

#### The first ever global workplace happiness list.

Unlike other workplace lists that are based on individual factors such as trust, workplace environment, equality, or diversity, the "Happiest Workplaces Around the Globe" comprehensively considers all these elements.

#### The most comprehensive list to date.

Happiest Workplaces Around the Globe is the most extensive list ever, featuring the top 819 happiest workplaces across 23 countries, derived from a meta-analysis of 16,829 companies across 236 different workplace rankings.

#### The only list that considers sector dynamics

Existing lists often overlook sector-specific dynamics, predominantly featuring companies from less challenging sectors and omitting those from more demanding ones due to their work conditions and job characteristics. This skews their representation of the job landscape. In contrast, 'Happiest Workplaces Around the Globe' includes only the happiest company from each sector, offering a more accurate and comprehensive view.

#### The first list to leverage in-depth scientific analysis

Meta-analysis, renowned for its robustness in science, eliminates randomness and error by synthesizing findings from multiple studies. "Happiest Workplaces Around the Globe" uniquely harnesses this method along with surveys and HR practices, establishing itself as a trailblazer in accurately assessing workplace happiness.

## Methodology

The report employs a sophisticated blend of qualitative research tools and advanced neuroscience-based methodologies. It utilizes a comprehensive dataset from the Wellbeing Initiative Organization, which includes evaluations of 236 workplace ranking lists from 23 countries covering 16,829 companies. Our interdisciplinary team meticulously identified and analyzed companies listed in these extensive data sets, using meta-analytic techniques to distill a definitive list of the happiest workplaces.

In areas where data were lacking, we strategically conducted the Wellbeing Index to gather essential insights directly from the companies, ensuring a complete and balanced view of workplace happiness. Additionally, we examined human management practices through HR-Check to deepen our understanding of each company's internal dynamics. This dual-methodology approach integrates both existing data and new, targeted responses from the Wellbeing Index and HR-Check, allowing for a nuanced and thorough exploration of what makes workplaces genuinely happy across various industries.

#### **ANALYSIS METHOD**

The selection process for our 'Happiest Workplaces Around the Globe' list is delineated through the following comprehensive steps:

- **1. Data Collection:** We compiled extensive workplace ranking lists from each country, incorporating well-recognized titles such as "Best Companies to Work For", "Top 50 Companies for Diversity", and "Healthiest Workplaces". Overall, this effort resulted in the aggregation of 236 lists encompassing 16,829 companies.
- **2. Meta-Analysis:** Each list underwent a rigorous assessment based on Martin Seligman's PERMA model, which articulates well-being through five critical elements: Positive Emotions, Engagement, Relationships, Meaning, and Achievement. Utilizing advanced AI technologies coupled with evaluations from five independent experts, each list was assigned a coefficient reflecting its effectiveness in measuring workplace happiness.
- **3. Company Scoring:** A happiness score for each company was derived by considering the number of lists they featured on and the associated happiness coefficients of those lists. For instance, if Company ABC

appeared on five lists with happiness coefficients of 0.42, 0.34, 0.55, 0.45, and 0.38, their cumulative score would be calculated to be 2.14.

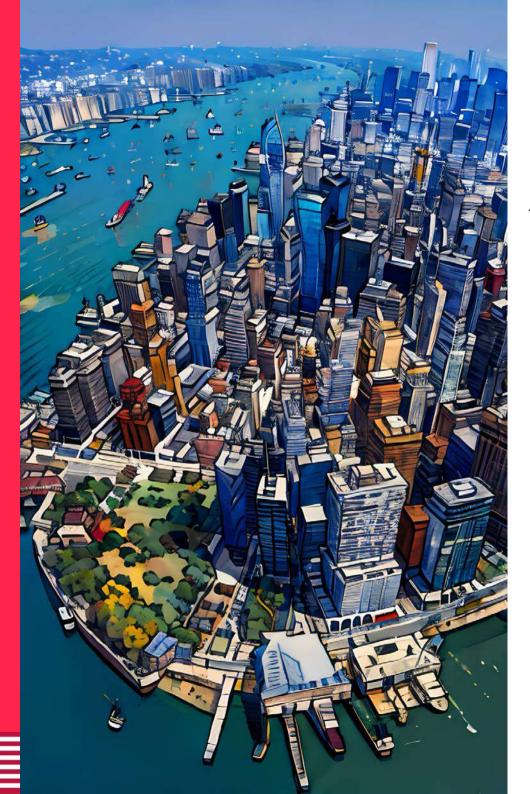
- **4. Creating the Country-Based Showcase:** Companies were categorized by industry within their respective countries. The company with the highest happiness score within each industry was chosen. Out of 16,829 companies evaluated, 819 successfully qualified for inclusion, culminating in a curated list of the happiest workplaces per country.
- **5. Creating the Industry Specific Leaders List:** Utilizing the country-based lists, companies were further organized by industry across all countries to pinpoint the global leaders in workplace happiness for each sector.

To summarize, our analysis involved synthesizing data from multiple indices that assess various dimensions of employee happiness. By employing a meta-analytical approach, we effectively aggregated these rankings into a master list. We ensured representation from each sector by selecting only the top-performing company within each, thereby recognizing the unique differences across industries.

#### **RANKING CRITERIA**

In the creation of country-specific lists, companies were ranked starting from those with the highest scores. However, it is important to interpret these rankings with caution. Given the diverse industries these companies originate from and the unique conditions of each sector, the rankings should not be construed as indicating one company being happier than another. Rather, the list comprises companies that are the happiest within their respective sectors. For this reason, companies on the list have not been numbered sequentially as 1, 2, 3, etc.

The Industry Specific Leaders list was developed through a categorization of 819 companies featured in the country lists, organized by their respective sectors. The ranking of these companies took into account the number of countries in which each company is recognized as a sector leader. In cases where all other factors are equal, companies have been arranged in reverse alphabetical order by country name.



## **USA**

In 2024, the HR agenda in the USA is notably centered around enhancing the Employee Experience (EX), underpinned by the rapid technological advancements and evolving workplace expectations. The adoption of Generative AI as a collaborative tool is redefining roles, automating mundane tasks, and opening up new avenues for creativity and efficiency in the workplace.

The transformation of the workplace is also evident in the widespread acceptance of remote and hybrid work models, solidifying as the new norm post-pandemic. This shift necessitates an HR approach that supports inclusivity, collaboration, and communication across geographically dispersed teams, thereby maintaining productivity and employee satisfaction. Moreover, the drive towards flexible working arrangements, including the desire for a four-day workweek, highlights the growing demand for work-life balance, emphasizing the need for HR policies that accommodate such flexibility to attract and retain talent.

Employee well-being has emerged as a critical concern, especially in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. HR strategies are increasingly focusing on mental health and financial well-being, recognizing that support in these areas is crucial for maintaining a healthy, productive workforce. Providing resources and programs that address these aspects of employee experience is becoming a differentiator in the competitive talent market.

Furthermore, leadership development is identified as essential for navigating this changing landscape. Effective leadership is key to fostering a culture that embraces diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), leverages technology for innovation, and supports continuous learning and development. As organizations adapt to these shifts, the role of HR is pivotal in guiding these transformations, ensuring that the employee experience remains at the forefront of business success in 2024.

IBM	CAPITAL ONE Banking	CISCO  Networking Equipment	HP Computer Hardware	PEPSICO Food and Baverage	ADOBE Application Software	ACCENTURE  Management Consulting	MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL Hotels and Resorts	INTEL Semiconductors
VERIZON Telecommunications	FIDELITY  Investment  Management	SALESFORCE Enterprise Software	GENERAL MOTORS Automotive	MORGAN STANLEY  Investment Banking	AMERICAN EXPRESS Credit Cards	ABBVIE Biopharmaceuticals	BEST BUY  Consumer Electronics Retail	Cable Television & Internet Services
TARGET  Hypermarkets	ADP HR Services	KPMG Accounting & Audit Services	MICROSOFT Software	DELTA AIR LINES Airline	NORTHROP GRUMMAN Aerospace and Defense	METLIFE Life and Annuity Insurance	APPLE  Consumer  Electronics	GENERAL MILLS Food Processing
PROGRESSIVE Property and Casualty (P/C) Insurance	ECOLAB  Hygiene and Cleaning Products	DOW Chemical and Material Sciences	BOSTON SCIENTIFIC Medical Devices	<b>GE</b> Conglomerate	FEDEX  Courier and Parcel Delivery	INTUIT Financial Software	TELEPERFORMANCE  Customer Engagement	ROBERT HALF Staffing and Recruitment
CARDINAL HEALTH  Medical Distribution	HUMANA Health Insurance	COLGATE PALMOLIVE Personal and Home Care	KELLER WILLIAMS  Real Estate Brokerage	AMAZON E-commerce	NETFLIX  Entertainment and Media	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC Automation Solutions	FOOT LOCKER Footwear	NIKE Sporting Goods

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Wholesale Club	Cosmetic and Skincare	Coffeehouse Chain	Home Appliances	Snacks	Engineering	Energy Utilities	Agricultural Production	Fashion and Apparel
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CHEVRON	PROCTER & GAMBLE	ALLIANZ	ELSEVIER	GLOBANT	TENABLE	WILLIAMS	PAYPAL	META
Energy	FMCG	General Insurance	Publishing	Custom Software	Cybersecurity	Paint and Coatings	Electronic Money	Social Media
	WASTE	STANLEY BLACK					TEXAS	
MAYO CLINIC	MANAGEMENT	& DECKER	CARMAX	ACE HARDWARE	MOLSON COORS	MARS	ROADHOUSE	S&P GLOBAL
Hospital Network	Environmental Services	Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	Vehicle Dealerships and Sales	Home Improvement	Alcoholic Beverages	Bakery and Confectionery	Restaurant Chain	Credit Rating
YMCA	TURNER CONSTRUCTION	JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY	DANA	MICHELIN	NORTHERN TRUST	IKEA	CAPGEMINI	ELECTRONIC ARTS (EA)
Non-Profit	Construction	Higher Education	Automotive Technologies	Tires and Mobility Solutions	Wealth Management	Furniture and Home Products	IT Consulting and Services	Gaming Software
SUNRUN	J.B. HUNT	HASBRO	YUM! BRANDS	AIRBNB	OWENS CORNING	ALDI	SODEXO	AMTRAK
Renewable Energy	Transportation and Logistics	Toys and Entertainment Products	Fast Food Chain	Travel & Tourism	Building Materials	Supermarkets Chain	Food Distribution and Catering	Railway





#### **UNITED KINGDOM**

The UK's HR landscape in 2024 evolves with trends emphasizing office work, pay challenges, and Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) dynamics.

A notable shift towards physical office settings is driven by CEOs' expectations for enhanced performance management and culture-building within shared workspaces. This change contends with altered employee expectations for flexibility, underlined by the pandemic, suggesting a balanced approach is crucial for talent retention and attraction.

Pay pressures are magnified by the National Living Wage increase, presenting challenges in maintaining competitive pay structures amidst rising costs. This scenario calls for innovative HR strategies that focus on comprehensive rewards and engagement to address the evolving economic environment.

EDI commitments face scrutiny, with a fraction of employers fully supporting diverse workforces. Potential legal challenges against EDI initiatives highlight a critical navigation area for HR, ensuring progress toward workplace equality and diversity.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) in HR, especially in recruitment, marks a significant trend. AI enhances efficiency in creating job specifications and sorting CVs, though it raises concerns about potential biases and the necessity for human oversight in HR functions.

These developments signal a transformative era for HR in the UK, where adaptation to technological advancements, workplace flexibility, economic pressures, and social values demands strategic and considered responses from HR professionals, ensuring Al's role enhances rather than complicates HR practices.

DELOITTE	EXPEDIA	VODAFONE	BARCLAYS	ADMIRAL GROUP	INFOSYS	TESCO	AVIVA	DIAGEO
Accounting & Audit Services	Travel & Tourism	Telecommunications	Banking	Property and Casualty Insurance	IT Consulting and Services	Supermarkets Chain	General Insurance	Alcoholic Beverage
SERVICENOW	GSK	ACCENTURE	CISCO	SALESFORCE	FIDELITY	GREEN MOTION	SAPPHIRE	ROCKETMILL
Cloud Computing	Pharmaceuticals	Management Consulting	Networking Equipment	Enterprise Software	Investment Management	Car Rental Services	Cybersecurity	Advertising and Marketing
CERTSURE	LINKLATERS	RECKITT	ANGLO AMERICAN	WHITBREAD	NATIONAL GRID	SEVEN RESOURCING	VIRGIN MEDIA 02	BAE SYSTEMS
Certification & Inspection Services	Legal Services	Hygiene and Cleaning Products	Mining	Hotels and Resorts	Energy Utilities	Staffing and Recruitment	Cable Television & Internet Services	Aerospace and Defense
UNILEVER	DHL	AMERICAN EXPRESS	WISE	JACOBS ENGINEERING	INTUIT	KINGFISHER	ВР	MARS
FMCG	Courier and Parcel Delivery	Credit Cards	Electronic Money	Engineering	Financial Software	Home Improvement	Energy	Bakery and Confectionery
CANON	MORGAN STANLEY	AMAZON	ABBOTT	ALPHABET	COCA-COLA	ADOBE	BUPA	NIELSEN
Imaging and Optical Products	Investment Banking	E-commerce	Medical Devices	Social Media	Food and Baverage	Application Software	Health Insurance	Market Research & Consulting
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HEATHROW AIRPORT	MARKS & SPENCER	LUSH	CHANEL	AUTO TRADER	FUJITSU	(LONDON NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY)	MORGAN SINDALL	SKY
Airport Operations	Fashion and Apparel	Natural Cosmetics	Luxury and Designer Apparel	Vehicle Dealerships and Sales	Information Systems	Railway	Construction	Entertainment and Media
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Number of workplace rankings used: 21 Total number of companies analyzed: 3059 Methodology employed: Meta-analysis



# **TÜRKİYE**

In 2024, Türkiye's HR trends reflect a dynamic landscape shaped by economic challenges, technological advancements, and evolving workplace norms. Amid inflation surpassing 60%, leading to significant increases in consumer prices, and salary adjustments for minimum wage earners and public sector employees before elections, companies have been compelled to implement biannual wage adjustments. Consequently, salary levels and benefits have dominated HR priorities, demanding careful balancing acts to maintain competitiveness and employee satisfaction.

Furthermore, despite the financial challenges affecting compensation, Turkish companies are still emphasizing the significance of developing both employees and leadership, along with integrating advanced HR technologies. They recognize the direct connection between the well-being of their workforce and overall performance, leading to active efforts in rolling out well-being and wellness programs aimed at enhancing the employee experience. Recruitment remains a critical investment area for Turkish businesses, even amidst economic uncertainties, highlighting their dedication to attracting and retaining talent. Meanwhile, priorities such as employer branding, sustainability, diversity, and inclusion have been momentarily placed on hold due to the pressing concerns of economic survival and the need for immediate operational changes. Although these elements are crucial for a company's long-term success and reputation, current circumstances have necessitated a shift in focus.

In summary, Türkiye's 2024 HR landscape is a testament to the balancing act between immediate economic challenges and the longer-term goal of fostering a resilient, adaptable, and satisfied workforce. Through strategic wage adjustments, a focus on development, technological integration, and persistent recruitment efforts, Turkish companies are navigating a complex environment with an eye toward sustainable growth and employee engagement.

