

# Supply Chain vulnerability in a time of crisis

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## Trifecta of Disruptions: Three most recent challenges reveal the need to build more resiliency & agility into supply chains

### Common themes:

- Most **supply chains not able to withstand the unexpected**
- **Risk identification and structured mitigation processes not enough** to build resilience

## Bushfires



**\$10M per day in delayed / lost revenues** for grocers due to 12-day closure of Western Australia's 1.6KM Eyre Highway



**5.5% drop in milk production** due to road restrictions and infrastructure disruptions

## Ransomware Attacks



**Lost revenue, delayed deliveries** for logistics providers and retailers resulting in poor consumer sentiment



**\$70M in lost wool auction transactions** due to cyber attacks on the central IT systems

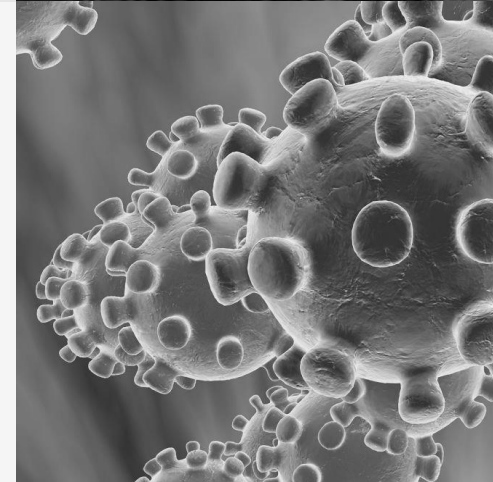
## The COVID-19 Pandemic



**Dramatic freight rate fluctuations** due to mass reduction in air freight capacity (e.g. Qantas halting Int'l flights until Oct 2020)











**Consumer panic** resulting in frequent stock-outs and more resources to run factories 24/7 to meet demand



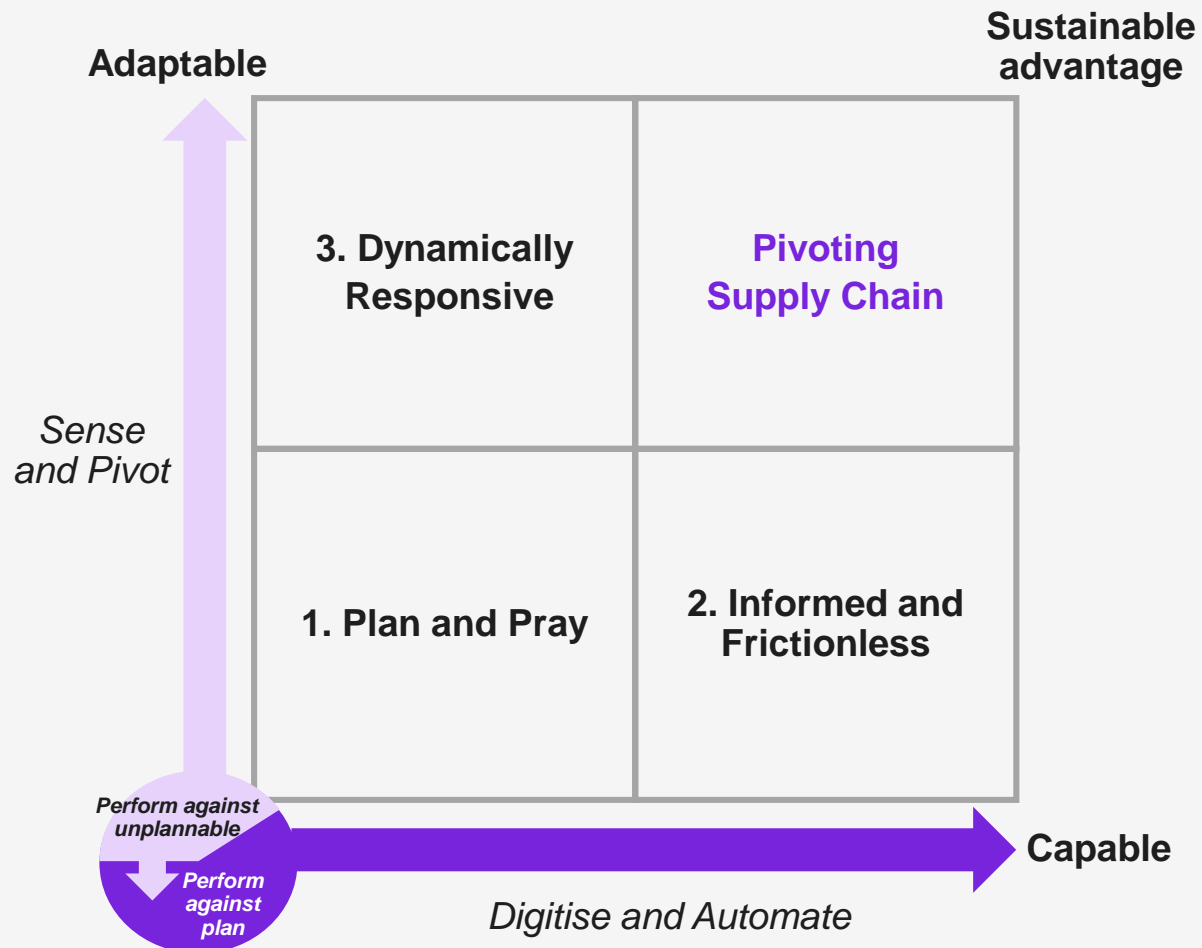
## In search of an answer - Resilience:

In light of recent volatility, companies can benchmark resiliency in their supply chains across 8 core dimensions

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	<b>Geographic make-up</b>	→	– <b>Proximity &amp; diversity</b> of supply and demand
	<b>Planning capabilities</b>	→	– Maturity of <b>demand sensing technology</b> – <b>Supply chain responsiveness</b> to changes in demand
	<b>Supplier landscape</b>	→	– <b>Visibility of supplier base</b> (e.g. raw inputs, reliance on customers)
	<b>Inbound transportation</b>	→	– <b>Control</b> of inbound logistics – <b>Diversity</b> in transport modes
	<b>Manufacturing footprint</b>	→	– Spare <b>capacity availability</b> – <b>Repurpose potential</b> to increase core product manufacturing – Extent of <b>vertical integration of core products/inputs</b>
	<b>Product platform</b>	→	– <b>Interchangeability</b> among product inputs – <b>Capability to substitute</b> custom inputs for generics
	<b>Outbound logistics</b>	→	– <b>Diversity in carrier base</b> ; alternate modes or suppliers
	<b>Financial health</b>	→	– Healthy volume of <b>safety stock inventory</b> for core products – <b>Rapid access to capital</b> to ramp up incremental production

# In search of an answer – Pivoting Supply Chain: Responsiveness & agility means having the ability to *sense* a changing environment and to *pivot* using digital & technology



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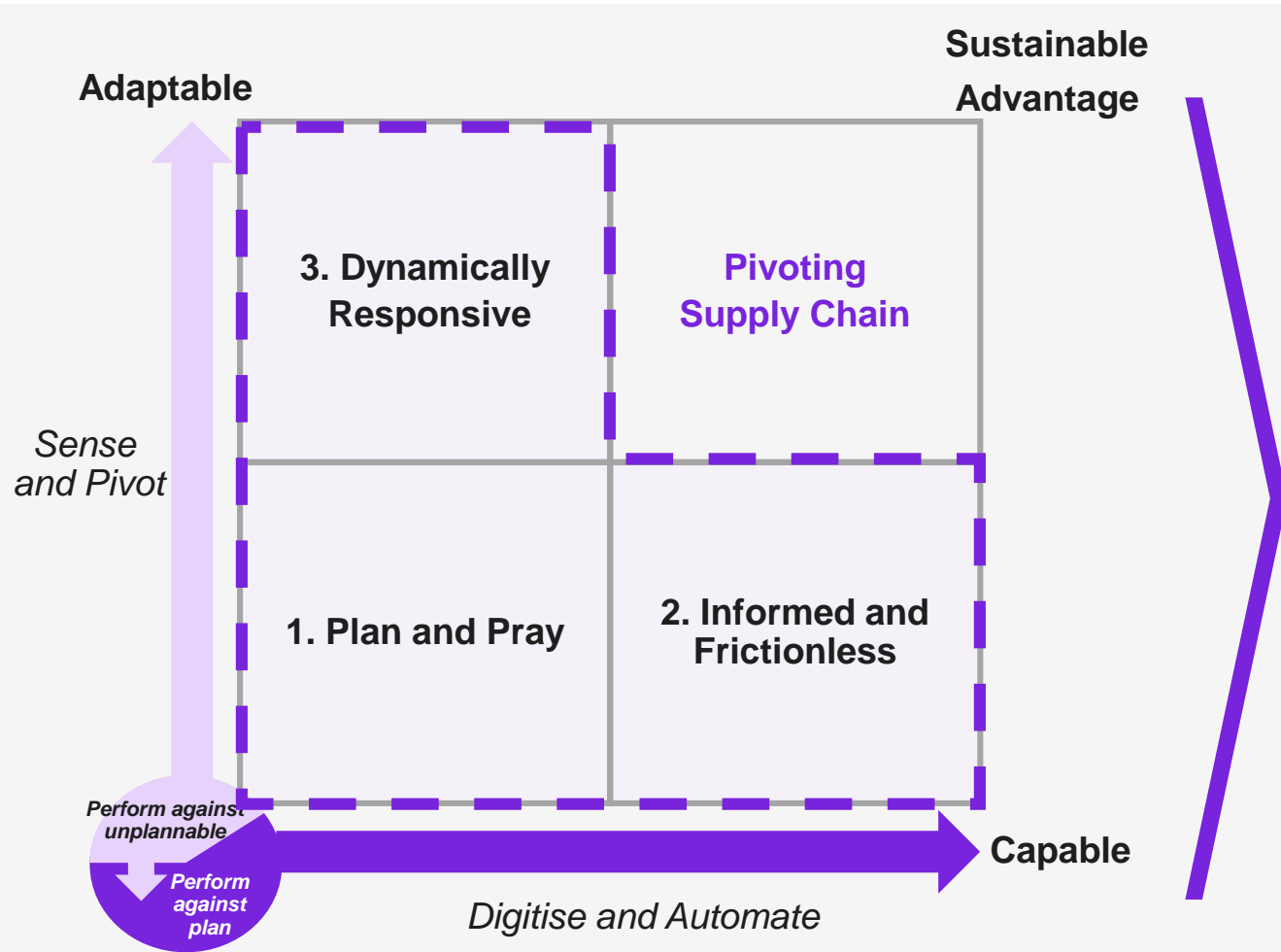
Adopting technologies to develop a **COGNITIVE SUPPLY CHAIN** for E2E visibility and execution to pivot

