Disruptive and Innovative Technology Solutions for Global Business Services (GBS) Talent Management

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Background of the research

COVID-19 has intensified the ongoing war for talent. Sourcing, activating, and retaining top talent – employees with specialized functional and behavioral skills that enable organizations to survive uncertainties and thrive in intense competition – are becoming ever more critical to organizational success. As talent becomes the differentiating factor, GBS organizations are turning to technology solutions that optimize various aspects of talent management, provide access to real-time data-driven insights, eliminate process inefficiencies, help track effectiveness of initiatives, and enable accurate decision making. Next-generation technologies – data science, artificial intelligence, machine learning, analytics, etc. – are being increasingly leveraged by organizations to manage talent and business challenges more effectively.

To help GBS organizations future-proof their talent management strategy, Everest Group has studied 50+ innovative technology solutions that offer a unique value proposition and enable organizations to streamline talent management processes, making them more real-time, data-driven, and outcome-oriented. GBS organizations can use this intelligence in addition to our "Talent Performance Framework" to optimize their talent management processes and plan current and future talent needs.

The report highlights the key aspects of talent management that are witnessing exponential growth as well as some disruptive and innovative technology solutions that are redefining talent management. It also sheds light on the technology solutions' evolving value propositions that GBS organizations must watch out for.

Scope of this report:



Key learnings

Impact of COVID-19 on talent management, key aspects of talent management witnessing growth, increasing leverage of technology solutions



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Leading innovative technology solutions, evolving value proposition, and key implications for GBS organizations



Case studies

Case studies highlighting key initiatives and success factors for leading GBS organizations

Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

In this report, we highlight key aspects of talent management that are witnessing exponential growth as well as some disruptive and innovative technology solutions that are redefining talent management. It also sheds light on the evolving value proposition offered by technology solutions emerging trends GBS organizations must watch out for.

Some of the findings in this report, among others, are:

Observations in 2021

- Talent has become a key battle-ground and enterprise view talent shortage as a key impediment to achieving outcomes
- COVID-19 has changed the ways of working, workforce distribution, and enterprise approach to talent management. This has also resulted into a maturing third-party ecosystem for talent management with the rise of multiple disruptive technology solutions

Expectations for 2022 and beyond

- Leverage of disruptive technology solution by GBS (Global Business Services) is expected to increase going forward
- GBS organizations are expected to implement these disruptive point solutions along with their end-to-end solutions to get access to certain features/enhancements currently not being covered by the end-to-end solutions
- Best-in-class GBS organizations are expected to develop GBS-specific talent management strategies and leverage technology solutions to maximize value delivered

This study analyzes emerging technology solutions and use cases from leading global organizations, providing details on how these organizations can leverage these disruptive solutions to improve talent management



Research calendar

Talent Excellence GBS

	Published Planned Current release
Published reports	Release date
Innovative Talent Practices to Build the GBS of the Future	November 2019
European Digital Services Talent Handbook: Prepare for Digital Disruption	June 2019
Playbook: Integrating Work From Home (WFH) in the Global Business Services (GBS) Delivery Model	June 2020
Workforce Productivity: The Next Frontier in Improving Organizational Efficiency	June 2020
Engineering Services Skills Handbook: Preparing for Next Wave of Growth in Global ER&D	July 2020
Winning the War for Talent: An Enterprise Guide to Building a Sustainable Workforce Strategy	July 2020
Charting the Skilling Journey to Build the IT Services Talent of Tomorrow: Replacing the Commodity IT Services Role Definitions	August 2020
Future of Work-From-Home in GBS Separating Hype from Reality	May 2021
Skilling Strategies for GBS Organizations Pinnacle Model™ Analysis 2021	July 2021
Disruptive and Innovative Technology Solutions for Global Business Services (GBS) Talent Management	November 2021

Planned reports	Release date
Unlocking GBS Workforce Productivity	Q4 2021
Role of Next Generation Technologies in Talent Acquisition	Q4 2021
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