

# HOW TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is designed to make completion as easy and fast as possible. Most questions can be answered by simply ticking boxes. Very little information will need to be looked up.

This questionnaire asks you about the Personnel/Human Resource (HR) policies and practices in the organisation or part of the organisation (Division, Business Unit, Department etc) for which you have Human Resource Management responsibility.

Please indicate below the organisational unit to which the answers on the questionnaire refer

a. Is your organisation part of a larger Group of companies/institution?      1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

b. If yes, are you answering for the whole Group, in your country?      1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

The questionnaire has been created for simultaneous use by private and public sector employers in 40 countries; some questions may therefore be phrased in a slightly unfamiliar way.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION

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# SECTION I: HRM ACTIVITY IN THE ORGANISATION

1. Approximately how many people are employed (on the payroll) by your organisation?

In total \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please give proportions for the following:

A. Managers \_\_\_\_\_% of workforce

B. Professional/technical employees \_\_\_\_\_% of workforce

C. Clerical employees \_\_\_\_\_% of workforce

D. Manual employees \_\_\_\_\_% of workforce

TOTAL 100%

3. Please provide the following information about your workforce:

A. Annual staff turnover \_\_\_\_\_% turnover per year 999 ☐ don't know  
(Turnover is calculated as the % of the total workforce that have left the organization in the past year)

B. Age structure \_\_\_\_\_% of employees under 25 years 999 ☐ don't know

\_\_\_\_\_% employees over 25 and under 45 999 ☐ don't know

\_\_\_\_\_% of employees 45 years and over 999 ☐ don't know

C. Absenteeism/sick leave \_\_\_\_\_ average days per employee per year 999 ☐ don't know

D. Education level \_\_\_\_\_% of workforce with an Higher Education/university qualification  
(first degree or higher degree, NVQ level 4) 999 ☐ don't know  
999 ☐ don't know

- 4a. Do you have an HR department?

Yes 1 ☐ No 0 ☐

- 4b. If yes, approximately how many people are employed in the personnel/human resources (HR) department by your organisation?

In total \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

4c. If no, who has MOST responsibility for personnel/HR issues? (please tick only one)

- A. Chief Executive/Managing Director ☐ 1
- B. Administrative Director ☐ 2
- C. Finance Director ☐ 3
- D. Production Director ☐ 4
- E. Marketing/Sales Director ☐ 5
- F. General Manager ☐ 6
- G. Other (please specify) ☐ 7

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5. Does the person responsible for HR have a place on the Board or equivalent top executive team?

1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

6. From where was the person responsible for HR recruited? (Please tick only one).

- A. From within the personnel/HR department ☐ 1
- B. From non- personnel/HR specialists in your organisation ☐ 2
- C. From personnel/HR specialists outside of the organisation ☐ 3
- D. From non- personnel/HR specialists outside of the organisation ☐ 4

7. To what extent do you outsource the following areas to external providers?

	Not outsourced			Completely outsourced	
A. Payroll	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Pensions	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Training and development	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Workforce outplacement/reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
F. HR Information systems	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
G. Recruitment	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
H. Selection	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
I. Processing routine queries from Managers/employees.(e.g. HR call centre)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

8. Does your organisation have a:

	Yes, written	Yes, unwritten	No
A. Mission statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Business/service strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Personnel/HRM Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Corporate values statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
E. Diversity statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
F. Code of ethics	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
G. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)* statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
H. Communications policy	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

\*CSR generally refers to the practice of operating a business in a manner that goes beyond what is normally required by law to meet broader ethical and public expectations.

9. If your organisation has a business/service strategy, at what stage is the person responsible for personnel/HR involved in its development? (Tick only one)

- A. From the outset ☐ 3  
 B. Through subsequent consultation ☐ 2  
 C. On implementation ☐ 1  
 D. Not consulted ☐ 0

10. Who has primary responsibility for major policy decisions on the following issues? (please tick one per row)

	Line Mgt.	Line Mgt. in consultation with HR dept	HR dept in consultation with line mgt	HR dept
A. Pay and benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Recruitment and selection	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Training and development	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Industrial relations	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Workforce expansion/reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

11. What type of HR Information System (computer-based tool) do you have?

- A. A number of separate stand alone HR tools ☐ 1  
 (e.g. e-recruitment system, performance management tool)  
 B. A single, primarily independent HR information system ☐ 2  
 C. Primarily interfaced/integrated into a wider ☐ 3  
 management information system  
 D. Do not have a computerised HR information system ☐ 0 \* (Please go to Q14)

12. In which of the following areas is the computerised HR Information System (HRIS) used?

	Yes	No
A. Individual personnel records	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Payroll	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Time-registration and attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
E. Recruitment and selection	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
F. Training and development	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
G. Performance management	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
H. Career planning/Succession planning	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
I. Work scheduling	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
J. Health and safety	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
K. Measurement of HR performance (HR metrics)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
L. To provide HR information, policies and practices	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
M. Other (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

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13. Does your HRIS include

A. Manager self-service Yes ☐ 1 No ☐ 0  
(online tools whereby managers can complete HR processes)

B. Employee self-service Yes ☐ 1 No ☐ 0  
(online tools whereby employees can access personal information and perform simple HR tasks such as maintaining personal data)

14. To what extent is the performance of the personnel/human resources function/department evaluated? (please tick one of the following)

Not at all	To a small extent	To some extent	To a great extent	To a very great extent
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

15. If you evaluate the performance of the HR function, whose views are considered in evaluating the performance?

	Yes	No
A. Top management	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Line management	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Employees	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Personnel/HR function itself	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
E. Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

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16. What do you consider to be the three major challenges for personnel/HRM in your organisation over the next 3 years? (Please list them)

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION II: STAFFING PRACTICES

1. How has the total number of employees (full time equivalents) in your organisation changed since three years ago? (please tick one box only)

Decreased by				No change	Increased by			
50+%	25-49%	10-24%	0-9%	0%	0-9%	10-24%	25-49%	50+%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 9

- 2a. If the number of employees has decreased, to what extent have you used any of the following methods to reduce the number of people employed?

	Not at all		To a very great extent		
A. Recruitment freeze	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
B. Early retirement	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
C. Voluntary redundancies	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
D. Compulsory redundancies	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
E. Internal transfer (redeployment)	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
F. No renewal of fixed term / temporary contracts	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
G. Outsourcing	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
H. Other (please specify)	0 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>

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- 2b. If you have used outsourcing to reduce the number of employees in the last three years by what percentage has outsourcing reduced your workforce?

Less than 5%	5-9%	10-19%	20-29%	30-49%	50% and over
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

3. Please indicate which of the following recruitment methods are used for each staff category? (Please tick all that apply)

	Management	Professional/ Technical	Clerical	Manual
A. Internally	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Recruitment agencies/ consultancies	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. Advertisement	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Word of Mouth	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Vacancy page on company website	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Vacancies on commercial job websites	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
G. Direct from educational institution	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
H. Speculative applications/walk-ins	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
I. Job centres/public recruitment agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
J. Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1

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4. Please indicate which of the following selection methods are used for each staff category

	Management	Professional/ Technical	Clerical	Manual
A. Interview panel	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. One-to-one interviews	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. Application forms	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Psychometric test	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Assessment centre	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Graphology	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
G. References	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
H. Ability tests	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
I. Technical tests	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
J. Other, please specify : _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1

5. Does your organisation have action programmes covering any of the following groups to improve their participation in the workforce:

Action programmes relating to:

Recruitment    Training    Career progression

For following groups of people:

A. Minority ethnics	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Older workers (aged 50 plus)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. People with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Women	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Women returners	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Low skilled labour	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
G. Younger workers (aged under 25)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
H. Others, please specify _____			

6. Please indicate the approximate proportion of those employed by your organisation who are on the following working arrangements.