MIGROS Supermarkets Chain	TURKISH AIRLINES Airline	GRATIS  Cosmetics and Beauty Retail	ÜLKER Snacks	KFC Fast Food Chain	BOYNER  Department Store	METRO Hypermarkets	TEI TUSAS ENGINE INDUSTRIES INC.  Aerospace and Defence	SIEMENS Technology
PENTİ Underwear and Lingerie	DOĞANLAR FURNITURE GROUP Furniture and Home Products	<b>İPEKYOL</b> Women's Clothing	MADAME COCO  Home Decor and Textiles	ORKA HOLDING  Conglomerate	DİVAN  Hotels and Resorts	TÜRK TUBORG Alcoholic Beverages	ATASUN OPTİK Eyewear and Optics	ETİ KROM Mining
MEDICAL POINT Hospital Network	LİLA GROUP  Sanitary Paper Products	ÇİMSA  Building Materials	sahibinden.com E-commerce	YATSAN  Bed and Bedding Sets	D'S DAMAT  Men's Clothing	NUH ÇİMENTO Cement	ÇİMENTAŞ Cement	PFIZER Science
GCM YATIRIM Investment Management	MULTINET UP  Corporate Expense Solutions	DAMAT TWEEN  Men's Clothing	HİTİT Custom Software	ADEL Office Supplies	MAGNA SEATING  Auto Parts  Manufacturing	AYTEMİZ Energy Utilities	HILTI Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	KİMPUR  Chemical & Material Sciences
YILDIRIM ENERGY Energy	İŞNET  Internet Service Provider	ALBARAKATECH GLOBAL Financial Software	TOYOTA  Vehicle Dealerships and Sales	SESTEK Custom Software	YILPORT SOLVENTAŞ Port Operations	OPPORTUNE GLOBAL Advertising and Marketing	ÖZERDEN Paper and Packaging	UPT Electronic Money
MIELE Home Appliances	CİMRİ Reference Websites	hopi Shopping Benefit Platforms	ARTSANA CHICCO Kid's Clothing	DENIZLI CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY  Industrial Chambers				



#### **SPAIN**

In Spain, 2024 is shaping up to be a pivotal year for HR, with significant trends shaping the landscape of talent management amidst economic and technological shifts. A major focus will be on leveraging People Analytics and Business Intelligence to enhance decision-making and productivity, marking a significant move towards data-driven HR strategies. This will improve the identification of talent preferences and trends, allowing for continuous, data-driven improvements.

Data security and the handling of sensitive information come to the forefront as organizations grapple with the challenges posed by artificial intelligence and machine learning. Companies will need to navigate new public regulations on privacy and data security, ensuring transparency and offering opt-outs for employees and candidates from data processing.

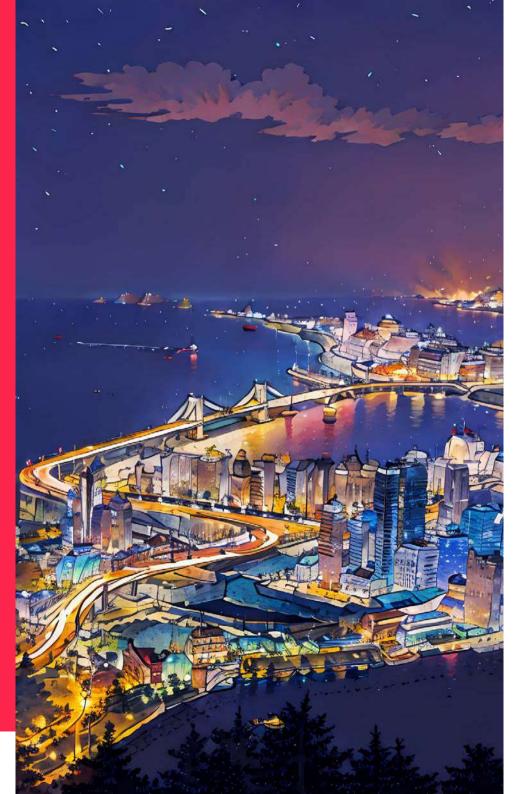
Generating value with the same resources becomes crucial as businesses face pressures from a global economic downturn. HR departments will emphasize proactive rest for better performance, open discussions on challenging topics, and the engagement of specialists for traumatic situations.

Talent attraction and retention remain central, with a move towards 'silent hiring' - exploring new opportunities and alternative approaches to leverage worker performance and enhance skills. The hybrid flexibility model and initiatives to support diversity, equity, and inclusion (DE&I) will also be key areas of focus, addressing employee resistance to change and fostering a more inclusive workplace culture.

Digital transformation continues as a leading trend, with HR processes undergoing significant changes to improve operational efficiency and adapt to economic challenges. The adoption of AI in recruitment and the automation of HR processes highlight a push towards innovation and efficiency.



BBVA Banking	SIEMENS Conglomerate	MAPFRE General Insurance	NATURGY Energy Utilities	SAP Enterprise Software	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC Automation Solutions	INDRA  IT Consulting and Services	TAKEDA Pharmaceuticals	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense
CEPSA Oil and Gas	LEROY MERLIN Home Improvement	AMGEN Biopharmaceuticals	SACYR Construction	PEPSICO Food and Baverage	HEINEKEN Alcoholic Beverages	AMAZON E-commerce	EY Accounting & Audit Services	INDITEX Fashion and Apparel
GRUPO MASMOVIL Telecommunications	MERCADONA Supermarkets Chain	ALAIN AFFLELOU  Eyewear and Optics	FUJITSU Information Systems	SGS TÉCNOS  Certification & Inspection Services	DANONE Dairy	OTIS  Elevators and Escalators	ACCIONA Renewable Energy	CISCO  Networking Equipment
DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	HILTON Hotels and Resorts	STRYKER  Medical Devices	ORANGE Telecommunications	SODEXO  Food Distribution and Catering	MCDONALD'S Fast Food Chain	JT INTERNATIONAL Tobacco	PUMA Sporting Goods	RECKITT  Hygiene and Cleaning Products
HUAWEI  Consumer Electronics	CANON  Imaging and Optical Products	BRIDGESTONE  Tires and Mobility Solutions	TELEPERFORMANCE Customer Engagement	TOYOTA  Automotive Manufacturing	ELECTROLUX  Home Appliances	WORLDLINE Electronic Money	ADP HR Services	PROCTER & GAMBLE FMCG
BUPA Health Insurance	ACCENTURE  Management Consulting	AMERICAN EXPRESS Credit Cards	<b>HP</b> Computer Hardware	L'ORÉAL  Cosmetic and Skincare				



## **SOUTH KOREA**

In South Korea, 2024 will herald a dynamic shift in HR practices, underlining the need for enhanced HR skills to address an ever-evolving business landscape. The emphasis on agility and strategic foresight in HR planning becomes essential against the backdrop of economic transitions and the journey towards post-pandemic stabilization. Central to this year's change is the focus on nurturing employee well-being and strengthening workplace engagement. Organizations are increasingly adopting holistic approaches to ensure the mental and physical health of their teams, integrating flexible working models and lifelong learning opportunities into their core HR strategies.

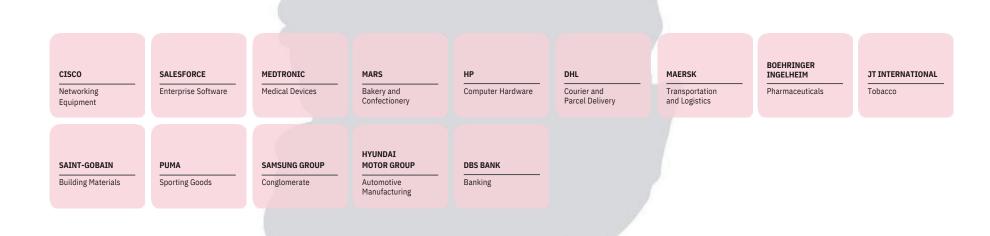
There's a growing emphasis on creating diverse and inclusive work environments. Efforts are intensifying to implement fair hiring practices, promote inclusive leadership, and foster a culture where every individual feels valued and respected.

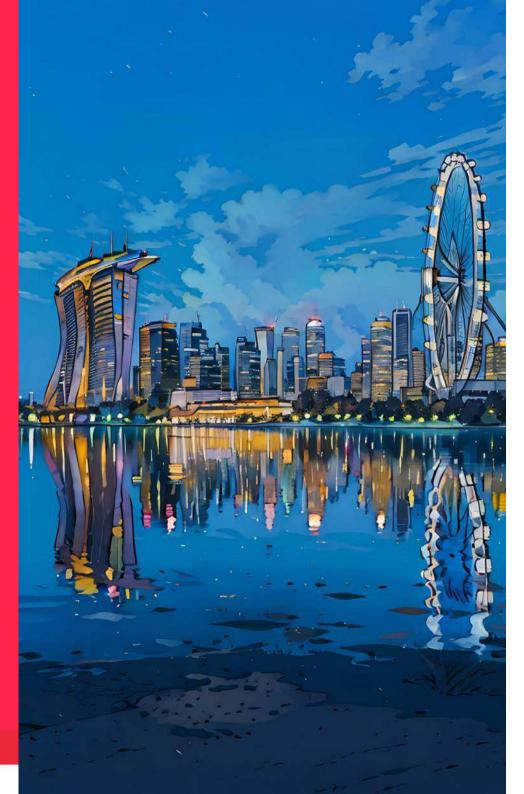
Technological advancements and the digital overhaul of HR operations are streamlining processes and enhancing efficiency. The use of artificial intelligence (AI) in streamlining recruitment and talent development processes, alongside the automation of routine administrative tasks, reflects a commitment to harnessing technology for strategic HR management.

Additionally, the adoption of agile HR methodologies is emerging as a critical necessity. This approach allows HR functions to be more responsive and adaptable, meeting the fast-paced changes in business requirements and workforce dynamics with resilience and strategic acumen.

Collectively, these trends in South Korea for 2024 illustrate an HR landscape that is becoming increasingly tech-savvy, people-focused, and strategically aligned with broader business objectives.







## **SINGAPORE**

In Singapore, 2024 is set to be a transformative year for HR trends, heavily influenced by the dynamic interplay of technology, employee wellness, and diversity initiatives. A key theme for the year is the continued emphasis on digital transformation within HR practices. The adoption of digital technologies, such as HR analytics, cloud-based management systems, and Al-powered recruitment tools, is expected to redefine the operational landscape of HR departments.

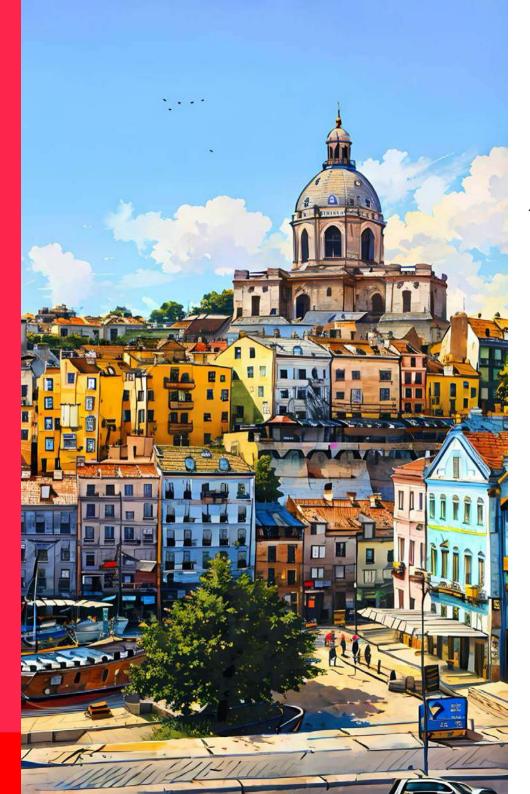
Employee well-being, accentuated by the pandemic, has solidified its position as a central focus for HR policies. Singaporean companies are increasingly investing in comprehensive wellness programs that cater to both mental and physical health. Flexible working arrangements, virtual wellness activities, and mental health support services are becoming standard offerings, reflecting a deepened commitment to fostering a supportive and healthy work environment.

Diversity and inclusion, particularly gender diversity in leadership roles, is gaining momentum. The trend towards a more inclusive leadership structure is evident, with a notable increase in women and LGBTQ+ individuals ascending to senior positions. Remote work, catalyzed by the pandemic, is here to stay, with many Singaporean companies planning to maintain flexible work arrangements. This shift necessitates investment in technologies and strategies that support effective remote work, balancing productivity with employee satisfaction.

Moreover, the concept of Agile HR is taking hold, emphasizing the need for HR processes that are adaptable and responsive to rapid market changes. Talent acquisition remains a critical challenge, with companies prioritizing innovative recruitment strategies that highlight skills, diversity, and employer branding.



GRAB	DHL	MEDTRONIC	DBS BANK	MASTERCARD	cisco	SALESFORCE	НР	BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM
Mobility and , Digital Services	Courier and Parcel Delivery	Medical Devices	Banking	Credit Cards	Networking Equipment	Enterprise Software	Computer Hardware	Pharmaceuticals
HCL TECH  IT Consulting and Services	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense	KEPPEL Conglomerate	APPLE  Consumer Electronics	AMAZON E-commerce	PROCTER & GAMBLE FMCG	ROCHE Biopharmaceuticals	ADOBE Application Software	SERVICENOW  Cloud Computing
HILTON  Hotels and Resorts	KELLOGG'S Snacks	OTIS  Elevators and Escalators	SAINT-GOBAIN  Building Materials	JT INTERNATIONAL Tobacco	WORLDLINE Electronic Money	ALPHABET Social Media	NIKE Sporting Goods	MAERSK Transportation and Logistics
MCDONALD'S Fast Food Chain	MICROSOFT Software	TOYOTA  Automotive  Manufacturing	STARBUCKS  Coffeehouse Chain	SHELL Energy	3M  Chemical and Material Sciences	COCA-COLA Food and Baverage	AXA General Insurance	ACCENTURE  Management Consulting
IKEA Furniture and Home Products	INTEL Semiconductors	JACOBS ENGINEERING Engineering	WATSONS  Cosmetics and Beauty Retail					



### **PORTUGAL**

In Portugal, the HR landscape for 2024 is shaping up to focus significantly on the well-being and development of the workforce amidst evolving workplace dynamics. The enhancement of the Employee Experience (EX) emerges as a pivotal theme, driven by changing workforce expectations and the necessity for more inclusive and supportive work environments. This shift is marked by a heightened attention to mental health, with organizations implementing comprehensive wellness programs to address the well-being of their employees, reflecting a broader trend towards prioritizing employee satisfaction and loyalty.

The trends also highlight the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), underscoring a move towards creating workplaces that value diversity and foster a sense of belonging among all employees. Alongside this, the adaptation to remote and hybrid work models, solidified by the post-pandemic era, calls for innovative HR strategies to ensure inclusivity and effective communication across geographically dispersed teams.

Professional development and continuous learning stand out as crucial for keeping pace with the rapid technological advancements and market changes. Portugal's HR sector is increasingly focusing on developing leadership skills that can effectively manage the integration of flexible work arrangements while maintaining a cohesive organizational culture.

Technological integration, particularly the adoption of Generative AI, is redefining productivity by automating routine tasks and fostering a culture of innovation and efficiency. This rapid technological integration brings to the forefront the need for strategies that seamlessly blend technology into the employee experience, ensuring technology acts as an enabler rather than a disruptor.



TELEPERFORMANCE Customer Engagement	EDP Energy Utilities	BOUYGUES Telecommunications	DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	CISCO  Networking Equipment	BNP PARIBAS Banking	HOVIONE  Generic Pharmaceuticals	JERÓNIMO MARTINS  Supermarkets Chain	<b>GSK</b> Pharmaceuticals
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### **POLAND**

In Poland, 2024 is expected to be a year of significant shifts in HR trends, with a clear focus on enhancing employee experiences and leveraging technology to meet evolving workforce expectations. One of the foremost trends is the prioritization of flexibility and remote work, reflecting a broader talent market access for employers and improved work-life balance for employees.

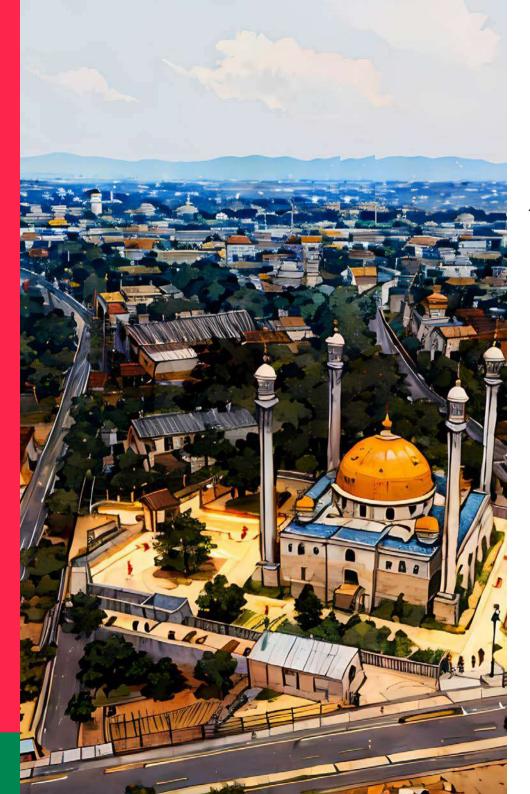
Artificial Intelligence (AI) in recruitment processes is becoming increasingly indispensable, streamlining candidate selection and ensuring a more efficient match between job requirements and candidate skills. Al's role extends beyond mere process automation to enhancing the personalization and effectiveness of recruitment strategies.

