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Sourcing risk / supplier resilience

Make sourcing decisions that are risk-informed

Bring supplier location exposure into one decision-ready view to anticipate disruption earlier, choose partners with greater confidence, and protect continuity.

When supplier risk is difficult to see

Sourcing teams are being asked to deliver cost efficiency and continuity in a world of more frequent disruption – a struggle for most organisations because:

Supplier location and site information is fragmented across procurement, operations, risk, and ESG, creating competing "truths."

Exposure is difficult to translate into operational consequences – what interrupts production, fulfilment, or service levels.

Mitigation options such as dual sourcing, inventory buffers, route alternatives, and supplier development are assessed against inconsistent baselines, making prioritisation subjective.

Mitigation decisions (e.g., dual-sourcing, inventory buffers, route alternatives, supplier development) often lack a consistent baseline to prioritise what matters most.

Leaders want a clear answer on which supplier sites are most exposed, what the business impact is, and which actions are underway, but siloed inputs slow decisions.

Standardise supplier-site risk and act earlier

The RDS platform consolidates supplier site locations into a digital twin foundation and enriches them with Swiss Re and third-party risk insights, so teams can compare exposure consistently and act on the same evidence, enabling them to:

- Create a governed supplier-site register with normalised location data and key attributes, so analysis is comparable across regions and functions.
- Overlay hazard, climate, and disruption layers from Swiss Re and selected external sources to assess exposure at supplier sites and along critical routes/corridors.
- Apply consistent scoring and thresholds to benchmark suppliers, countries, and sourcing options using the same metrics and scenarios.
- Share controlled views and outputs across procurement, operations and risk with governed access, versioning and traceability.



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Value delivered

Earlier disruption signals

Spot high-exposure supplier sites and concentrations before issues cascade.

Margin protection

Identify where assumptions are too optimistic and where resilience investment reduces downside.

Faster cross-functional decisions

Procurement, Operations, and Risk work from one governed view.

Clearer sourcing justification

Communicate supplier choices and mitigation actions with stronger evidence.

What customers achieve

Automotive manufacturer: assessed supplier location vulnerability to extreme weather events to prevent production delays.

Put exposure into every sourcing decision

Request a demo to see how RDS standardises supplier-site locations, surfaces disruption hotspots, and supports scenario-led planning for sourcing and continuity.

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