	Not used	5% or less	6-10%	11-20%	21-50%	>50%
A. Weekend Work (working Saturday and/or Sunday)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
B. Shift work (working one of a set of consecutive periods into which a 24 hour working day is divided)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
C. Overtime (extra time beyond employees' normal time, added on to a day or shift)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
D. Annual hours contract (Agreement to work number of hours annually)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
E. Part-time work (hours of work defined as part-time by employer or legislation)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
F. Job sharing (dividing up one job between two or more employees)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
G. Flexi-time (some working hours may be determined by employees, around a fixed 'core' time)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
H. Temporary/casual (workers employed on a temporary basis for a number of hours, weeks or months).	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
I. Fixed-term contracts (workers employed for a fixed number of months or years)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
J. Homebased work (workers whose normal workplace is home but who do not have permanent electronic links to a fixed workplace)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
K. Teleworking (technology-based) (workers who can link electronically to a fixed workplace)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
L. Compressed working week (workers whose working week totals a standard number of hours compressed into a reduced number of shifts)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5



## SECTION III: EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT

1. Do you have a formal appraisal system for the following categories of the workforce? If yes, what proportion of the workforce is actually assessed via a regular formal appraisal system?

A. Management	No <input type="checkbox"/> 0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 1	if yes -----% assessed	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know %
B. Professional/Technical	No <input type="checkbox"/> 0	No <input type="checkbox"/> 1	if yes -----% assessed	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know %
C. Clerical	No <input type="checkbox"/> 0	No <input type="checkbox"/> 1	if yes -----% assessed	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know %
D. Manual	No <input type="checkbox"/> 0	No <input type="checkbox"/> 1	if yes -----% assessed	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know %

2. If you have an appraisal system, who formally is expected to make an input/provide data for the appraisal process? (Tick all that apply)

	Managerial	Professional/ technical	Clerical	Manual
A. Immediate supervisor	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Supervisor's superior	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. The employee himself/herself	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Subordinates	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Peers	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Customers	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
G. Other, please specify				

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3. Is the appraisal data used to inform decisions in the following areas

	Yes	No
A. Pay	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Training and development	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Career moves	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Workforce planning	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

4. Approximately what proportion of the annual payroll costs is currently spent on training?  
\_\_\_\_\_ %      999 ☐ Don't know

5. How many days training per year do employees in each staff category below receive on average?

		Don't know
A. Management	___days per year per employee	<input type="checkbox"/> 999
B. Professional/technical	___days per year per employee	<input type="checkbox"/> 999
C. Clerical	___days per year per employee	<input type="checkbox"/> 999
D. Manual	___days per year per employee	<input type="checkbox"/> 999

- 6a. Do you systematically evaluate the effectiveness of your training?

Yes ☐ 1      No ☐ 0

6b. If yes which of the following techniques does your organization use to evaluate training effectiveness?

	Used	Not Used
Total number of days training undertaken per employee per year	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Meeting the objectives set out in the training and development plan	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Reaction evaluation immediately after training	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Measured job performance before and immediately after training	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Measured job performance before and some months after training	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Informal feedback from line managers	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Informal feedback from employees	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
Return on investment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

7. To what extent do you use the following methods for career development:

	Not at all			To a very great extent	
A. Special tasks/projects to stimulate learning/on the job training	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Involvement in cross-organisational / disciplinary/functional tasks	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Participation in project team work	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Networking	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Formal career plans	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
F. Development centres	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
G. Succession plans	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
H. Planned job rotation	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
I. "High flier" schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
J. Experience schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
(internal movement to another department, whether in the same country or abroad)					
K. Secondments to other organisations	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
(external movement to another organisation for a temporary period of time)					
L. Coaching	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
M. Mentoring	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
N. Computer based packages/e-learning	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
O. Other (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

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8. Which are the three most important areas of training need for your organisation over the next three years?

