

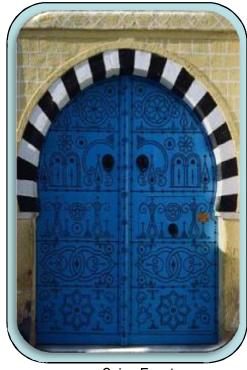
### New Multi-Dimensional Talentforce:

Implications for Managing the Emerging Multi-Generational, Multi-Cultural, Multi-Contractual, and Multi-Environmental Workforce

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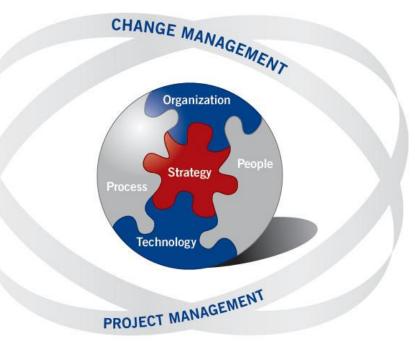
# **Jeitosa** [zhay-taw-za] (Brazilian Portuguese) adj. agile, skillful, adroit, innovative, solution-oriented

#### Three main cornerstones of our business:

- Enterprise Business Strategy
- Systems Deployment
- Communities and Research

#### Four key competencies of our people:

- Local Expertise Global Approach
- Business Agility Tailored Engagements
- Modern Solutions Leveraged Technology
- Knowledge Sharing Global Mentors

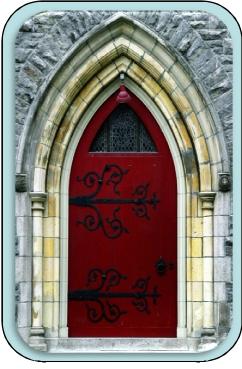


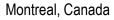


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# Do You Know?

If we could shrink the earth's population to a village of precisely 100 people, with all the existing human ratios remaining the same, there would be something like the following:

- 57 Asians
- 21 Europeans
- 14 from the Western Hemisphere, both north and south 8 Africans

52 would be female 48 would be male

70 would be non-Christian30 would be Christian

70 would be non-white30 would be white

89 would be heterosexual 11 would be homosexual



# Modern, Multi-Dimensional Talentforce

Source: Beaman 2008

Multi- Generation	Multi- Culture	Multi- Locality	Multi- Contract	Multi- Organization	Multi- Situation	Multi- Personality	
Veterans Boomers Gen X New Mils	Individualism Egalitarian Directness Power Distanc <del>e</del> Task-Orientation Time Horizon	Onsite Offshore Remote Virtual Digital	Full-Time Part-Time Contingent Trainee Expat Retiree	Multinational Global International Transnational	Family/Spouse Job/Position Boss/Peers Infrastructure Support	Risk Tolerance Extroversion Flexibility Awareness Humility	
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"The first problem for all of us... is not to learn, but to unlearn." –Gloria Steinem



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# The New Multi-Dimensional Talentforce: Generational Dimensions



