# Columbus<sup>®</sup> Once you know how...

Improve your Supply Chain visibility with intelligent vendor management

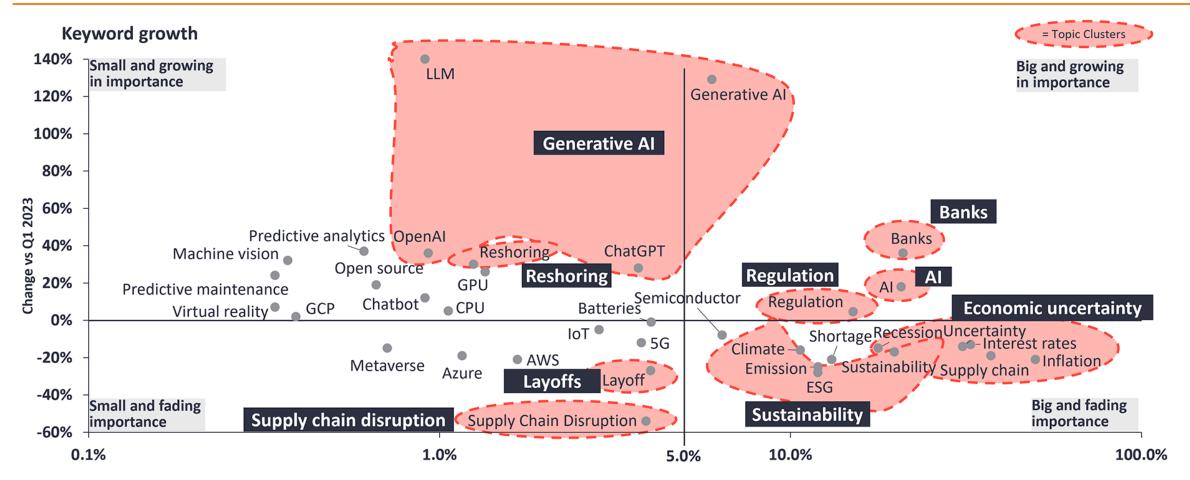
### Agenda

- Challenges and opportunities
- Customer stories
- Intelligent and adaptable vendor management
- The catalyst offer
- About Columbus



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### What CEOs talked about on Q2/2023



Note: The analysis is based on ~8,000 earnings calls from ~4,000 global companies listed in the U.S. in Q2 2023 and Q1 2023. The mentions of the selected keywords in each call were counted in each quarter. We welcome republishing of images but ask for source citation with a link to the original post and company website.

#### **Keyword importance**

(Share of companies that mentioned the keyword in Q2 2023 at least once)

### Increase flexibility across the value chain



of organizations reported at least one supply chain **disruption** say that these disruptions were caused by **supplier-related issues** <sup>1</sup>



of companies experienced **quality issues with their suppliers**, leading to product defects, rework, and increased customer returns <sup>2</sup>



of companies had experienced a **significant compliance failure with suppliers**, resulting in financial penalties, legal disputes, and reputational damage <sup>3</sup> Companies with **high levels of supplier collaboration** achieved, on average:

**15%** higher revenue growth

20% lower supply chain costs

50% lower inventory levels <sup>4</sup>

### Vendor management is a crucial part of resilient supply chains



Companies can adjust their demand forecasts and production plans accordingly to prevent shortages or excess inventory. Now with Copilot



Source raw material from suppliers in the fastest and most cost-effective manner set up new suppliers quickly to ensure business continuity. Now with Copilot



Minimize disruptions caused by supplier issues/ lack of components by quickly assessing the impact and adjusting formulas through change management to ensure production lines are running every day



Ensure real-time cross channel inventory visibility to ensure that you are stocking your DCs globally with the right mix and right quantity / reduce inventory levels



Optimize shipment sizes, reduce freight expenses, and enhance overall logistics coordination by coordinating with suppliers and aligning order quantities and delivery schedules. **Now with Copilot** 



Assess the reliability of suppliers in meeting delivery schedules by monitoring and managing supplier performance metrics, such as on-time delivery and order fill rate

### Opportunities for your business



Analyze spend to optimize supplier base and sourcing Prioritize eco-friendly and ethical sourcing of materials Diversify supplier base to avoid an overdependency on certain geographies

Predict upcoming issues in the supply chain before they occur with Copilot support

Onboard innovative inventory management strategies

### Benefits



Enhanced overall supply chain resilience due to easier detection of underperforming vendors, addressing issues promptly, and fostering continuous improvement.



