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Dr. Nick Vyas is an educator, global thought leader, author, keynote speaker, American Society for Quality Fellow (ASQ), Chair of the ASQ Lean Enterprise Division, and legal advisor to leaders in the worlds of supply chain and global trade practice and policy. As the Founding Executive Director of the USC Marshall Randall R. Kendrick Global Supply Chain Institute and Academic Director of the USC Master of Science in Global Supply Chain Management program, Dr. Vyas educates the next generation of global supply chain leaders.

Dr. Vyas is an early proponent of the need to recognize the pivotal role of global supply chain management in international trade policy trends and economic growth. He has frequently contributed articles and opinions to reputed media platforms such as CNN, Bloomberg, ABC News, Supply Chain Management Review (SCMR), NPR, KCRW, CBS News, The Economist, Los Angeles Times, Rachel Maddow Show, Al Jazeera, BBC, LA Business Journal, and numerous others. He is the author of *Enterprise Excellence: A Modern Approach to Organizational Change and Leadership using Blended Quality Management* and the co-author of *Blockchain and the Supply Chain, 2nd Edition: Concepts, Strategies, and Practical Applications*, a book that highlights industry use cases to illustrate the significance of blockchain as an enabler and a key driver for solutions in global supply chain networks.

As a recognized thought leader, he delivers keynote addresses at conferences around the world, particularly in countries with transitional economies such as Brazil, China, India, Mexico, Peru, Singapore, and the Dominican Republic, on global trade and disruptive technologies and their impact on global supply chain management and operations.

As an authority on global supply chain management and logistics, Dr. Vyas has led over 500 projects on business and cultural transformation for Fortune 100 M&A companies over the last 30 years. He served as a member of the United States Department of Commerce's Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness (ACSCC) and the Vice Chair of the ACSCC's Innovation, Technology, and Strategic Competitiveness Subcommittee.

He earned his Doctor of Education from the University of Southern California (USC), with a published dissertation titled, "The Conceptualization of the Higher Education Excellence System (HEES): Use of Advanced Data Analytics and Blended Quality Management."

APICS, the premier professional association for supply chain management, presented Dr. Vyas with the Supply Chain Leader Award of Excellence. APICS recognized him for his contributions and efforts in the development of the next generation supply chain ecosystem.

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