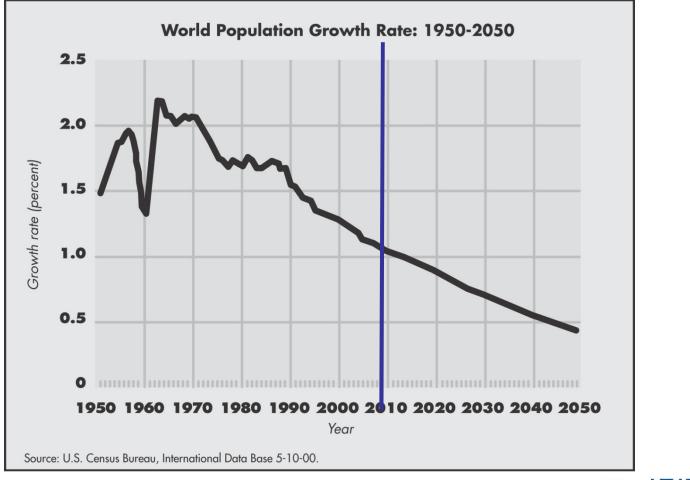






# Generational Dimensions Shrinking Global Workforce

Source: US Census Bureau 2000



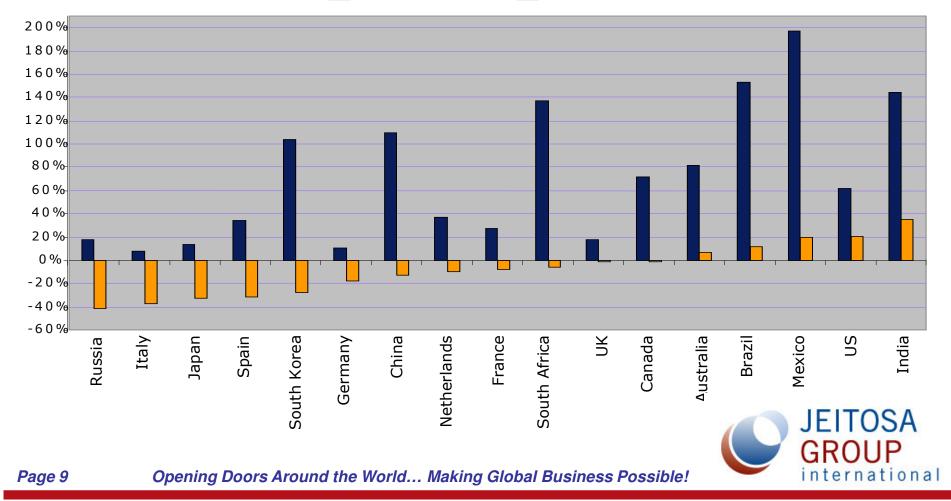


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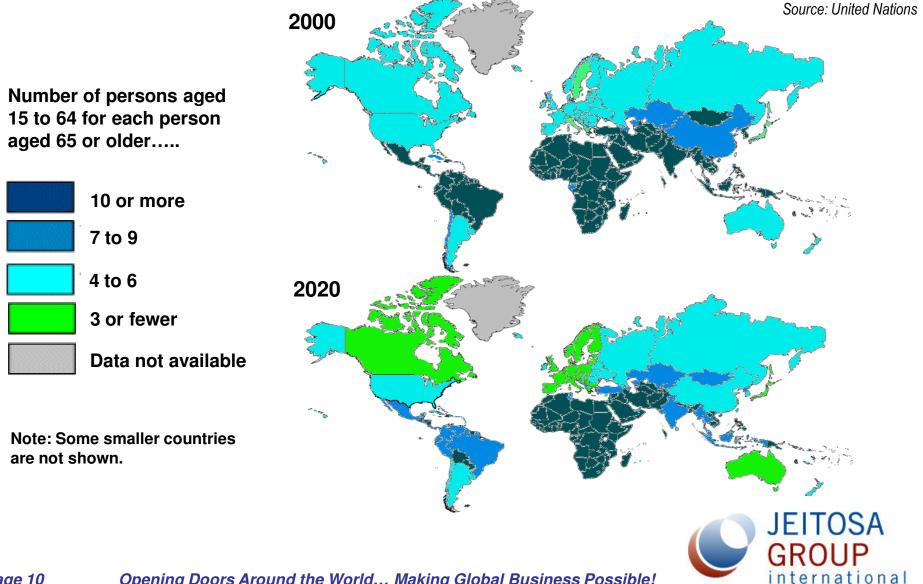
# Generational Dimensions Shrinking Workforce Around the World

#### A Shrinking Workforce

#### **Projected Change in Working Age Population (15-64) 2010-2050** 1970-2010 2010-2050



# Generational Dimensions Aging Global Workforce



# Generational Dimensions Differing Generational Views

	Veterans	Boomers	X'ers	New Mils		
Born	1920-1940	1940-1960	1960-1980	1980-2000		
General Outlook	Practical	Optimistic	Skeptical	Hopeful		
Work Ethic	Dedicated	Driven	Balanced	Self-fulfillment		
View of Authority	Respectful	Rebellious	Unimpressed	Polite		
Leadership By	Hierarchy	Consensus	Competence	Collaborative		
Relationships	Sacrifice	Gratification	Reluctance	Inclusive		
Compensation	My Job	My Achievements	My Skills	My Work		
Communication	Memorandum	Email	SMS	MySpace		
Technology	Mainframe	Personal Computer	Client / Server	Web Services		
Skills & Competencies	Transportation & Telecommunications	Information / Data	Technology	Integration of Information & Technology		
View of change	Get it over with	Create it	Make it work for you	Inevitable & increasing		
Employer Relationship	Company Loyalty	Career Loyalty	Selective Loyalty	Balanced Loyalty		
Employee Desires	Fair wage Stable employment Secure retirement	Competitive wage Meaningful work Comfortable retirement	Wealth Work-life balance Early retirement	Wealth accumulation Indulge interests Work in retirement		

Source: Beaman 2008



# Generational Dimensions Changing Workforce – Age



- Global workforce is getting smaller & older
- Shrinking populations throughout Europe, Russia, Japan, and China
- Near zero growth projected in UK, Canada, and Australia
- Projected growth in the US and Canada primarily through immigration
- Four generations working side-by-side
- Boomers make up 43% of workforce and most of middle and upper management
- Gen X is 50% the size of the Boomers
- Need for differing methods to attract, retain, engage, motivate, compensate, and sustain workers



# The New Multi-Dimensional Talentforce: *Cultural Dimensions*



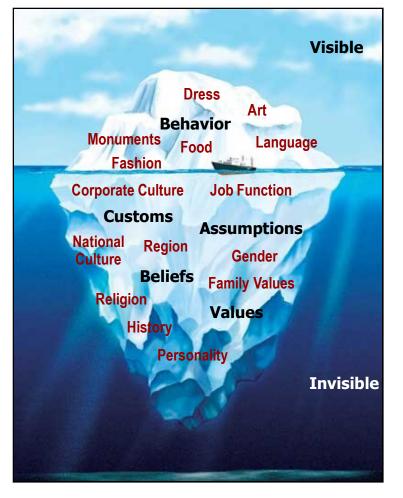






# *Cultural Dimensions* A Cultural Model – The "Iceberg"

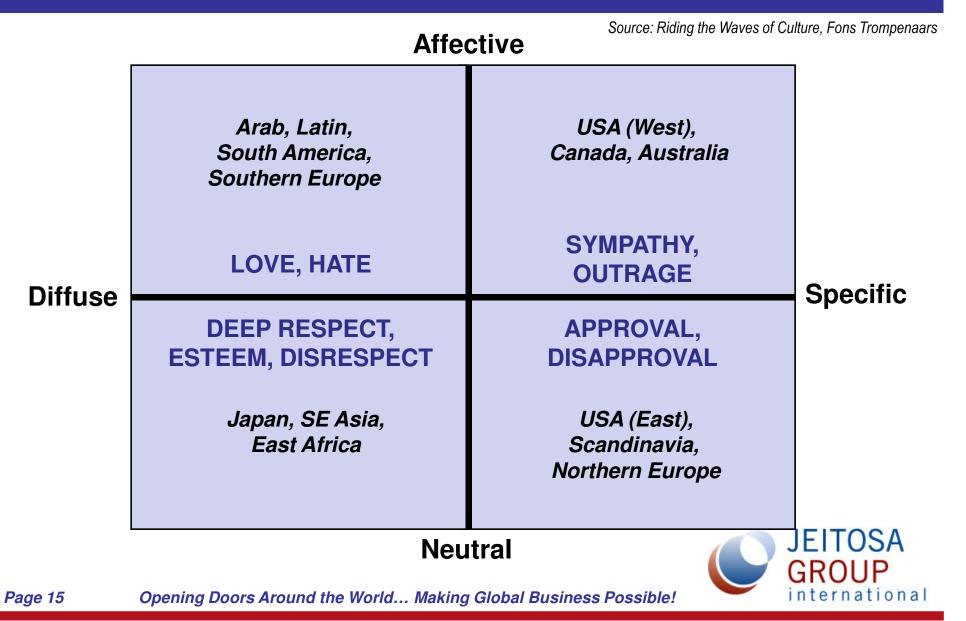
Sources: Hofstede 1980, Trompenaars 1998, Hall 1976