Better decision-making due to accuracy and data integrity. Automation reduces the risk of errors, duplications, and data inconsistencies.



Improved performance and customer satisfaction through decreased costs, lead time and product reliability.



Compliance with legal, environmental, and ethical standards due to tracking and managing supplier certifications, contracts, and documentation.



Streamlined communication and collaboration thanks to real-time collaboration capabilities, quicker issue resolution, timely responses to inquiries.

#### **KPIs** Cost of Goods **On-time Delivery** 9 Sold (COGS) Quality 10 **Gross Margin** Performance Return on Lead Time 3 Investment (ROI) Customer **Cost Savings** 12 Satisfaction Supplier Time-to-Market 15 Performance Inventory **Supplier Diversity** 6 14 Turnover Contract Working Capital 17 Compliance Supplier 8 **Brand Reputation** 16 Relationship

### Vendor management and ESG



**Supplier Selection**: evaluating potential suppliers based on their ESG performance, such as their environmental impact, social responsibility practices, and governance standards



**Supplier Code of Conduct:** An effective way to integrate ESG into vendor management is by implementing a supplier code of conduct. This code outlines the organization's expectations regarding ESG criteria and requires suppliers to comply with these standards



**Supplier Performance Monitoring:** ESG-focused procurement involves ongoing monitoring of supplier performance. This includes assessing suppliers' ESG performance periodically to ensure they continue to meet the agreed-upon standards



**Risk Management:** Implementing robust risk management processes, including due diligence assessments and ongoing monitoring, helps mitigate ESG-related risks in the supply chain



**Reporting and Transparency:** disclosing information on supplier performance, ESG criteria used for supplier selection, progress made in improving ESG practices, and any initiatives taken to address ESG challenges



What gets measured gets managed. As the ESG role and expectations evolve, the metrics must evolve too!

# Poor data quality and lack of integration are still top challenges

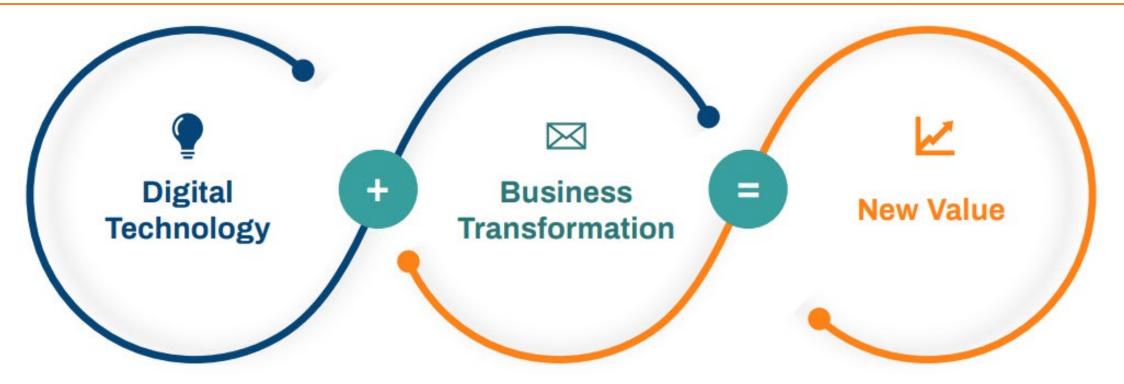
What do you see as the main barriers to the effective application of digital technology in procurement? (Select and rank top three)

Quality of data						
22.91%				16.72%		10.84%
Poor integration acros	s applications					
13%		16.41%			16.10%	16.10%
Lack of budget/founding	ng					
15.17%		13.	31%		12.07%	12.07%
Unclear ROI and difficu	ult justification proces	SS				
12.38%		11.46%		6.81%		
Lack of internal IT reso	ources/support				_	
9.60%	8.98%		10.22%			
Difficulty with aging te	echnology (e.g., ERP)				_	
6.81%	11.15%		11.15%			
Change management v	with stakeholders					
7.43%	9.91%		10.53%			
Availability of data						
8.67%	4.64%	4.33%				
Availability of skiled la	bor					
4.02%	6.81%					Rank 1

