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**A Comparison of Sourcing Strategies in the Apparel Industry. Case Study of the H&M Group and Inditex** GRIN Verlag

The problem of optimally purchasing new products is common to many companies and industries. This thesis describes how this challenge was addressed at Zara, a leading retailer in the "fast fashion" industry. This thesis discusses the development of a methodology to optimize the purchasing process for seasonal, short life-cycle articles. The methodology includes a process to develop a point forecast of demand of new articles, the top-down forecast at the color and size

level and an optimization module to produce recommendations to define the optimal quantity to purchase and the optimal origin to source from. This thesis is the first phase of a two phases purchasing optimization process. The focus of this thesis is: a) the outline of an enhanced purchasing methodology b) the development of the most important input in the system: a point forecast of demand at the article, color, and size level, and c) the development of an IT prototype to automatically manage the purchasing methodology. The second phase of the purchasing optimization process focuses on the optimization module. The optimization module is beyond the reach of this thesis.

*Industry 4.0 and Circular Economy* Kogan Page Publishers

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today's financial pages shows the consequences of economic recession. More and more retailers, such as Woolworth and Montgomery Ward, have become bankrupt as they were no longer good enough to compete for a customer's business. Or how Ander and Stern describe it They fell into the Black Hole of Retailing, the place where losing retailers go to die. However, it has been widely acknowledged that an effective downstream-orientated supply chain, focused on cost reduction, can avoid this fate. Reduced costs lead to reduced prices and thus to satisfied customers. But that is only half the truth. There are other factors than stringent cost control that ensure business success. Supply chain management is not only about cost-efficiency rather than flexibility and adaptability. The faster a supply chain is

able to respond to a market, the better the company's chances to achieve a competitive edge. A paradigm for a company that manages to combine these aspects and to align its vertically integrated supply chain to the demands of its customers is Europe's fastest expanding international fashion retail group Industria de Diseño Textil with its workhorse Zara. Its unique integrated business model permeates the whole organization and provides evidence that market orientation paired with an outstanding supply chain management can be viewed as a key factor for success. Aim and objectives: The aim of this report is to examine Zara's unique business model in relation to its market-orientated supply chain. In this framework certain questions are raised. For example, which elements of Zara's supply chain make it so unique? And related to this, how manages Zara to compete with other vertically integrated fashion retailers such as H&M and Benetton that use aggressive advertising to entice customers in their stores? Also, how does Zara integrate its market orientation in its supply chain? The present study will attempt to answer these and other questions. Research the success of Zara's market-orientated strategy as well as of its unconventional supply chain will help to figure out how they managed to become pioneer of fast fashion. To conclude, an outlook in Zara's future as well as the US market is provided.

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*Fashion specific challenges occurring within the supply chain and how these can be approached using Fast Fashion* John Wiley & Sons

'An interesting and important account.' Daily Telegraph Have you ever stopped and wondered where your jeans came from? Who made them and where? Ever wondered where they end up after you donate them for recycling? Following a pair of jeans, Clothing Poverty takes the reader on a vivid around-the-world tour to reveal how clothes are manufactured and retailed, bringing to light how fast fashion and clothing recycling are interconnected. Andrew Brooks shows how recycled clothes are traded across continents, uncovers how retailers and international charities are embroiled in commodity chains which perpetuate poverty, and exposes the hidden trade networks which transect the globe. Stitching together rich narratives, from Mozambican markets,

Nigerian smugglers and Chinese factories to London's vintage clothing scene, TOMS shoes and Vivienne Westwood's ethical fashion lines, Brooks uncovers the many hidden sides of fashion.

*Sustainable Fashion Supply Chain Management* diplom.de

This short case intentionally provides students with only limited background data on two clothing chains. Zara is a real firm with a major presence in Europe, a growing footprint worldwide, and only a limited presence in the United States. Wearable Wishes is a fictional firm that represents a conglomeration of clothing chains that serve customers with a substantial number of U.S. stores and compete to a lesser extent overseas. The use of this fictional firm gives the student the opportunity to do background research on a variety of firms in the fashion industry. Each firm has a somewhat different product and customer strategy, allowing the student to make choices about which are applicable to Wearable Wishes. The many variations in the approaches different firms utilize mean students make different assumptions and come up with diverse responses to the case requirements. This variety generates opportunities for discussion of why these differences exist. The case provides only minimal financial information, so students do not fixate on numbers (as they are prone to do). Instead, they must focus on underlying strategic, production, informational, and behavioural factors that are influenced by the environment in which the firms operate.