Employee happiness is set to receive heightened attention, with initiatives aimed at supporting mental health and overall well-being becoming standard practice. Polish companies are moving towards more holistic and personalized benefits packages, recognizing the diverse needs and preferences of their workforce. Moreover, the emphasis on individualized benefits highlights the shift towards more flexible and tailored compensation strategies, enabling employees to choose benefits that best suit their lifestyle and needs. This approach not only enhances job satisfaction but also serves as a powerful tool for attracting and retaining talent in a competitive labor market.

Diversity and inclusion are gaining prominence, with companies increasingly committed to creating more diverse and inclusive workplaces. This commitment is not just a moral imperative but a strategic business decision, fostering innovation, creativity, and a positive corporate culture.

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OHL	AMAZON	ASTRAZENECA	CAPGEMINI	PKO BANK POLSKI	CISCO	HITACHI	HILTON	GROUP
ourier and Parcel Delivery	E-commerce	Pharmaceuticals	IT Consulting and Services	Banking	Networking Equipment	Conglomerate	Hotels and Resorts	Automotive Manufacturing
AKAMAI								
TECHNOLOGIES	ccc	WHIRLPOOL	LIDL	PEPSICO	OBI	INTEL	PROCTER & GAMBLE	HILTI
Cybersecurity	Footwear	Home Appliances	Supermarkets Chain	Food and Baverage	Home Improvement	Semiconductors	FMCG	Tools and Equipme Manufacturing
STRYKER	BIOGEN	JT INTERNATIONAL	EDP	SAP	WORLDLINE	ACCENTURE	HUAWEI	SAINT-GOBAIN
Medical Devices	Biopharmaceuticals	Tobacco	Renewable Energy	Enterprise Software	Electronic Money	Management Consulting	Consumer Electronics	Building Materials
ΕY	ECOLAB	NIKE	MEDIA MARKT	ORANGE	NIELSEN	MICROSOFT	MICHELIN	3M
Accounting & Audit Services	Hygiene and Cleaning Products	Sporting Goods	Consumer Electronics Retail	Telecommunications	Market Research & Consulting	Software	Tires and Mobility Solutions	Chemical and Material Sciences
TELEPERFORMANCE	YVES ROCHER	TUI	PRIMARK	PHOENIX CONTACT	SODEXO	SHELL	McDonald's	CARLSBERG
Customer Engagement	Natural Cosmetics	Travel & Tourism	Fashion and Apparel	Automation Solutions	Food Distribution and Catering	Energy	Fast Food Chain	Alcoholic Beverage
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CANON	PALMOLIVE	DECATHLON	AIRBUS	ALLIANZ	APTIV	IKEA	IBM	НР
Imaging and Optical Products	Personal and Home Care	Sporting Goods	Aerospace and Defense	General Insurance	Automotive Technologies	Furniture and Home Products	Information Systems	Computer Hardwar
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Number of workplace rankings used: 7 Total number of companies analyzed: 400 Methodology employed: Meta-analysis



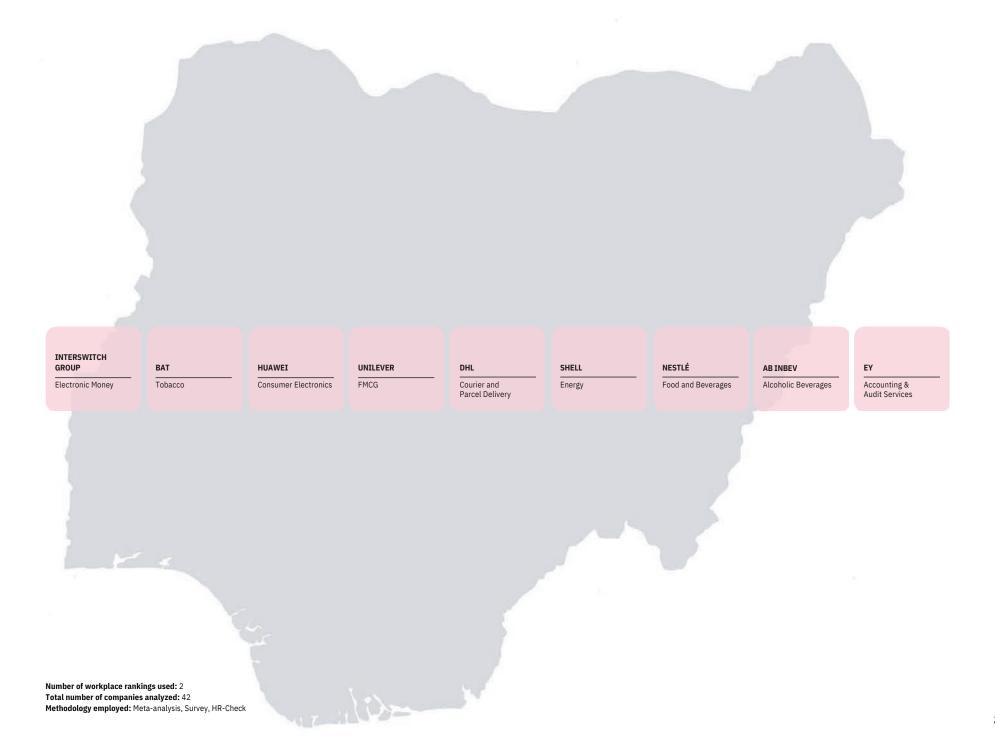
#### **NIGERIA**

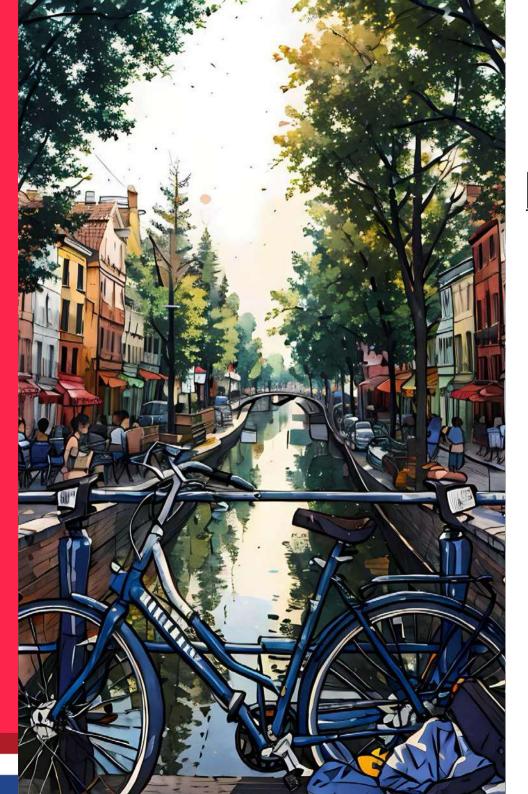
In Nigeria, the HR landscape for 2024 is shaped by the dual challenges of talent retention and adapting to a rapidly changing business environment. The departure of key talents has emphasized the need for effective employment acquisition strategies and the management of an increased workload for the remaining staff. Amid these challenges, HR practitioners have identified HR Strategic Planning as their primary area of need, aiming to align human resource strategies with evolving business conditions and manage the uncertainty of employee turnover.

Performance Management ranks second, with organizations seeking to revise their frameworks to address employees' well-being and adapt to demands for flexible working arrangements. The increasing cost of commuting and its impact on employee stress levels and performance highlights the necessity for more dynamic performance management systems.

Talent Management Excellence is also crucial, as HR professionals work to optimize their workforce and align employee attributes with business goals. Compensation and Rewards are under review due to rising inflation, affecting employees' purchasing power and necessitating meaningful reward systems. Furthermore, the rapid advancement in technology calls for HR Digitalization, transforming traditional HR practices to improve efficiency and reduce costs. Legal Compliance and Organization Design are also key focus areas, ensuring adherence to employment laws and designing effective organizational structures.

These trends are driven by an uncertain business climate, talent emigration, the need for cost optimization, and the challenge of meeting diverse employee needs. Nigerian HR practitioners are therefore focused on developing strategies that ensure resilience, adaptability, and sustained organizational growth amidst these challenges.





#### **NETHERLANDS**

In the Netherlands, 2024 marks a pivotal year for HR, with a shift towards innovative strategies in talent acquisition, prioritizing employee happiness, and harnessing technology. A major trend is the increased focus on employee happiness, recognizing its profound impact on productivity, loyalty, and overall company success. Dutch companies are expected to ramp up investments in initiatives aimed at enhancing work-life balance, mental, financial, and overall health, acknowledging the complex stressors faced by employees.

Employee happiness is identified as a critical priority, with firms striving to cultivate a positive corporate culture where autonomy, growth, and appreciation flourish. Transparent communication, engaging employees in decision-making, and providing extensive development opportunities are key to elevating employee happiness. The demand for meaningful work is also on the rise, especially among younger employees who seek not just financial rewards but roles that contribute positively to society. Dutch companies are encouraged to highlight the broader impact of individual roles on company and societal goals, thus enhancing the sense of purpose in work.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is revolutionizing HR practices, from recruitment and selection to performance management and talent development. In 2024, the adoption of AI to streamline HR processes and support data-driven decision-making is set to transform HR operations across Dutch organizations.

Additionally, skills-based recruitment is gaining momentum, focusing on the inherent capabilities and potential of candidates rather than traditional qualifications. This approach is a nod to the rapid technological evolution, highlighting the need for a workforce that is adaptable, innovative, and equipped with essential soft skills.

AKZO NOBEL Paint and Coatings	STRYKER Medical Devices	ATLASSIAN Custom Software	STELLANTIS Automotive	MEDTRONIC  Medical Devices	RECKITT  Hygiene and Cleaning Products	TATA CONSULTANCY SERVICES  IT Consulting and Services	SPAR Supermarkets Chain	SHELL Energy
NIKE Sporting Goods	UBER Mobility and Digital Services	ING Banking	PHILIPS  Consumer Electronics	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense	IKEA Furniture and Home Products	HEINEKEN Alcoholic Beverages	GRANDVISION  Eyewear and Optics	SALESFORCE Enterprise Software
HILTON Hotels and Resorts	HILTI Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	ABBVIE Biopharmaceuticals	WORLDLINE Electronic Money	JT INTERNATIONAL Tobacco	SCHINDLER LIFTEN BV Elevators and Escalators	BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM Pharmaceuticals	SAINT-GOBAIN Building Materials	PEPSICO Food and Baverage
DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	AMERICAN EXPRESS Credit Cards	DANA Automotive Technologies	FUJITSU  Information Systems	AMAZON E-commerce	ALPHABET  Social Media	SERVICENOW Cloud Computing	MCKINSEY & COMPANY  Management Consulting	UNILEVER FMCG
DELOITTE  Accounting & Audit Services	Footwear	NETFLIX  Entertainment and Media	CISCO  Networking Equipment	DOMINO'S PIZZA Fast Food Chain				



#### **MEXICO**

In Mexico, the landscape of human resources (HR) in 2024 is shaped by the evolving dynamics of recruitment and talent management amidst a rapidly changing work environment. A significant trend is the integration of automation in recruitment processes, which streamlines tasks from resume review to initial interviews, indicating a shift towards efficiency and technology-driven practices.

The emphasis on soft skills is gaining momentum, with companies valuing communication, teamwork, and resilience alongside technical competencies. This reflects a broader understanding that success in the modern workplace requires a blend of skills that contribute to a positive and adaptive company culture.

Legal changes and labor reforms, particularly around employee well-being and reduced work hours, are pivotal factors that HR leaders in Mexico should navigate. These changes demand a proactive and informed response to align corporate practices with new legal standards while ensuring organizational sustainability.

Employee well-being, with a focus on mental health and work-life balance, stands out as a priority. Compliance with standards aimed at reducing psychosocial risks and supporting teleworkers is crucial for fostering a supportive workplace environment. For Mexican companies, adjusting to the entrance of Generation Z into the workforce necessitates revisiting engagement strategies, benefits, and work models to meet the expectations of a generation that values flexibility, purpose, and technological integration.

Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) criteria are becoming integral to HR strategies, reflecting a commitment to sustainable development and ethical business practices. This alignment not only contributes to societal and environmental well-being but also strengthens the employer brand by appealing to eco-conscious employees and consumers.



VOLKSWAGEN GROUP  Automotive Manufacturing	DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC Automation Solutions	MEDTRONIC  Medical Devices	MICHELIN  Tires and Mobility Solutions	COTEMAR Oil and Gas	BOEHRINGER INGELHEIM  Pharmaceuticals	HCL TECH  IT Consulting and Services	GRUPO AEROMÉXICO Airline
GRUPO BIMBO Food Processing	METLIFE  Life and Annuity Insurance	PEPSICO Food and Baverage	BNP PARIBAS Banking	NEMAK Auto Parts Manufacturing	UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE GUADALAJARA Higher Education	APPLE  Consumer Electronics	PROCTER & GAMBLE FMCG	3M  Chemical and Material Sciences
GRUPO MÉXICO Mining	DELOITTE Accounting & Audit Services	MAPFRE General Insurance	DELL Computer Hardware	CONSORCIO ARA  Real Estate Brokerage	CISCO  Networking Equipment	SAP Enterprise Software	PREMIUM RESTAURANT BRANDS Restaurant Chain	HILTON Hotels and Resorts
ACCENTURE  Management Consulting	AT&T  Cable Television &  Internet Services	AMAZON E-commerce	TELEPERFORMANCE Customer Engagement	AMGEN Biopharmaceuticals	PHILIP MORRIS Tobacco	KELLOGG'S Snacks	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense	PUMA Sporting Goods
CARDINAL HEALTH  Medical Distribution	SAINT-GOBAIN Building Materials	ALPHABET Social Media	STANLEY BLACK & DECKER  Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	SKY  Entertainment and Media	SIEMENS  Conglomerate	GLOBANT Custom Software	GOOGLE Software	RECKITT  Hygiene and Cleaning Products
WALMART Hypermarkets	AMERICAN EXPRESS  Credit Cards	INTEL Semiconductors	COSTCO Wholesale Club	<b>DANONE</b> Dairy	IKEA  Furniture and Home Products	IBM Information Systems	L'ORÉAL  Cosmetic and Skincare	MARS  Bakery and Confectionery

#### COLGATE-PALMOLIVE

Personal and Home Care

Number of workplace rankings used: 8 Total number of companies analyzed: 595 Methodology employed: Meta-analysis, Survey, HR-Check



### **ITALY**

In Italy, 2024 is poised to witness a strategic evolution within HR, focusing on enhancing employee experiences and integrating advanced technologies. A pivotal trend is the prioritization of employee well-being, emphasizing a holistic approach that encompasses physical, mental, and emotional health. This shift towards creating a supportive and inclusive work environment is not just a moral imperative but a strategic one, directly impacting productivity and organizational success.

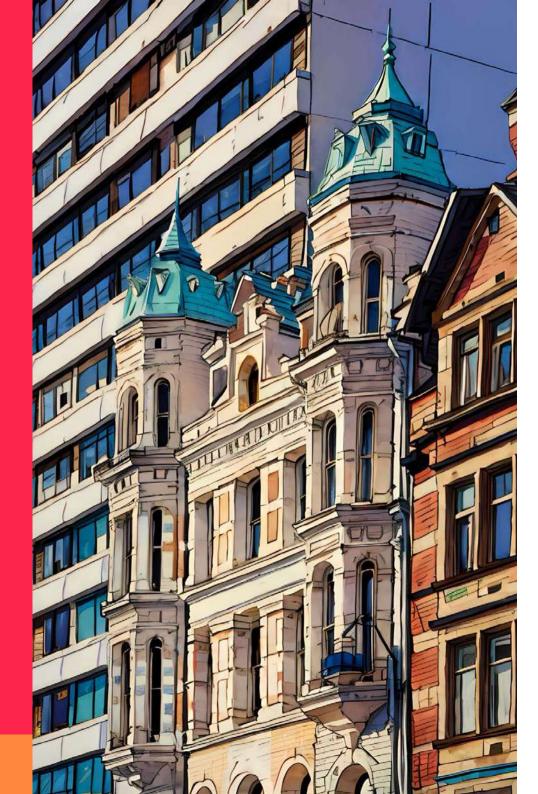
The leadership landscape in Italy is also undergoing significant changes, with a marked emphasis on developing managerial competencies. This involves equipping managers with a broad understanding of various domains including technology, marketing, and business strategy, thereby enabling them to navigate the complexities of a rapidly evolving market.

