBE) is an FP6 Internet-based software environment in which business applications can be developed and used.
- □ It is a P2P OS middleware which allows easy and fast service delivery, discovery, composition and execution.





Supply Chain Collaboration: related projects

- AIMTRAFFIC: Using info provided by a urban fleet to make traffic calculations and forecastings in real time in urban areas.
- SIT: Capturing info from Zigbee WSN in freight trucks and makes data available to the complete Supply Chain for different services.





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Supply Chain Collaboration: conclusions

- Collaboration improves performance of supply chains (potential reductions of >30% transport cost/pallet, >20% handling cost/pallet, 40% reduce lead time and lower >25% CO2 emissions/pallet, improved on shelf availability)
- Difficulties of collaboration relies on culture, security and lacks of integrated technology.
- Some Spanish and European projects has been presented in order to show how ICT technologies can help improve collaboration.
- Many steps ahead are necessary to reach synchronised supply chains but ...

... ICT technologies will be one of the main enablers.



The National ICT4LOG Demo Center

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