- Independent versus Interdependent
- Individualism versus Collectivism
- Egalitarian versus Status / Hierarchy
  - Aggressiveness versus Accommodation
- Direct versus Indirect Communication Styles
- Neutral versus Affective Relationships
- Specific versus Diffuse Relationships
- Task- versus Relationship-Orientation
- Universalism versus Particularism
- Risk Tolerant versus Conservatism
- Short-term versus Long-term
- Mono-chronic versus Poly-chronic Sense of Time
- Differences in Sense of Space / Proxemics
- Tolerance versus Resistance to Change
- Receptivity versus Resistance to Diversity
- Acceptance versus Resistance to New Ideas



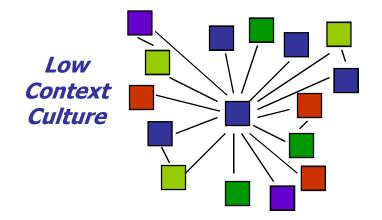
# Cultural Dimensions Regional Cultural Differences



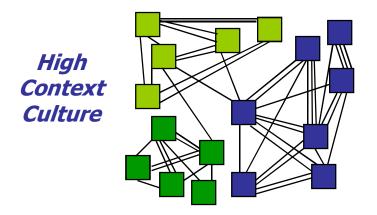
# Cultural Dimensions High and Low Context Cultures

Source: Hall 1959, 1969

#### Low-Context Cultures



#### <u>High-Context Cultures</u>



Societies where people tend to have *many connections but of a shorter duration*.

Many aspects of cultural behavior and beliefs are <u>explicit</u> within the context so that new individuals coming into the environment know how to behave. Societies where people tend to have *close connections over a long period of time*.

Many aspects of cultural behavior and beliefs are *implicit* and do not need to be spelled out because members know what to do and think from years of interaction with each other.



# Cultural Dimensions High and Low Context Cultures

Source: Hall 1959, 1969

#### <u>Low-Context Cultures</u>

Societies where people tend to have *many connections but of a shorter duration*.

#### Aspects of cultural behavior and beliefs are <u>explicit</u> in the culture

#### Characteristics:

- Individualistic
- Shorter term, compartmentalized relationships
- Tasks more important than relationships
- Logical, linear, rule-oriented
- Reliance on the verbal over the nonverbal
- Knowledge is transferable (above the waterline)
- Explicit knowledge, consciously organized
- Competitive; short interpersonal connections
- Change over tradition; present & future-oriented

#### Examples:

- Large US Airports, supermarket chains, cafeterias
- US, UK, Canada, Germany, Denmark, Norway

#### <u>High-Context Cultures</u>

Societies where people tend to have *close connections over a long period of time*.

Aspects of cultural behavior and beliefs are *implicit* in the culture

#### Characteristics:

- Collective
- Long-term relationships
- Relationships more important than tasks
- Intuitive and relational
- Reliance on the non-verbal over verbal
- Knowledge is situational (below the waterline)
- Implicit knowledge, patterns not fully conscious
- Cooperative; long-term relationships
- Tradition over change; past-oriented

#### **Examples:**

- Family gatherings, neighborhood restaurants
- Japan, China, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, France, Italy, Spain



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# Cultural Dimensions Individualistic and Collectivist Cultures

Source: Hofstede 2004, 1980

#### Individualistic Cultures

Individuals are seen as independent, selfdirected, and autonomous; able to make proposals, concessions, and maximize gains in their own self-interest. Duty, honor, and deference to authority are less prominent.

#### **Characteristics**:

- Independence and individual achievement
- Self-expression, individual thinking, personal choice
- Egalitarian relationships, flexibility in roles
- Achievement involves individual goal-setting & action
- Autonomous, decisions based on individual opinion
- Accountable to self
- Belief in equality and personal choice
- Private property, individual ownership

#### Examples:

• US, UK, Canada, Australia, Denmark

#### Collectivist Cultures

Individuals are seen as part of a circle of relations. Identity as a member of a group comes first, members are rewarded for allegiance to group. When conflict arises, behavior and responses are jointly chosen.

#### **Characteristics:**

- Interdependence and group success
- Adherence to norms, respect for authority, consensus
- Hierarchical roles (gender, family, background, age)
- Decisions should not disrupt group harmony & cohesion
- Choices made in consultation with family & authority
- Accountable to the group
- Respect for hierarchy and acceptance of higher status
- Shared property, group ownership

#### Examples:

Singapore, Japan, France, Italy, Spain



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# *Cultural Dimensions* Multi-Cultural Issues

	Low-Context	High-Context				
Example Countries	US, UK, Canada, Germany, Denmark, Norway	Japan, China, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, France, Italy, Spain				
Business Outlook	Competitive	Cooperative				
Work Ethic	Task-oriented	Relationship-oriented				
Work Style	Individualistic	Team-oriented				
Employee Desires	Individual achievement	Team achievement				
Relationships	Many, looser, short-term	Fewer, tighter, long-term				
Decision Process	Logical, linear, rule-oriented	Intuitive, relational				
Communication	Verbal over Non-verbal	Non-verbal over Verbal				
Planning Horizons	More explicit, written, formal	More implicit, oral, informal				
Sense of Time	Present/Future-oriented	Deep respect for the past				
View of Change	Change over tradition	Tradition over change				
Knowledge	Explicit, conscious	Implicit, not fully conscious				
Learning	Knowledge is transferable (above the waterline)	Knowledge is situational (below the waterline)				

Source: Beaman 2008 based on Edward Hall's typology

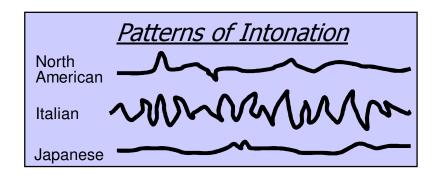


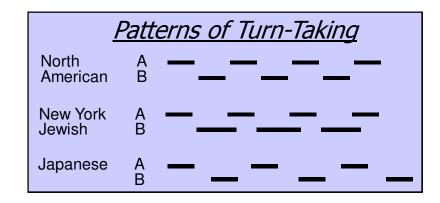
#### Cultural Dimensions

# **Verbal Communication Differences**

Source: Ferraro, 2002

- Intonation patterns of variation in the frequency of a speaker's voice
- Turn-taking social convention governing who speaks when in a conversation
- Greetings social conventions on to greet people – e.g., "kiss, bow, or shake hands"
- <u>Terms of Address</u> Tu/Vous; John vs. Monsieur vs. Herr Doktor Professor
- Directness/Indirectness vagueness versus exactness
- Agreement/Disagreement methods/ words for yes, no, maybe, don't know
- <u>Lexical</u> use of borrowings, slang, euphemisms, proverbs, word forms
- *Humor* use of humor, jokes, small talk in conversations







#### Cultural Dimensions

# **Non-Verbal Communication Differences**

- <u>Paralinguistics</u> the nonverbal elements in speech, such as body language, intonation – more than 70% of the communication channel
- Kinesics study of the role of body movements: winking, shrugging; includes gestures, facial expressions, touching, posture, eye contact
- Proxemics study of spatial interrelationships and its role in communications
- Silence social conventions around timing and turn-taking
- Clothing/Hairstyles/Cosmetics influence our perception as to status, personal/ political/ religious leanings, etc.

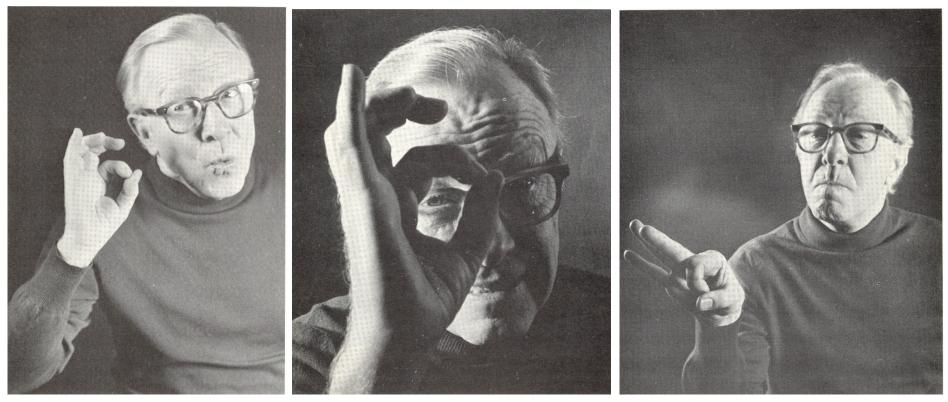


"Never underestimate the importance of local knowledge."



# Cultural Dimensions Differences in Gestures

#### Laurence Wylie. 1977. Beaux Gestes.



Au Poil! Perfect! OK!

Zéro! Worthless!

Du menu fretin! Rubbish!



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# Cultural Dimensions Lexical Differences

Ferraro. 2002. The Cultural Dimension of International Business.

Lexical Item	American English	British English				
"homely"	$\rightarrow$ "plain" or "ugly"	$\rightarrow$ "warm" and "friendly"				
"rubber"	$\rightarrow$ "condom"	→ "eraser"				
"knock up"	$\rightarrow$ "get pregnant"	ightarrow "stop by the house"				
"table something"	$\rightarrow$ "defer indefinitely"	$\rightarrow$ "give prominent place"				

Note: More frequently two different words refer to the same thing. E.g, the British live in "flats" not "apartments", they "queue up" rather than "line up", and wear "plimsoles" rather than "sneakers." To the British, the "trunk" is the "boot", the "hood" is the "bonnet", the "windshield" is the "windscreen", the "horn" is the "hooter", and the vehicle runs on "petrol" not "gas."



#### Cultural Dimensions

# **Communication Styles in Meetings**

Source: Nemelka, 1998

#### North American Culture

- Direct
- Drive to be explicit:
  - Give / get the facts
  - State a clear position and rationale
  - Decide on the merits or rely on position of authority
- Giving and taking negative feedback is a sign of strength
- Confront when necessary with logic and persuasion skills

#### <u>Asian Culture</u>

- Indirect
- Drive to reach consensus:
  - Explore interest of all parties
  - Reserve stating a firm position
  - Achieve consensus
- Protect the dignity and self esteem of yourself and others
- Avoid confrontation
- Strive to develop harmonious, trusting business relationships



# Cultural Dimensions Changing Workforce – Culture



- Increase of women and minorities in the workplace
- 50% of the modern workforce will be "minority" by 2050
- Differing views of the world and varying work / life practices
- Challenges with differing styles in communicating, conducting meetings, making decisions, etc.
- Diverse teams create better, more effective, longer lasting solutions
- Are we seeing the emergence of an international business culture ?



