


From the editor's desk

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The journal serves as an independent publication for scientific contributions in the fields of transportation and supply chain management.

This edition of the journal contributes articles that have been reviewed and revised by national and international reviewers.

As Editor-in-Chief, I would like to thank all the authors who have worked so hard to make this an interesting and varied publication. Thanks to all the reviewers who have made it possible to make sure that we could provide quality articles for this publication.

Prominent article in volume 18 of 2024

There is one very prominent article in this publication that needs to be mentioned: 'The role of supply chain risk mitigation strategies to manage supply chain disruptions' from the author Jacobus D. Nel. This article's contribution was to show how:

Managers can improve the effectiveness of their supply chain risk management strategies by seeking more agile and flexible solutions, collaborating more with supply chain partners and utilising redundancy strategies. (Nel 2024:1)

I am sure the readers will find this article very interesting.

Articles that were submitted and approved come from varied institutions within South Africa and abroad.

Articles with very interesting topics are dealt with in this volume (to name a few):

- Factors influencing taxi entrepreneurs to adopt intelligent transport systems;
- Gravity models to freight data;
- Blockchain in the logistics sector;
- Plastic pollution strategies in global supply chains;
- Child slavery in supply chains.

Many thanks to everyone contributing to this edition.

Reference

Nel, J.D., 2024, 'The role of supply chain risk mitigation strategies to manage supply chain disruptions', *Journal of Transport and Supply Chain Management* 18(0), a1035. <https://doi.org/10.4102/jtscm.v18i0.1035>

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