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2 Ensure compliance.

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3 Pro-actively address risk.

Get ahead of the game by tackling risk before events occur and be ready for anything the market throws at your supply chain.

4 Drive more value.

Learn about solutions that provide the intelligence needed to make the right business decisions that drive the most value for your company.

5 Gain market insights.

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- Learn how leading procurement executives manage global savings programs and assure teams meet or beat their performance goals year over year
- Improve the contract approval process and ensure suppliers and vendors comply with relevant regulations and policies
- Learn how companies have regained control over their telecommunications expenses and driven out significant costs
- Learn how leading companies are avoiding interruption of supply, loss of property, brand damage and poor performance by taking a proactive approach to supplier risk
- Improve the monitoring of your suppliers' operations and performance and work with them on development programs
- Lock in savings through improved contract management processes
- Gain a deeper understanding of Emptoris, Sterling Commerce, ILOG and IBM Solutions for procurement, B2B Integration and optimized supply chain execution

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- Discover how leading companies manage change and improve the performance of their global teams.
- Better understand how to improve productivity, increase savings realization and optimize working capital.

2 Ensure compliance.

Take control of internal and external compliance across your procurement organization. Sessions will help you:

- Understand how to improve end-to-end visibility into tendering and supplier selection and negotiation practices.
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- Identify ways to leverage the proliferation of data across multiple supplier touch points to ensure optimal decision making.

4 Drive more value.

Learn about solutions that provide the intelligence needed to make the right business decisions that drive the most value for your company. Sessions will help you:

- Analyze your costs by category and find new opportunities for savings.
- Improve your sourcing processes for critical direct and indirect materials and services and drive sustainable savings.
- Lock in savings through improved contract management processes.

5 Gain market insights.

Experience the latest trends in strategic supply management and learn how organizations are leveraging these solutions to realize significant results. Sessions will help you:

- Discover tangible solutions to global program management and vendor information challenges that you can implement immediately.
- Understand how Strategic Supply Management—a key element of Smarter Commerce—can improve your business performance.
- Build your network of procurement professionals, meet 1-1 with strategic supply management product experts and IBM executives.

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