### Challenges

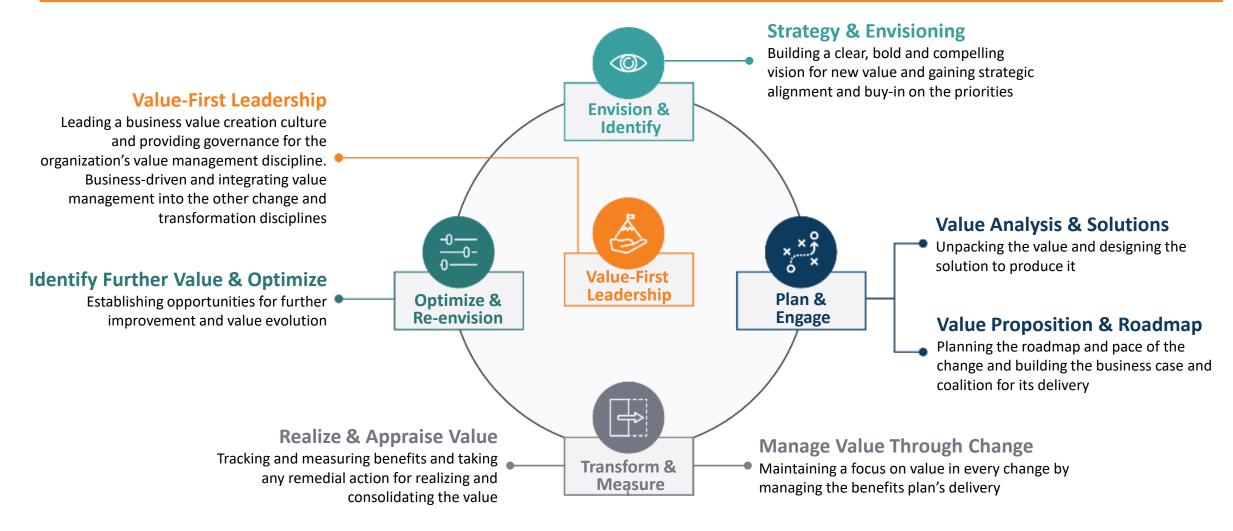
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Integration and Compatibility	Data Management and Accuracy	Resistance to change	System Complexity and Training	Vendor Compliance and Integration
Implementing a vendor management system often involves integrating it with existing enterprise systems such as ERP or procurement software.	Ensuring data accuracy, completeness, and consistency can be challenging, especially when dealing with multiple data sources or manual data entry processes.	Implementing new technology can be disruptive to existing processes and workflows, and some employees may be resistant to change or may require significant training to adapt to new tools.	Vendor management systems can be complex, requiring technical expertise for setup, configuration, and ongoing maintenance.	Vendor management systems often involve interaction with external suppliers who may have their own technology systems and processes.

### The Winning Formula



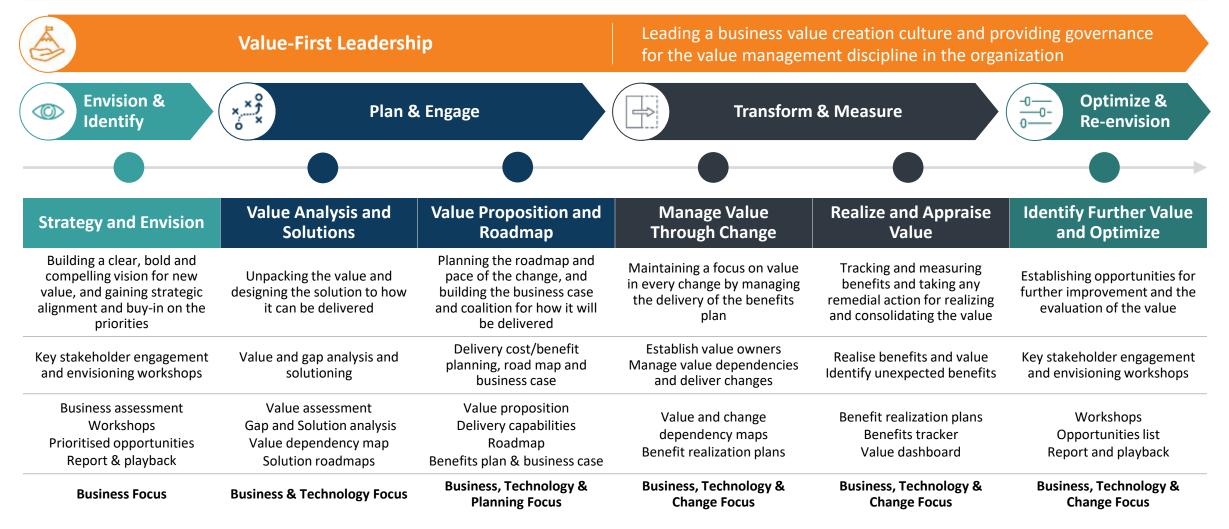
To achieve new value, you must concurrently deploy the right digital technologies and be strong in many of the disciplines that lead to successful business transformation.

