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"People Mean Success!"

### How To Find The Best Talents

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#### Agenda:

Talents Today Job Analysis Creative Hiring Diversity Selection Continuous Improvement HR Business Partner

## **Talents Today**

#### What has mattered all the time:

- Price and quality

#### What has changed:

- Rules for job security
- Predictability
- Psychological contract
- Perception of colleagues
- People as competitive advantage

# **Needs And Interests**

#### <u>Company</u>

- Competitive Advantage People
- Intellectual Capital capture in the system = <u>own</u>
- Lower the Cost of Employees
  - "younger" means cheaper
  - avoid severance package
  - flexible contracts
- Culture of Performance
- People as Resources

#### <u>Me</u>

- Competitive Advantage my Uniqueness
- Intellectual Capital not share = <u>own</u>
- Increase my Price
  - increase my competence to increase my labour market price
  - negotiate good contract
- Work-Life balance
- I am not a Resource, my name is ...

# **Job Analysis**

- Input for hiring and selection decisions
- Stakeholders management
- Wider context (team, succession, demographics etc.)
- Documentation
- Clarity about what we want to hire

# **Creative Hiring**

- Keep eyes open
- Keep a registry
- Network
- Go where good candidates are
- Internet
- Ex-employees
- It is the person, not the name of the agency
- Employer Brand



Broaden your options in recruitment

Pros and cons of diverse teams

Teach managers to manage Diversity and Inclusiveness

#### Selection

The goal of the selection process is to find the best available person for the job, a person with the knowledge, skills, abilities, and motivation to successfully fill the position.

Companies hire people on Knowledge and Skills and fire on Personality.

# The Importance of Hiring and Selection

- Business Case for Selection expensive when failed:
  - Time
  - Money
  - Culture, Leadership perception, Engagement
  - Selection matters on all levels
- The Power of HR
- Cultural change Examples

#### **Return on Investment**

Good candidate hired and enthused
Manager further developed and motivated. Made accountable.
HR received feedback for improvement
Employer Public Relation, Brand
Labour Market Intelligence increased

#### **The Process of Selection**

- HR responsible for the process and always in control
- Stakeholders management
- Recruitment Guidlines (decision making)
- Keep written evidence
- Who is selecting whom?
- How do we treat people here?
- Protect the candidate confidentiality
- Learn about the Labour Market

## **How To Minimize Mistakes**

- HR in control and responsible for the process including communication
- Selection Methods
- More people involved (extra benefit: leadership development, culture shaping)
- Management positions: Grandfather principle
- When in doubt, do not employ!

# **Selection Methods**

#### Pre-employment tests

- Memory, Vocabulary, Cognitive Ability, Information Processing tests
- Personality tests
- Etc.

#### Selection

- Inteviews
- Assessment and Development Centres

#### **Continuous Improvement**

#### HR, ask for Feedback:

Selection evaluation
Hiring Manager – HR: mutual feedback
Feedback from rejecting candidates

#### **Be A Business Partner**

People are too expensive source to be "owned" by one manager
Manage The Hired Talent
Talk Money!
Introduction Programme
3 months interview

# Good Luck With Your Hiring!

#### **And Maintaining!**