

Annual Supply Chain Debate 2025 Speaker Profiles

Tiger Wang, Chairman



Tiger is Co-Chairman of our SCALA China Joint venture in Suzhou, near Shanghai, and Chairman of the Ocean Business Group. He founded Ocean Group in Suzhou in 1998 and has grown the company from a third-party logistics company to a complete ecosystem supply chain company. Ocean has served many of the top 500 companies that have invested in China.

Tiger has extensive experience in logistics information management and supply chain integration, and is committed to developing cultural and business exchanges between Chinese and British entrepreneurs, including mutual education programmes.

At present, Ocean focuses on the investment and promotion of renewable energy projects on a global scale, as well as the introduction and circulation of global agricultural products in the Chinese market



Jenn Smiley, Head of Customer Supply and Logistics



Jenn has nearly 20 years' experience in supply chain, starting in 2006 at Corus (British Steel), initially purchasing refractories and raw materials, before moving onto contract management.

She moved in 2010 to the FMCG food sector, spending the past 15 years acquiring skills across logistics, demand forecasting, and customer service both in domestic and global supply chains.

As Senior Lead for the Global Customer Supply Chain & Logistics function, Jenn has defined future state strategy for the four brands, Ryvita, Jordans, Dorset and Pagan across 71+ Global Markets, building and transforming strong supply chain teams and taking pride in leading people through the diverse and unpredictable world of supply chain.



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Kirsty Lantos, Chief Operating Officer



Kirsty is a Tangle Teezer “Original” and has helped to transform the supply chain to support global growth through the evolution of this founder-led business, through PE ownership and now under the corporate growth pillar with BIC World.

As a senior leader, Kirsty has driven key inputs into Tangle Teezer's long term strategic priorities, enhancing relationships with suppliers, managing complex challenges across the expanding Tangle Teezer portfolio and implementing lean supply chain strategies.

Prior to this role, Kirsty gained two decades of experience in key roles throughout finance and operations, structuring the processes, systems and teams required for exponential business growth.



Professor John Manners-Bell, Founder



Professor John Manners-Bell has more than 40 years' experience in the logistics and supply chain industry with a career spanning research, operations, strategy and marketing. He is Founder and CEO of consultancy Ti Insight which since 2002 has developed a market leading position in the provision of market research to a range of blue chip customers and governmental organisations.

In 2021, he founded the Foundation for Future Supply Chain dedicated to improving the understanding of sustainability, risk, innovation, ethics and public policy in the industry.

John has been Chair of the Logistics and Supply Chain Global Agenda Council of the World Economic Forum (WEF) and was the Expert Witness for the UK Covid-19 Inquiry on PPE Supply Chains, delivering a 60,000 word report including recommendations on how to prepare for a future pandemic. He continues to act as an advisor to the WEF, United Nations and other transnational organizations and is an Honorary Visiting Professor at London Metropolitan University's Guildhall Business School.

He has authored seven books, most recently 'The Good Supply Chain', 'The Death of Globalization' and the award winning 'Supply Chain Risk Management' now in its fourth edition.

John is a Chartered Fellow of the CILT, a Freeman of the City of London and a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Carmen

