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« Supply Chain Management »

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Supply Chain Management in the broadest sense is a major cost element in both discrete and process industries as well as dealing with distribution and controlling goods and/or humans. Supply Chain Management is being recognized as the management of key business processes. Research in these areas promises both economic and social benefits such as lowering production and delivery costs, higher product quality and quality of life, and fewer injuries. In this context, the concentration will be on the following areas, but not limited to these areas: transportation operations and safety, maritime transportation and logistics, transportation security, transportation and inter modal planning, cargo loading, containerization, palletizing, automated terminals, highway management, high seas transshipment, cruise line loading, unloading and control, cargo shipping simulation. Quality, Cost Effectiveness, Security and Delivery time will be used as drivers. Modern design theory, simulation, quantitative techniques, data mining, wireless technology, embedded and distributed technologies, just to name a few disciplines needed to help and enhance this research. The overall research has the potential to yield significant cost savings to global industries and will eventually enhance their efforts to become more competitive in the world economic arena.

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- Transportation and inter modal planning,
- Cargo loading,
- Containerization,
- Palletizing,
- Automated terminals,
- Cruise line loading, unloading and control,
- Cargo shipping simulation

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