

POMS Practice Leaders (2015)

KEVIN O'MARAH – Chief Content Officer, SCM World, and Senior Research Fellow, Stanford Global Supply Chain Forum



POMS is delighted to have Kevin to serve as co-director of the POMS Practice Leaders Forum with Christopher Tang (UCLA). Currently, Kevin is Chief Content Officer at SCM World. From 2010-2011 Kevin was GVP for Supply Chain research at Gartner which acquired AMR Research in Boston where he was Chief Strategy Officer. While at AMR (2000-2010) Kevin created the Supply Chain Top 25, led the Product Lifecycle Management research practice and Supply Chain practice, and produced the annual AMR Conference. He was formerly a Vice President at Oracle, and a consultant with Mercer (in London), CGEY (in Calgary) and Company Assistance Ltd. (working on privatization in Poland). He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from Boston College, an MSc in Management Studies from Oxford University, and a Masters in Business Administration from Stanford University.

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**SRINIVAS BOLLAPRAGADA – Chief Scientist, Software Sciences & Analytics, GE Global Research Center**



*Srinivas Bollapragada is a Chief Scientist in the Software Sciences & Analytics (SSA) Organization at the General Electric's Global Research Center (GRC) in Niskayuna, NY. His interests are in business applications of optimization technologies. During the past 19 years at GE Research, Srinivas had led the development of numerous innovative algorithms and decision support systems that are being used by several GE businesses and their customers. Some of his accomplishments include the Movement Planner algorithm for dispatching trains, the Yard Planner algorithm for building trains, algorithms for selling and scheduling television commercials, optimizing insurance portfolios, managing CSAs, and supporting investment decisions.*

*Srinivas has published over 25 articles in journals such as Operations Research, Interfaces, European Journal of Operational Research, IIE Transactions, POMS etc. He has a Ph.D. in Operations Management from Carnegie Mellon University, and Master's and Bachelor's degrees in Electrical Engineering from IISc, Bangalore and IIT Madras respectively.*

*Srinivas is the recipient of a number of internal and external awards including the Edelman (2001), Wagner (2009, 2004, 2002) and Nicholson (1996) finalist awards, IIE Transactions best paper award (2009), GE's Blodgett Award (2009) for technical excellence and the Dushman award (2010) for team leadership. He represents GE Research on the INFORMS Roundtable, had served as the Chair of the Edelman award committee (2008-2010), and the Area Editor of OR Practice (2008-2010). In 2009 he was named an INFORMS Fellow which is considered a lifetime achievement award in the field of Operations research. He currently serves as the Editor-in-Chief of Interfaces, a premier academic journal focusing on the practice of Operations Research.*

**ALEX BROWN – Vice President of Supply Chain, Xilinx**



*Alex Brown is Vice President of Supply Chain at Xilinx where he has been since 2002. Prior to Xilinx, Alex was Director of Strategic Consulting at Manugistics and Assistant Professor at the Owen School of Management at Vanderbilt University. Alex has a PhD in Industrial Engineering from Stanford, a Masters in Microelectronic Engineering from Cambridge, and a BS in Electrical Engineering from Vanderbilt.*

**KIMBERLY CLEMENSON – Executive Director, Global Operations, Amgen, Inc.**



*Kimberly is currently Executive Director of Global Operations at Amgen, Inc. She joined Amgen in 2003 and has held positions of increasing responsibility in Operations Strategy, Global Operations Planning, and CMC Lifecycle Management. She is currently leading global operations for Enbrel<sup>®</sup>, and prior to this led the CMC Excellence Program and the Operations Technology Program Management Office. While in Global Operations Planning, Kimberly lead product launches for Aranesp<sup>®</sup> and Denosumab and was a Global Operations Leader for the Denosumab, AMG 785, and Nplate<sup>®</sup> programs.*

**MOTZ FEINBERG – Executive Director, Supply Chain at Kaiser Permanente**



*Motz is helping lead a supply chain transformation at Kaiser Permanente to improve operational efficiency and service quality for its members. He is a supply chain executive with over 20 years of progressive experience with engineering, operations and global supply chains. Motz has held leadership roles with Fortune 500 companies such as Kaiser Permanente, Univar, and Nestlé covering CPG/Distribution, Engineered Products and Defense logistics. He led supply chain transformations within large and mid-sized firms and enables systems and process integration opportunities through decision support excellence. Motz has a BSME from UCLA, an MBA from Cornell and is Lean Six Sigma certified. He holds three patents and numerous technology and supply chain publications, and is passionate about continuous improvement and people development.*

