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Consider how contracts are evolving and how new systems and technologies are impacting contracts, sustainability, and quality. Discuss how the acquisition has changed (e-commerce and RFID are just two examples) and how you think it will change in the future. Discuss how the economy might have an impact on contract compliance. Consider the impact of Small Business and Government

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Jennipher Armstead posted Feb 17, 2023 10:33 PM [★ Subscribe](#)

Hi Class!!

Contracts are evolving in response to new systems and technologies, as well as the need to address sustainability and quality concerns. E-commerce and radio frequency identification (RFID) are two examples of technologies that have impacted the acquisition process. E-commerce has allowed for faster and more efficient procurement processes, while RFID has enabled greater supply chain visibility and control. Additionally, sustainability and

quality concerns have led to an increased focus on contract compliance and the inclusion of sustainability and quality clauses in contracts.

In the future, the acquisition process is likely to continue to evolve in response to emerging technologies and changing economic conditions. For example, artificial intelligence and machine learning are likely to play an increasingly important role in procurement processes, enabling greater automation and efficiency. Additionally, the rise of the gig economy and the use of remote workforces may impact the way contracts are structured and managed.

The economy can also have a significant impact on contract compliance, as economic downturns can lead to increased pressure to cut costs and reduce spending. This can result in reduced oversight and an increased risk of non-compliance. To mitigate this risk, it is important for organizations to maintain a strong focus on contract compliance and to prioritize compliance even in challenging economic conditions.

Small businesses and government also play a critical role in the acquisition process. Small businesses are often the recipients of government contracts and can bring a level of agility and innovation to the process. Additionally, the government has a responsibility to ensure that contracts are awarded in a fair and transparent manner, and that the needs of the government and the public are being met through the contracting process.

Lastly, the acquisition process is evolving in response to emerging technologies, sustainability and quality concerns, and changing economic conditions. As the process continues to evolve, it will be important to prioritize contract compliance, maintain a focus on sustainability and quality, and ensure that small businesses and government are able to effectively participate in the contracting process. What do you guys think are the most promising technologies or innovations that will have a significant impact on the acquisition process in the future, and how do you think they will change the nature of contract management and compliance?

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Darrick Mcclaskey posted Feb 9, 2023 5:13 PM  [Subscribe](#)

Good evening,

We will be discussing this week's discussion, if you find any discrepancies, please let me know so I am able to adjust and make it better for my next discussion, thank you!

I wanted to start off with the small businesses and how they will be affected from this ever changing fast paced of evolving technology world. I think that many small businesses will find it difficult to keep up with the latest programs, many will start their business, choose a program that works for them, and by the next week there's already a new program out that's better than the one they had just chosen. I think that for them, not only the factor of keeping up with the programs will prove to be extremely difficult, but also being able to maintain funds in order to purchase those programs. I think that after tons of research, these programs prove to be crucial to the success of a company, but if you are a small business owner, how are you able to keep pushing out funds in order to keep up with the programs, if you are in the position that are breaking even from current production? I think depending on location, many will be able to maintain with an older program if needed, but if in a location near big-named companies that are selling the same products, but with the most up-to-date program, will potentially lead to their demise. Many small businesses are trying to make a break by coming back from the economic disaster that was caused by Covid-19, but being able to get the ball rolling with production while trying to obtain new products will prove to be a true testament.

We will now discuss governments, and when it comes to the programs. While I think they will be able to keep up with the programs, they will have their fair share of disadvantages. Not like smaller businesses, that will get a new program, and only will have to teach a few workers on the program, the government will have to train hundreds, if not thousands, which could be proven to be very costly. At the end of the day, the government will be able to sustain themselves, while it may be timely, and expensive, I think that if they were to need more contractors in order to work these programs and or teach, they will be able to meet these scenarios.

Both of these parties will meet difficulties when it comes to the introduction of new programs, but small business in my opinion will definitely feel the burden of issues, if that means cost, time, and or production when it comes to implementing these systems. While the systems will prove to play crucial roles in their success, it is dependent on them to maintain and keep afloat in even the worst of times.

Thank you for reading!

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Josh Hon posted Feb 8, 2023 9:47 PM [★ Subscribe](#)

Purchasing a contract requires little to no personal interaction in today's internet-based world. More and more companies are turning to radio frequency identification (RFID) technology to keep track of and manage their numerous contracts. The biggest challenge for corporations will be making sure they have high-quality contracts that are enforceable.

Traditional paper contracts have been replaced by digital or electronic agreements in recent years. Many businesses are moving away from paper-based processes in favor of digital ones, but this trend is expected to continue. Digital contracts are more time and cost efficient as well as easier to manage than paper contracts. The traditional contract is no longer able to meet the needs of modern businesses in the same way it used to. Both quality and sustainability are being impacted by changes in contractual ties, as well as new systems and technology. A shift in contractual paradigm is helping to level the playing field for all parties. The government's new procurement strategy is having a positive impact on both the quantity and quality of government services. Contracts in the private sector have historically been awarded to the lowest-priced bidder. The new paradigm of contracting is resulting in contracts that are based on the quality of service given.

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