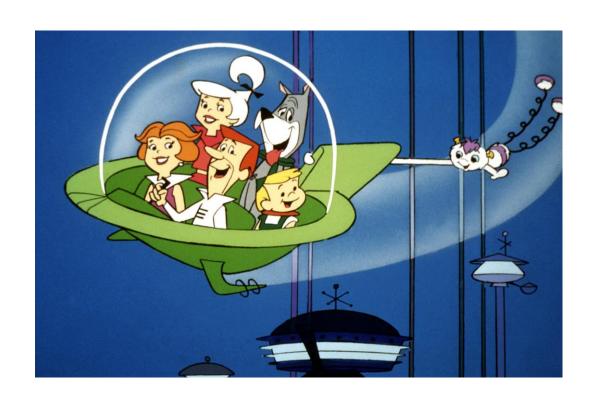


From Smarter Ordering to a Smarter Supply Chain

Building a Better, Greener Business

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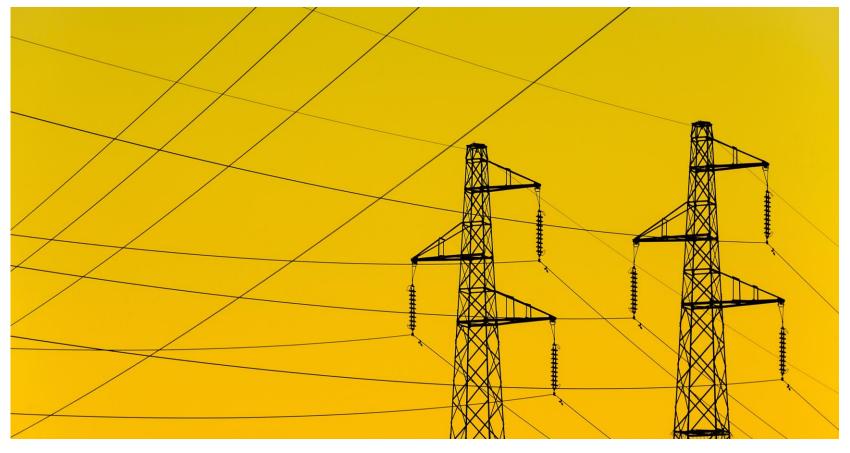








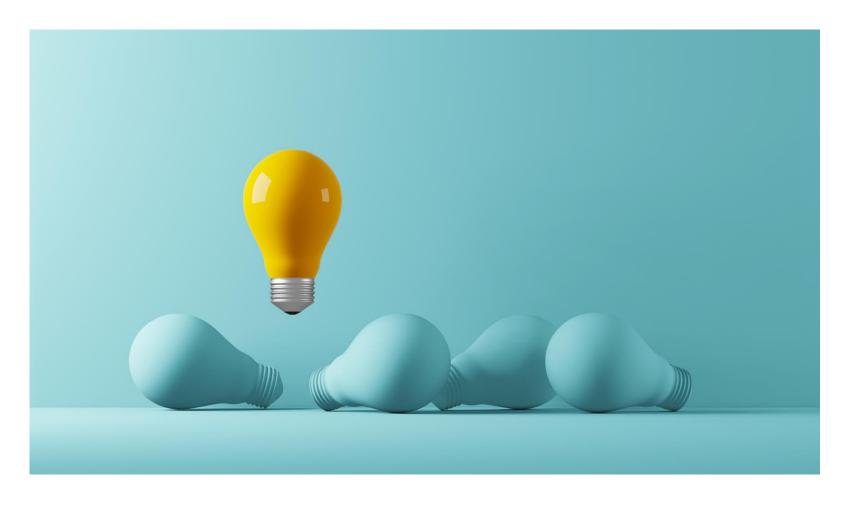




The Book Supply Chain

- Complex
- Global
- Utility
- Environmental impact
- Consumer behaviour





Adapt Our Mindset

- Trust technology to do the legwork
- Link and automate individual tasks
- Develop best practice

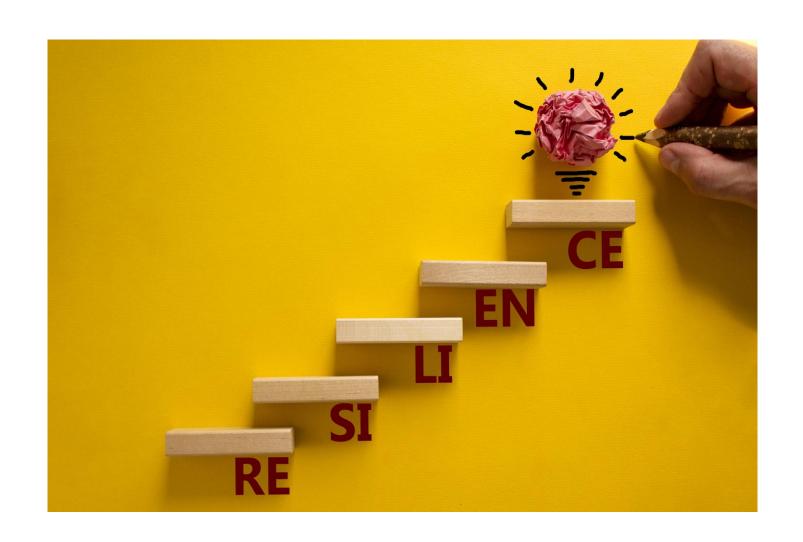




What is Smarter Ordering?