Technological advancement, particularly the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and HR-specific tools, is set to redefine HR practices. These technologies offer unparalleled efficiencies in recruitment, talent management, and employee engagement, ensuring a seamless and enriching employee experience from hiring to retirement.

Sustainability emerges as another critical focal point, aligning with global movements towards environmental responsibility, social equity, and ethical governance. Italian companies are expected to integrate sustainable practices not just for compliance but as a core component of their organizational identity, enhancing their appeal to eco-conscious employees and consumers alike.

In summary, Italy's HR trends for 2024 encapsulate a future where employee well-being, technological innovation, managerial skill enhancement, and sustainability are not peripheral concerns but central to strategic HR management.

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SAPEnterprise Software	AMAZON E-commerce	NEXI Electronic Money	ACCENTURE  Management Consulting	ELECTROLUX  Home Appliances	WIND TRE Telecommunications	KONICA MINOLTA  Imaging and Optical Products	CALZEDONIA Fashion and Apparel	FERRERO  Bakery and Confectionery
PRADA  Luxury and Designer Apparel	DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	HILTON  Hotels and Resorts	AMERICAN EXPRESS Credit Cards	ABBVIE Biopharmaceuticals	TELEPERFORMANCE  Customer Engagement	METLIFE  Life and Annuity Insurance	RECKITT  Hygiene and , Cleaning Products	SAINT-GOBAIN Building Materials
PEPSICO Food and Baverage	PUMA Sporting Goods	OBI Home Improvement	ALLIANZ General Insurance	BAT Tobacco	DANA Automotive Technologies	EY Accounting & Audit Services	HUAWEI  Consumer Electronics	EDP Renewable Energy
LIDL Supermarkets Chain	GroupM  Advertising and Marketing	ADP HR Services	PROCTER & GAMBLE FMCG	SIEMENS  Conglomerate				



#### **IRELAND**

In 2024, Ireland's HR landscape is undergoing significant transformations, driven by shifts in workplace norms, evolving employee expectations, and technological advancements. The focus on remote and flexible working arrangements, underpins a broader movement towards work-life integration. This trend not only addresses the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic but also aligns with the workforce's growing demand for a balance between professional commitments and personal well-being. Talent management is emerging as a critical area of focus, with a vast majority of organizations investing in leadership development, employee engagement, and diversity and inclusion strategies.

Employee well-being has been brought to the forefront by the pandemic, with a significant number of organizations offering online wellness initiatives. This approach to mental health reflects a growing acknowledgment of the importance of supporting employees' psychological and emotional health.

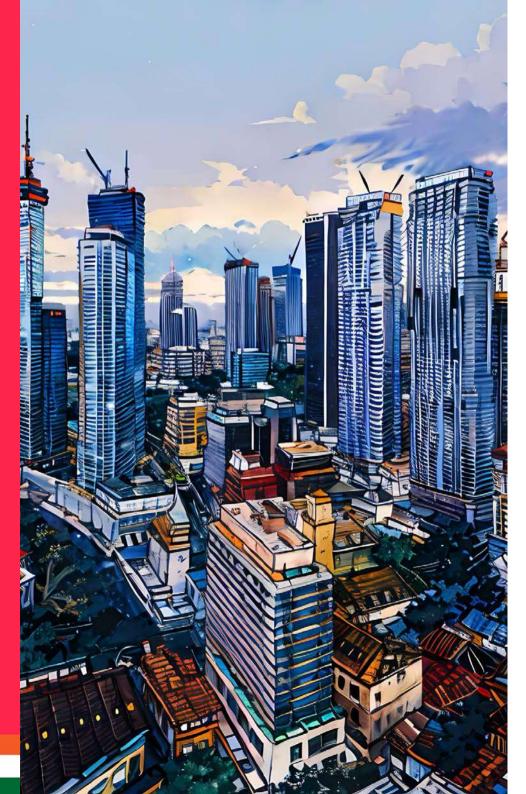
The integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in HR practices is recognized for its potential to enhance productivity and work conditions. However, a gap exists in organizational readiness to adopt AI, pointing to a need for upskilling and developing a workforce capable of leveraging these technological advancements.

As Ireland navigates these changes, the emphasis on well-being, flexibility, and technological innovation shapes a progressive HR agenda.

Organizations are challenged to balance strategic objectives with the imperative to support an increasingly diverse and dynamic workforce.

Embracing these trends, Irish HR professionals can lead their organizations through the complexities of 2024, fostering environments that not only attract but also retain top talent through a commitment to flexibility, well-being, and inclusivity.

MEDTRONIC  Medical Devices	DHL Courier and	ACCENTURE  Management	APPLE Consumer	DELL	CORE MARKETING  Advertising and	AURA HOLOHAN GROUP Cybersecurity	BON SECOURS HEALTH SYSTEM Hospital Network	JT INTERNATIONAL Tobacco
riedical Devices	Parcel Delivery	Consulting	Electronics	Computer Hardware	Marketing	Cybersecurity	nospitat Network	TODACCO
RIOT GAMES	VERSION 1	ABBVIE	SALESFORCE	CISCO	LIBERTY IT	WOODIE'S	FISERV	APTIV
Gaming Software	IT Consulting and Services	Biopharmaceuticals	Enterprise Software	Networking Equipment	Custom Software	Home Improvement	Financial Software	Automotive Technologies
PRIMARK	LIDL	SAINT-GOBAIN	INTEL	FIDELITY	MASTERCARD	BANK OF AMERICA	DELOITTE	LINKEDIN
Fashion and Apparel	Supermarkets Chain	Building Materials	Semiconductors	Investment Management	Credit Cards	Banking	Accounting & Audit Services	Social Media
JOHN PAUL CONSTRUCTION	GOOGLE	LAYA HEALTHCARE	SKY	BT COMMUNICATIONS IRELAND	TAKEDA	SERVICENOW	UNILEVER	VOLKSWAGEN GROUP
Construction	Software	Health Insurance	Entertainment	Telecommunications	Pharmaceuticals	Cloud Computing	FMCG	Automotive
			and Media					
HILTON	KELLOGG'S	PEPSICO	EBAY	STARBUCKS	SIEMENS	AXA	ADOBE	AIRBNB
Hotels and Resorts	Snacks	Food and Baverage	E-commerce	Coffeehouse Chain	Conglomerate	General Insurance	Application Software	Travel & Tourism
MCDONALD'S	PAYPAL	IBM	IKEA	JACOBS ENGINEERING				
Fast Food Chain	Electronic Money	Information Systems	Furniture and Home Products	Engineering				



## **INDIA**

In 2024, India's HR landscape is poised to embrace transformative changes driven by technological advancements, shifting workforce demographics, and evolving organizational priorities. Generative AI emerges as a game-changer, revolutionizing HR practices from talent acquisition to employee engagement, offering personalized experiences and automating routine tasks. This technological leap, however, mandates rigorous ethical considerations, particularly around data privacy and compliance, underscoring the importance of establishing robust governance frameworks.

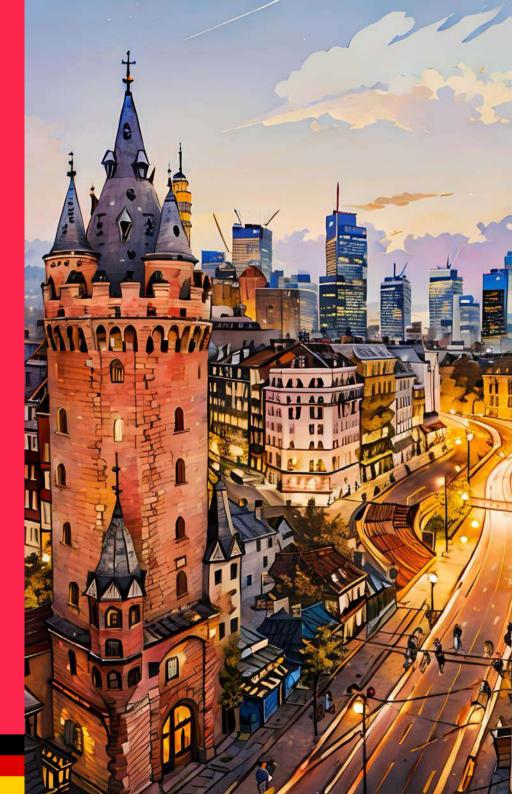
India's stride towards pay equity and transparency signifies a commitment to addressing historical disparities. With laws and societal expectations pushing for greater transparency, organizations are increasingly compelled to disclose compensation details, thereby attracting a larger talent pool and fostering an environment of fairness and trust. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DE&I) continue to shape organizational cultures, with an inclusion-first approach gaining traction. India's focus on integrating neurodiversity and other dimensions of diversity into the workplace outpaces regional averages, with significant investments in staff training and awareness initiatives.

The employee experience is at the forefront of HR priorities, with a younger, more diverse workforce driving changes in organizational values and practices. Furthermore, with a significant portion of the global Gen Z population in India, organizations are keen on aligning their strategies with the aspirations of this emerging workforce demographic.

Lastly, navigating the complexities of regulatory compliance and embracing remote and hybrid work models are crucial for enabling business growth and maintaining a competitive edge.



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IT Consulting and Services	Credit Cards	Accounting & Audit Services	Pharmaceuticals	Banking	Conglomerate	Semiconductors	Hotels and Resorts	Food and Baverage
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VERIZON	TELEPERFORMANCE	STRYKER	SERVICENOW	SALESFORCE	S&P GLOBAL	DHL	DOW	CISCO
Telecommunications	Customer Engagement	Medical Devices	Cloud Computing	Enterprise Software	Credit Rating	Courier and Parcel Delivery	Chemical and Material Sciences	Networking Equipment
BRIDGESTONE	ATLASSIAN	AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES	НР	KELLOGG'S	SAINT-GOBAIN	DANA	WORLDLINE	AIRBUS
BRIDGESTONE  Tires and Mobility Solutions	ATLASSIAN Custom Software	AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES Cybersecurity	HPComputer Hardware	KELLOGG'S Snacks	SAINT-GOBAIN  Building Materials	DANA Automotive Technologies	WORLDLINE Electronic Money	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense
Tires and Mobility		TECHNOLOGIES				Automotive		Aerospace and
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#### **GERMANY**

In Germany, the HR landscape for 2024 underscores a holistic approach towards employee retention, blending technological advancement with traditional human-centered strategies. The impending year heralds a pivotal shift in workplace dynamics, emphasizing the significance of digitization, employee well-being, and an inclusive corporate culture. Amidst an evident labor shortage, particularly in blue-collar sectors, companies are set to prioritize the implementation of flexible work arrangements, enhancing employee autonomy in shift scheduling to mitigate stress and improve work-life balance.

Digitization of workforce management emerges as a crucial trend, with companies investing in digital tools to facilitate more flexible scheduling and shift swapping, thereby reducing administrative burdens and increasing operational efficiency. This move towards digitalization not only caters to the employees' call for flexibility but also aligns with the broader digital transformation agenda sweeping across industries. Moreover, the year 2024 is expected to spotlight the importance of fostering a strong corporate culture that places employees at its core. The adoption of digital platforms for feedback and recognition further illustrates the merging of technology and human-centric practices in creating an engaging and supportive work environment.

Financial considerations, prompted by economic uncertainties, also play a significant role in shaping the HR agenda. With a significant portion of the workforce grappling with financial insecurities, HR departments are urged to engage in meaningful dialogues with employees to explore viable solutions. Although outright salary increments may not be feasible for all, understanding and addressing employee concerns can fortify loyalty and commitment.

SIEMENS  Conglomerate	VOLKSWAGEN GROUP Automotive	SAP Enterprise Software	BAYER Pharmaceuticals	ALLIANZ General Insurance	INFINEON TECHNOLOGIES Semiconductors	ADIDAS Sporting Goods	AIRBUS  Aerospace and Defense	DEUTSCHE TELEKOM Telecommunications
MAIBORNWOLFF GMBH Custom Software	TECHNIKER KRANKENKASSE Health Insurance	CISCO  Networking Equipment	BASF Chemical and Material Sciences	HENKEL  Personal and Home Care	E.ON Energy Utilities	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC Automation Solutions	SWISS LIFE Life and Annuity Insurance	RAG Mining
MIELE Home Appliances	MICROSOFT Software	CONTINENTAL  Tires and Mobility Solutions	DEUTSCHE VERMÖGENSBE- RATUNG Wealth Management	ABBVIE Biopharmaceuticals	<b>eBay</b> E-commerce	OLIVER WYMAN  Management Consulting	BERTELSMANN Publishing	AWO Non-Profit
UNION INVESTMENT Investment Management	L'ORÉAL  Cosmetic and Skincare	MARS  Bakery and Confectionery	OLYMPUS Medical Devices	<b>DEICHMANN</b> Footwear	STIHL  Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	ESSITY  Hygiene and Cleaning Products	NTT DATA  IT Consulting and Services	LIDL Supermarkets Chain
LUFTHANSA Airline	TUI Travel & Tourism	TÜV NORD  Certification & Inspection Services	DHL Courier and Parcel Delivery	SPIEGEL INSTITUT  Market Research & Consulting	VOLKSBANK MITTELHESSEN Retail Banking	KPMG  Accounting & Audit Services	IKEA Furniture and Home Products	NESTLÉ Food and Beverages





### **CANADA**

In Canada, 2024 is shaping up to be a transformative year for HR, characterized by significant shifts in benefits, workplace flexibility, and the integration of technological advancements. The personalization of benefits emerges as a crucial strategy in response to the ongoing competition for skilled labor.

The emphasis on the "employee experience" (EX) signifies a deepened understanding of the employee's journey within the organization, from the initial hiring phase to retirement. This comprehensive view underscores HR's pivotal role in enhancing EX at every career stage through mental support, well-being initiatives, flexible work arrangements, and policies that balance private and professional life. This evolving workplace dynamic recognizes employees' growing expectations for roles that align more closely with their personal values and skills, shifting the focus towards personal fulfillment and social impact over traditional benefits.

As hybrid and remote work arrangements continue to gain popularity, reflecting employees' desires for greater work-life balance, mental health, and overall well-being, take center stage. Employers are increasingly investing in support systems and resources to address these critical areas, fostering a supportive and engaging work environment that drives organizational success.

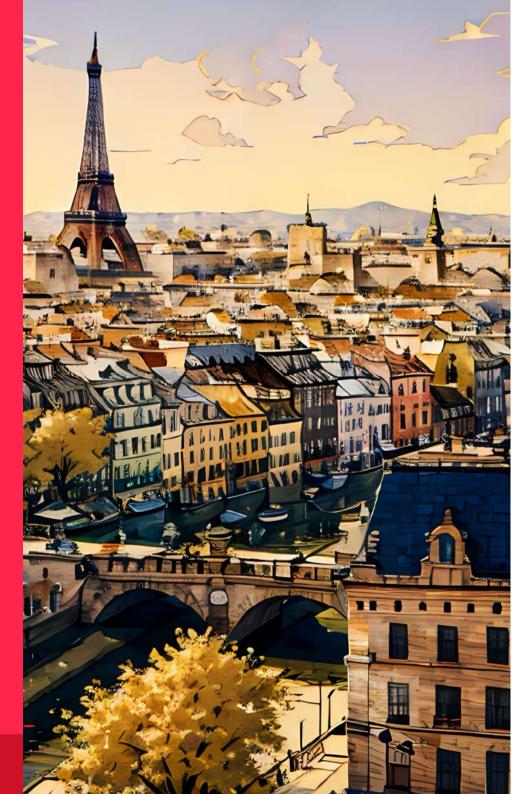
Furthermore, the advent of generative AI stands as a significant technological force, reshaping HR processes and offering new avenues for efficiency and innovation.

As Canadian employers navigate these changes, the emphasis remains on creating a flexible, inclusive work environment that prioritizes employee well-being and satisfaction, ensuring resilience and competitiveness in a rapidly evolving landscape.



