Sources causing potential disruption of Logistics Service Providers Business Models

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A. Introduction of Roland Berger Strategy Consultants







Let me introduce myself

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Let me introduce our company (I/II)

Logistics experts involved



- > 3 years of experience in DHL Global Forwarding
- > 4 years of consulting experience
 - Logistics
 - Freight forwarding/shipping
 - Distribution and supply chain optimization
 - Reorganization and offshoring



Vlad Ciocan Project Manager ZRH

- > 3 years experience with ExxonMobil Aviation and Retail
- > 5 years of consulting experience
 - SCM/Logistics
 - Retail and Consumer Goods
 - Tourism/Travel and Aviation
 - Digitalization



- > 2 years of consulting experience
 - Logistics
 - Cargo airlines and hubs
 - Digitization of value chains
 - Foundation of Joint Ventures in Asia



- > Worldwide some 40 partners with their teams in CC Transportation
- > Active in 23 countries
- > Serving global clients in all fields connected to transportation:
 - Aviation and TourismRail
 - Postal and logistics
 - Shipping and ports



Let me introduce our company (II/II)

Our scope and global reach

Founded in 1967 in Germany by Roland Berger 47 offices in 35 countries, with 2.100 employees About 200 RB Partners currently serving ~1.000 international clients

B. Logistic service providers (LSPs) – A brief delineation of the industry





Logistics Service Providers can be clustered into 4 largely different groups

Summary: Logistics Service Providers

- 1. Logistic Service Providers (LSPs) are vendors within the supply chain management process of large operating/producing companies
- LSPs activities as a result of a continuous outsourcing process are being differentiated between 2/ 3/ 4 party logistics (PL)
- 3. 3/4-PL Logistic providers can be clustered into 4 largely different groups: overland transportation, global forwarding, contract logistics, express logistics

Logistic service providers are vendors within the supply chain management process of large operating companies

Perspectives on logistics

The "shipper/ consignee" perspective

- > Supply Chain Management
 - Purchasing of production material and logistics components
 - Inbound logistics
 - Site/production logistics
 - **Distribution** logistics

- ...

- > Overall supply chain ownership and accountability for all actions conducted
- > Actively managing cost & quality control
- > Make or buy decisions
- > Increasing demands for sophistication of logistics services

The "logistics provider" perspective

- > Forwarding Services
- > Warehousing Services
- > Logistic Solutions
- > Transportation/hauler Services

> ...

- > Network capabilities, knowhow & value added services form strong USPs
- > Sophisticated asset management and/ or capacity purchasing
- > Price-competitive offering

LSPs activities as a result of a continuous outsourcing process are being differentiated between 1/2/3/4 party logistics (PL)

Key differentiators



- Shipper or consignee for a given manufacturing/ transportation flow (owner of the cargo)
- > Overall responsible for execution of logistics activities



- Companies operating assets to execute the physical transportation of goods
 Typical 2 PL players include airlines, shipping lines, trucking companies, and
- > Typical 2 PL players include airlines, shipping lines, trucking companies, and warehousing companies – asset heavy business models



- > Service providers that rely on consolidating and integrating multiple logistics services into a holistic door-to-door solution for customers
- > Maintains very limited physical assets and relies on purchasing- or leasing capacity from 2PL's (
 Forwarders)
- Independent actors/ consultants that are organizing and managing complete supply chains strategies for their customers
- > Drive outsourcing decisions, supplier selection, cargo routing ...to support SCM; this way also manage subcontracting with 3PLs and 2PLs

4PL

LOGISTICS PROVIDER

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Logistics Service Providers

Key characteristics

Overland Transportation	 Mainly trucking; growing share of rail Forwarders often exercise "Selbsteintrittsrecht" and "operate" Operation consists of carriage plus terminal operation for LTL business (groupage) "Mama and Papa business" – low USPs low entry hurdles 	_
Global Forwarding	 Core business is sea and air intercontinental transportation Asset-light/ trading business (capacity brokerage) plus value added services Low margins (RoS; don't mix up with RoC) Interfaces with Overland Transportation and Contract Logistics 	
Contract Logistics	 Coordination of parts of the supply chain on behalf of the customer Warehousing and Distribution are elements of core business Contract duration over a longer period (~5 years) with dedicated investments IT integration/interfacing with customer is key 	Focus Toda
Integrators; Express Logistics	 > Door-to-door service, self operated (P&D, domestic linehaul, intl. linehaul, terminals) > Standing network – given fix-cost (flight gets operated full or empty) > Day-definite and Time-definite delivery plus even courier-services > High-cost proposition 	

C. Sources of disruption of logistics service providers business models





These days LSPs find themselves increasingly challenged between a changing trade landscape and revolutionary digital techniques

Overview: Potential sources for disruption of LSPs legacy business models

1.

CHANGING TRADE LANDSCAPE

- > Change of geography of trade lanes (and thus the shippers places for contracting)
- > Change of traded **categories**
- > Change of modal split
- > External events overlaying the dynamics in the trade landscape

LOGISTICS SERVICE PROVIDERS



2.

LOGISTICS 4.0

- > New technologies driven by digitization
- > New players driven by new technologies
- > Potentially shortened value
 chains
- > Legacy business models become partially obsolet

C.1 Trade lane management reloaded: Shift of global trade lanes and its modal split



Without an enforced trade lane management, logistics service providers might not be able to respond to a shifting trade landscape

Summary: Trade lane management reloaded

- New data analysis tools and increasing global data transparency/availability support structured trade lane management
- 2. Link between GDP growth and the logistics industry has been weakened since the financial crisis Global trade forecasted to grow with ~5% p.a. however with different focus concerning geography, categories and modal split
- 3. 2009–2023: a view to the top 50 trade lanes show a shift away from the traditional super trade lanes between the US, Europe and China towards a China-centered trade pattern involving intra-regional trade and trade between emerging markets
- 4. Shippers are further driving the shift of trade lane landscape, forcing incumbent Logistics Service Providers to keep up by adjusting to extended and increasingly complex supply chains
- 5. Besides a shifting trade landscape there is a critical modal shift from air to sea respectively growth of the seafreight sector at the expense of general air cargo
- 6. A deeper view into 2013's Chinese key trade lanes show an that raw material categories are fueling the overall growth of China's trade – Additionally, growing Chinese middle class is fueling demand for Western fresh, high-quality products – Interesting niche market for LPSs
- 7. Green logistics, near shoring and potential political unrests are further external factors which might cause disruption with a view to an LSPs trade lane management
- 8. ... SO WHAT: Global LSPs have to enforce tradelane analyses and to adapt their local foot-print in order to remain competitive in the future Source: Roland Berger

New data analysis tools and increasing global data transparency/ availability enabling structured trade lane management

1. Trade lane management tools (here: IHS data cube)



- > Historical data from 1997 and ...
- > ...forecasts until 2030
- > Data available in tons, value and TEUs traded between 93 countries
- > Coverage of air, land and sea transport
- > 127 unique commodities¹) which can be mapped to fit LH Cargo product categories or industries
- > Based on IHS, one of the most extensive bottom-up trade data sources for the transportation industry – Forecasts calculated using a macroeconomic and industry development model

1) Categorized according to the WCO HS classification

Global trade forecasted to grow with ~5% p.a. however with different focus concerning geography, categories and modal split

YoY growth, world wide cross-border trade flows vs. GDP growth [%]¹)



1) Nominal value

Source: IHS, World Bank, Roland Berger analysis

After the crisis of 2009 and recovery in 2010/11, traditional growth mechanisms for logistics are no longer reliable

- > Logistics growth more volatile than GDP – In times of peaks logistics would develop faster than GDP
- Logistics industry grew with a multiplier of 4X GDP over the last several decades – However, pattern expected to change moving closer to GDP growth in the order of 2X GDP
- > But, high variation for:
 - different geographies
 - different categories
 - different modes of transport

Trade lanes are shifting: from super-trade lanes between Europe, US, and China that handled the majority of volume in 2009...

