







# i2: Closed-Loop Supply Chain Management

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### **Overview**



- What does it take to make today's supply chains even more efficient?
- Best practices
- i2 solutions
- Next steps









What does it take to make today's supply chains even more efficient?



How can you make your supply chain more efficient?

**Lessons from 15 years** of i2 leadership



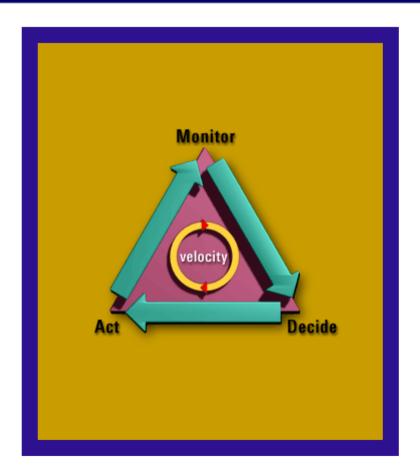
## **Battling variability with closed-loop SCM**



#### **Battling variability requires:**

- Forming a winning battle plan
- Then keeping the plan constantly synchronized with current reality

This constant synchronization of your plans with current reality is closed-loop SCM







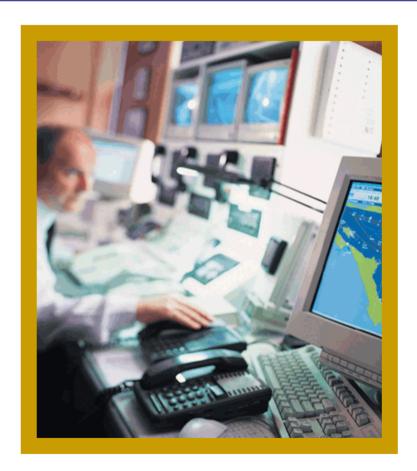


What are the best practices in closed-loop SCM?



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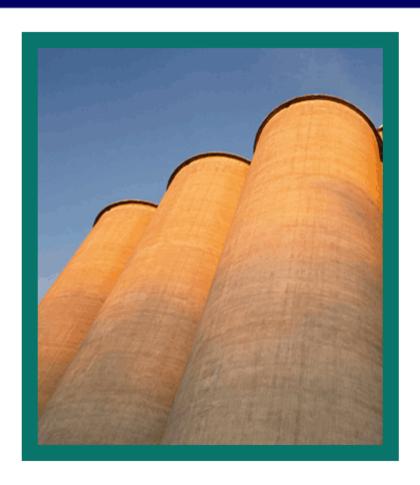
- Deliver to 'plan' commitment, make 'plans' happen
- Early detection of threats to plan
- Fast decisions and actions to maintain plan
- Formal plan amendment process





### 2. Remove silos

- All teams work off plans that are tightly synchronized to changing customer needs
- Visibility of plans across departmental boundaries
- Multi-directional sales and operations balancing
- One version of the truth clear accountability





### 3. Design for speed

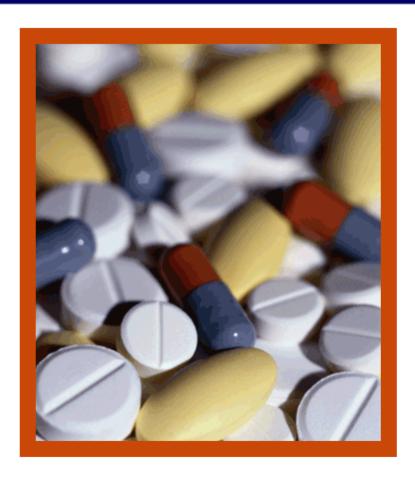
- Fast monitoring, deciding, acting
- Fast process cycle time





# 4. Treat root causes, not the symptoms

- Analyze root causes of value leakage and deviation from plans, e.g., when service levels are low, fix demand planning process vs. building inventory
- Treating symptoms keeps root causes hidden





## 5. Measure for accountability and continuous learning

- Measurements aligned to "plan" or agreed-upon plan amendments, without exception
- Regular post-mortems for process innovation
- Empowered process and measurements teams (Chief Process Innovation Officer – CPIO)
- Without clear accountability, continuous learning and improvement is almost impossible





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## Results achieved, open-loop vs. closed-loop



Open-Loop SCM  Plans are usually old and unrealistic	Closed-Loop SCM  Plans remain realistic
Silos at high cost	Synchronized "agile" supply chain – co-dependence
Unclear accountability, limited learning	Self-correcting, continuous improvement





**i2 Solutions** 

### i2 Today



"Our number one priority is to provide our customers not only with value, but time to value. This commitment translates into solving our customers' toughest supply chain problems, earning our customers' trust by delivering value quickly, and offering the best products and people in the industry."