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SAP	CGI	SCOTIABANK	ACCENTURE	TELUS	BC HYDRO	YMCA	DHL	DELOITTE
Enterprise Software	IT Consulting and Services	Banking	Management Consulting	Telecommunications	Energy Utilities	Non-Profit	Courier and Parcel Delivery	Accounting & Audit Services
PROCTER & GAMBLE	DENTONS CANADA LLP	MANULIFE	ENBRIDGE	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	PROCTER & GAMBLE	UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO	ТОУОТА	SHELL
FMCG	Legal Services	Lifeand Annuity Insurance	Oil and Gas	Automation Solutions	FMCG	Higher Education	Automotive Manufacturing	Energy
FIDELITY	SASKTE	LOBLAW COMPANIES LTD.	HATCH LTD.	CISCO	KIEWIT	JAZZ AVIATION	BASF	HAMILTON HEALTH SCIENCES
Investment Management	Telecommunications	Supermarkets Chain	Engineering	Networking Equipment	Construction	Airline	Chemical and Material Sciences	Hospital Network
GROUPE DYNAMITE	HOME DEPOT	IBM	CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY	IKEA	APPLE	MICROSOFT	NIKE	AVIVA
Fashion and Apparel	Home Improvement	Information Systems	Railway	Furniture and Home Products	Consumer Electronics	Software	Sporting Goods	General Insurance
IMPERIAL TOBACCO CANADA	NVIDIA	INTUIT	DEFINITY	JOEY RESTAURANT GROUP	STRYKER	STANLEY BLACK & DECKER	NUTRIEN	LAFARGE CANADA INC.
Tobacco	Semiconductors	Financial Software	Property and Casualty Insurance	Restaurant Chain	Medical Devices	Tools and Equipment Manufacturing	Agricultural Production	Building Materials





#### **FRANCE**

In France, the HR landscape of 2024 is set to navigate through the complex interplay of societal expectations, technological advancements, and legislative pressures. Reflecting the broader societal shifts that have increasingly blurred the lines between professional and personal lives, French organizations are leaning towards fostering a work environment characterized by inclusion, well-being, and flexibility.

A pivotal trend in France is the strategic focus on employee well-being, which has emerged as a non-negotiable aspect of organizational culture. French companies are expected to enhance their efforts in promoting a balanced work-life integration, recognizing that flexibility and well-being are key to sustaining productivity without compromising the quality of life. Moreover, the French HR scene is deeply intertwined with the concept of inclusion, spanning across various dimensions such as gender, age, and neurodiversity. Legislative momentum, such as reforms in pension schemes and anti-discrimination laws, is propelling organizations to embrace a more inclusive approach. The integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in HR processes stands out as a transformative trend, aiming to streamline operations and enhance decisionmaking. However, this technological leap brings forth ethical considerations, necessitating a balanced and thoughtful integration of AI that respects privacy and combats biases. The commitment to developing internal talent is another notable trend, driven by the acute awareness of labor shortages and the benefits of nurturing existing employees.

In 2024, French HR strategies are also characterized by a heightened emphasis on mental health, acknowledging the psychological challenges posed by modern work arrangements. Organizations are urged to create a supportive environment that addresses mental well-being, recognizing it as a critical component of employee satisfaction and organizational success.

FM LOGISTIC	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	CAPGEMINI	BNP PARIBAS	SNCF	ORANGE	DECATHLON	NEXITY	SAP
Transportation and Logistics	Automation Solutions	IT Consulting and Services	Banking	Railway	Telecommunications	Sporting Goods	Real Estate Brokerage	Enterprise Software
CANOFT	L'ORÉAL	ARKEMA	BOUYGUES	VOODOO	SAINT-GOBAIN	AVA	MICHELIN	HERMÈS
SANOFI Pharmaceuticals	Cosmetic and	Chemical and	Conglomerate	Gaming Software	Building Materials	AXA  General Insurance	Tires and Mobility	Luxury and
Tharmaceancais	Skincare	Material Sciences	Congionierate	danning Software	Building Platerials	General Insurance	Solutions	Designer Apparel
DANONE	THALES	DHL	CYBERDIAN	DOOH IT	NEXIALOG	AXIOME ASSOCIÉS	KIABI	E.LECLERC
Dairy	Aerospace and	Courier and	Cybersecurity	Advertising and	Management	Accounting &	Fashion and Apparel	Supermarkets Chai
	Defense	Parcel Delivery		Marketing	Consulting	Audit Services		
TELEPERFORMANCE	WORLDLINE	NATIXIS	SUEZ	BOSTON SCIENTIFIC	ACCORHOTELS	TOTALENERGIES	AIR FRANCE	EDF
Customer	Electronic Money	Investment Banking	Environmental	Medical Devices	Hotels and Resorts	Energy	Airline	Energy Utilities
Engagement			Services					
VALEO	BUREAU VERITAS	IPSOS	RENAULT	ROBERT HALF	CISCO	ADP	ABBVIE	OTIS
Auto Parts Manufacturing	Certification & Inspection Services	Market Research & Consulting	Automotive	Staffing and Recruitment	Networking Equipment	HR Services	Biopharmaceuticals	Elevators and Escalators
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HEINEKEN	AKZONOBEL	AMAZON	PHILIP MORRIS	PEPSICO	SWISS LIFE	WHIRLPOOL	GOOGLE	APPLE
Alcoholic Beverages	Paint and Coatings	E-commerce	Tobacco	Food and Baverage	Life and Annuity Insurance	Home Appliances	Software	Consumer
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UNILEVER	DELL	SODEXO	IBM	EDENRED				
FMCG	Computer Hardware	Food Distribution	Information Systems	Corporate Expense				
		and Catering		Solutions	200		9	

Number of workplace rankings used: 17 Total number of companies analyzed: 390 Methodology employed: Meta-analysis



#### **FINLAND**

In Finland, the HR landscape for 2023 and 2024 is navigating through a period of dynamic change and adaptation, reflecting the country's strong emphasis on innovation, social welfare, and sustainability.

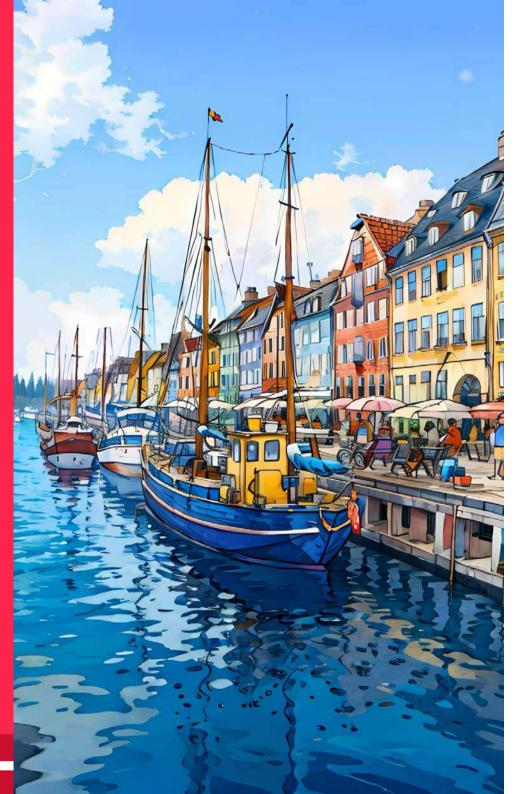
The rise of remote and hybrid work models continues to influence the Finnish workplace, prompted by the global pandemic's lasting impact and the country's geographical vastness. Finnish companies are further embracing flexible work arrangements, supporting work-life balance and catering to the diverse needs of their workforce. This flexibility is seen not just in terms of location and hours, but also in job structures, with a growing acceptance of part-time, project-based, and freelance roles.

In the realm of technology, Finnish companies are at the forefront of adopting artificial intelligence and automation in HR processes, from recruitment and onboarding to performance management and employee development. However, there is a strong emphasis on ethical AI use and ensuring that technology enhances rather than replaces human interaction, reflecting Finland's approach to technological advancement with caution and responsibility.

Employee well-being remains a cornerstone of Finnish HR policies, with an expanding definition that includes mental health, financial wellness, and environmental sustainability. Continuous learning and development are deeply ingrained in the Finnish work culture, supported by government initiatives and corporate policies that encourage lifelong learning. Companies are increasingly investing in personalized learning paths and development opportunities, recognizing the rapid pace of change in job requirements and the importance of nurturing a versatile and adaptable workforce.



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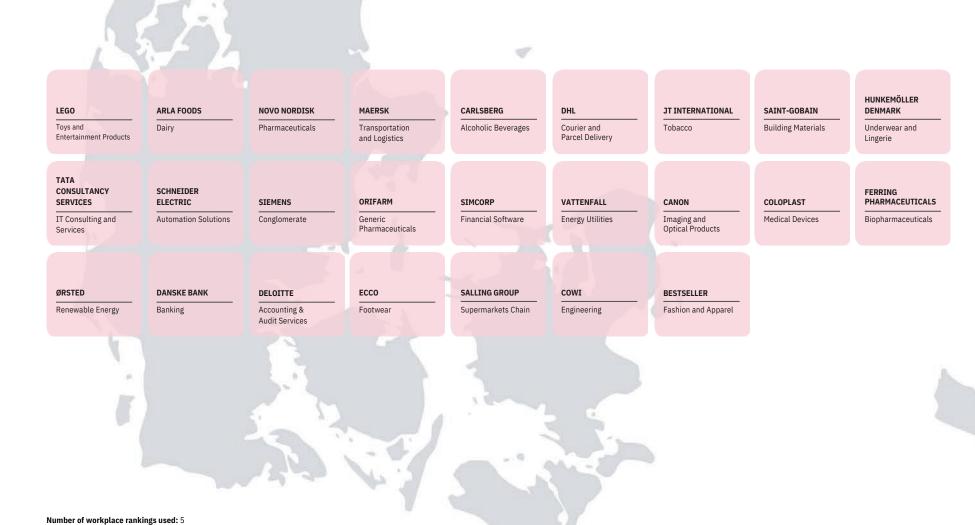
#### **DENMARK**

In Denmark, the HR landscape for 2024 is characterized by several distinct trends that uniquely address the challenges and opportunities within the Danish work culture. Firstly, there is a notable blurring of job roles driven by talent shortages, leading to an expansion of responsibilities and the emergence of "super employees" leveraging AI tools to enhance productivity. This phenomenon necessitates a framework for skill mapping to identify and nurture new talent effectively.

Supporting employee well-being is becoming increasingly important, with a focus on financial wellness benefits to help employees navigate the economic strains. The trend toward more personalized benefits packages is gaining momentum, with innovative offerings like "workation" policies allowing employees to combine work days with vacation, reflecting the Danish emphasis on work-life balance and employee satisfaction.

Al's role in HR continues to evolve, with a strategic and selective integration of new Al tools aimed at optimizing operations and enhancing the employee experience. This approach is part of a broader effort to balance technology with human-centered HR practices, ensuring that technological advancements support rather than overwhelm employees. Denmark's HR trends also highlight the importance of integrating and consolidating HR technologies to provide a seamless employee experience. This reflects a growing recognition of the need to streamline digital tools to reduce complexity and enhance efficiency within HR functions.

A "systemic HR" approach is gaining traction, focusing on the employee journey as a central element of HR strategies. This trend emphasizes collaboration across different company departments to optimize every touchpoint in an employee's interaction with the company, from application to departure.



Total number of companies analyzed: 46

Methodology employed: Meta-analysis, Survey, HR-Check



### **CHILE**

In Chile, the HR landscape of 2024 is experiencing a transformative phase, marked by the integration of technology and a deep focus on employee-centric approaches. The adoption of automated HR processes is at the forefront, streamlining tasks such as onboarding, payroll, and talent acquisition to enhance efficiency and accuracy.

Remote work continues to shape the work environment, with HR professionals refining strategies to support distributed teams effectively. This includes optimizing remote recruitment processes and ensuring robust employee engagement and productivity in a virtual setting.

A notable emphasis on continuous learning and development is evident, with companies investing in upskilling and reskilling initiatives. This approach not only caters to the changing demands of the labor market but also leverages talent analytics to foster employee growth and retention.

Employee well-being has become a paramount concern, with organizations striving to achieve a harmonious work-life balance. The application of advanced analytics aids in understanding workforce dynamics, enabling targeted actions to enhance overall well-being. Diversity and inclusion are gaining momentum, with initiatives aimed at promoting wage equity and the representation of minorities in leadership roles. This focus is part of a broader effort to ensure equitable and inclusive talent management practices.

The HR landscape in Chile in 2024 is characterized by a harmonious blend of technological advancements and a steadfast commitment to enhancing the employee experience. These trends not only aim to optimize operational efficiency but also to foster a supportive, inclusive, and dynamic work environment, positioning Chilean organizations for sustained success in an increasingly competitive global landscape.



Sporting Goods

Hypermarkets

Telecommunications



#### **BELGIUM**

In Belgium, the HR landscape for 2024 is set to navigate a series of transformative trends, with a significant focus on enhancing the Employee Experience (EX). This emphasis on EX is rooted in a comprehensive understanding of the employee journey within a company, from recruitment to departure, highlighting the critical role of HR in creating positive and engaging work environments. Key initiatives include mental support and well-being programs, balanced work-life policies, and flexible working arrangements, catering to the evolving expectations of employees who value alignment with their personal goals and values over traditional benefits.

The advent of the Federal Learning Account (FLA) mandates the digital registration of all training, formal and informal, underlining the importance of continuous learning and development. This initiative reflects a broader trend towards fostering a culture of growth and adaptability, essential in a time of full employment and demographic shifts in the workforce. With the retirement of a significant portion of the workforce, companies are increasingly turning to internal training and skill enhancement to fill gaps, emphasizing the development of existing employees over external recruitment.

Technological advancements, particularly in Artificial Intelligence (AI), are reshaping HR processes, from automating routine tasks to optimizing employee compensation strategies. While offering potential time savings and cost reductions, the rise of AI also brings challenges in data compliance and ethical considerations, necessitating a careful approach to technology adoption. Moreover, the introduction of new regulations around health and well-being, including changes to medical certificate requirements and support for professional reclassification, indicates a growing legislative focus on employee welfare. These changes, along with adjustments to social security reductions and mobility budgets, reflect an evolving regulatory environment that HR professionals must navigate.





#### **AUSTRALIA**

In Australia, the HR landscape for 2024 is witnessing a pivotal shift towards addressing key challenges related to employee well-being, workplace flexibility, and the integration of technological advancements. At the forefront are concerns around employee burnout and stress, exacerbated by cost-of-living pressures and heightened business demands. These issues underscore the critical need for HR teams to adopt comprehensive strategies aimed at supporting employee mental health and mitigating workplace stress.

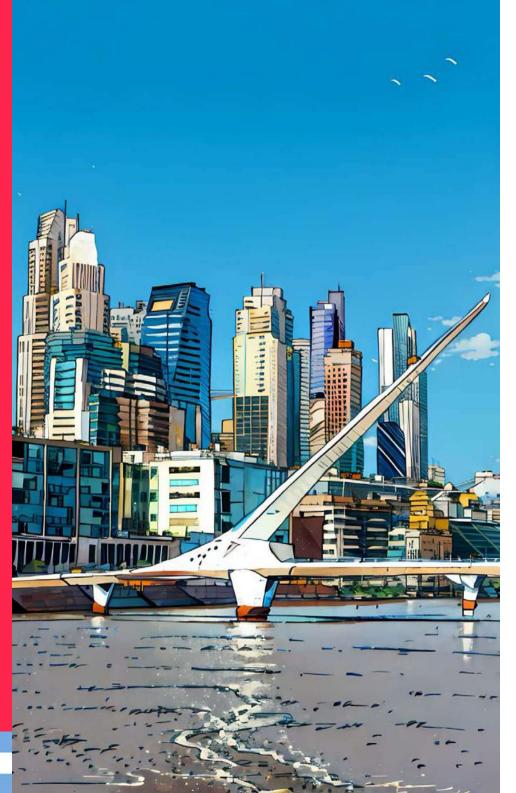
Furthermore, the phenomenon of customer aggression, particularly affecting frontline workers, highlights the broader societal stress impacts on employee well-being. This underscores the importance of creating robust support systems within organizations to protect and assist employees facing such challenges.

The balance of hybrid work remains a crucial focus, with organizations striving to find the right mix between office-based work and remote flexibility. This balance is essential not only for attracting and retaining talent but also for maintaining productivity and employee satisfaction in a changing employment market.

A significant trend for 2024 is the rise of "flexiters" - employees who prioritize work flexibility to such an extent that they would consider leaving their jobs if their expectations for flexible work arrangements are not met. This shift towards valuing flexibility over traditional benefits like salary increases emphasizes the changing priorities of the workforce and the necessity for HR policies that offer comprehensive flexibility and support for mental health and well-being.

The adoption of safety and support technologies plays a crucial role in addressing these challenges. By ensuring employees have access to emergency services, clinical support, and mental health pathways, organizations can create a safer and more supportive work environment.





#### **ARGENTINA**

In Argentina's 2024 HR landscape, trends highlight a shift towards skill-based roles and deep technology integration. The pandemic's enduring impact and economic challenges have spurred a departure from traditional job structures to roles emphasizing skills and adaptability, underscoring the critical synergy between human capabilities and technology for organizational success.

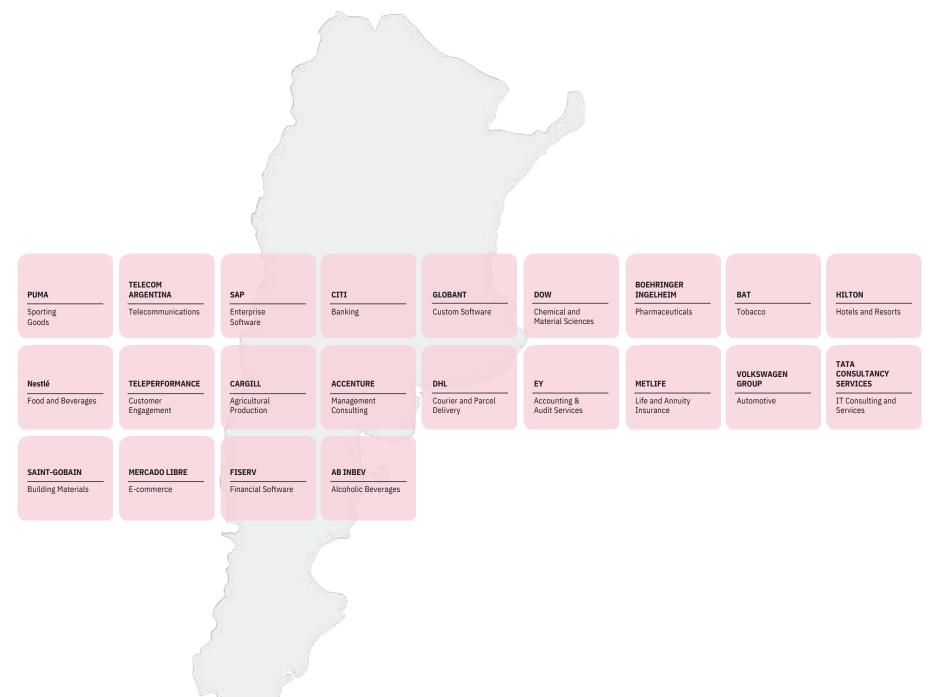
Technological advancements are transforming workspaces to favor flexibility and remote work, with an increased focus on sustainability linking business goals with environmental and social awareness.

Recruitment is evolving, prioritizing soft skills, AI utilization, and learning opportunities. Despite economic uncertainties, the focus remains on attracting talent by developing an employer brand that resonates with candidates' changing expectations.

To keep and inspire employees, strategies emphasize internal mobility and the importance of continuous learning, highlighting strategic adaptability and innovation in managing talent.

Artificial intelligence's integration into HR represents a pivotal shift, set to redefine talent management through automation and smart assistance. This change, while promising, challenges Argentine SMEs to pursue digital transformation for competitiveness. Increasing investments in digital initiatives by SMEs acknowledge the potential for productivity gains and cost reductions.

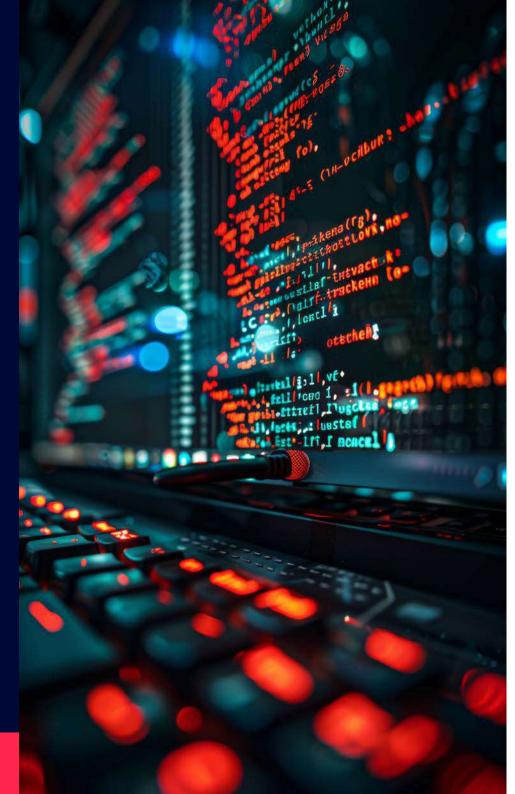
Argentina's HR in 2024 is marked by the interplay of adapting to technological advances and a shift towards more flexible, human-centered workplace practices, stressing the need for digital transformation and skill-focused strategies in addressing talent management's evolving demands.



Number of workplace rankings used: 6 Total number of companies analyzed: 105 Methodology employed: Meta-analysis Happiness is industry-specific: Easier achieved in some, a feat in others.







#### **SOFTWARE**

Navigating the software sector in 2024 requires addressing a multifaceted array of challenges head-on, each necessitating strategic HR interventions to foster employee happiness and secure skilled talent.

The dynamic nature of the software sector means that what was cuttingedge yesterday may become obsolete tomorrow. HR must leverage advanced learning platforms that offer on-demand, flexible learning opportunities in technical skills and soft skills alike.

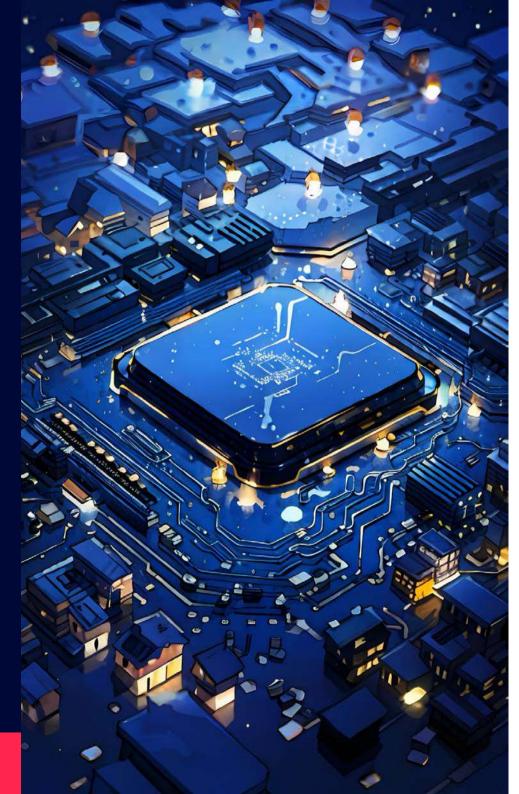
The concept of a "digital immune system" suggests a strategic shift towards developing software and systems that are inherently resilient to disruptions, whether they be cyber attacks, system failures, or other crises. HR's role in cultivating an organizational ethos of resilience is critical. This includes training teams in disaster recovery, fault-tolerant architectures, and continuous monitoring tools, as well as fostering soft skills such as adaptability, critical thinking, and problem-solving.

As Al and ML technologies become more pervasive, there is a growing need for ethical Al frameworks and responsible innovation practices. HR must guide the integration of ethical considerations into the development lifecycle, ensuring that software products are developed responsibly and in alignment with societal values and norms.

The software sector does not operate in a vacuum; it is influenced by global and local market dynamics, including regulatory changes, geopolitical tensions, and economic fluctuations. HR must ensure that the workforce is not only technically adept but also culturally competent and aware of these broader factors. This requires a nuanced approach to talent management, where diversity and inclusion are prioritized, and employees are equipped to work effectively in diverse teams across different geographies.







#### **TECHNOLOGY**

As we look towards 2024, the technology sector continues to evolve at an unprecedented pace, bringing with it a set of unique challenges and opportunities that directly impact employee happiness and engagement.

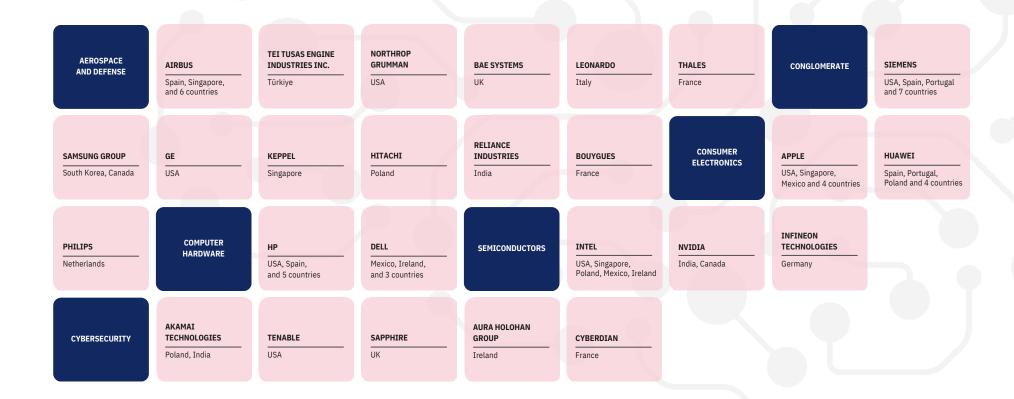
The emphasis on continuous learning and professional development remains at the heart of employee satisfaction within the technology industry. By providing employees with opportunities to engage with new technologies and pursue professional growth, companies can significantly enhance job satisfaction and foster a culture of creative exploration.

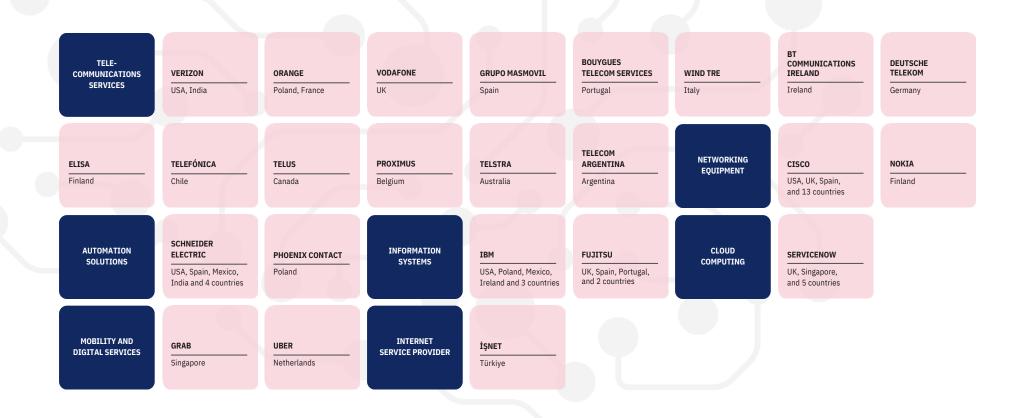
The rise of remote and distributed teams presents both benefits and challenges. While offering flexibility and potentially improving work-life balance, remote work can sometimes lead to feelings of isolation. Employing strategies to foster a sense of community among remote employees is essential for maintaining a supportive and connected workplace.

Ethical considerations, especially in AI development, are increasingly important to employees concerned about the societal impact of their work. Encouraging open discussions about ethical considerations, establishing ethics committees, and aligning projects with the company's values can help employees feel their work contributes positively to society, boosting job satisfaction.

Lastly, the competitive nature of the technology sector can exert pressure on employees to consistently perform at their peak. Recognizing hard work, fostering a collaborative environment, and ensuring a healthy work-life balance are vital for sustaining high levels of job satisfaction and preventing burnout.









### **TRANSPORTATION**

In 2024, the transportation industry stands at the threshold of a complex array of challenges. These challenges call for a strategic and nuanced approach, pivotal for maintaining operational efficiency, enhancing employee satisfaction, and securing a competitive advantage in the market.

A central challenge is the rapid integration of advanced technologies and automation across operations. This shift necessitates a workforce proficient in new technological paradigms, compelling HR departments to focus on comprehensive upskilling and reskilling programs.

Environmental sustainability also emerges as a paramount concern, with escalating pressures to adopt greener practices and comply with stringent environmental regulations. The sector must balance operational demands with the imperative to reduce its carbon footprint, requiring strategic workforce planning to embrace sustainable practices and navigate the complexities of environmental compliance.

Global supply chain vulnerabilities have highlighted the importance of resilience and adaptability in the face of disruptions. HR's role in fostering a workforce capable of navigating these disruptions—through strategic planning, continuous learning, and adaptability—is critical for ensuring business continuity and operational integrity.

Regulatory compliance and safety remain perennial challenges, particularly given the complex, evolving regulatory landscape. Ensuring that the workforce is well-versed in compliance requirements and safety protocols is vital for minimizing risk and upholding the highest standards of operational excellence.







# **CONSUMER GOODS**

In 2024, the consumer goods sector's response to sustainability, digital transformation, supply chain challenges, and talent competition directly influences employee happiness. As HR professionals navigate these complexities, creating a work environment that fosters employee engagement, satisfaction, and retention becomes crucial.

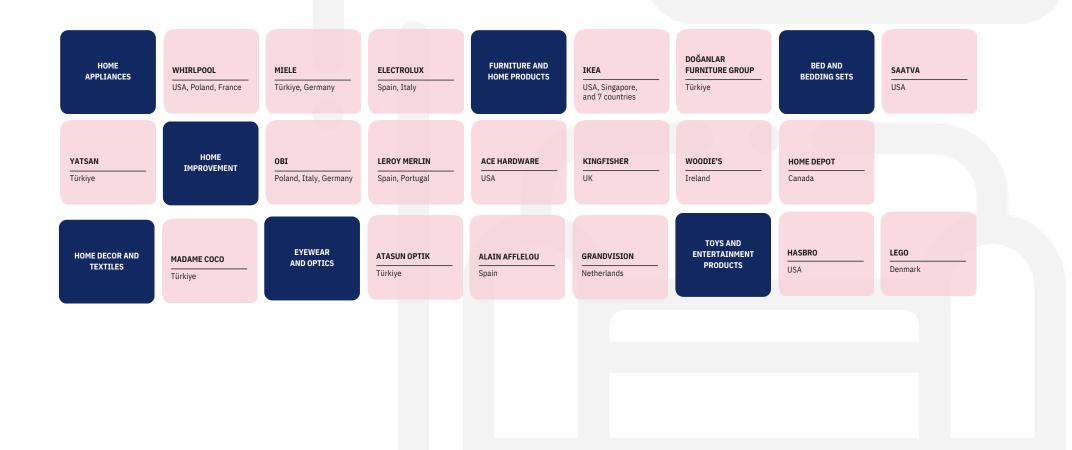
The emphasis on sustainability resonates deeply with employees who value environmental and ethical practices. By aligning company operations with these principles, organizations not only meet consumer demands but also cultivate a sense of purpose and pride among their workforce. Employees are more likely to feel satisfied and motivated when they see their work contributing to positive environmental and social outcomes.

Facing global supply chain disruptions, companies that prioritize operational flexibility and crisis management enable a resilient work culture. Employees in such environments feel supported and secure, knowing their organization is prepared to handle challenges effectively. This sense of security and trust in leadership enhances overall happiness and loyalty.

Lastly, addressing the competitive talent landscape by emphasizing opportunities for growth, innovation, and impact on sustainability attracts and retains top talent. A workplace that values creativity, learning, and purposedriven initiatives fosters a positive and inclusive culture, directly contributing to employee happiness.

In essence, by focusing on sustainability, ensuring operational resilience, and cultivating a purpose-driven culture, consumer goods companies in 2024 can significantly enhance employee happiness. These strategies not only align with broader industry challenges but also meet the intrinsic needs and values of the workforce, leading to a more engaged, and loyal team.







### **RETAIL**

In navigating the complexities of the retail sector in 2024, characterized by significant transformations influenced by evolving consumer behaviors, heightened e-commerce competition, and rapid technological advancements, the strategic role of HR is paramount. This involves a focused effort on enhancing employee happiness and attracting skilled talent to meet these challenges effectively.