Busiest trade lanes¹⁾ in 2009 [USD bn]



— Top 10	Top 20
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1) Top air and sea freight bilateral trade pairs

Source: IMF, PWC, Roland Berger analysis

Rank	Bilateral trade pair	Volume
1	China - United States	290
2	China - Japan	210
3	Japan - United States	150
4	China - Korea	140
5	Germany - United States	120
6	Germany - United Kingdom	110
7	China - Germany	100
8	United Kingdom - United States	100
9	Japan - Korea	70
10	United Kingdom - Netherlands	70
11	Korea - United States	70
12	United Kingdom - France	60
13	Hong Kong - United States	60
14	China - Singapore	60
15	France - United States	50
16	China - Australia	50
17	Netherlands - United States	50
18	Japan - Hong Kong	50
19	China - Netherlands	40
20	United Kingdom - Belgium	40

Trade within Europe

Trade within Asia

...to a China-centered trading pattern involving intra-regional trade and trade between emerging markets by 2030

Estimated busiest trade lanes¹⁾ in 2030 [USD bn]



Key challenges for global LSPs: Build up new business relationships with Chinese shippers

Top 20 (2030) already in top 20 in 2009

Top 20 (2030) but not in top 20 in 2009

- ----- Top 10 (2030) already in top 20 in 2009
- Top 10 (2030) but not in top 20 in 2009
- 1) Top air and sea freight bilateral trade pairs

Bilateral trade pair Volume Rank 590 China - United States 340 2 China - Japan 3 China - Korea 280 China - India 260 4 China - Germany 200 5 6 Japan - United States 190 7 China - Singapore 180 8 China - Indonesia 170 Germany - United States 9 170 10 China - Malaysia 160 11 China - Nigeria 150 12 Germany - United Kingdom 140 13 United Kingdom - United States 140 14 China - Thailand 140 15 China - Saudi Arabia 140 16 China - Brazil 140 17 United States - India 130 18 China - United Kingdom 120 China - United Arab Em. 19 120 20 China - Australia 120

Trade within Europe

Trade within Asia

Source: IMF, PWC, Roland Berger analysis

Shippers are further driving the shift of trade lane landscape, forcing LSPs to adjust and extend increasingly complex supply chains

Example: Development of VW's global trade network



- > Flows of materials and finished vehicles originated (for the majority) in Europe
- > Relatively simple supply chain and transportation operating model – Point to point from Europe

1) Adjusted for growth in production volume



- Integrated global transportation network supporting operation across the globe – 25% increase in volume¹)
- > Complex network supported by several global LSPs and numerous local logistics players for inbound logistics

Critical modal shift from air to sea respectively growth of the seafreight sector at the expense of general air cargo visible

Growth air, sea [legacy lanes, typical air categories, 1997=100]¹⁾²⁾



1) EU-AP vice versa, NA-EU vice versa, AP-NA vice versa trade lanes 2) Based on top 20 air cargo IHS categories 1997 in terms of volume

Source: IHS, Roland Berger

Raw material categories are fueling the overall growth of the global trade – Fastest growing commodities from a variety of sectors

Chinese import and export volumes [tons m, 1997-2030]¹⁾



1) China including Hong-Kong, sea and air transport 2) Export as percentage of imports

- > China is a strong growing logistics market with steady growth of import, as well as export volumes
- > Over time, Chinese export patterns shifted away from simple to more sophisticated/ processed products
- > Raw materials becoming most important Chinese import fueling global growth of trade
- > Due to growing wealth and thus growing consumption of population, China is expected to remain a **net importer** in terms of logistics volumes

Growing Chinese middle class is fueling demand for Western fresh, high-quality products – Interesting niche market for LPSs

Chinese demand for fresh and luxury products ['000 t, 2013-2030]¹⁾²⁾³⁾



- Fast growth of the Chinese middle class in the last years created high demand for high-quality European goods such as wine, dairy products or luxury products
- > Typical products include dairy, meat, wine and watches from Europe, beauty products from the US and fish from South America and Africa
- > LSPs could start filling up their excess capacity to China with these goods to benefit from growing demand

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1) China including Hong-Kong, Middle East excluded due to very small volumes 2) Air transport volumes 3) Defined as fresh vegetables, meat, dairy products, food ingredients and luxury products Source: IHS, Roland Berger 20150421_ETH-Vortrag_Disruption-to-LSPs.ptx

Other non-mainstream tradelanes also offer interesting opportunities – Africa and South America expected to grow significantly

Area-to-area trade lane growth [tons m, vice versa directions, sea and air transport]¹⁾

Tradelane	2013	2030	Growth [#]	Growth [%]
Africa-Africa	46.9	114.4	67.5	144.0%
Africa-Asia Pacific	563.5	1'181.4	617.8	109.6%
Africa-Europe	434.9	747.6	312.7	71.9%
Africa-North America	112.9	169.8	56.9	50.4%
Africa-Middle East	72.6	140.0	67.4	92.9%
Africa-South America	83.3	133.3	50.0	60.1%
Asia Pacific-Asia Pacific	2'879.5	5'008.5	2'129.0	73.9%
Asia Pacific-Europe	615.1	974.3	359.1	58.4%
Asia Pacific-North America	492.0	1'047.8	555.8	113.0%
Asia Pacific-Middle East	869.3	1'281.6	412.2	47.4%
Asia Pacific-South America	641.4	1'235.0	593.5	92.5%
Europe-Europe	44.2	54.9	10.8	24.4%
Europe-North America	303.0	383.9	80.9	26.7%
Europe-Middle East	211.5	304.7	93.2	44.0%
Europe-South America	324.0	465.2	141.2	43.6%
North America-North America	75.7	110.6	34.9	46.1%
North America-Middle East	106.9	151.7	44.8	41.9%
North America-South America	424.6	552.4	127.8	30.1%
Middle East-Middle East	1.7	3.5	1.8	107.8%
Middle East-South America	44.6	79.8	35.3	79.0%
South America-South America	180.8	351.4	170.6	94.3%

> Intra-Asian trade is expected to become worlds largest 'tradelane' by 2030

- > However, apart from Asia, other emerging markets tradelanes are also expected grow significantly in the future
- > Especially Africa and South America are foreseen to experience significant growth rates, despite current lack of coverage
- > LSP's have to make thorough analyses in order to be prepared in due to capture opportunities

Source: IHS, Roland Berger

Green logistics, near shoring and potential political unrests are further external factors which might cause disruption

Further external factors



Nearshoring

- > Companies seeking to shift work to lower cost countries within own regions to maintain flexibility and response times of their supply chain
- > Less attractive to offshore production e.g. to Far East
- > As a result trade lanes are becoming shorter and more regional



- > Over the last decade environmental issues have become a mainstream topic
- > Political and social demand for sustainable development forces organizations to reduce the environmental impact on their supply chains
- > New and more eco-friendly logistics concepts and trade lanes need to be developed



Political unrest

- > Rising political tensions, especially in Eastern Europe as well as the Middle East having negative effects on shipping times as well as safety
- > Shippers as well as LSPs have to adapt trade lanes to changing political environment and find solutions to safeguard products



Global LSPs have to enforce tradelane analyses and to adapt their local foot-print in order to remain competitive in the future

Refocused trade lanes to match new market realities



INTRA - ASIA

- Ensure that company has proximity to/and knowledge of APAC markets and shippers
- > Focus on building relationships with local shippers



CHINA - AFRICA

- Develop companies foot-print with competences in verticals covering resources to China and manufactured goods to Africa
- > Local presence in Africa is critical



EUROPE – ASIA

- Changed focus from relying on Western shippers to mature APAC shippers with global networks
- > Grow advanced logistics competence and capabilities in APAC



EUROPE – EMERGING MARKETS

- > Expand scope/footprint of company to capture upcoming volume between emerging markets
- > Build "local overseas knowledge" to offer shippers valuable export services

C.2 Logistics 4.0:

how new technologies and new players will change the logistics industry



Logistics will strongly be influenced by digitalization, especially on the last mile, through platforms and automated intermediation

Summary: Logistics 4.0 (1/2)