—Sanjiv Sidhu Founder, Chairman and CEO i2

### i2 today: Focused



### Focused on delighting our customers!

- Every active customer has an assigned field representative
- Every customer-facing organization is measured based on customer satisfaction
- Active user community and advisory board
- Customer input for all facets of i2 operations

### Focused on providing domain expertise

- Invested more than \$1 billion in intellectual property
- Industry-leading expertise in solving challenging end-to-end supply chain problems
- High tech i2's largest install base and domain expertise

# Who are we learning from? i2 customers: Supply chain leaders



 All of the top 14 semiconductor companies 5 of the top 6 global automotive companies

 All of the top 10 Forbes aerospace and defense companies

- 7 of the top 10 3PLs
- 14 of the top 15 electronics OEMs
- 4 of the top 5 global industrial companies



6 of the top 10 global metals companies

3 of the top 4 contract manufacturers

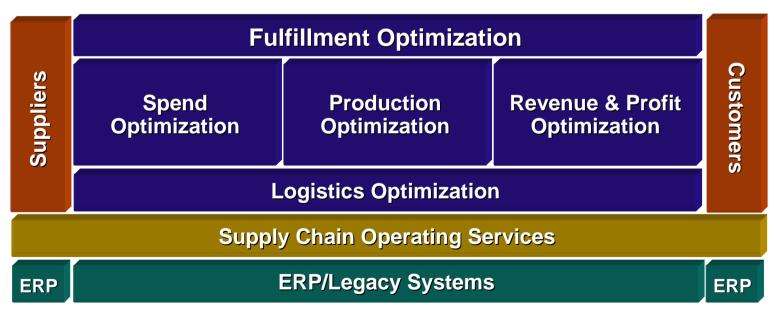
 4 of the top 6 Forbes healthcare companies

 10 of the top 15 Forbes retail companies  10 of the world's largest brand names in the consumer goods industry

# Supply chain solutions that help our customers succeed

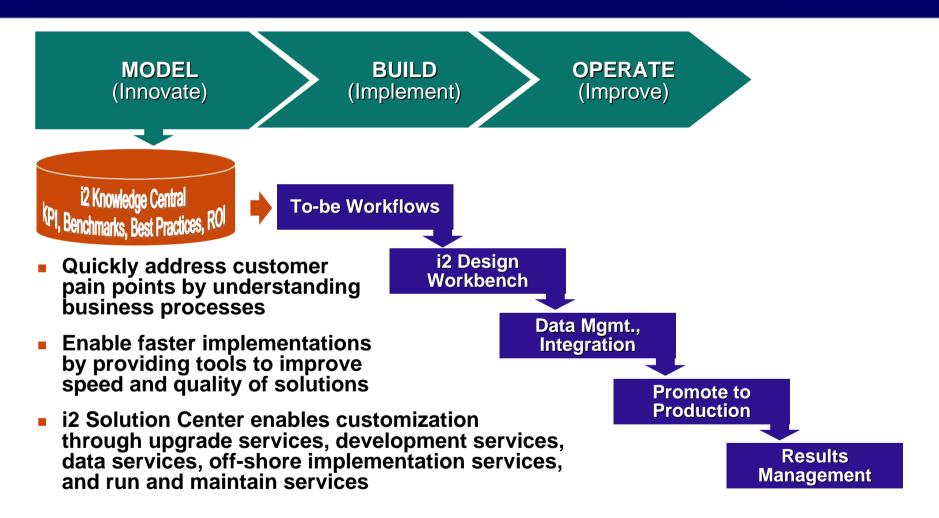


- Five optimization areas
- Workflows built with standard products to suit industry needs
  - Development toolkits for customized solutions and specialized industries
  - Industry-specific consulting services



# New engagement approach leverages i2's experience for delivering rapid ROI





## **Supply chain mastery: i2 Six business benefits**



Integrates planning and execution systems

#### i2 Six:

- Optimizes business processes
- Increases agility

SCOS: Protects existing technology investments

- Easier to implement enterprise-wide
- Supports open standards
- Integrates what you have today
- Faster time to value

Easy to use

- Simple to understand and operate
- Lower run-maintain costs





Next Steps