- Automated
- Structured
- Flexible
- Responsible





Why Does Smarter Ordering Matter?

It's good for...

- Order management
- A diverse and healthy industry
- Customer service
- Overall resilience





Project Team

- Batch.co.uk
- Booksolve
- Clays
- Edelweiss
- EDItEUR
- Elsevier
- Gardners Books
- Hachette UK Distribution
- Hewson Books
- Macmillan Distribution
- Nielsen BookData
- Penguin Random House
- Waterstones
- Westminster Libraries





Our Vision for the Industry

- Enter the order once and only once
- Automate order routing
- Make the order status visible
- Use integrated order management systems

'Four Rules of Efficient Order Management' by Michael Hugos, John Wiley & Sons

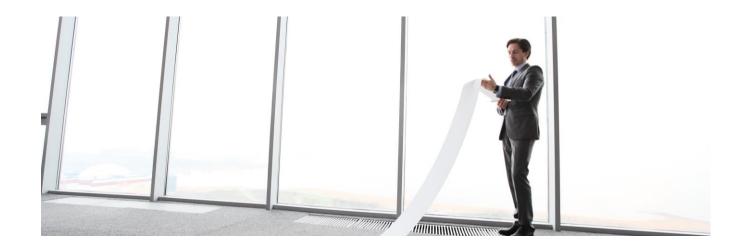




Our Vision for the Industry

Automate all order related transactions





Top Ranked Issues

- Metadata
- Standardisation
- Accuracy, efficiency and speed
- Order self-service
- Order management

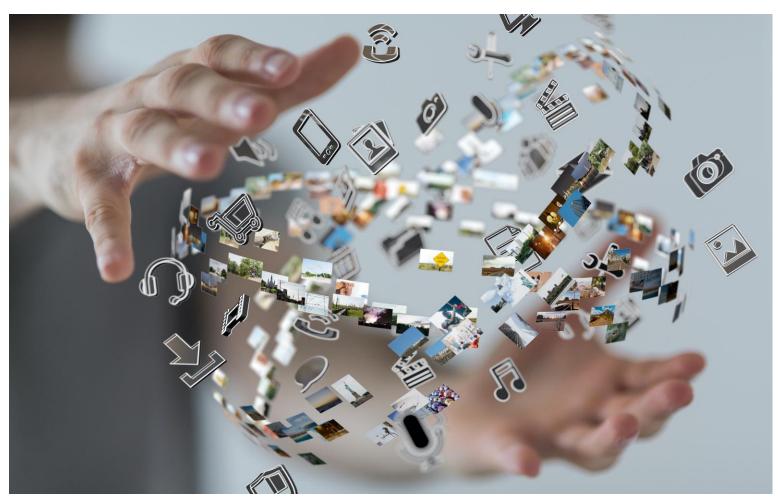




Deliverables

- Order FAQs
- Order Routines
- Style Guides
- Order Platform Quick Reference
- Updates to Standards
- Goods Handling Processes
- Glossary





Do Things Differently

- Create responses to events
- Bring order and logic to everyday tasks
- Work smarter, not harder







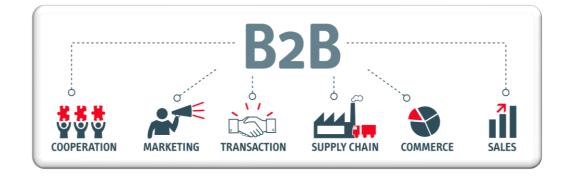
Order Management

Obstacles:

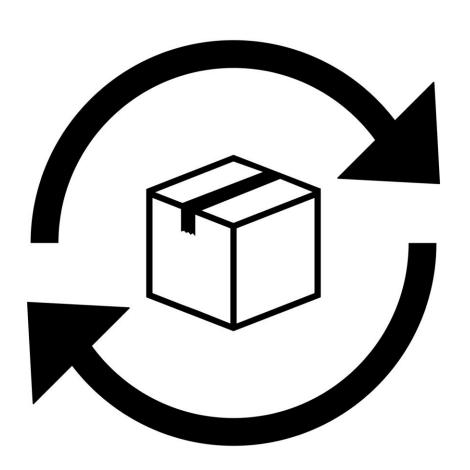
- Lack of order integration
- Greater automation required
- Inaccurate, inconsistent metadata
- Queries undermine confidence

Actions:

- Focus on actionable transactional metadata
- Encourage use of self-service tools
- Buy with confidence
- Sustainable buying practices







The Hidden Prize

- Automate
- Standardise
- Order management routines
- Sustainable returns practices



Resources



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