**Global Sourcing** IGI Global

This handbook is a compilation of comprehensive reference sources that provide state-of-the-art findings on both theoretical and applied research on sustainable fashion supply chain management. It contains three parts, organized under the headings of "Reviews and Discussions," "Analytical Research," and "Empirical Research," featuring peer-reviewed papers contributed by researchers from Asia, Europe, and the US. This book is the first to focus on sustainable supply chain management in the fashion industry and is therefore a pioneering text on this topic. In the fashion industry, disposable fashion under the fast fashion concept has become a trend. In this trend, fashion supply chains must be highly responsive to market changes and able to produce fashion products in very small quantities to satisfy changing consumer needs. As a result, new styles will appear in the market within a very short time and fashion brands such as Zara can reduce the whole process cycle

from conceptual design to a final ready-to-sell "well-produced and packaged" product on the retail sales floor within a few weeks. From the supply chain's perspective, the fast fashion concept helps to match supply and demand and lowers inventory. Moreover, since many fast fashion companies, e.g., Zara, H&M, and Topshop, adopt a local sourcing approach and obtain supply from local manufacturers (to cut lead time), the corresponding carbon footprint is much reduced. Thus, this local sourcing scheme under fast fashion would enhance the level of environmental friendliness compared with the more traditional offshore sourcing. Furthermore, since the fashion supply chain is notorious for generating high volumes of pollutants, involving hazardous materials in the production processes, and producing products by companies with low social responsibility, new management principles and theories, especially those that take into account consumer behaviours and preferences, need to be developed to address many of these issues in order to achieve the goal of sustainable fashion supply chain management. The topics covered include Reverse Logistics of US Carpet Recycling; Green Brand Strategies in the Fashion Industry; Impacts of Social Media on Consumers' Disposals of Apparel; Fashion Supply Chain Network Competition with Eco-labelling; Reverse Logistics as a Sustainable Supply Chain Practice for the Fashion Industry; Apparel Manufacturers' Path to World-class Corporate Social Responsibility; Sustainable Supply Chain Management in the Slow-Fashion Industry; Mass Market Second-hand Clothing Retail Operations in Hong Kong; Constraints and Drivers of Growth in the Ethical Fashion Sector: The case of France; and Effects of Used Garment Collection Programmes in Fast Fashion Brands.

**The Risk-Driven Business Model**

Prentice Hall

When thinking about lowering or changing consumption to lower carbon footprints, the obvious offenders come easily to mind: petroleum and petroleum products, paper and plastic, even food. But not clothes. Although the clothing industry is the second largest polluter after agriculture, most consumers do not think of clothes as a source of environmen

Competing with Fast Fashion at Zara Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Seminar paper from the year 2020 in the subject Business economics - Business Management, Corporate Governance, grade: 2,3, EBC University Düsseldorf, course: Strategic Management, language:

English, abstract: To what extent can corporate success in the fast-moving fashion industry be sustainably optimised and secured in the long term? In order to get to the bottom of this question, data and facts from leading companies as well as studies of various modern media platforms were listed and analysed, with a focus on the probably largest platform, the Internet. In order to illustrate these aspects concretely, this article refers to the example of the Spanish fashion brand Zara. The result makes it clear that there are companies or designers who follow or strictly counteract the concept of sustainability with the help of various sustainability strategies. The aim is to demonstrate a conscious and sustainable fashion production process and to appeal to the moral responsibility of fashion companies in view of the worldly scarcity of resources. The consumption of limitless fashion has become an integral part of global society. Prescribed garments in the early modern period of the Middle Ages are today only history. Accordingly, people of all kinds identify globally with fashionable clothing. What can be worn in Japan today can be worn in England or Italy at the same time. But this was not always the case. Trade and communication have always been subject to political aspects. Due to the current networking of all countries, the exchange of information or goods on an international level is part of everyday life. Globalisation is the increasing interstate dependence in all areas of human life. This applies not only to the economy, but also to culture and politics. One particular industry is the fashion industry, which is in constant conflict with itself. Globalisation and sustainability are two terms that are always in focus in the fashion world. When we talk about sustainability in fashion, a fundamental distinction must be made between whether it is influenced by design and consumers or whether it is related to the ecological balance.

#### **The Age of Agile** Penguin

How to outsmart risk Risk has been defined as the potential for losing something of value. In business, that value could be your original investment or your expected future returns. The Risk-Driven Business Model will help you manage risk better by showing how the key choices you make in designing your business models either increase or reduce two characteristic types of risk—information risk, when you make decisions without enough information, and incentive-alignment risk, when decision makers' incentives are at odds with the broader goals of the company. Leaders who

understand how the structure of their business model affects risk have the power to create wealth, revolutionize industries, and shape a better world. INSEAD's Karan Girotra and Serguei Netessine, noted operations and innovation professors who have consulted with dozens of companies, walk you through a business model audit to determine what key decisions get made in a business, when they get made, who makes them, and why we make the decisions we do. By changing your company's key decisions within this framework, you can fundamentally alter the risks that will impact your business. This book is for entrepreneurs and executives in companies involved in dynamic industries where the locus of risk is shifting, and includes lessons from Zipcar, Blockbuster, Apple, Benetton, Kickstarter, Walmart, and dozens of other global companies. The Risk-Driven Business Model demystifies business model risk, with clear directives aimed at improving decision making and driving your business forward.

#### **Fashionopolis** AMACOM

Zara is the best known Spanish brand at an international level, and is listed among the hundred most valuable companies in the world. This insightful new book reveals the secrets behind Zara's success and examines the steps that its creator, Amancio Ortega, took to make Zara the global market leader in fashion. *Experiencing MIS* Zed Books Ltd. Seminar paper from the year 2017 in the subject Business economics - Marketing, Corporate Communication, CRM, Market Research, Social Media, grade: 1,7, University of Applied Sciences Köln RFH, language: English, abstract: This paper seeks to analyze the internationalization process of the Spanish fashion retailer "Zara." It adopts an in-depth case approach based on extensive secondary research. The paper is organized into three parts: It begins with a brief overview of the global fashion and retail industry, as well as a short overview of the company itself. This is followed by the main part, which examines the key aspects in the internationalization of Zara, namely: chronological and geographical sequence, role of culture, EPRG scheme, entry strategies, timing and allocation, IMGT model and the form of organization. In the final section the current situation of Zara is discussed and the results of the case study are summarized and evaluated. Zara was founded in 1975, it became the flagship of Inditex. Inditex stands for Industria de Diseño Textil SA manufactures and sells clothing for men,

women and children. Its brands include Zara, Pull and Bear, Massimo Dutti, Bershka, Stradivarius, Oysho and Zara Home. Zara was founded by Amancio Ortega Gaona in 1963 and is headquartered in A Coruna, Spain. Today Zara stores are located on every continent, with 2213 stores in 93 countries. In addition to that Zara also sells their products in 39 online markets. In 2016 the firm opened 51 new stores, including new countries like Aruba, Nicaragua, Vietnam, New Zealand and Paraguay. The Brand created its image and success with the way it kept up with street fashion in the changing times and how they take a look at how fashion is changing every day. New designs can be placed into stores within a week or two as a result of a fast fashion concept and manufacturing in Europe. This is Zara's competitive advantage bias its competitors like H&M or Mango. They would need up to six months. *Demand Forecast for Short Life Cycle Products* GRIN Verlag The make-take-waste paradigm of fast fashion explains much of the producer and consumer behavior patterns towards fast fashion. The evolution from a two-season fashion calendar to fast fashion, characterized by rapid product cycles from retailers and impulse buying by consumers, presents new challenges to the environment, workplace and labour practices. This book provides a comprehensive overview of new insights into consumer behaviour mechanisms in order to shift practices toward sustainable fashion and to minimize the negative impacts of fast fashion on the environment and society. Concepts and techniques are presented that could overcome the formidable economic drivers of fast fashion and lead toward a future of sustainable fashion. While the need for change in the fashion industry post-Rana Plaza could not be more obvious, alternative and more sustainable consumption models have been under-investigated. The paucity of such research extends to highly consumptive consumer behaviours regarding fast fashion (i.e. impulse buying and throwaways) and the related impediments these behaviours pose for sustainable fashion. Written by leading researchers in the field of sustainable fashion and supported by the Textile Institute, this book evaluates fashion trends, what factors have led to new trends and how the factors supporting fast fashion differ from those of the past. It explores the economic drivers of fast fashion and what social, environmental and political factors should be maintained,



and business approaches adopted, in order for fast fashion to be a sustainable model. In particular, it provides consumer behaviour concepts that can be utilized at the retail level to support sustainable fashion.