- 1. 'Logistics 4.0' has to be understood in the overall context of digitization and 'Industry 4.0'; digitization takes effect on industry via four levers (digital data, automation, connectivity and digital customer access)
- 2. Hypothesis #1: Logistics industry will be exposed more and faster to digitization than other industries
- Hypothesis #2: Innovation will come rather from outside based on new techniques A monitoring of recent start-ups in the logistics area suggests, that legacy LSPs will be only capable in a limited form to transform themselves
- 4. Hypothesis #3: Value chains will be characterized by less players and higher automation; new consignee or even consumer access will be based on new distribution concepts
- 5. Hypothesis #4: The biggest impact will happen on the last mile resp. in distribution
- 6. Hypothesis #5: Classical logistics activities will experience huge efficiency increases through highly automated and highly connected operations with real-time control
 - Digitally supported disposition of goods leading to smaller warehouses resp. reduced stock-keeping
 - Warehousing however shows ambivalent trends: either a tendency towards super-large infrastructure with highest warehousing automation standards or towards largely decentralized warehouses and shared by digital technique
 - Digitally supported disposition of drivers and vehicles enables reduction of operating assets
 - App-based disposition of drivers/ vehicles/ goods will even reduce disposition workforce in the road forwarders ops control center

— Autonomous/driverless trucks could boost efficiency – legal/ infrastructure topics to be solved before Source: Roland Berger 20150421_ETH-Vortrag_Disruption-to-LSPs.pptx | 28

Logistics will strongly be influenced by digitalization, especially on the last mile, through platforms and automated intermediation

Summary: Logistics 4.0 (2/2)

- 6. Hypothesis #4: Classical logistics activities will evolve towards highly automated and highly connected operations with real-time control (continued)
 - Tasks of classical network management might become replaced by an 'Uber-like' organization of networks based on shared capacities – networks will be regulating themselves
 - Biggest impact on forwarding logistics will have upcoming freight platforms a key precondition here will be the standardization of data formats similar to the PAX business
- 7. ...SO WHAT: LSPs will have to review own business models with a view to digitization opportunities and challenges and selectively invest to acquire new models from start-ups

'Logistics 4.0' has to be understood in the overall context of digitization and 'Industry 4.0'



- > Industry 4.0 is being enabled by advanced availability and use of data
- > Autonomous processing entities coordinate themselves in a very flexible set-up
- > Overall, many processes have to be reviewed and can be redesigned more efficient
- > Innovation will come companies can be part of if or the will become marginalized

Digitization takes effect on industry via four levers – the general framework can be applied also on 'Logistics 4.0'

'Industry 4.0'

- > Digital data. Capturing, processing and analyzing digital mass data allows better predictions and decisions to be made
- > Automation. Combining traditional technologies with artificial intelligence is increasingly giving rise to systems that work autonomously and organize themselves. This reduces error rates, adds speed and cuts operating costs
- > Connectedness. Interconnecting the entire value chain via mobile or fixed-line high-bandwidth telecom networks synchronizes supply chains and shortens both production lead times and innovation cycles
- > Digital customer access. The (mobile) internet gives new intermediaries direct access to customers to whom they can offer full transparency and completely new kinds of services

'Logistics 4.0'



Hypothesis #1: Logistics industry will be exposed more and faster to digitization than other industries (1/2)

Non-reaction might lead to overall market losses in the order of ~EUR 605bn



1) Information and communication technology; 2) Gross value-add of the industry in EU-15 countries plus Norway and Turkey

Source: 'The digital transformation of industry' – E European study commissioned by the federation of German industries (BDI) and conducted by Roland Berger Strategy consultants

Hypothesis #1: Logistics industry will be exposed more and faster to digitization than other industries (2/2)

Google: selected industrial projects and investments



Hypothesis #2: Innovation will come rather from outside – legacy LSPs will be less capable/ less flexible to transform themselves

Monitoring of recent start-ups and innovative companies in the logistics area



Selective reasons, why legacy players show limited capability to transform themselves

- Accidential process 99% might fail we only focus on the successful cases
- Technical innovation is often **cannibalizing** the legacy business models
- New business models often not to be combine with the old value proposition/ brand of legacy player
- Legacy players try to combine new technology with their own, outdated system/process framework