### An overview of Value-First approach by Columbus



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### The approach in more depth – The Value First Framework



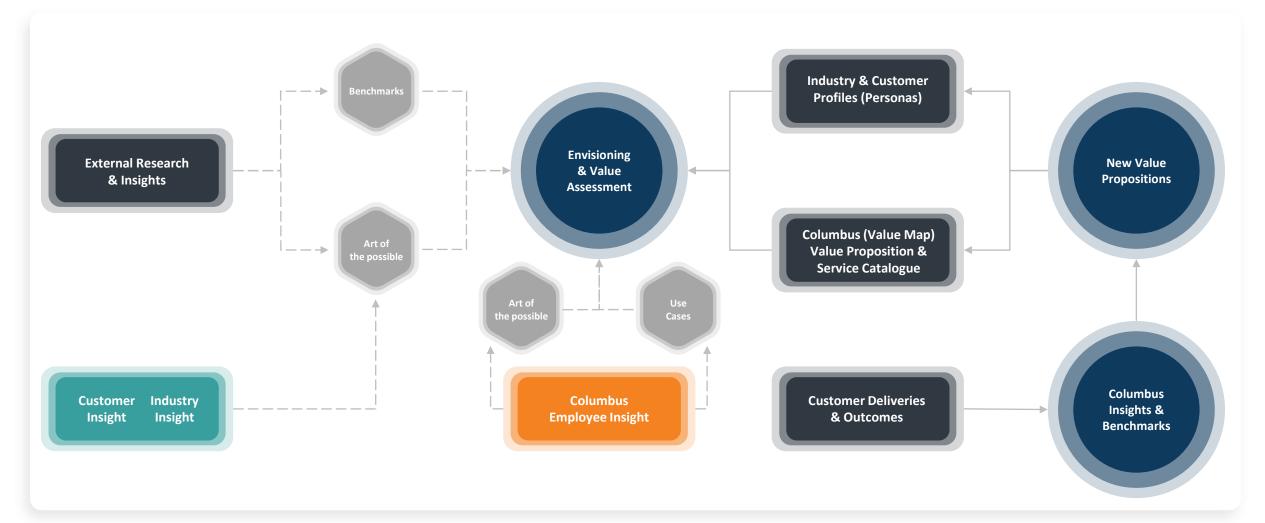
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## How we'll get there

Strategy and Envision	Value Analysis and Solutions	Value Proposition and Roadmap Planning the roadmap and pace of the change, and building the business case and coalition for how it will be delivered	
Building a clear, bold and compelling vision for new value, and gaining strategic alignment and buy-in on the priorities	Unpacking the value and designing the solution to how it can be delivered		
Key stakeholder engagement and envisioning workshops	Value and gap analysis and solutioning	Delivery cost/benefit planning, road map and business case	
Business assessment Workshops Prioritised opportunities Report & playback	Value assessment Gap and Solution analysis Value dependency map Solution roadmaps	Value proposition Delivery capabilities Roadmap Benefits plan & business case	
Business Focus	Business & Technology Focus	Business, Technology & Planning Focus	

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### Bringing this all together



### Three packages to fit your business needs

#### **Starter**

Strategy and Envisioning

- Envisioning workshops
- Playback to client, with recommendations
- ROM Value, High-level solution, capabilities required, recommendations and suggested next steps