# The New Multi-Dimensional Talentforce: Contractual Dimensions









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## Contractual Dimensions Rise of the Contingent Workforce

Source: Row Henson, 2007

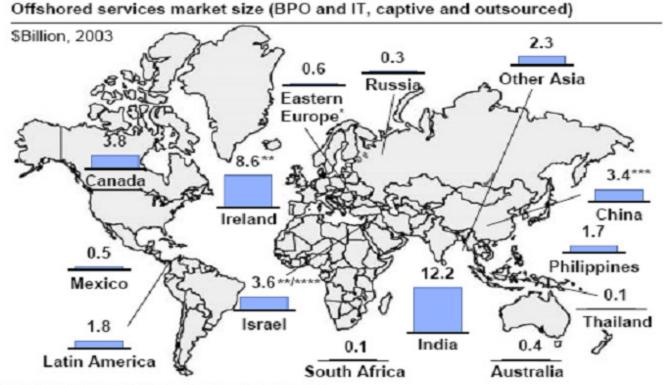
- Expanding use contingent workers beyond traditional 35- to 40-hour per week employees receiving company benefits
- Contingent workers include:

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- Temporary Employees / Part-Time Employees
- Interns / Students / Exchange Programs
- Consultants / Contractors / Freelancers
- Outsourced / Offshore Workers
- Partners / Third-Party Vendors
- ✓ In 2006 US GAO estimated contingent workers at 31% of US workforce
- Depending definitions, general estimates indicate that contingent workers can make up from 25% to 45% of the global labor pool
- Advances in technology and the need for economic flexibility are primarily responsible for the rise of the contingent workforce



# Contractual Dimensions Growth in Offshore Services



\* Includes Poland, Romania, Hungary, Ukraine, and Czech Republic.

\*\* Primarily composed of MNC captives.

\*\*\* Estimate, based on total Chinese BPO and IT services revenue (7.8) minus domestic demand for IT services (4.4).

\*\*\*\* Estimate, based on 2001 market size of 3.0 and assumed growth rate of 20% p.a.

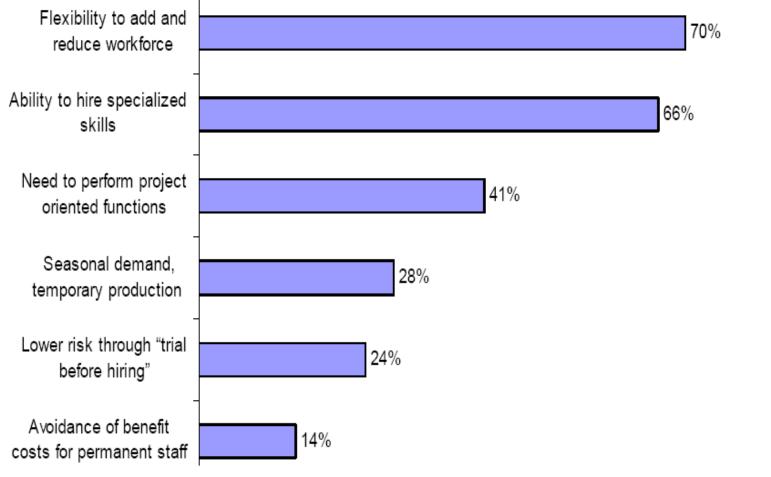
Source: Software Associations; U.S. country commercial reports; press articles; Gartner; IDC; Country government Web sites; Ministry of Information Technology for various countries; Enterprise Ireland; NASSCOM; McKinsey Global institute analysis

Source: McKinsey Global Institute Offshoring Report - Introduction



# Contractual Dimensions Benefits of Contract Labor

Source: Aberdeen Group, 2006

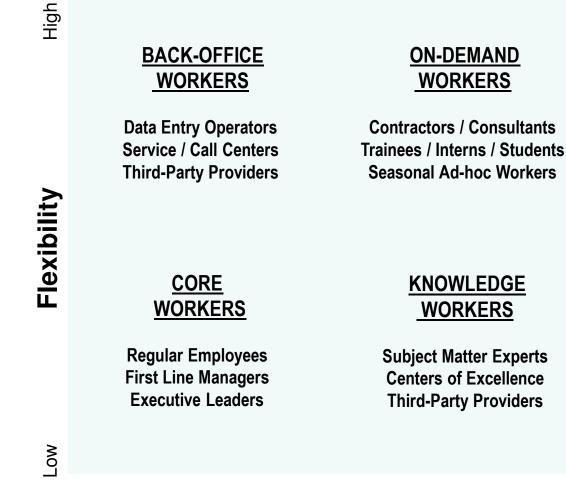




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# **Contractual Dimensions Multi-Contractual Workforce**

Source: Beaman 2008



Generalists

**Expertise** 

**Specialists** 

**WORKERS** 

**WORKERS** 



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# Contractual Dimensions New Skills and Competencies

Source: Beaman 2008

SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES FOR THE MULTI-CONTRACTUAL TALENTFORCE	CORE WORKERS	BACK-OFFICE WORKERS	KNOWLEDGE WORKERS	ON-DEMAND WORKERS
1. Cultural Awareness / Global Mindset	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$
2. Collaboration / Teamwork Skills	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
3. Communication / Interpersonal Skills	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
4. Customer-Focused / Business Advocate	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
5. Technology Literacy / Internet Savvy	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$
6. Business Process / Industry Knowledge	✓		✓	$\checkmark$
7. Financial Acumen / ROI & TCO Analysis Skills	✓		✓	$\checkmark$
8. Data Analysis / Business Intelligence / Metrics	✓		✓	
9. Program / Project Management Skills	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>			$\checkmark$
10. Change Management / Transformation Skills	✓			<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>



# Contractual Dimensions Changing Workforce – Contracts



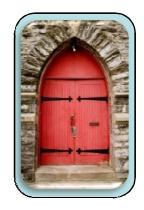
- Increasing use of the "contingent workforce" comprising part-timers, freelancers, offshore workers,
- Breaking down the traditional four walls of the organization
- Movement from internal functional silos to extended, global networks
- More collaboration between customers, partners, other third-parties, and even competitors
- Greater economic flexibility to tailor the workforce to specific economic and project conditions



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# The New Multi-Dimensional Talentforce: Locality Dimensions









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# Locality Dimensions Changing Work Environment

