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## **Editorial**

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In this first inaugural issue of the *International Journal of Agile Systems and Management*, there are seven papers. The first paper by Helo is on agile production management and analysis of capacity and order fulfilment time. It explores the managerial implications of costs and lead-time when building agile manufacturing. In the second paper, Ismail et al. examine the framework for the implementation of agility based on a bottom-up approach. It considers three stages of agility – robustness, responsiveness and proactiveness – when aligning actions to company strategy. Min and Yan's paper is on web-based architecture and technologies of agile supply chain management system. The paper addresses optimisation of value flow in supply chain management and discussed the components of inter-enterprise information system and proposed a web-based architecture of agile supply chain management system. The fourth paper by Chermack and Walton is on development and change through scenarios. The paper examines the role of scenario planning as a development and change intervention by, first, providing an overview of scenario planning and change orientations in organisations, second, building on philosophical orientations of development and finally suggesting implications for management and development of expertise. The fifth paper by Onuh et al. reports on reverse engineering and rapid tooling techniques as enablers of agile manufacturing where speed, flexibility and innovation are enhanced by the deployment of the techniques. Cheng et al. explore RFID in manufacturing and associated challenges for effective deployment whilst Adeleye and Yusuf present empirical studies demonstrating the superiority of agile competition model.