Survey Report: Exploring The Post-Crisis Environment

An insider look at Boyden's collective global insights

collective experts, we present the results of Boyden's Global Partner Survey. With contribution from over 100 Boyden partners

Tapping into the deep knowledge base of our

across multiple sectors, functions, and geographies, opportunities reshaping the new normal.

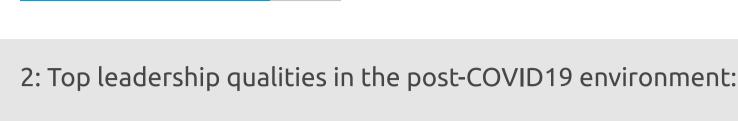
this insider report provides foundational insights exploring the evolving challenges and emerging Results based on Boyden's Global Partner Survey conducted between April 16 - 28, 2020

exploring the

# 1: Will there be a shift in sought-after leadership qualities?

post-crisis leader

78%





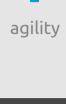








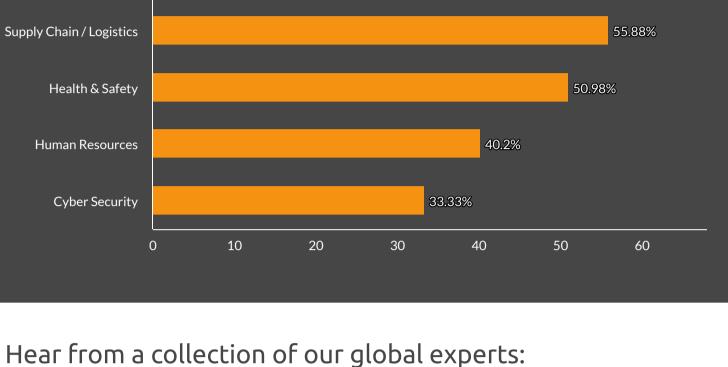






### 64.71% **Technology**

3: Top in-demand functions in the post-COVID environment:



A crisis reveals visionary leaders. In complex and uncertain times, they are capable

of perceiving opportunities that move the company and its employees forward.

### The (micro) manager, on the other hand, does not have this scope as they are controlled by anxiety, pressure, and distress.

Jutta Menzenbach - Partner, Germany

#### HR will need to step up its role in ensuring the right people are in the right place to face the new environment. Health and safety will be a clearer and upfront

William Farrell - Managing Partner, Taiwan and South Korea

19 world. Alicia Hasell - Managing Partner, U.S. The ability to pivot, in order to handle a "black swan" event, will be critical.

Resilience and adaptability have already been sought-after qualities, attributed

is the technical skills in accelerating digitization and adopting more disruptive and

agile business models, challenging the older ways of doing business - across all

chain and delivery of goods must be enhanced to secure a spot in the post-COVID-

priority. Technology, already playing a crucial role in most companies, will be called upon to provide needed solutions. Protection and security of the supply

#### to recent economic challenges, and the universality of recent challenges will by default educate and groom the wider leadership talent pool. What will be unique

industries.

Tamer El Naggar - Managing Partner, Egypt

Lisa Kershaw - Managing Partner, Canada Technology will allow us to work from home, and work differently or more efficiently. But working remotely will come with an increasing need to focus on people. Keeping staff happy, engaged, mentally well, etc. requires new leadership techniques. New processes will be required to keep the workforce of the future connected.

A shift towards executives who can manage in a downturn and restructure will be

local supply chains versus the domination of a global supply chain.

4: Top immediate leadership challenges for recovery:

## inevitable. Also, a shift to those executives who can develop crisis management strategies to deal with unforeseen risks. A further shift will be the development of

Allan Marks - Managing Partner, Australia

examining the challenges

## 5: Top anticipated organizational challenges in the post-COVID19 environment:

3%

54%

98%

consulting?

clients and customers?

Yes

8%

32%

10%

exploring shifts

and opportunity

No

7a. Will there be more emphasis on

secure virtual environments for staff,

financial stability

transformation



66%

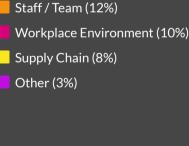
COVID19?

63%

73%

Yes

talent & engagement



No

No

P&L / Operations (32%)

Recovery / Uncertainty (20%) Business Transformation (15%)

building confidence

## 12%

6b. Will organizations experience 6a. Will organizations experience executive talent retention executive talent recruitment challenges? challenges?

Yes 8a. Will organizations put more emphasis on leadership assessment /

technology

driven

talent to lead on

new priorities

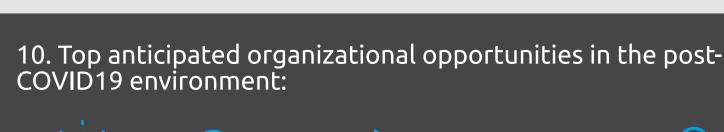
No 8b. Will organizations put more emphasis on interim solutions?

7b. Will organizations put more

emphasis on mental health following

9. Top anticipated lasting effects on business and workplace:

reconsider global vs local

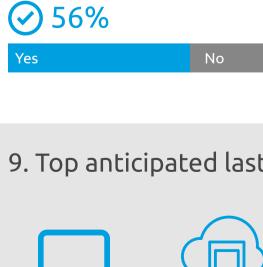


transformation

& sustainability

remote work &

physical space







than before



merger &

acquisition

agility



workplace of

the future

social distancing /

health & safety