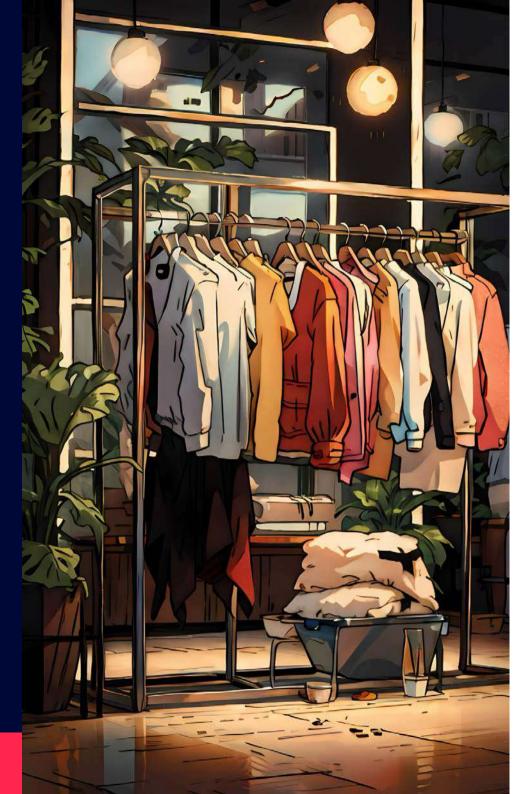
The dramatic shift towards online shopping, accentuated by the pandemic, necessitates a workforce that is proficient in both digital literacy and exceptional customer service. HR must develop training programs aimed at creating personalized customer experiences and understanding the nuances of online consumer behavior.

The persistent challenge of labor shortages and high turnover rates in retail necessitates promoting a more flexible, diverse, and inclusive work culture. Given the rapid evolution of the retail sector, particularly in e-commerce, continuous training is indispensable. Leveraging modern learning platforms that offer microlearning and mobile solutions facilitates ongoing skill development. This approach ensures employees are well-prepared to adapt to dynamic changes in the retail landscape, thereby improving staff efficiency and engagement.

To keep pace with e-commerce growth and meet consumer expectations for seamless shopping experiences, it is crucial for retail businesses to invest in the latest technologies. HR plays a critical role in this transition, ensuring employees are proficient with new tools, which not only enhances operational efficiency but also boosts employee morale by eliminating frustrations associated with outdated technology.



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SUPERMARKETS CHAIN	LIDL Poland, Italy, Ireland, and 3 countries	ALDI USA	TESCO UK	MIGROS Türkiye	MERCADONA Spain	JERÓNIMO MARTINS Portugal	SPAR Netherlands	E.LECLERC France
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MEDIA MARKT Poland	COSMETICS AND BEAUTY RETAIL	SEPHORA USA	GRATIS Türkiye	WATSONS Singapore	DIRK ROSSMANN GMBH Germany	OFFICE SUPPLIES	STAPLES USA	ADEL Türkiye
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## FASHION & APPAREL

In 2024, the fashion and apparel industry's HR departments will significantly impact employee happiness by focusing on sustainability, digital literacy, inclusivity, and flexible work arrangements. Sustainability initiatives will resonate with employees' values, instilling a sense of purpose and contributing to a fulfilling work environment. By prioritizing environmental and ethical practices, companies can enhance employee pride and morale.

Digital transformation efforts will ensure employees are equipped with necessary digital skills, reducing frustrations associated with outdated processes and empowering teams towards innovation and productivity. This skill development promotes job satisfaction by offering growth opportunities, essential for adapting to future industry demands.

Inclusivity will be a key driver of employee happiness, with workplaces that celebrate diversity and provide equal opportunities fostering a sense of belonging and respect. Such an environment enhances collaboration and employee engagement, leading to higher satisfaction levels.

Flexible work arrangements will further contribute to employee happiness by facilitating a better work-life balance. Adaptable schedules and the option for remote work, particularly relevant in creative roles, will help retain talent and minimize burnout, crucial for maintaining job satisfaction.

Overall, the fashion and apparel industry in 2024 will distinguish its happiest workplaces through their commitment to HR strategies that emphasize sustainability, digital proficiency, inclusivity, and flexible working arrangements. By weaving these principles into the fabric of their operations, companies will cultivate environments where employees not only feel appreciated and engaged but also deeply connected to their company's mission and ethical values.







### **FMCG**

In 2024, the FMCG sector is poised to face intensified challenges and opportunities that will significantly influence employee happiness and HR strategies. The ongoing digital transformation will escalate, requiring companies to further invest in digital literacy and adaptability among their workforce. HR departments will prioritize upskilling and reskilling initiatives to keep pace with rapid technological advancements, enhancing employee engagement and job satisfaction by providing growth opportunities and the tools necessary to succeed in a digital-first environment.

Supply chain resilience will remain a critical focus as FMCG companies strive to mitigate disruptions and ensure operational continuity. HR's role in fostering a culture of agility and resilience will be crucial, involving comprehensive training programs and support systems that empower employees to navigate and thrive amidst supply chain challenges, thereby improving their confidence and happiness.

Sustainability will be more than a trend; it will be an imperative. As consumers increasingly demand eco-friendly products and practices, FMCG companies will incorporate sustainability into their core operations and values. HR will lead the charge in integrating sustainability into the employee experience, from recruitment to retention, aligning corporate goals with personal values and enhancing job satisfaction.

The emphasis on mental health and well-being will deepen, with companies expanding their support programs and flexible work options to maintain a healthy work-life balance. These initiatives will not only address the immediate needs of the workforce but also foster a culture of care and respect, ultimately enhancing employee happiness and loyalty in a competitive landscape.



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FERRERO Poland, Italy	SNACKS	KELLOGG'S  USA, Singapore, Mexico and 3 countries	ÜLKER Türkiye	LORENZ SNACK WORLD Germany	FOOD PROCESSING	GENERAL MILLS USA	GRUPO BIMBO Mexico	SOPROLE Chile
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# HOSPITALITY & FOOD SERVICES

To navigate the changing landscape of the hospitality and food services industry in 2024, HR strategies must be deeply integrated with the trends of consumer behavior, sustainability, and the ongoing issue of labor shortages. Understanding the growing consumer demand for personalized, authentic experiences and a greater emphasis on health and wellness is crucial. HR should cultivate a culture that values innovation and allows employees to contribute ideas that align with these trends. Training in health, nutrition, and sustainability will empower staff, enhance their engagement, and provide them with a sense of purpose by contributing to the company's vision.

Sustainability initiatives will play a pivotal role in differentiating businesses within the industry. HR should incorporate environmental responsibility into the company culture through green policies, activities aimed at reducing waste, and by celebrating employees who champion sustainability efforts. This approach not only aligns the employees' work with societal values but also attracts talent who are looking for purpose-driven employment.

To combat labor shortages, HR must implement innovative strategies such as competitive benefits, flexible work arrangements, and defined paths for career advancement. An inclusive work environment that values diversity will widen the talent pool, making the sector more appealing to a broad array of job seekers. Additionally, investing in employee development programs, including leadership and crosstraining opportunities, will increase job satisfaction, employee retention, and make the organization more attractive to prospective talent.





USA, Spain, Poland, France, Canada

UK, India

Poland, Germany



# ENTERTAINMET & MEDIA

In 2024, the entertainment and media sector is anticipated to further immerse itself in digital transformation, emphasizing personalized content, and leveraging emerging technologies like AR and VR to create immersive experiences. This shift necessitates HR professionals to focus on attracting and nurturing a workforce that is both technologically savvy and creatively gifted. The push towards digital content delivery will require significant upskilling and reskilling of employees to ensure they are adept at new technologies, thereby enhancing their job satisfaction through professional growth opportunities.

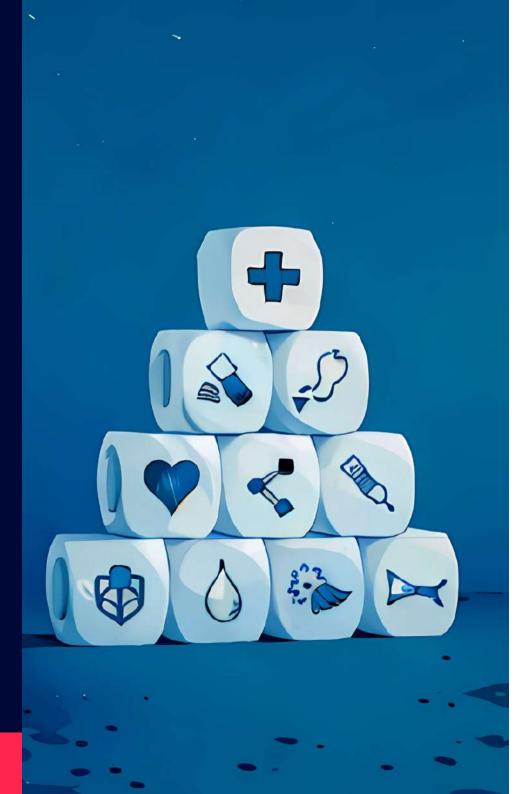
The growing demand for innovative and diverse content will highlight the need for creative talent, making it imperative for HR strategies to cultivate an environment that encourages creativity, diversity, and inclusion. This approach not only fosters employee happiness by valuing their creative contributions but also meets the evolving expectations of global audiences.

Furthermore, the global and often remote nature of the industry will lead to a stronger emphasis on flexible work arrangements. HR policies that support work-life balance, remote working, and mental health will become increasingly important. These policies will not only address the well-being of employees in high-pressure roles but also contribute to a supportive workplace culture that attracts top talent.

In summary, the entertainment and media industry in 2024 will challenge HR professionals to adapt to technological advancements, prioritize creative talent development, and implement flexible and inclusive work policies. These efforts will be crucial in ensuring employee happiness and retention in a competitive and rapidly evolving sector.







#### **INSURANCE**

In 2024, the insurance sector is facing critical challenges that significantly impact HR strategies and employee engagement. The industry's focus on data protection and cybersecurity requires HR to promote a culture of vigilance and adaptability, ensuring employees are prepared to safeguard sensitive information in a technologically advanced environment. Concurrently, the integration of AI in insurance operations demands a workforce that is not only technologically proficient but also skilled in navigating ethical and compliance issues, highlighting the need for ongoing upskilling.

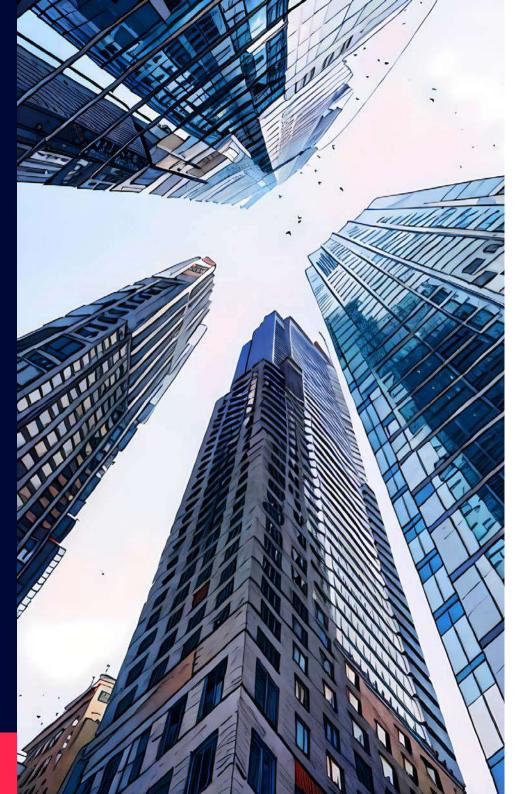
The rise of embedded insurance presents a shift in traditional business models, urging HR to develop talent capable of driving innovation and managing new distribution channels. This trend necessitates creative problem-solving and customer engagement strategies, positioning HR at the core of fostering a culture that embraces change and innovation.

Additionally, the sector is contending with social inflation and an increase in nuclear verdicts, which complicate risk assessment and customer trust. HR's role in training employees on advanced risk mitigation techniques and emphasizing a customer-centric approach is crucial to addressing these financial pressures.

These industry-specific challenges necessitate a strategic HR focus on skill development, technological proficiency, innovation, and ethical responsibility. By prioritizing these areas, HR can ensure a motivated, engaged, and adaptable workforce, equipped to navigate the insurance sector's evolving landscape and contribute to its long-term success amidst the rapid changes of 2024.







# FINANCIAL SERVICES

In 2024, the financial services sector is witnessing a pivotal transformation driven by technological innovation, regulatory evolution, and shifting consumer demands. This transformation is influencing various facets of the sector, from personalized financial strategies to enhanced security in transactions and a deeper emphasis on ethical and transparent practices. Amidst these changes, the role of HR in fostering employee happiness and engagement has become more crucial than ever

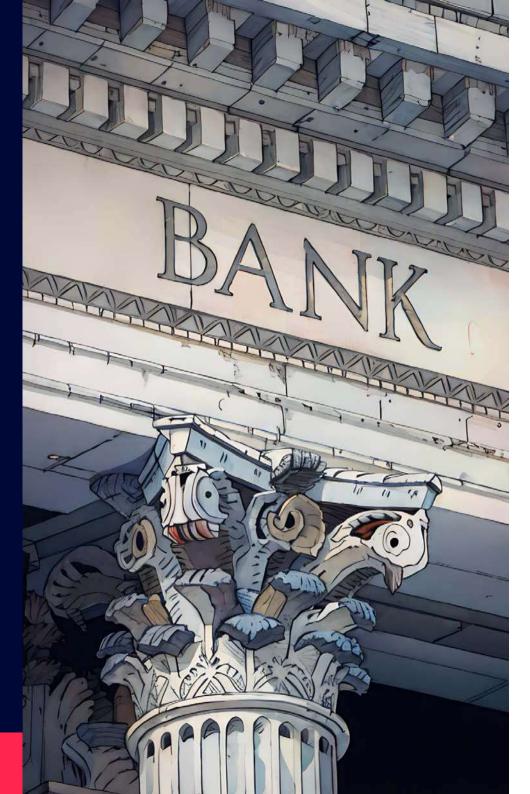
The integration of advanced technologies, such as AI and big data analytics, is reshaping how services are delivered, necessitating a workforce that is not only tech-savvy but also adaptable to rapid advancements. This shift underscores the importance of continuous learning and development programs tailored to upskill employees, thereby enhancing their job satisfaction and sense of fulfillment.

Moreover, with the increasing focus on sustainability and ethical considerations, particularly in assessing financial health and investment opportunities, there is a growing need for professionals who can align financial expertise with these broader values. This alignment between organizational goals and personal values plays a significant role in boosting employee motivation and loyalty.

Additionally, the sector's move towards digitalization, including the adoption of blockchain and cloud technologies, emphasizes the need for stringent cybersecurity measures. HR's ability to attract and nurture talent with expertise in these areas directly contributes to creating a secure and trustful environment, further enhancing employee engagement.



INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	FIDELITY  USA, UK, Ireland, Canada	GCM YATIRIM Türkiye	UNION INVESTMENT Germany	WEALTH MANAGEMENT	NORTHERN TRUST USA	DEUTSCHE VERMÖGENSBERATUNG Germany	ELECTRONIC MONEY	WORLDLINE Spain, Singapore, Poland and 4 countries
PAYPAL USA, Ireland	WISE UK	UPT Türkiye	INTERSWITCH GROUP Nigeria	NEXI Italy	CREDIT CARDS	AMERICAN EXPRESS USA, UK, Spain, and 4 countries	MASTERCARD Singapore, Ireland, India and 2 countries	
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### **BANKING**

In 2024, the banking sector is witnessing transformative changes due to advancements in generative AI, a shift towards cloud-first strategies, recalibration of regulatory frameworks, and a heightened focus on sustainability and digital resilience. These shifts are fundamentally altering workforce dynamics, requiring HR professionals to adapt their strategies to enhance employee engagement and satisfaction.

The adoption of generative AI is set to boost productivity and revenue, presenting HR with the challenge of fostering a culture that embraces technological innovation while ensuring employees are equipped with the necessary skills. This technological integration necessitates continuous learning and adaptability among employees, making it essential for HR to prioritize professional development and confidence in the use of new technologies.

Moreover, the industry's move towards a cloud-first approach and the ongoing recalibration of regulations demand a workforce that is not only technologically proficient but also adaptable to the evolving regulatory landscape. HR must ensure that employees understand their roles in maintaining compliance and leveraging cloud technologies, fostering a sense of security and belonging.

Additionally, the banking sector's focus on sustainability and digital operational resilience amid increased regulatory scrutiny highlights the importance of HR strategies that attract and retain talent committed to these values. Employees are increasingly seeking meaningful work that aligns with their values, making it crucial for HR to create a work environment that prioritizes sustainability, innovation, and ethical responsibility.



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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

In 2024, the professional services sector is expected to face a rapidly changing environment, marked by technological advancements, globalization, and shifting client demands. These factors underscore the necessity for strategic HR measures to bolster employee happiness and retain a competitive edge.

Adapting to new technologies is a significant challenge, necessitating a workforce that is not only tech-savvy but also adaptable and keen on continuous learning.