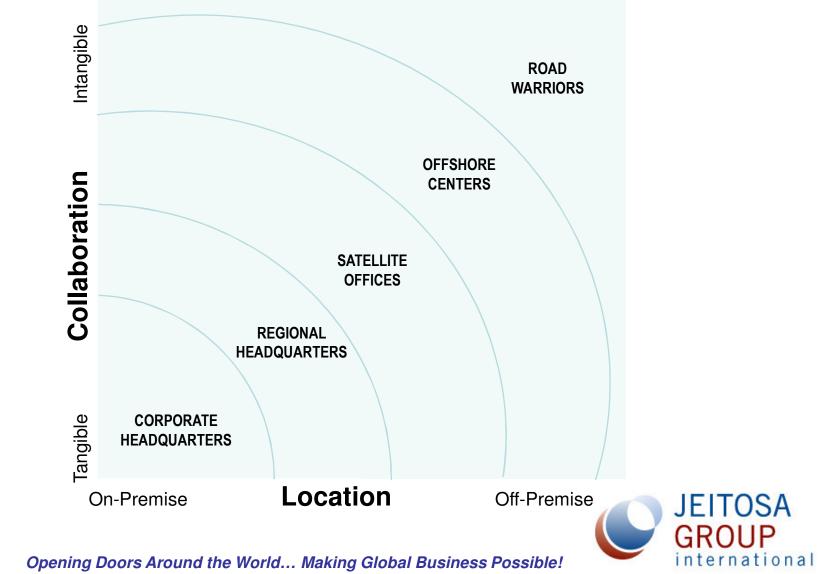
Source: World is Flat 2006 and Wikinomics 2007

- Age of Connectivity technology enhancements and the growth of the Internet enabling work any time, any where, and any how.
- Flattening of the World increasing globalization bringing dispersed workers together across space and time
- Emergence of Open Standards developing software that allows workers to collaborate on projects from any location at any time
- Birth of Collaboration Tools creating tools and social software to facilitate collaboration: wikis, blogs, RSS, IM, Mashups, Facebook, etc.
- Growth of Outsourcing and Offshoring generating less expensive, more efficient, and more effective staffing options
- Increasing Mobility allowing workers greater flexibility to make choices about their private residence versus work location



# Locality Dimensions Multi-Locality

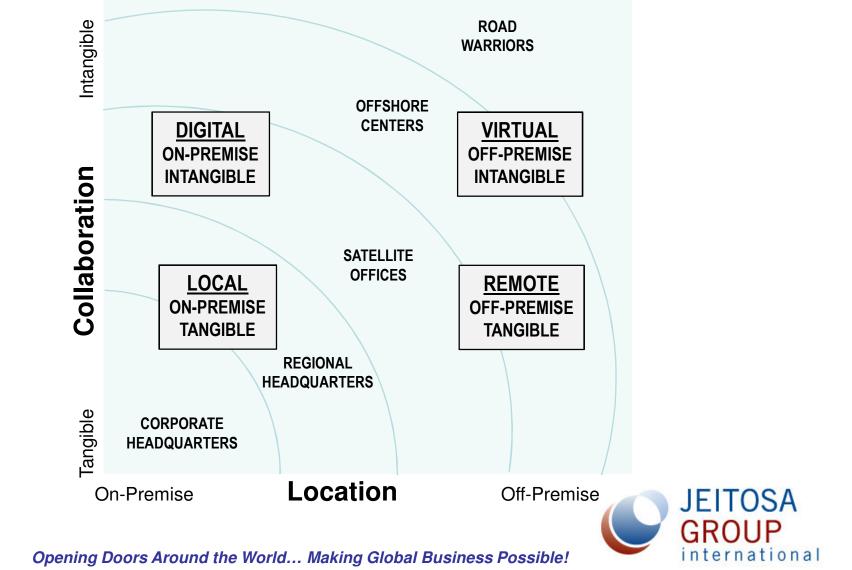




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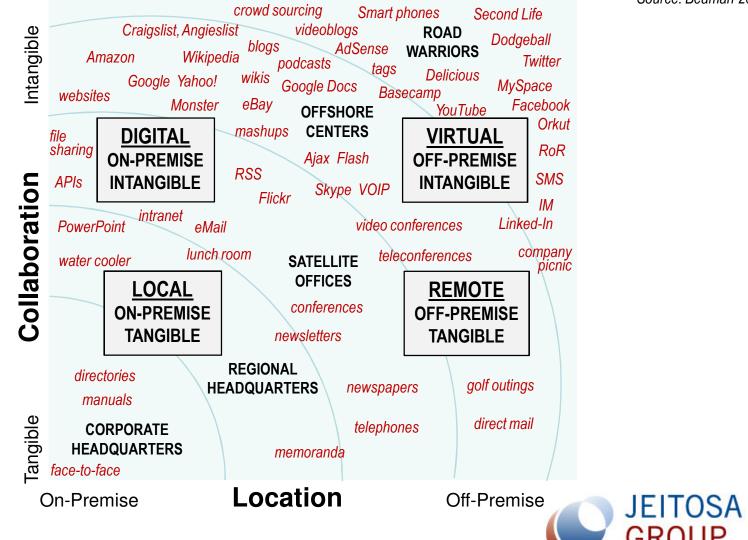
## Locality Dimensions The Multi-Local Talentforce

Source: Beaman 2008



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#### Locality Dimensions Multi-Local Communication Methods & Tools



Source: Beaman 2008

international

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### Locality Dimensions Multi-Local Communication Methods & Tools



international

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#### Locality Dimensions Multi-Local Communication Strategies

Source: Beaman 2008

Intangible	DIGITAL ON-PREMISE, INTANGIBLE		<u>VIRTUAL</u> OFF-PREMISE, INTANGIBLE	
	Informal	Hallway/Lunch	Informal	VOIP / IM
	Communication	Email	Communication	Twitter
	Documentation	Intranet/Filesharing	Documentation	Internet/Wikis
	Meetings	PowerPoint Slides	Meetings	Web Meetings
	News/Updates	Online Newsletter	News	Blogs/RSS Feeds
	Networking	Online Directory	Networking	Online Community
0	<u>LOCAL</u> ON-PREMISE, TANGIBLE		<u>REMOTE</u> OFF-PREMISE, TANGIBLE	
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Collab				
Collaboration	ON-PREMISE	E, TANGIBLE	OFF-PREMIS	E, TANGIBLE
Collab	ON-PREMISE	E, TANGIBLE Cube-mates	OFF-PREMIS	E, TANGIBLE
	ON-PREMISE Informal Communication	Cube-mates Face-to-Face	OFF-PREMIS Informal Communication	E, TANGIBLE Telephone Memoranda
	ON-PREMISE Informal Communication Documentation	Face-to-Face Manuals/Books	OFF-PREMIS Informal Communication Documentation	E, TANGIBLE Telephone Memoranda Newspapers
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### Locality Dimensions Changing Workforce – Location





