

### RESEARCH COVERAGE



The Economist

479 business leaders C-level experts and executives from various industries

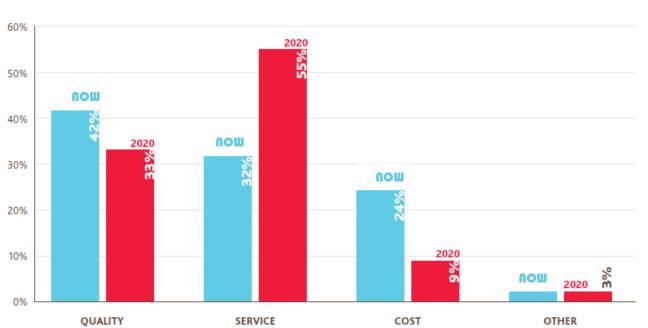
Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia Pacific

/2020

What are the most important trends in business & customer service for the current **DECADE?** 

#### CHART 1\*

**Q**: "On what basis does your company primarily compete now, and what do you expect in 2020?"







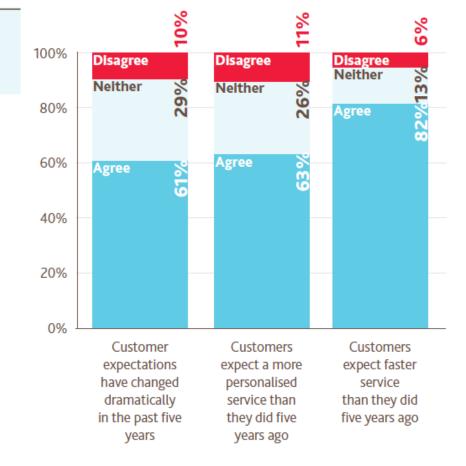




**Q:** "Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?"

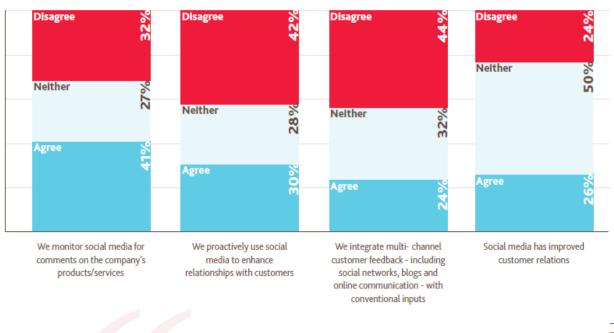


## COMPANIES MUST MAINTAIN SERVICE STANDARDS IN THE FACE OF



"the need fithe need fithe need for speed"





100%

80%

60%

40%

20%



► TO THEIR ADVANTAGE

MEGATREND 03

## if things go spectacularly wrong it comes out and goes on Google and Twitter

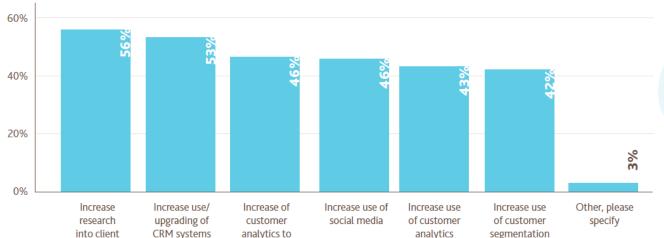
Customer Experience Futurologist, BT

#### **CHART 4\***

expectations

**Q:** "How will companies in your industry adapt to meet customer expectations in 2020? Select all that apply."

## COMPANIES MUST USE NEW SOURCES AND TYPES TO RETHINK THE WAY THEY TRACK AND PERSONALISE THEIR SERVICE



to assess

customer

personalise

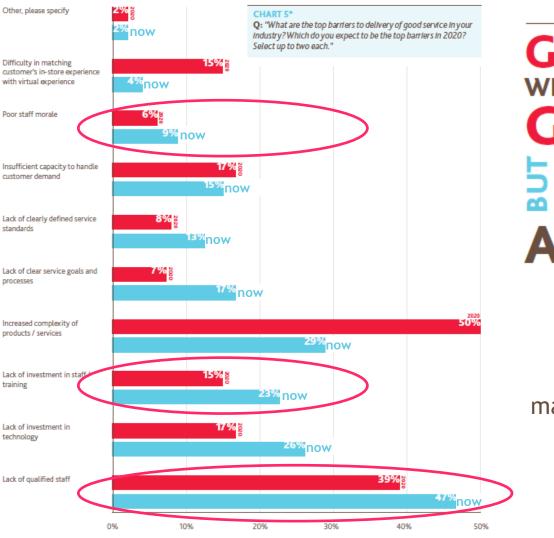
service

We can measure by seeing if brand satisfaction is being affected by a problem in a specific country

Executive Vice President: Sales, Distribution and Loyalty, Accor



a specific network



# GOOD EMPLOYEES WILL REMAIN FUNDAMENTAL TO GOOD SERVICE SETECHNOLOGY AS AN ENABLER

**MEGATREND 05** 

82% of firms believe that no matter what technological innovations by 2020, customers will always expect some form of personal interaction

#### BDO

## MORE FIRMS WILL

### POUTSOURCE

## TO NEW KINDS 5 SPECIALISTS

Nearly all firms (87%) take care of their service offering in-house. In the decade ahead, however

25% more firms will outsource part of their services

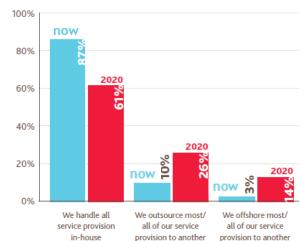
What you need now are

CXDC/IS

who can skills
bring that firms don't have

#### CHART 7

Q: "Which of the following best captures your firm's approach to service provision and customer support? And which is it most likely to employ in 2020?"



firm(s) in our local

market(s)

firm(s) in a low cost

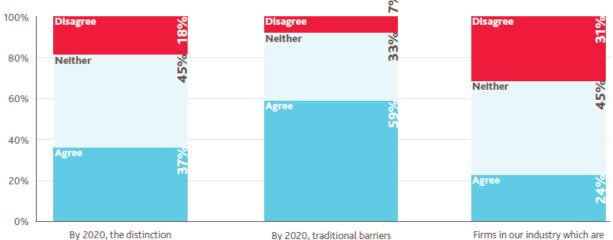
market

### CUSTOMER EXPECTATIONS

## WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY

● interaction ■ On mobile media

#### ONline/OFFline



to communication and doing

business will have been broken

down by new technologies,

completely changing how companies work for and with

their customers

between the online and offline

customer experiences will be

completely blurred

Firms in our industry which are selling into emerging markets will be less likely to succeed by taking a long-term focus on brand/service, rather than

competing on cost





## Conclusion

We are leaving in a changed world and HR professionals are essential for the change!

Develop "community-like" work-environment Services will become more important than manufacturing

Increase connectivity with your own employees

Increased
internal
transparency &
communicate more

Develop inside Social Media competences Give people the option to choose

More focus on customer services trainings

New performance evaluation standards

Adjust
Organizational
Culture to be more
open and flexible

Implement instant-gratification performance measures

Empower employees

MOTIVATE
People to be
CREATIVE

