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Employee Engagement

8 Things Companies Get Wrong About Hybrid Work—And How To Get It Right (Forbes, Mar 27, 2022)

Hybrid work is the future and organizations are struggling to figure out how to move forward while retaining and engaging their employees.

The Workers With Social Anxiety Fearing the Return-To-Office (BBC.com, Mar 27, 2022)

Jumping back into office life isn't always a matter of strolling through the front door and getting down to work. For an increasing number of workers, it can be cause for panic.

Women Face a Double Disadvantage in the Hybrid Workplace (Harvard Business Review, Mar 24, 2022)

Hybrid work arrangements can be configured in two very different ways: "flexible hybrid" and "fixed hybrid." In a flexible hybrid system, the same employee is sometimes co-located and sometimes remote, so their location changes throughout a typical workweek. In a fixed hybrid system, some employees are always co-located while others are always remote, and their locations don't change throughout the week. The author believes we can be cautiously optimistic about how women will fare in a flexible hybrid system, where they work remotely some of the time but in the office at least some of the time.

Change Management

<u>4 Ways to Encourage Employees to Return to the Office</u> (Entrepreneur, Mar 28, 2022)

You'll need to convince people who have adjusted to the convenience of working from home.

Remote Work vs Back to the Office? It's More Complicated Than You Realise (Zdnet, Mar 27, 2022)

The existence of the office was secure so long as one basic assumption still held true: that collecting teams together in one physical space – along with all the information and the tools they needed to process that data – was the most productive way of arranging a knowledge-based organisation.

Heading Into the office? The Remote Work Conundrum (Toronto Sun via Factiva, Mar 27, 2022)

Remote work no longer has a stranglehold on our work culture, in spite of its overwhelming prevalence over the past two years. (Requires a Factiva login, <u>access instructions</u>)

Hybrid Workplace Strategy

<u>4 Strategies to Quickly Meet the Expectations of Your Hybrid Workers</u> (Inc. Magazine via Factiva, Mar 25, 2022)

Flexibility to work remotely or in a hybrid manner will be a key determining factor for selecting a future job. (Requires a Factiva login, <u>access instructions</u>)

Hybrid and Remote Work: 3 New Leadership Rules (Enterprisers Project, Mar 24, 2022)

Struggling to manage hybrid or remote workgroups? Let these three rules guide your strategy.

How Employers Can Navigate the New Hybrid Workplace (The Globe and Mail via Factiva, Mar 23, 2022)

How employers can navigate the new hybrid workplace; The pandemic has been 'a massive global experiment around flexible work' says Conference Board CEO (Requires a Factiva login, <u>access instructions</u>)

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