

# Physical Internet-driven last mile delivery: Performance requirements across people, processes, and technology

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### Last Mile Delivery Challenges



- congested urban areas
- dealing with traffic
- finding appropriate parking
- is responsible for 20% of urban traffic
- e-commerce has made deliveries smaller and more frequent
- in-practice
  - idle capacity assets
  - poor use of modes
  - inadequate business systems



#### about this research

#### scope

- develop a theory-based framework for PIdriven LMD – PPT Theory
- analyse performance requirements from the perspective of PPT
  - people
  - process
  - technology
- literature review ongoing work
- PI aspects to consider:
  - standardization of containers and protocols
  - logistics providers collaboration
  - ability to share resources

#### approach

 identify the interactions of people, process, and technology to bring better performance outcomes in PI-driven LMD based on PPT Theory

People - Process - Technology

PEOPLE

TECHNOLOGY

PROCESS

Framework

- systematic literature review (SLR)
- 39 studies were considered after two screening stages
- thematic analysis was pursued to identify requirements according to the PPT framework
- performance outcomes were extracted through setting propositions

### findings - people

- understanding of new technologies and being able to use them effectively
- mutliple aspects of skills require to be covered
- handling robotics and automation interactions
- customer-service skills
- appropreate training

#### People

- · IT and digital skills
- Availability of skilled workforce

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- · Adaptability to change
- · Customer-service skills
- Health, safety, and security training

### findings - process

- process adaptaion is different for B2B and B2C
- standardization of processes and data is key
- real-time tracking & monitoring drives smart decision making:
  - robustness/ flexibility
  - effectiveness
- processes integration
- multiple delivery channels
  - include drones, droids, autonomous robots
- comprehensive services
  - crowdsourcing, mobile parcel lockers

#### Process

- Standardised processes and data exchanges
- Real-time tracking and monitoring
- · Flexible delivery options
- · Adopting new delivery services

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### findings - technology

- self-organizing logistics systems
  reduction of operational costs
- mobile applications
- digital platforms
- optimized deployment of services/ coverage

#### Technology

- Automatization
- Robotization
- Optimization
- Digitalization



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### findings - performance



#### concluding remarks

- theory-based framework for PI-driven LMD performance requirements
- test research propositions in real-world case studies of URBANE via LLs
  - micro-consolidation
  - GPS/ monitoring capabilities
  - smart operational/ tactical decision making



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