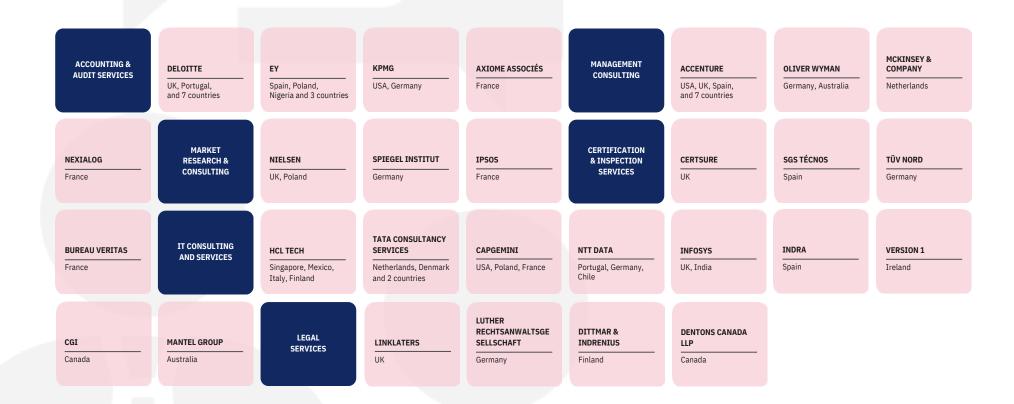
Meeting evolving client expectations requires employees to be agile, with a strong emphasis on problem-solving and a client-centric approach. Cultivating an environment that encourages innovation and allows employees to take ownership of client outcomes can boost job satisfaction and loyalty, aligning employee efforts with client success.

Work-life balance is increasingly important, especially in sectors known for demanding schedules. Implementing flexible work arrangements can significantly improve employees' well-being and productivity, as they find better ways to balance professional responsibilities with personal life.

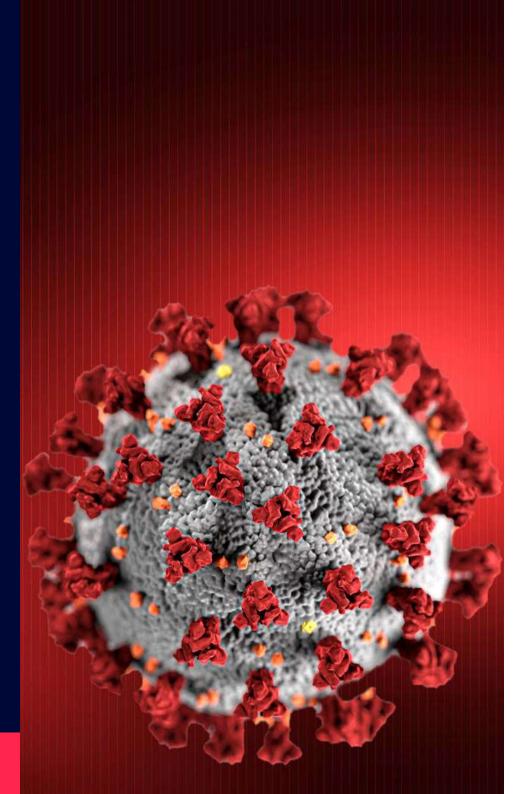
Mental health and well-being are paramount, particularly in high-pressure environments. Comprehensive well-being programs that include mental health support and stress management resources can ensure employees feel supported both in their professional roles and personal well-being.

By strategically addressing these areas, professional services firms can create a workplace that not only drives innovation and success but also ensures the happiness and well-being of their employees, laying a strong foundation for navigating the complexities of 2024 and beyond.









### **HEALTH CARE**

As we venture into 2024, the healthcare industry, encompassing pharmaceuticals, hospitals, and the medical device sector, is at a pivotal juncture marked by rapid technological advancements and evolving patient expectations. This landscape requires a strategic HR approach focused on developing a versatile, skilled workforce equipped to navigate these changes.

In pharmaceuticals, the emphasis is on accelerating drug development while ensuring compliance and embracing digital innovation. HR must facilitate continuous learning to keep pace with scientific and technological shifts.

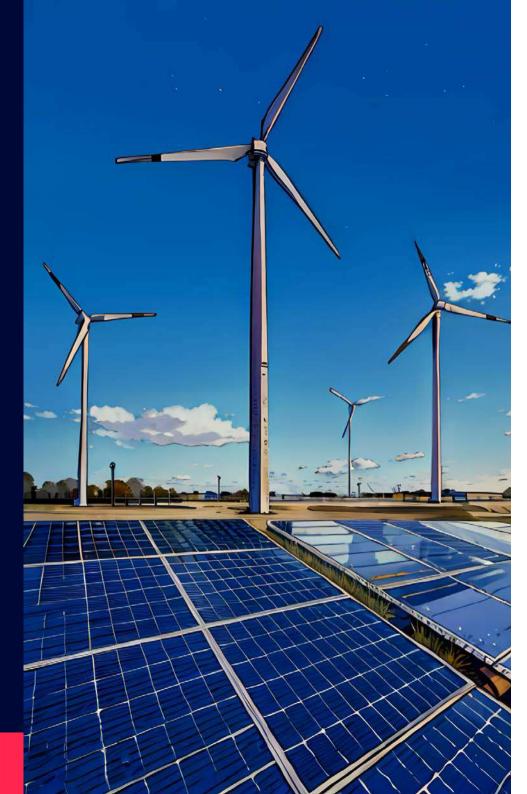
Hospitals face the challenge of delivering high-quality patient care amid fluctuating demands and operational efficiencies. HR strategies should prioritize mental health support, digital literacy, and leadership development to maintain a resilient and adaptive workforce.

The medical device sector demands a blend of engineering prowess, data analysis skills, and regulatory knowledge, driven by advancements in diagnostics and wearable technologies. HR needs to foster STEM education partnerships and hands-on training to cultivate a technically adept workforce.

Across all sectors, the integration of digital transformation, patient-centered care, and diversity initiatives is crucial. HR plays a key role in ensuring the workforce is not only technically proficient but also adaptable and committed to excellence in patient care. As the healthcare industry evolves, a strategic HR approach will be vital in shaping a workforce ready to meet the challenges and opportunities of 2024.







# ENERGY & RESOURCES

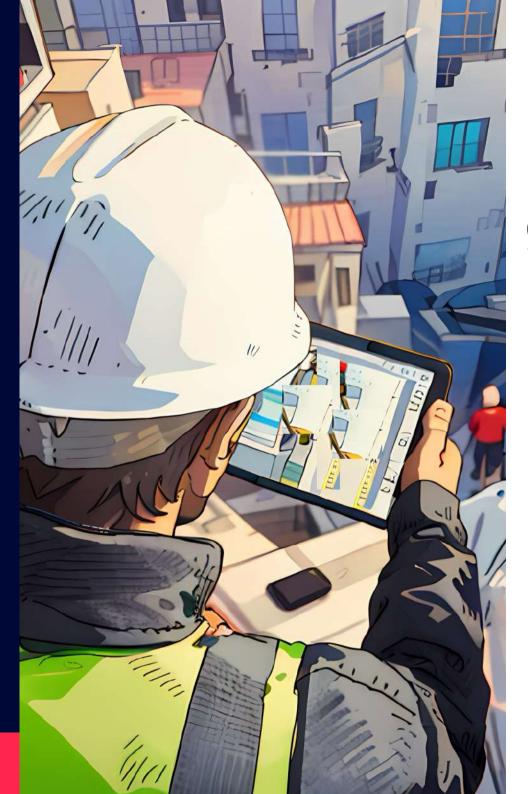
In 2024, the energy and resources sector is undergoing a significant transformation towards renewable energy and strict environmental regulations, reshaping workforce dynamics. This shift positions HR professionals at the center of fostering employee engagement and satisfaction amidst these changes. The industry's move towards sustainability resonates with the workforce's desire for meaningful work, aligning organizational objectives with personal values and motivating employees by their contributions to environmental conservation and the energy transition.

The tightening of environmental regulations globally presents HR with the opportunity to involve employees more deeply in the company's sustainability initiatives, enhancing their sense of ownership and pride in their work. This engagement is crucial for fostering a committed and proud workforce. Additionally, the focus on sustainability necessitates HR highlighting career development opportunities within this new energy landscape, drawing in talent passionate about contributing to the sector's sustainable future.

HR's role has evolved to actively promote a culture of innovation, sustainability, and resilience, prioritizing employee well-being, advocating for environmental responsibility, and supporting the shift towards renewable energy. This approach ensures a motivated, engaged, and forward-thinking workforce, equipping the sector to meet its current challenges while positioning it for long-term success. By embracing these strategies, HR can lead the sector in navigating the complexities of today's energy landscape, ensuring both immediate adaptability and sustainable growth.



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COTEMAR Mexico	ENBRIDGE Canada	ENERGY UTILITIES	SOUTHERN COMPANY USA	NATIONAL GRID UK	YILDIRIM ENERJI Türkiye	NATURGY Spain	ENEL Italy	E.ON Germany
EDF France	CARUNA Finland	VATTENFALL Denmark	BC HYDRO Canada	AGL ENERGY Australia	AYTEMIZ Türkiye	RENEWABLE ENERGY	EDP Portugal, Poland, Italy	ACCIONA Spain, Chile
SUNRUN USA	SUOMEN AURINKOTEKNIIKKA OY Finland	ØRSTED Denmark	FuelPositive Canada	MINING	ANGLO AMERICAN UK, Chile	ETİ KROM Türkiye	GRUPO MÉXICO  Mexico	RAG Germany



#### CONSTRUCTION

In 2024, the construction industry faces significant challenges and opportunities shaped by digital transformation, environmental sustainability, and evolving market demands. HR professionals will play a crucial role in navigating these changes by focusing on upskilling and reskilling employees to adapt to new technologies such as Building Information Modeling (BIM), artificial intelligence (AI), and the Internet of Things (IoT). This will ensure the workforce is proficient in modern construction techniques, enhancing job satisfaction and productivity.

Environmental concerns will also dictate the need for talent specialized in sustainable construction practices, renewable materials, and energy efficiency. HR strategies must promote a culture of sustainability, attracting professionals committed to reducing the industry's carbon footprint.

The growing demand for customized construction solutions highlights the importance of creativity and diversity in the workforce. HR must create an inclusive environment that values diverse perspectives and fosters innovation, meeting the unique needs of a varied clientele.

Furthermore, the project-based nature of the industry requires flexible and remote working arrangements. HR policies should support work-life balance, remote work, and mental health, addressing the well-being of employees and attracting top talent.

Overall, in 2024, HR professionals in the construction industry must adapt to technological advancements, prioritize environmental responsibility, encourage creativity and diversity, and implement flexible work arrangements. These efforts are essential for developing a resilient, innovative, and satisfied workforce capable of tackling the challenges of a rapidly evolving sector.



CONSTRUCTION	TURNER CONSTRUCTION USA	MORGAN SINDALL UK	SACYR Spain	JOHN PAUL CONSTRUCTION Ireland	HOCHTIEF Germany	YIT Finland	KIEWIT Canada	COBILD Australia
ENGINEERING	<b>COWI</b> Denmark	HATCH LTD. Canada	BUILDING MATERIALS	SAINT-GOBAIN  South Korea, Singapore and 14 countries	OWENS CORNING USA	<b>ÇİMSA</b> Türkiye	LAFARGE CANADA INC.	
CEMENT	CEMEX USA	NUH ÇİMENTO Türkiye	ÇİMENTAS Türkiye	HEIDELBERG MATERIALS Germany	ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS	OTIS  USA, Spain, Singapore Germany, France	KONE Finland, Belgium	SCHINDLER LIFTEN BV Netherlands



## INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS

In 2024, the industrial products sector faces significant transformations driven by technological innovation, environmental regulations, and global supply chain shifts. HR professionals play a crucial role in guiding their organizations through these changes by focusing on strategic workforce development and engagement.

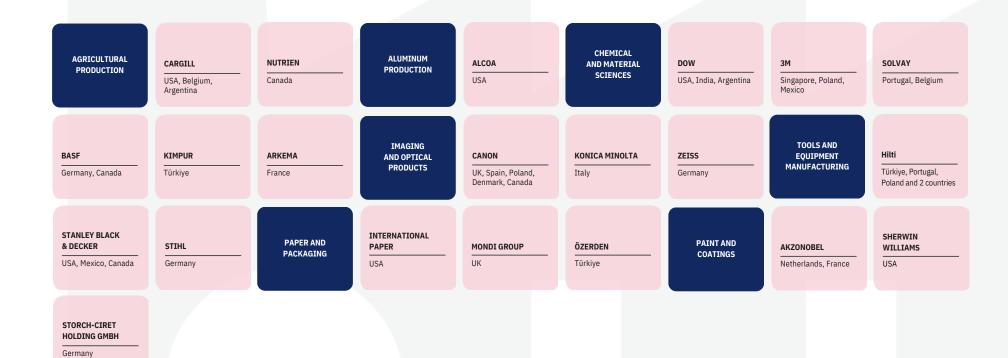
The rapid advancement of technologies such as robotics, automation, and the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) necessitates a workforce that is adaptable to technological shifts. HR must ensure employees are prepared to operate new machinery and innovate in product development, enhancing operational efficiency and employee retention.

Environmental sustainability becomes increasingly critical, with pressure on companies to reduce their ecological footprint and comply with stringent regulations. HR strategies need to emphasize environmental stewardship, recruiting talent skilled in sustainable manufacturing, waste reduction, and energy efficiency. This focus not only enhances the company's brand but also meets the demand for green products.

Moreover, global supply chain disruptions call for agile and adaptable workforce strategies. HR should promote resilience, encouraging collaboration to respond to supply chain challenges swiftly. Implementing flexible work arrangements and leveraging digital collaboration tools are essential for supporting a distributed workforce and ensuring business continuity.

The industrial products sector also demands a strong emphasis on fostering a culture of innovation, attracting diverse talent, and creating an inclusive work environment. This approach is crucial for spurring creativity, meeting diverse market needs, and driving competitive advantage.







### **AUTOMOTIVE**

The automotive industry's pioneering efforts in electrification, autonomous technologies, and sustainability in 2024 are poised to significantly enhance employee satisfaction and happiness. The push towards electrification not only places the industry at the forefront of technological innovation but also cultivates a sense of pride among employees for contributing to global sustainability efforts and combating climate change. This meaningful engagement, inherently impactful and aligned with broader societal goals, elevates morale and job satisfaction.

Furthermore, the exploration and integration of autonomous technologies challenge employees with intellectually stimulating work, offering the chance to be part of groundbreaking developments. The complexity and novelty of creating autonomous vehicles imbue employees with a unique sense of accomplishment and purpose, boosting both job satisfaction and personal fulfillment.

Sustainability efforts further enrich the HR landscape by aligning employee actions with environmental conservation and ethical standards. This congruence between personal values and corporate goals deepens employees' emotional connection to their work and employer, fostering increased loyalty, a sense of belonging, and overall happiness.

In essence, the automotive industry in 2024 is shaping up to be a highly attractive sector for professionals seeking not only dynamic and innovative work environments but also companies that stand for ethical principles and sustainability. The industry's forward-thinking approach in these areas is key to building a happier, more engaged, and satisfied workforce, setting a benchmark for others to follow in blending technological advancement with social responsibility and employee well-being.



AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING	VOLKSWAGEN GROUP  Poland, Mexico, Ireland and 2 countries	TOYOTA Türkiye, Spain, Singapore, Canada	GENERAL MOTORS USA	HYUNDAI MOTOR GROUP South Korea	STELLANTIS Netherlands	FERRARI Italy	RENAULT France	
TRUCK AND BUS MANUFACTURING	SCANIA CHILE Chile	MOTORCYCLE MANUFACTURING	HARLEY DAVIDSON USA	AUTO PARTS MANUFACTURING	MAGNA INTERNATIONAL Türkiye, Germany, Canada	NEMAK Mexico	VALEO France	
TIRES AND MOBILITY SOLUTIONS	MICHELIN  USA, Poland, Mexico, France, Canada	BRIDGESTONE Spain, India, Belgium	<b>CONTINENTAL</b> Germany	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	DANA  USA, Netherlands, Italy, India, Belgium	APTIV Poland, Ireland	ETAS GMBH Germany	
VEHICLE DEALERSHIPS AND SALES	CARMAX USA	AUTO TRADER UK	HYUNDAI AUTO CANADA Canada	<b>D'LETEREN</b> Belgium	<b>CARSALES</b> Australia	CAR RENTAL SERVICES	ENTERPRISE HOLDINGS USA	GREEN MOTION UK