

#088 WHAT ARE THE FIRST LESSONS YOU ARE LEARNING FROM THIS HEALTH CRISIS?



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Once again, supply chain professionals have adapted very quickly. In the field, the men and women were galvanized by the challenge and responded despite the stressful conditions at the beginning of the health crisis. Teams able to telework have demonstrated their efficiency by using new communication tools. In coordination with clients, service providers have always found solutions to avoid disruptions. No one had prepared this pandemic scenario on a global scale, but we found new solutions. There was also a great deal of solidarity between clients, providers and recipients. This episode brought our businesses to the forefront. The role of the Supply Chain was little known and recognized, but it has now been demonstrated that responding to the unexpected is one of its fundamental capacities. Governments have become aware of the strategic importance of having a strong national supply chain, made up of global leaders as well as small businesses that can deliver a single piece of mail or hundreds of pallets from one end of the world to the other in a matter of days. This is a decisive asset for the security of economies. We are now entering a major economic crisis. Some customers will have no choice but to drastically reduce their costs through aggressive purchasing policies. Others will seek to accentuate their partnerships with high-performance service providers, capable of imagining with them a supply chain that is ever more agile and resilient. E-commerce, the big winner of the game, will be an essential field of innovation. This crisis also demonstrates that the digitalization of the supply chain is

a key factor of success for companies. The dogma of zero stock will probably be called into question as the economy stabilizes, but this essential supply chain concept will return to the gallop. Finally, a major collateral damage would be that initiatives taken against global warming would be suspended for several years. ”

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