- Telecommuting work is time-driven, but no longer time-bound
- Everywhere Internet ubiquity means work can be done any time, any where
- Projects more work organized in project teams, autonomous work groups, in conjunction with third-parties
- Digital work is moving completely digital with wikis, blogs, RSS, podcasts, twitter, etc.
- Virtual communication is real-time, face-to-face – not in person – using tools such as Skype, Web meetings, streaming video



# Understanding and Managing Change









#### Change Management Some Thoughts on Change

"There is nothing more difficult to carry out nor more doubtful of success nor more dangerous to handle than to initiate a new order of things."

-Niccolo Machiavelli

"It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change." -Charles Darwin

"We must be the change we wish to see in the world."

-Mahatma Gandhi

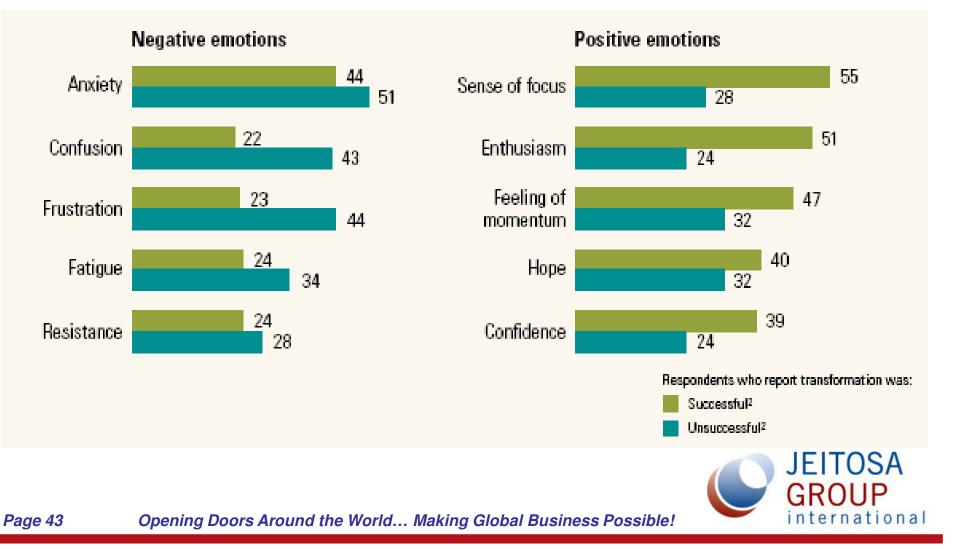


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#### Change Management The Many Moods of Change

