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Aims and Scope

With the rapid growth of the world economy, the issues of global supply are becoming increasingly complex and uncertain. These challenges in global supply chains include designing strategic infrastructure, managing security and risk in the entire value chain processes, sustaining dispersed capabilities of products and services for global demands, green and sustainable supply chains, and adopting best practices in global supply chains. With the expanding European Union, dynamic Asian economies, and renewing North American economies, the world is becoming more interconnected and consequently the issues of global supply chains are becoming more complex.

This special issue considers some of the following questions: (1) What are the emerging patterns of this interconnected world; (2) how do firms cope with increasing challenges of global supply chains; (3) what are the relevant business models and theories that may guide implementation of practices for effective global supply chain, and 4) how can organizational mechanisms facilitate security of global supply chain.

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Topics

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- Global supply chain risk management
- Global information technology and electronic commerce
- Dispersed design capabilities of products for global demands
- Global trends in product disposal, remanufacturing and recycling
- Trading blocs and united nations organizations
- Green supply chains
- Sustainable development
- Cultural issues in global supply chain management
- Financial management of supply chains
- SCM information systems
- International comparisons of SCM practices

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