**International Production and the Multinational Enterprise (RLE International Business)** HarperCollins UK

"Overdressed does for T-shirts and leggings what Fast Food Nation did for burgers and fries." —Katha Pollitt Cheap fashion has fundamentally changed the way most Americans dress. Stores ranging from discounters like Target to traditional chains like JCPenny now offer the newest trends at unprecedentedly low prices. And we have little reason to keep wearing and repairing the clothes we already own when styles change so fast and it's cheaper to just buy more. Cline sets out to uncover the true nature of the cheap fashion juggernaut. What are we doing with all these cheap clothes? And more important, what are they doing to us, our society, our environment, and our economic well-being?

*The Dirty Side of the Garment Industry* GRIN Verlag

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[Global Branding: Breakthroughs in Research and Practice](#) Kogan Page Publishers

The growth and impact of the multinational enterprise (MNE) in the post war period is one of the most important phenomena of our time. This volume, originally published in 1981 provides a comprehensive and detailed review of both the theoretical and policy issues at a time when the subject had reached a watershed, after the controversies of the 1970s. The book provides a balanced

discussion of major themes such as the development of modern theories of international production; the impact of the MNE on the nation-state and the structure of the international market; the response of governments and the appropriate framework for policy measures; and the historical context and likely future of the MNE.

[Seven-Eleven Japan Co](#) Springer

"This book focuses on reporting both quantitative research on FSCM and exploratory studies on emerging supply chain management issues in the fashion industry"--Provided by publisher.

*Zara* Palgrave Macmillan

To survive in today's competitive and globalized business environment, marketing professionals must look to develop innovative methods of reaching their customers and stakeholders. Examining the relationship between culture and marketing can provide companies with the data they need to expand their reach and increase their profits. *Global Branding: Breakthroughs in Research and Practice* provides international insights into marketing strategies and techniques employed to create and sustain a globally recognized brand. Highlighting a range of pertinent topics such as brand communication, consumer engagement, and product innovation, this publication is an ideal reference source for business executives, marketing professionals, business managers, academicians, and researchers actively involved in the marketing industry.

[Sustainable strategies in the fashion industry. Sustainability and the brand Zara](#) Springer

An expose on the fashion industry written by the Observer's 'Ethical Living' columnist, examining the inhumane and environmentally devastating story behind the clothes we so casually buy and wear.

**Operations Strategy** Routledge Seminar paper from the year 2004 in the subject Business economics - Offline Marketing and Online Marketing, grade: sehr gut, University of East London, language: English, abstract: "Galician Beauty: Spanish clothier Zara beats the competition at efficiency - and just about everything else" *The Wallstreet Journal*, May 18, 2001. During the years 2000-2001, Inditex, an international fashion manufacture and distribution group, received widespread favourable

press, touting Inditex's success and attributing it to Zara's unique integrated business model (Freimen, 2002). In this case study we want to analyse this phenomenon called Zara, a strategic unit of the Inditex Group, and evaluate the strategies of Zara on the European fashion market.

**Information Systems** Harvard Business Review Press

What if society wasn't fundamentally rational, but was motivated by insanity? This thought sets Jon Ronson on an utterly compelling adventure into the world of madness. Along the way, Jon meets psychopaths, those whose lives have been touched by madness and those whose job it is to diagnose it, including the influential psychologist who developed the Psychopath Test, from whom Jon learns the art of psychopath-spotting. A skill which seemingly reveals that madness could indeed be at the heart of everything . . . Combining Jon Ronson's trademark humour, charm and investigative incision, *The Psychopath Test* is both entertaining and honest, unearthing dangerous truths and asking serious questions about how we define normality in a world where we are increasingly judged by our maddest edges. 'The belly laughs come thick and fast - my God, he is funny . . . provocative and interesting' - Observer

*Clothing Poverty* GRIN Verlag

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