Overview of HR in Russia

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Welcome

- Our biggest ever conference
- What to leave out?
- Administration
 - Coffee
 - Lunch
 - Drinks
- Separate Sessions C&B, Recruitment, T D & A
- Ask Questions, Meet Peers & Enjoy Yourselves
- Mobile Phones
- Feedback

Overview

- Some Background Issues
- Compensation & Benefits
- Training & Development
- Recruitment, Retention & Resourcing
- Performance Management & Assessment
- Technical Stuff
- Conclusions

Background Issues

- Demographics
- Education?
- Health?
- Inflation & Dollar Devaluation
- Property Prices
- Regional Expansion and Internal Mobility
- Outbound Russian Investment and External Mobility
- How long will it last?

Compensation & Benefits

- Second year in a row of wage inflation exceeding inflation
- Greater standard deviations
- Almost complete rublisation of pay
- Increased complexity and sophistication of pay
- Pensions?
- Insurance?
- Base pay remains vital
- First indications of a slow down????

Incentives

- A short history of executive compensation
- STIPs
 - Heavily metricised
 - More and more moving to annual
- LTIPs
 - Further depth in organisations
 - Issues with catch up
 - Technical problems remain
- Mismatch between Russian and foreign pay?

Training & Development

- ► Is going to be increasingly important as demographics and market make resourcing more difficult
- ►Russia still overvalues this compared to the rest of the world, especially if its foreign and/or certified
- Better organisation and targetting
- Much greater focus on talent management in past twelve months
- Corporate Universities; fast track programs
- Graduate onboarding and basic training issues with Russian education?
- Better HR qualifications

Recruitment, Retention and Resourcing

- Quality, experienced executive search and recruitment consultants mean that your staff will receive a better understanding of genuine opportunity costs
- More recruiting and much more aggressive cold calling means they will get a better understanding of false opportunity costs
- Internet based opportunities make the level of attack on your staff higher than ever
- Got to get the money right
- But.....then you must rely on excellent basic HR
- Think creatively about resourcing Regions, CIS, Expatriates

Performance Management & Assessment

- Ever better links into training & development and into incentives
- More systematised
- Objectivity, trust and fairness paramount
- More focus on training and how this should be done
- 360 degree and other MSF type arrangements creeping in

Technical Stuff

- Immigration still a nightmare and getting worse
- Legislation around equity incentives needed
- Level of labour inspection increasing, willingness to fine increasing, very little of this constructive and helpful
- Attitude of Tax Inspectors not very helpful with regard to complicated compensation structures
- Questions around legislation on outsourcing
- Given a health and education government agenda what might we see change?

Conclusions

- The business environment remains very excellent at the moment
- People are ever more the defining restriction on the maximisation of business opportunity
- Two week notice periods are a big stick to make employers behave themselves, or else
- Get the money right first
- But...the quality of HR in Russia is improving with every year
- And...if you do not have a piece of this then you will be losing your competitive edge

Conclusions

So, yes, we people who live in HR, are that important!!