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## Editorial

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The increasing call for mass customisation in many industries has made today's global supply chains very complex, requiring a multitude of information and physical flows to be controlled to ensure high customer service levels. Complex logistic processes or supply chains are considered the most important activities in the modern economy and societies, and they are subject to many disturbing effects such as rapid shifts in customer demand, changes on orders, transport congestions.... In view of these facts, the purpose of the International Conference on Advanced Logistics and Transport (ICALT) is to provide a platform for academics and engineers to meet, exchange ideas, and establish new professional networks. The number of papers submitted to ICALT'2013 has overwhelmed those of previous editions. The reviewing process was rigorous, including peer-reviewing from at least two qualified reviewers. The papers accepted are of very high quality and cover the wide range of topics of the conference. For this special issue, we selected only 12 high quality papers, nine papers are selected from the large number of papers presented at ICALT2013. These papers are representative of the main topics in logistics and transport. We would also like to thank Prof. Kannan Govindan for his editorial assistance and for accepting the selected papers to be published as a special issue. Finally, we would like to thank the authors of articles appearing in this special issue.