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION IV: COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

1. At what level(s) is basic pay determined? (Please tick as many as are applicable for each category of staff).

	Management	Professional/ Technical	Clerical/ Administrative	Manual
A. National/industry-wide collective bargaining	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Regional collective bargaining	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. Company/division, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Establishment/site	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1

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2. Do you offer any of the following: (Please tick as many as are applicable for each category of staff).

	Management	Professional Technical	Clerical/ Administrative	Manual
A. Employee share schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Profit sharing	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. Stock options	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
D. Flexible benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
E. Performance related pay	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
F. Bonus based on individual goals/ performance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
G. Bonus based on team goals/ performance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1

3. Do you offer any of the following schemes in excess of statutory requirements?

	Yes	No
A. Workplace childcare (subsidized or not)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Childcare allowances	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Career break schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Maternity leave	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
E. Paternity leave	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
F. Parental leave*	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
G. Pension schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
H. Education/training break	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
I. Private health care schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

\* Parental leave refers to leave given to a parent to look after a child outside of maternity/paternity leave, for instance, to care for a sick child.

## SECTION V: EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATION

1. What proportion of the total number of employees in your organisation are members of a trade union? (Please round up to the nearest full percentage)

1 ☐ 0%      2 ☐ 1%- 10%      3 ☐ 11%-25%      4 ☐ 26%-50%  
 5 ☐ 51-75%      6 ☐ 76-100%      ☐ Don't know

- 2a. To what extent do trade unions influence your organization?

Not at all	To a small extent	To some extent	To a great extent	To a very great extent
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

- 2b. How has union influence changed during the last three years?

3 ☐ Increased      2 ☐ Same      1 ☐ Decreased

3. Do you recognise trade unions for the purpose of collective bargaining?

1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

4. Do you have a joint consultative committee or works council?

1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

5. Is your organisation a member of an employers' association?

1 ☐ Yes      0 ☐ No

6. If yes, to what extent do the services provided by the association meet your needs?

Not at all				Entirely
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

7. To what extent do you use the following methods to communicate major issues to your employees?

	Not at all			To a very great extent	
A. Through representative staff bodies (eg. Trade unions )	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Verbally, direct to employees	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Written, direct to employees	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Electronic communication	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Team briefings	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
F. Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

8. Which employee categories are formally briefed about the following issues? (Please tick as many as applicable).

	Management	Professional Technical	Clerical/ Administrative	Manual
A. Business strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
B. Financial performance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
C. Organisation of work	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1

9. To what extent are the following methods used for employees to communicate their views to management ?

	Not at all			To a very great extent	
A. Direct to senior managers	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Through immediate superior	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Through trade union representatives	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Through works council	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Through regular workforce meetings	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
F. Team briefings	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
G. Suggestion schemes	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
H. Attitude surveys	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
I. Electronic communication	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

## SECTION VI: ORGANISATIONAL DETAILS

1a. Is your organisation

- 1 ☐ Private sector      If private sector, are you a Public Limited Company (on the stock market)      Yes ☐ 1      No ☐ 0
- 2 ☐ Public sector      If public sector are you A. National ☐ 1      B. Regional ☐ 2      C. Local ☐ 3
- 3 ☐ Not for profit
- 4 ☐ Mixed (public and private sector)
5. Other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

1b. Is the business owned and/or controlled by primarily one family?