## Sense & Pivot

Creating a tech-enabled **SENSING PLATFORM** to capture market trends and early risk indicators



# In search of an answer – Pivoting Supply Chain: We see companies at three broad levels of maturity before transitioning into a truly pivoting supply chain



Levels of Maturity	Key Characteristics
<b>1 Plan and Pray</b> <i>Prepared for the foreseen but unable to react to unforeseen / underestimated events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Static &amp; detailed risk management buried deep in organisation</li> <li>– Insufficient level of technology enablement</li> </ul>
<b>2 Informed and Frictionless</b> <i>Tech-enabled but lack distinct set of solutions to 'sense &amp; pivot'</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Rising investments in latest technology but lack of strategic suite of solutions to enable flexibility</li> </ul>
<b>3 Dynamically Responsive</b> <i>Built-in operating agility to respond but slow and manual to detect change</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Adaptability and agility built in WoWs</li> <li>– Lack of technological capabilities suited to act faster and smarter.</li> </ul>

# Pivoting Supply Chain – Technology Adoption: A cognitive supply chain leverages technology to deliver benefits across plan, source, make and deliver activities

Selected use cases across primary Supply Chain functions

## Plan



- **Predictive demand and supply planning** – utilise alternate consumer preferences/trends in real-time
- **Touchless forecasting & replenishment** – AI/ML enabled algorithms for automated triggers
- **Rapid inventory deployment** – segmented shipment frequency, fwd. deployment / postponement

## Source



- **Real-time alternate sourcing decisions** – multiple make / buy options to balance service / cost
- **Preemptive JVs / RFPs** in response to M&A activity / other supply market disruptions
- **Predictive VE / recipe changes** in response to regulations, commodity prices, trends



AI / ML algorithms



Optimisation Models



Scenario Modeling

## Make



- **Scenario-based maintenance** – high-frequency prioritisation based on equipment criticality, failure probability
- **Asset performance tracking & RCIs** – IoT enabled devices to plan for consistent mfg. capacity
- **Agile production planning within “freeze” zones** – adjust plans based on daily/weekly demand

## Deliver

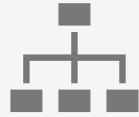


- **Real-time product flow-path adjustments** – based on product segment and customer needs
- **Predictive service/cost projections** – enabled by telematics, GPS-enabled services
- **Manage unexpected service interruptions** – rapidly crowdsourcing capacity w/ peers and 3PLs

# Pivoting Supply Chain – Operating Elements: By aligning to key operating elements, companies can empower moves that bolster supply chain agility

Non-Exhaustive

## Key operating elements



**Streamlined layers**  
and clear decision rights for global, regional and local teams



**Clear cross-functional accountabilities**  
and ownership that delivers process speed whilst breaking down supply chain silos



**Agile & Digital pathways**  
to uplift supply chain capabilities and pivot readiness



**Swift decision-making & governance** through E2E metrics, rich data-driven insights that inform performance mgmt. & customer-focused decisions