**KEITH HOLLIDAY – Director, Corporate Supply Chain & Logistics, Sonoco Products Company**



*Director- Corporate Supply Chain & Logistics at Sonoco Products Company leading the end to end process capability improvement work with a target of becoming a top quartile supply chain performer in the packaging industry; in addition leads the Lean Six Sigma process for the corporation. Prior to joining Sonoco, was the Director of Supply Chain Transformation and Six Sigma Champion- Global Operations for DuPont, leading the application of six sigma across DuPont Operations and to business processes, specifically the end to the end supply chain. Keith has a Manufacturing/ engineering background with 30 years DuPont experience and overall 38 years in manufacturing with assignments at sites across the US and global experience leading business process improvement.*

**SHAILENDRA JAIN – Distinguished Technologist and Research Manager, HP Labs**



*Shailendra Jain established and managed the Decision Technology Department at HP Labs, which focused on business process innovation through analytics. Dr. Jain has led business analytics projects in several areas, including inventory management & production planning, forecasting, personalization, marketing spend optimization, product variety management and post-sales services design/pricing. He is currently leading the applied research efforts of HP Labs in service innovation, with specific emphasis on service work-force planning/optimization & healthcare analytics. He received his Ph.D. in Management Science from UCLA and a Masters in Industrial Engineering from IIT, Delhi.*

**THOMAS OLAVSON – Director, Operations Decision Support Group at Google**



*Thomas Olavson is director of the Operations Decision Support group at Google. His team provides model-based decision support for Google's cloud infrastructure and supply chain planning. He was previously director of HP's Strategic Planning and Modeling team, an Informs Prize and Edelman Award winning team. Thomas received his Ph.D. in Management Science & Engineering from Stanford University in 2001.*

**DEREK POWELL – Senior Vice President, Strategic Planning & Development at Sony DADC New Media Solutions**



*Derek Powell is Senior Vice President at Sony's Digital Audio Disc Corporation (DADC) New Media Solutions. He is a supply chain transformation executive with expertise in building/optimizing organizational processes, new technologies and infrastructure to maximize business results in manufacturing and digital media servicing operations. He has over 15 years of consulting and management experience across Asia and Latin America at companies such as Sony, Warner Bros., i2, and Accenture. Derek is an alumnus of Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program. He holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of California, Irvine's Paul Merage Graduate School of Management and a B.S. in Astronautical Engineering with military distinction from the United States Air Force Academy.*

**THOMAS R. ROHLEDER, PH.D. – Health Sciences Researcher, Mayo Clinic**



*Thomas Rohleder is a Health Sciences Researcher at Mayo Clinic, and his research is focused on health care systems engineering. A major aspect of the research is building computer models of health care processes and systems, and using them to test alternative designs before actual implementation. He received his B.S in Finance from the University of Minnesota, and his Ph.D in Operations Management from the University of Minnesota. His current studies include: modeling patient flow through cardiovascular surgery, maximizing patient access to PET scanners in nuclear medicine, and optimizing patient access service for available outpatient resources.*

**EBLY SANCHEZ – Director of Operational Development and VPS, Volvo Group – Region Americas**



*Ebly Sanchez is currently the Director of Operational Development (OD) and VPS Volvo Group - Region Americas. From January 2008 to December 2012, Ebly was at the Volvo Group as Director of Volvo Production System (VPS) Academy based in Gothenburg in Sweden. While in this role, he developed the global CI organization and strategy within the Volvo group. Before joining the Volvo Group, he worked in Ford Motor Company for almost 20 years with different managerial responsibilities in operations, including VP operations and a plant manager for 9 years, mainly in South America. He is a member of the Editorial Board of the Lean Management Journal (LMJ) based in the UK.*

**DIRK DE WAART – Partner Management Consulting, PricewaterhouseCoopers**



*Dirk is a Partner in the Los Angeles office of PwC. He has over 15 years of experience in supply-chain management and service operations for technology-based firms. Dirk has worked with clients in the aerospace, aviation, automotive, electronics, semiconductor, life science, and telecommunications industry to design and implement operational improvements. Prior to joining PwC and PRTM, Dirk held management positions in the aerospace service business unit at AlliedSignal (now Honeywell) for three years in both the USA and Germany. Dirk is a graduate of Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands with an MS Degree in Aerospace Engineering. He received an MBA Degree in General Management from INSEAD.*

**ASHLIE WALLACE – Procurement Director, Dell**



*Ashlie Wallace is a Procurement Director at Dell and is responsible for general management of Dell's international trading company, which owns procurement of Dell's Tier 2 components, sale to Tier 1 suppliers for production, and management of inbound supply chain and inventory. She is also responsible for leading the continuity of supply strategy initiative and owns Dell's global E&O governance process focused on reducing cost, risk management, and maintaining optimal e2e supply chain processes. Prior to her current role, she was responsible for Dell's global inventory forecast and driving strategic initiatives directed at optimizing cash flow from operations. Ashlie has bachelor degrees in International Business and Spanish from Texas State University and a Masters in Business Administration from the University of California Los Angeles.*

**ROBERT WANG – Senior Business Analyst, Nestle USA**



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**MICHAEL ZINSER – Partner and Managing Director at Boston Consulting Group**



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