

ManpowerGroup Reveals Why Human Age Leaders Will Win in Today's Economy

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DAVOS, Switzerland, Jan. 24, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- ManpowerGroup (NYSE: MAN), the world leader in innovative workforce solutions and World Economic Forum (WEF) strategic partner, joins business leaders and policy makers at the 2012 WEF Annual Meeting in Davos this week to detail how Human Age Leaders are finding the best talent, and implementing the right work models and people practices — in an era defined by constant change. ManpowerGroup executives attending the Davos sessions will also identify the future forces affecting world of work trends and map how successful leaders are navigating them.

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"As the global war for in-demand, but hard-to-find skill sets ensues, companies have found that they will succeed only if they are able to unleash the innovative spirit of their employees," said Jeffrey A. Joerres, ManpowerGroup Chairman and CEO. "Aligning skilled talent with the right roles is now a top priority among CEOs and HR leaders worldwide. Leaders today must also create development models that inspire innovation and productivity."

The theme for this year's WEF Annual Meeting, "The Great Transformation: Shaping New Models," reflects the rise of Talentism, and a need for business leaders to navigate complexities of the Human Age collaboratively, across internal horizontal structures and externally, through integrated private-public thought leadership networks. At last year's WEF Annual Meeting, ManpowerGroup identified Talentism as anchoring the Human Age, an era that requires all organizations and leaders to unleash human potential, as access to talent has replaced access to capital as the key competitive differentiator. In the past year, global crises, such as youth uprisings across the Arab World, accelerated and converged, amplifying the forces that created this new era.

New thought leadership material entitled "How to Navigate the Human Age," that ManpowerGroup officially publishes tomorrow, pinpoints unique strategies and capabilities that successful leaders in the Human Age need to leverage and develop to win. For example, business leaders, who are winning today's talent wars, are leveraging great social power, versus ruling by decree.

Human Age Leaders also need to be "infobesity" curators, who drive the right business decisions by strategically organizing and culling the right data. By effectively managing qualitative data, they can channel specific and relevant information to their workforce that drives performance and results.

Effective Human Age Leaders also operate according to a philosophy and set of standards which are both shared across a diverse organization — populated with a range of highly skilled and often autonomous talent.

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In January 2011, at the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, ManpowerGroup announced the world has entered the Human Age, where talent has replaced capital as the key competitive differentiator. Learn more about this new age at www.manpowergroup.com/humanage

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