



Supply Chain Management Work Groups

As logistical processes continue to mature, the demand for streamlined supply chain solutions, seamless integration, and faster yet error-free delivery remain at an all-time high.

AIAG's Supply Chain programs are your partners in working towards all of these goals - simultaneously focused on mitigating risks, expanding your knowledge base, and helping you to stay current on the latest developments in the supply chain space.

Preview these vibrant work groups available through AIAG, contact one of our program managers, and get equipped with collaborative, functional solutions for today's demanding supply chain environment.

Supply Chain Management Steering Committee (SCSC)

Capitalizing on the full value proposition of supply chain operations is an ever-challenging, yet highly critical part of effective management in a global economy.

The Supply Chain Management Steering Committee is comprised of executives from automotive OEMs, Tier I supplier partners, and 3rd party service providers that together provide practical focus to industry needs in the dynamic world of supply chain management.

They provide critical oversight for the selection, prioritization, development, and deployment of initiatives designed to strengthen the automotive industry supply chain.

The Supply Chain Management Steering Committee is chartered to drive awareness and implementation of industry best practices. This is accomplished via publishing industry-relevant guidelines and white papers, developing standards, conducting training and certification workshops, and hosting industry-focused events to drive awareness and implementation of industry best practices.

3rd Party Information Security

In recent years, many companies and organizations around the globe have been increasingly impacted by cyber security breaches - often resulting in highly sensitive data being compromised, and costly intellectual property theft. This has raised concerns about securely protecting information, especially when sharing sensitive data with external business partners such as suppliers.

Protecting information is imperative to maintaining a viable and secure commercial environment. OEM's and their business partners must protect their customers' information by maintaining the confidentiality of sensitive data and intellectual property, integrity of all data (public and private), and consistent

availability of critical data to avoid business disruption.

AIAG has partnered with several major OEMs to form the 3rd Party Information Security Committee. This committee is challenged to develop a common set of security guidelines that are consistent and agreeable across each participating OEM to address cyber security / information security concerns.

These standardized security guidelines focus on secure exchange and protection of information between the OEMs and their external business partners.

Global Materials Management Operational Guidelines

Global Materials Management Operational Guidelines/Logistical Evaluation (MMOG/LE) is a supplier self-assessment and continuous improvement tool with a correlating training course that improves materials management efficiency and accuracy while reducing costs from errors and waste. This work group develops tools to assist with the implementation activities for MMOG/LE.

MMOG/LE is the global standards for supply chain management processes that provide industry best practices. It is intended to establish a common definition of materials practices to facilitate effective communication between trading partners.

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The tool can be used by both supplier and customer throughout the entire product life cycle, including early product development and pre-production phases, and the post-production aftermarket/ service phases.

CTPAT / Supply Safe

The very nature of the automotive industry makes it critical for supply chain partners to participate in Supply Chain Security programs in order to facilitate the efficient cross-border movement of material.

The Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (“CTPAT”) program - administered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection - is aimed at strengthening and streamlining international supply chains and improving border security. The price of increased security is the stringent enforcement of hundreds of import and export regulations.

In response to this need and the underlying need for a common data platform, AIAG, in collaboration with several member companies, has developed a highly robust solution – Supply Safe - used by automotive importers and their supply chain partners to facilitate compliance with CTPAT requirements.

The Supply Safe group’s key focus is to develop tools to help address common security issues and to ensure

the unrestricted flow of material and parts across U.S. borders. In this group, industry-leading ideas are exchanged and customs regulatory updates are shared - making for extremely productive discussions.

CBP has formulated the design for a holistic Trusted Trader program that unifies the current Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (CTPAT) and the Importer Self-Assessment (ISA) processes in order to integrate supply chain security and trade compliance. (In Pilot Stage)

Minimum Security Criteria under Review - no changes since 2001

Recently Joined CTPAT:

Isuzu North America Corporation
Mitsubishi Motors North America Inc.
Volvo Car US Operations Inc.

Finished Vehicle Logistics (FVL)

The FVL group consists of numerous work groups aimed at establishing industry standards that will reduce costs and improve techniques used to manage the finished vehicle supply chain for the OEM and their service providers.

The FVL work groups are comprised of OEM volunteers, AIAG management, and active members from rail/truck/ocean carriers, custom brokers, and terminal operating organizations.

Examples of Current Initiatives Include:

Damage Claims work group – writing damage area severity codes, vehicle inspection process, determining standard photograph file type for reporting vehicle damage, and maintaining the M-22 – FVL Finished Vehicle Transportation Damage Standards & Guide.

EPOD (Electronic Proof of Delivery) – standardizes the administrative process of delivery of vehicles to dealers. OEMs, their transportation suppliers, and auto dealers benefit from a more concise, rapid, and accurate recording of deliveries. EPOD has the scope of covering truck, railroad, as well as Marine Terminal Handling for Import/Export.

By standardizing the process and electronic reporting of vehicle delivery at each segment of transportation, the OEM and their suppliers have one common set of requirements to follow which alleviates numerous varying reporting practices, thus reducing administration costs.

Rail/Haul Visibility – The new visibility workgroup will improve visibility between the OEM’s, Rail and Haul-Away entities throughout the Supply Chain from origin at the OEM yard through the rail destination yard, and to the dealer. The group will document current state, identify shortfalls, and create electronic solutions.

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Creative and emerging technologies are critical to the success of this initiative. The team will develop new means of sharing information that will ultimately reduce congestion in the supply chain.

Finished Vehicle Logistics Oversight Committee

– The FVL Oversight Committee supports the AIAG FVL (Finished Vehicle Logistics) group by providing input from seasoned industry experts, and independent review of the FVL individual work groups and the AIAG FVL's relative impact on the automotive logistics industry. Additionally, the committee will advise AIAG on specific industry challenges that might be resolved through the creation of new FVL work groups consisting of OEM's, and/or suppliers and AIAG management.

Connected Vehicle

– Valuable information is contained in connected vehicle data, and a need to begin building a bridge between the autonomous vehicles and fully connected fleets. The connected vehicle takes the 'chains' off current requirements and simplifies how and what kind of data is collected. It will enable the industry to reduce the number of EDI 'time stamps' currently used down to a select few, ultimately reducing costs for all supply chain entities - OEM's and their service providers as well.

This group of OEM's will determine what data actually needs to be collected, how it will be shared, and with whom. They will discuss platforms and the scale of those platforms - not just in terms of distribution but also moving into fleet management as well. Once complete, the group will have written the North American Transportation Connected Vehicle Reporting Standards.

FVL Glossary of Terms

– AIAG is working to create a Global Glossary of Finished Vehicle Logistics Terminology, augmenting the ECG Glossary of Terms. This GLOBAL Reference Manual will be available as a key resource and educational tool to the finished vehicle logistics industry. It will provide definitions of the commonly used OEM FVL acronyms, terms from rail, truck, and maritime transport, and terms of sale.

The Glossary will contain an acronym listing which helps the user to quickly identify a term and find its definition in the document. It will be continuously updated, based on input from the AIAG member group input. Should you wish to have a term added, or feel some definitions are not precise enough, contact us with your suggestions and we will update the glossary accordingly.

Export Compliance (ECAG)

Members of the Export Compliance Advisory Group collaborate to achieve and maintain best-in-class programs within the increasingly important world of export compliance.

The committee actively reviews changing export control regulations, critical elements of effective export compliance programs, shares valuable training and development opportunities, and hosts industry-leading speakers for knowledge enhancement.

As an experienced panel of professionals, ECAG is well in-tune with industry best practices, and can help foster the same level of expertise within your organization.

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