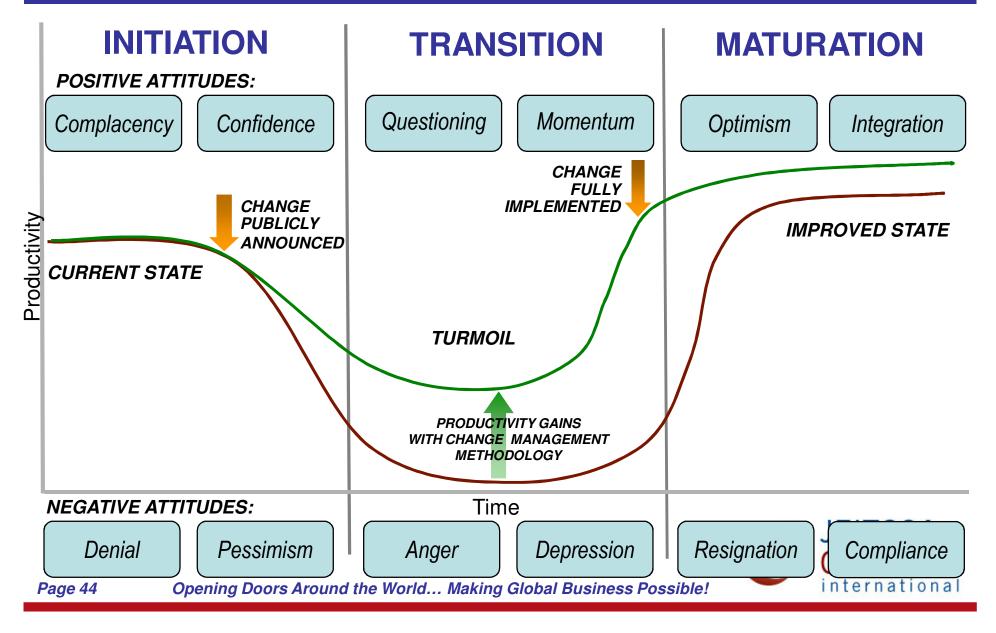
Source: McKinsey, 2006

#### Roughly evenly split between positive and negative emotions



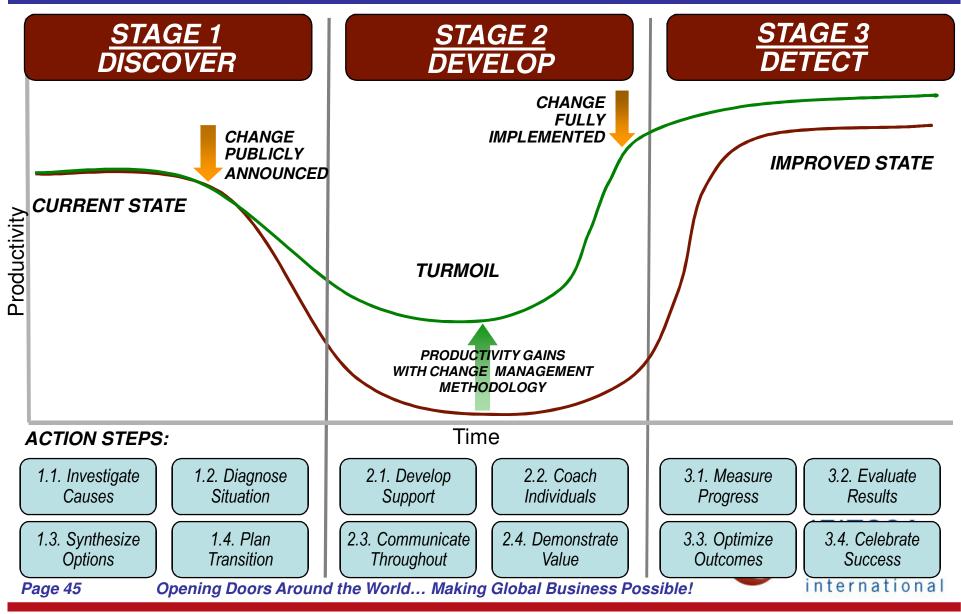
#### Change Management Human Process of Change

Source: Jeitosa, 2008



#### Change Management A Change Methodology

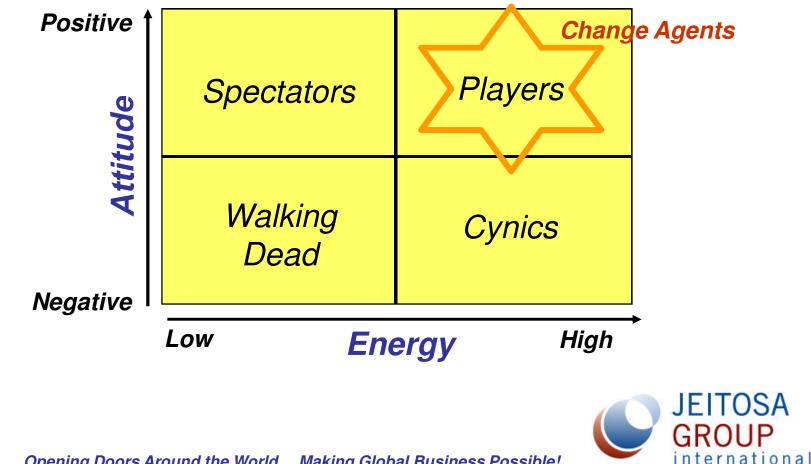
Source: Jeitosa, 2008



### Change Management **Energy Investment Model**

Source: Don Tosti

#### Identify stakeholders and develop strategies for each





#### Change Management Developmental Model of Change

Source: Milton Bennett, 1993

#### THE ETHNOCENTRIC STAGES

- I. DENIAL
  - A. Isolation
  - B. Separation
- **II. DEFENSE** 
  - A. Denigration
  - B. Superiority
  - C. Reversal
- III. MINIMIZATION
  - A. Physical Universalism
  - B. Transcendent Universalism

#### THE ETHNORELATIVE STAGES

- **IV. ACCEPTANCE** 
  - A. Respect for Behavioral Difference
  - B. Respect for Value Difference
- V. ADAPTATION
  - A. Empathy
  - B. Pluralism
- **VI. INTEGRATION** 
  - A. Contextual Evaluation
  - B. Constructive Marginality



# Some Thoughts for the Future









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## Questions Your CEO should be asking...

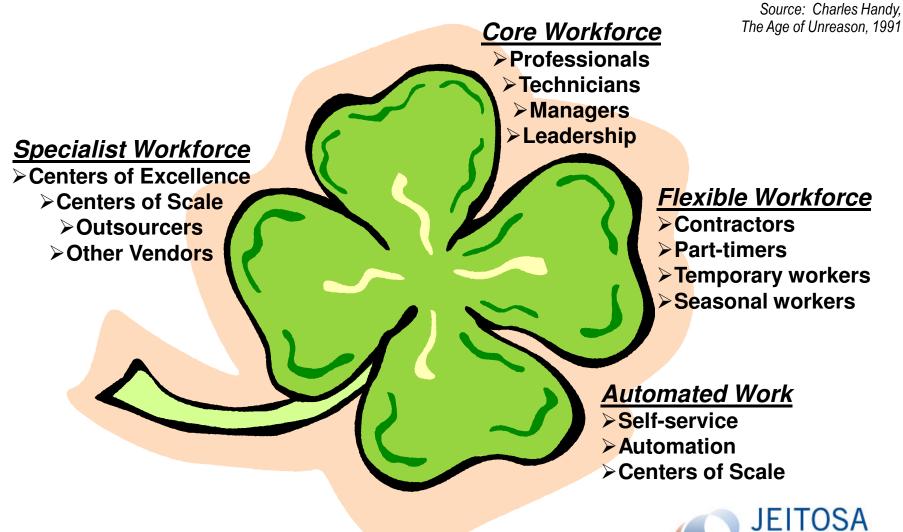


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- What workforce segments create the most value for the company?
- How will we be impacted by impending retirement and are we prepared?
- Where is talent demand outpacing supply?
- What skills will we need in next five years that we don't have today?
- Turnover? How much is it costing in customers? In productivity? In innovation? In quality?
- Do we have a workforce plan to measure the financial consequences of talent decisions on our business?



## The Talentforce of the Future





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## Ten Competencies for the New World

- Collaboration team work and relationship skills
- Agility flexible and adaptable to change
- Velocity ability to react quickly and effectively
- Solution Server operational and financial knowledge
- Solution of the second second
- Technical ability to embrace new technologies
- Analytical critical, analytical, problem-solving skills
- Forward-Looking predictive, proactive skills
- Decision-Making action- and solution-oriented
- Accountability ownership and performance-based





## A Parting Thought...

## "The most universal quality is diversity."

Michel de Montaigne The Essays, 1580

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