**Guiding principles** that challenge the norm and shape mindsets and behaviors towards agility, responsiveness & speed

## Empowered moves *(non-exhaustive)*

### Build Tech-enabled & Agile teams

1

*Example: Real-time data & feedback to empower in-the-field line managers*

### Run regular reviews of risks and pivot tactics ★ Supply Chain Risk Register

2

*Example: Built-in flexibility in supplier contracts to on/off contingencies in other geographies, access to pre-approved 'emergency' finance*

### Create a Simulation-first Culture

3

*Example: Use of digital twin to stress test actions & simulate consequences*



# Supply Chain Risk Register – What is it?: AFGC and Kearney co-developed a launching point to identify 6 megatrends and systematically classify supply chain risks across and 3 dimensions

## Mega trends

- 1 Corporate social responsibility and sustainability
- 2 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution & Tech Adoption
- 3 Consumer centricity
- 4 Geopolitical Instability
- 5 Demographic Shifts
- 6 Urbanisation

## Risk Register structure (example)

Issues	Consequences	Timing	Impact	Likelihood
<b>Decarbonised supply chain</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Investment required</li> <li>– Increased operating costs</li> </ul>	<i>Long-term</i>	<i>Moderate</i>	<i>Likely</i>
<b>Provenance (supply chain transparency)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Increased cost, complexity</li> <li>– Network design review</li> </ul>	<i>Mid-term</i>	<i>Minor</i>	<i>Likely</i>
<b>Responsible sourcing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Increased operating costs</li> </ul>	<i>Long-term</i>	<i>Significant</i>	<i>Likely</i>
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## Keys to success

- Level of impact & probability regularly updated & shared at industry level (amongst AFGC committee members)
- Progressively more mature research & extensive modelling inputs

## Supply Chain Risk Register – What can I use it for?:

Embedding the risk register into your regular business decision making is an essential part of the journey

### 5 Risk Register use cases

#### Structure the risk dialogue



- Start a **structured dialogue** about the **impact of disruptions & likelihood** of risks

#### Engage with relevant parties



- **Engage with regulators, suppliers and customers** on co-efforts to mitigate key risks

#### Stress test options



- **Facilitate simulation or wargaming exercises** to help build and test options

#### Gain access to expertise



- Provide a starting point to **understand relevant expertise required** to bolster capability

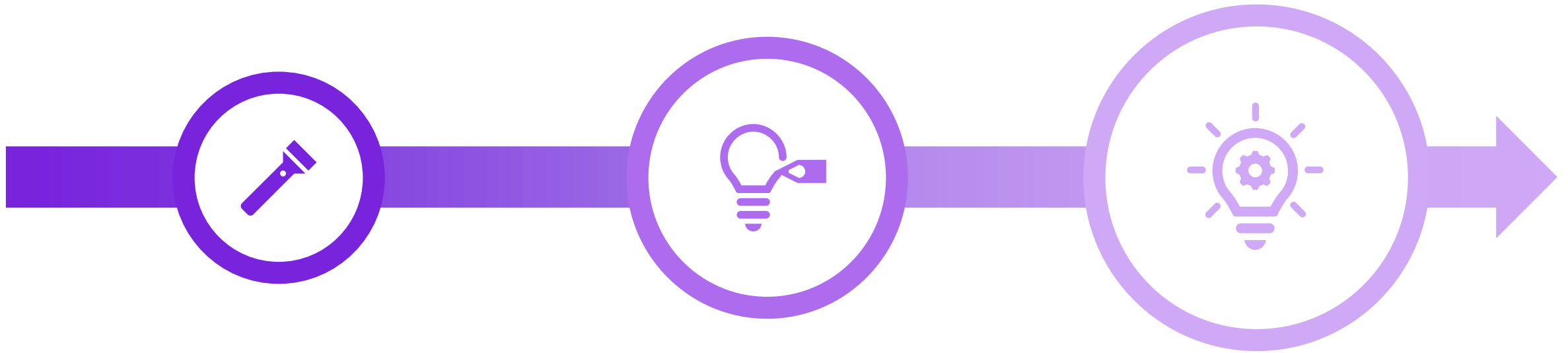
#### Assess risk positions



- **Formulate and document industry and company positions** on key issues



Your next step is to future proof your supply chain so that it is ready for the next big challenge



## 1. Identify

Utilise the **supply chain risk register to identify and assess impact and likelihood**

## 2. Plan

**Plan for the expected and start dialogue** around what might be beyond the horizon

## 3. Design and build

Design and build the **necessary operating model, enabled by processes, technology and talent**, to develop a 'Pivoting' capability in order to react to those risks as they eventuate

# Thank you

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