Offshoring and the Safety of the Global Supply Chain: An Integrated Model

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Drawing from the literature on supply chain and offshoring we propose an integrated model that explores the safety of the global supply chain. The model contends that inspections are necessary but not sufficient to ensure the safety of the global supply chain. Rather, a partnership involving key stakeholders, such as offshore recipient as well as provider companies, government agencies and supranational organizations is essential in enhancing the safety of the global supply chain. The model's implications for research and practice are discussed.

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