Yes ☐ 1      No ☐ 0

2. Please indicate the main sector of industry or services in which you operate (please tick the one that most closely resembles your organisation's activity)

- A. Agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing ☐ 1
- B. Energy and water ☐ 2
- C. Chemical products; extraction and processing of non-energy minerals ☐ 3
- D. Metal manufacturing; mechanical, electrical and instrument engineering; office and data processing machinery ☐ 4
- E. Other manufacturing, (eg food, drink and tobacco; textiles; clothing; paper, printing & publishing; processing of rubber and plastics, etc) ☐ 5
- F. Building and civil engineering ☐ 6
- G. Retail and distribution; hotels; catering; repairs ☐ 7
- H. Transport & Communication (eg rail, postal services, telecoms, etc) ☐ 8
- I. Banking; finance; insurance; business services (eg consultancies, PR and advertising, Law firms, etc) ☐ 9
- J. Personal, domestic, recreational services ☐ 10
- K. Health services ☐ 11
- L. Other services (eg television and radio, R&D, charities, etc) ☐ 12
- M. Education (including universities and further education) ☐ 13
- N. Social Services ☐ 14
- O. Public administration ☐ 15
- P. Other (please specify) ☐ 16
- \_\_\_\_\_

3. What percentage of the operating costs is accounted for by labour costs?

\_\_\_\_\_ % of operating costs      999 ☐ don't know

4. If you are a private sector organisation, would you say the gross revenue over the past 3 years has been:

- A. Well in excess of costs ☐ 5
- B. Sufficient to make a small profit ☐ 4
- C. Enough to break even ☐ 3
- D. Insufficient to cover costs ☐ 2
- E. So low as to produce large losses ☐ 1

5. Compared to other organisations in your sector, how would you rate the performance of your organisation in relation to the following ?

	Poor or at the low end of the industry	Below average	Average or equal to the competition	Better than average	Superior
A. Service quality	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
B. Level of productivity	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
C. Profitability	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
D. Rate of innovation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
E. Stock market performance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
F. Environmental matters	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

6. How would you describe the main market(s) for your organisation's products or services? (please tick only one)

- A. Local ☐ 1  
 B. Regional ☐ 2  
 C. National ☐ 3  
 D. Continent-wide ☐ 4  
 E. World-wide ☐ 5

7. Is the market you currently serve: 3 ☐ Growing 2 ☐ Same 1 ☐ Declining

8. Has your organisation been involved in any of the following changes in the last 3 years? (Tick all that apply)

	Yes	No
A. Acquisition of another organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
B. Takeover by another organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
C. Merger	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
D. Relocation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0
E. Demerger	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0

9. If your answer was yes to any of the above (in Q8), when was the personnel/HR department involved in the process? (Tick only one)

- A. From the outset ☐ 3  
 B. Through subsequent consultation ☐ 2  
 C. On implementation ☐ 1  
 D. Not consulted ☐ 0

10. In which country is the corporate headquarters of your organisation based? (Please refer to ultimate parent company if your organisation is part of a larger group).

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11. If your organisation is part of a larger group of companies/divisions, etc. (including public sector), please indicate where policies on the following issues are mainly determined.

	International HQ	National HQ / Headquarters	Subsidiary/ Dept./division	Site/establishment Local offices
A. Pay and benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
B. Recruitment and selection	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
C. Training and development	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
D. Industrial relations	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
E. Workforce expansion/reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4



F. Management development      ☐ 1              ☐ 2              ☐ 3              ☐ 4

12.      In what year was your organisation established (YYYY)?

\_\_\_\_\_      9999 ☐ don't know

## PERSONAL DETAILS

13. Are you the most senior personnel/HR manager in the organisation?  
1 ☐ Yes 0 ☐ No
14. Are you:            1 ☐ Male            2 ☐ Female
15. If you are a personnel/HRM specialist, how long have you been working in a specialist personnel/HR or training job?  
\_\_\_\_\_ years    999 ☐ Not applicable
- 16a. Do you have a university degree?  
1 ☐ Yes 0 ☐ No
- 16b. If Yes, in what main academic field did you study for your most advanced degree?
- |                                   |                            |                           |                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| A. Business studies               | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | E. Law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| B. Economics                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | F. Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |
| C. Social or behavioural sciences | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | G. Natural Sciences       | <input type="checkbox"/> 7 |
| D. Humanities/Art/Languages       | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | H. Other (please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 |
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THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

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