Source: Roland Berger

Hypothesis #3: Value chains will be characterized by less players and higher automation; new consignee or even consumer access will be based on new distribution concepts

Example: fresh-food cooperation Cargolux-HNCA



Hypothesis #4: The biggest impact will happen on the last mile resp. in distribution ... the value chain might shorten

Potential 'Logistics 4.0' impact along the classical value chain (1/2)



LAST MILE

Hypothesis #5: Classical logistics activities will experience huge efficiency increases through highly automated and highly connected operations with real-time control

Potential 'Logistics 4.0' impact along the classical value chain (2/2)

Shipper Trucking WH & Export	Vision Vision Vision Vision Vision Vision Vision Vision Vision Retailer Saler Saler
	3/4PL Services
 > Process integration and optimization > Predictive capacity planning > Data-based routing > Tracking by part/ article number > Manageable stock in 	 > Digitally supported disposition of goods > Digitally supported disposition of drivers and vehicles > Reduced disposition workforce > Autonomous/ driverless trucking > Highly automated mega ware-houses; robotics handling; indoor Navigation versus > Reduced stock-keeping through improved disposition of
transit	goods and decentralized warehousing
>	> Self optimizing networks
	> Collaborative transport; shared networks
	> Freight platforms combining different logistics players
	>
Source: Roland Berger	20150421 ETH-Vortrag Disruption-to-LSPs.pptx 37

Google and Amazon heavily invest into logistics with the intention to become a new player based on new/ digitized business models



"From a book dealer towards trading and logistics"











- Amazone App: buy what you see ...
- Automated picking
- Avoid last mile delivery or use drones
- Co-use same-day network

Google



"From a search engine towards trading and logistics"









- Google App: buy what you see ...
- Automated picking
- Avoid last mile delivery
- ... or use automated cars (test taking place)



Urban logistics is becoming increasingly important as urban centers grow – benefits from delegating urban freight to a unique operator



Source: Roland Berger Strategy Consultants

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O2O concepts have gained huge importance in China and are foreseen to be combined with a potentially shortened overall value chain

O2O (online to offline) Shops

- > O2O concepts combine online stores with offline physical stores and have gained a lot of importance lately especially in China
- > Typically an O2O commerce model includes:
 - Online Payment (download) access to e-vouchers, ecoupons and e-tickets,
 - Offline verification or redemption
 - Home-delivery may be chosen as an additional option
 - The shops have the opportunity to pursue additional advertising via the smartphone
- > The inclusion of **online payment** is what makes the scalability and revenue model really powerful
- > Combines the main advantages of online (24h availability, large choice, etc.) with the advantages of offline (ability for "live" testing, immediate delivery, etc.)
- > Shops can minimize stock-keeping by just-in-time order/delivery combined with centralized warehousing and logistics







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Argos (via catalogue and website)

Digitec (via website)



Woolworths (via "order wall")



Real-time disposition of truck, aircrafts, drivers and inventory already today forms a big source of efficiency

Digitally supported disposition

Real time fleet monitoring



46 000 vehicles equipped with real time captors measuring the localization, direction, speed, brake and chassis performance in order to re-configure vehicle trips on a real time basis

EUR 30 m savings per year

UNITED

PASSUR AEROSPACE combines historical and real time data thanks to a network of over 60 radars in the US in order to provide ETA (estimated time of arrival) to airlines on their own airplanes

Inventory forecasts and optimization

Kimberly-Clark (Kleenex, Huggies) EUR 20 bn \$ revenues has improved sales forecast accuracy by reducing error rate from 35% to 15% on a weekly basis by using the TERRA TECHNOLOGY solution which integrates distributor data representing ~30% of its revenues at point-of-sales level in addition to its own order history

Impact:

-20% inventory in 18 months

🕸 Kimberly-Clark





Warehousing getting increasingly automated – machine replaces once more human workforce

Warehouse automation and size increases

ELECLERC D Leclerc investing EUR 1 bn into large automated logistics solutions over the next three years

- > 100% mechanized solution implemented by Witron:
 - Packages/pallets put directly onto a conveyor by the supplying truck driver
 - Goods are **automatically unpacked** (including from pallets) and stored according to the needs
 - Automated sorting of orders per store and packaging/paletting
 - Delivery into transport vehicle via conveyor belt
- > 265 stores and ca. 800'000 packages daily being routed through three warehouses across France
- > 5 more warehouses in construction or being planned
- > Ca. 15% decrease of logistics costs expected with a payback period of 6 years on the investment



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Autonomous/driverless trucks could boost efficiency once more – infrastructure topics to be solved before

Autonomous/driverless trucks





Commentary

- > Autonomous driving is feasible ... prototype are being developed in many places
 - Self-driving vehicles for passengers already being developed by Google
 - Mercedes is developing its Future Truck 2025 autonomous truck – first showcase of prototype in 2014
- > Besides tech. development main obstacle are legal implications of autonomous vehicles
- > Will separated infrastructure (separate lanes ...) be required



DHL is experimenting with logistic drones to deliver emergency drugs to otherwise hard to reach island of Juist in Germany

Logistics drones – Example of DHL Paketkopter

- > Currently being used to transport emergency drugs to Juist Island off the North Sea coast of Germany
- > Cooperation with local pharmacy that takes in the orders
- > Deliveries are being done ad-hoc 24/7 when weather patterns allow it
- > Drone uses electric power and got a flight time of 45 min with a range of at least 12 km; transports packages of up to 1.2 kg





Commentary

- > Higher flexibility in delivery times/ frequency due to lower fixed costs per delivery (no unused capacity)
- > Circumvents lack of other transport modes (e.g. cars) on the island
- > Ability to operate in difficult terrain where traditional delivery modes do not reach
- > Especially relevant for quick/ immediate delivery of low weight goods within short ranges (e.g. urban areas)



Classical tasks of network management might become replaced by an 'Uber-like' organization based on shared capacities

Shared networks; crowd logistics

Stuff2Send - UK



- > UK based platform for shipments of any items
 – access for all shippers/drivers
- > Aims at offering cheap delivery and give motorists an easy source of extra income



UberCARGO - HKG

- > Uber's pilot project to use its existing platform for urban deliveries – part of the Uber Everything concept
- > Currently offered in Hong Kong but to be expanded if successful

- > Shareconomy' describes the societal shift from owning to sharing in the offline world, enabled by online technology
- > Enables new hybrid business models based on flexible capacity and dynamic networks through peer-to-peer sites (C2C or B2B) or courier platforms
- > Brings new competitive dynamics to logistics where incumbents have to deal with overhead cost structures and regulations, while shareconomy players have less restrictions – similar to what Uber did to the taxi market
- > First players are already operational, e.g. the industry mastodon Uber testing its concept



Big impact on forwarding logistics will have upcoming freight platforms – a key precondition here will be the standardization of data formats

SHIPPING PLATFORMS

- > Seafreight shipping platform
- > Facilitates e-commerce in seafreight
- > Connected to over 40 leading shipping lines



- > Cloud based supply chain platform
- > Covers door to door flows of goods



- > Global logistics platform
- > Has "real time" sailing schedule info
- > Mainly connected to Asian shipping lines

KEY FUNCTIONALITIES

- > See schedule data online
- > Request "online" quotes (but not real-time, neither linked to the revenue management system of a carrier)
- > Conduct "online" booking of seafreight, partly also corresponding road feeder services (but rather designed on a hybrid set-up)
- > Set-up online profile including master data and framework agreements e.g. with road feeder service providers

KEY BENEFITS

- > Cost savings, reduce processing costs and eliminate costs of connecting systems to multiple carriers/forwarders/shippers
- > Reduced complexity, shipping platforms create one single connection for each carrier, forwarder and shipper
- > Faster processing times, reduce paper, faxes, phone calls, etc.
- > Higher data quality, by automated processes and reduced manual keying of data
- > Increased visibility of the supply chain

> Big threat to the forwarder's USP
 > However: No clear evidence/ proof of concept yet

COMMENT

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LSPs will have to review own business models/ USPs with a view to digitization opportunities and challenges and selectively invest to acquire new models from start-ups



Source: Roland Berger

Let's think: act!