#### Standard

#### Starter + Value Analysis and Solutions

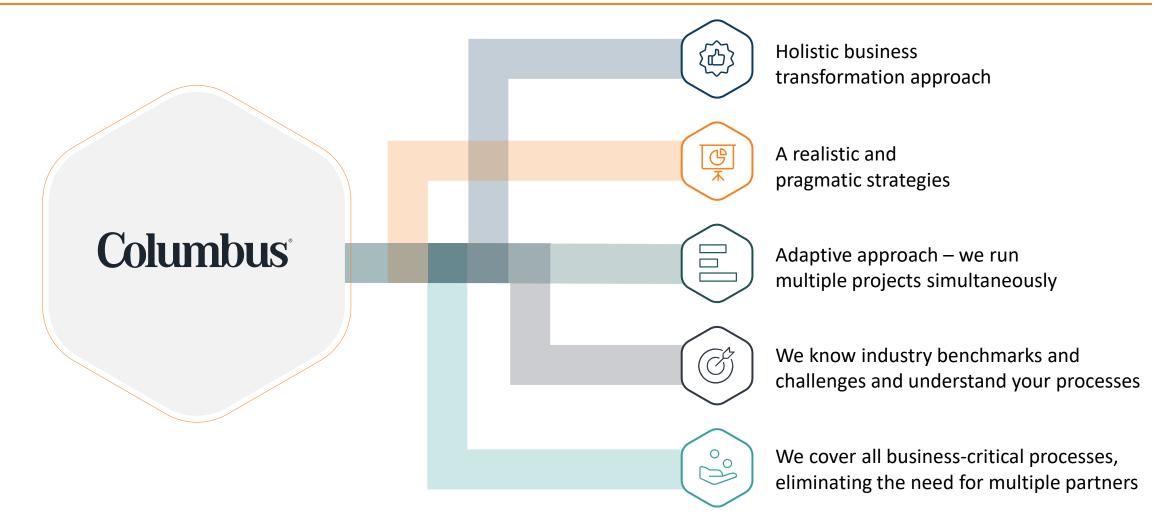
- Envisioning workshops
- Technology, Data and Integration workshops
- 2 x Playbacks to client, with recommendations
- Value analysis with ROI where solution costed, bid level solution, capabilities required, recommendations and suggested next steps

#### **Advanced**

#### **Standard + Transformation Roadmap**

- Envisioning workshops
- Technology, Data and Integration workshops
- Planning and cost workshops
- Several Playbacks to client, with recommendations
- Solution and delivery Roadmap, ROI, Value Levers, solution, capabilities required, recommendations and suggested next steps

### Why choose Columbus



### Safe pair of hands for your entire transformation journey

**Cloud ERP** to optimize Supply Chain & Finance

**Power Platform** to accelerate Innovation with Low Code

#### **Customer Experience**

to improve customer experience and engagement strategy

Data & AI

To provide actionable insights for datadriven decision making

#### **Digital Commerce**

Create customer-centric e-commerce strategy to boost revenue

**Security** Protect your business-critical assets

Change management built-in

#### Seamless transition into operations

### Summary of Practicalities



### Our mission

### We deliver customer success



**30** Years of in-depth industry, technology, and process experience



5000+ Enterprise & Large SMB customers worldwide in various industries

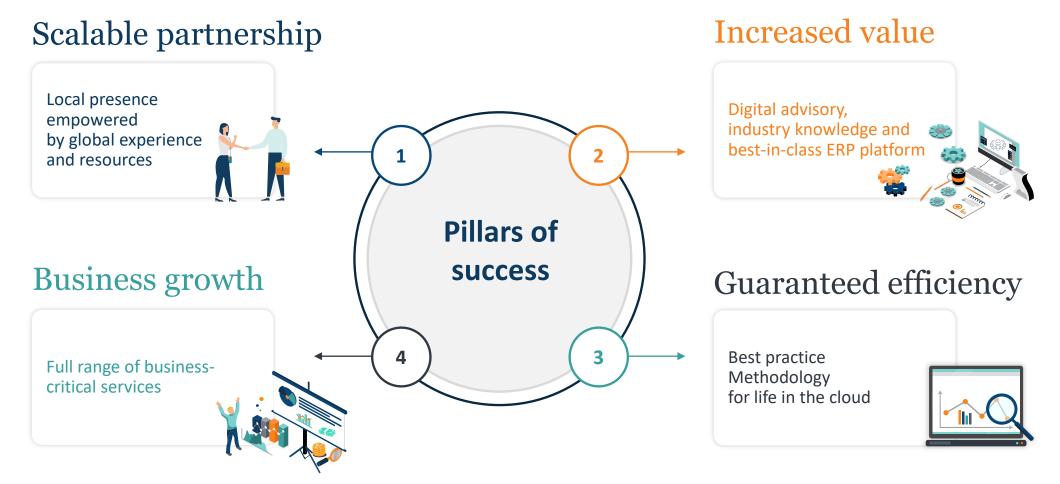


9,000 Business-critical application implementations

- Columbus is a global digital advisor and IT consulting company
- Part of NASDAQ Copenhagen stock exchange since 1998
- Largest Microsoft Dynamics (ERP) partner in Northern Europe



### Realize the full potential of your business



### Local presence empowered by global experience & resources



### Manufacturing

Optimize time to market and transform your business towards servitization





