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# **Speakers**



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# Agenda

- 1 Impact on the industry
- 2 Recruitment and Retention
- 3 Skills Needs for the Future
- 4 Training and Education



# **Background**

What skills does the new generation of hotel professionals need?



#### **Global Partners**











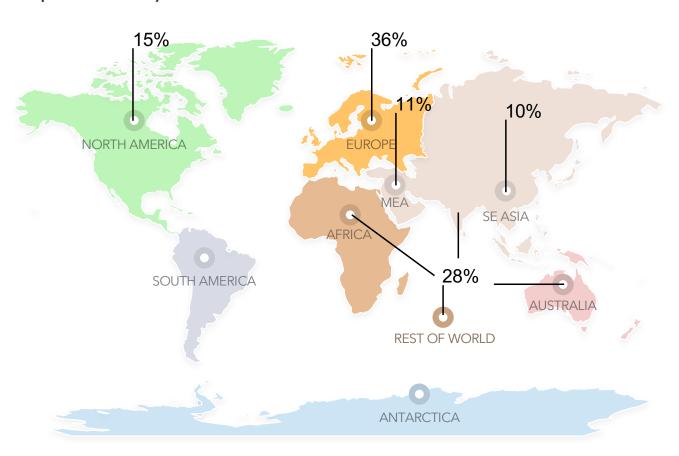








# Global Responses over 800 usable completed surveys





#### Global Responses



# Education & Training 22%

#### Roles



#### Senior Executives - 43%

CEO's / Presidents / Directors



Hotels

49%

#### Operational & Specialists – 43%

Regional Managers / Operations Managers / Site Managers / HR / IT / Finance



#### Education & Training – 22%

Educators / