Honouring HR

We recognise a roundup of HR leaders who are driving business change.

By The Editors

HR faces great challenges today. Top talent expects employers to deliver an exemplary experience, new technologies, enriching learning programmes, career growth, robust benefits plans, job flexibility, mobility opportunities—and the list goes on.

In this demanding environment, we think it's important to recognise leaders that have gone above and beyond in the realm of HR. Our 2020 HRO Today EMEA Superstars are playing a larger role in business strategy than ever before, delivering innovative solutions that solve today's problems in order to get ahead for tomorrow's success.

Our roundup recognises three categories of leadership because each has a significant impact on the successful management of human capital: Providers, Practitioners, and Consultants/Advisors/Analysts/Academics/Investors/Thought Leaders. Superstars were nominated externally through an online tool and by the HRO Today staff.



PRACTITIONERS



Megan Giannini Senior Vice President and Chief HR Officer Lumileds

Megan Giannini is a strategic, results-oriented HR professional who builds strong teams and adeptly balances strategy with execution. A global citizen and thought leader in the space of talent management, she brings more than 24 years of business experience to her current role as chief HR officer at Lumileds. Throughout her career, Giannini has held global HR leadership positions and developed a wealth of expertise in HR business partnering, post-merger integration, and talent management. Prior to joining Lumileds, she led global talent management at Philips where she oversaw succession planning, executive search, career management, and strategic workforce planning. Her inspirational leadership style, strategic vision, and passion for finding the intersection between individual talent and organisational requirements makes her a key asset to Lumileds.



Sherif Hanna Vice President and Chief People Officer IDH

A transformative and innovative HR leader focused on driving business impact and creating remarkable employees experiences, Sherif Hanna has successfully led award-winning HR teams. Hanna joined IDH, a leading consumer healthcare company in the Middle East and Africa with operations in Egypt, Jordan, Sudan and Nigeria, in 2018. Recently, he started a transformation programme to provide top-notch HR services to all employees, whether located in the company's headquarters or in one of its 400 branches. Hanna's previous roles include chief HR and compliance officer for Orange, corporate chief HR officer for GB Group (Ghabbour), and a variety of senior management and executive positions at Pepsico and American Express.

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Michelle Adams HR Director, UK and Ireland

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Steph Ahrens Head of Talent Acquisition, EMEA

Morgan Stanley



Suresh Anubolu Senior Vice President and Chief HR Officer

GVK Biosciences Pvt. Ltd



Monica Arora Head of HR

PHASTAR



Darren Bartholomew

Head of HR Planning and Info Systems, UK

Leonardo MW Ltd



Tara Benton

Director of Talent and Development

Mitie



Eleanor Cavanagh-Lomas

Vice President of HR, EMEA

Cisco



Antonio Climent

Head of People Partnership, Europe and Africa

Maersk



Sinead Collins

HR Director

Kellogg Company



Joe Cronin

Executive Vice President and Chief HR Officer

ICON PLC



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Alana Di-Vito	Senior HR Business Partner	Salesforce
James Eastwood	Global HRO Director	Capgemini
Peter Green	Senior Vice President of HR, EMEA	The Coca-Cola Company
Deborah Griffin	Group HR Director	Shawbrook Bank
Andrea Holden	Group Head of HR	Real Life Options
Katarzyna Kalinowska	Regional HR Business Partner	Citigroup Inc.
Patricia Kenny	Chief People Officer and Executive Director	Aer Rianta International (ARI)
Gabriela Kleinova	HR Director	Curium Pharma
Ingrid Kraaijbeek	HR Leader of People Solutions, EMEA	Bridgestone
Terri Lewis	Senior Vice President of Global HR	Pontoon
Crina Ilie	Vice President of HR	Genpact Europe
Anneke Luijkenaar	Executive Director of the Global Sourcing and Recruitment Network	Executive Networks
Sarah Mansour	Partner and HR Director, EMEA	Control Risks
Joanne Marshall	Director of HR and Organisational Development	University of Bradford
Dawn Moore	Group People Director	Murphy Group
Craig Morgans	Global Head of Talent Acquisition	IWG PLC



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Jo Mosley

HR Director The Salvation Army UK



Jason Munoz

Head of Global Talent Acquisition Weatherford



Jérémy Mussilier

Group Compensation and Benefits, Reporting, and HR Projects Manager

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Prasanth Narayanan

Director and Chief HR Officer

Carnival Group



Gavin O'Brien

Chief People Officer

Teamwork.com Ltd.



Hugh O'Brien

Head of HR

Applegreen



Cathy O'Grady

Senior Director of International HR

Groupon Inc.



Marie Sandler

Director of HR

DCC Outsourcing Solutions



Indi Seehra

Director of HR

London School of Economics and Political Science



Praveen Singh

Senior Director of HR

XDuce

SC Johnson



Rajita Singh

Head of HR

Broadridge Financial Solutions



Mark Edward Smith

Senior Director of Global Talent Acquisition



Mark Stewart

HR Director and General Manager

Airbus Operations Ltd.



Galina Vaisband

Vice President of HR

Home Credit & Finance Bank



Pinar Kalay Yemez

Group HR Director

Vodafone



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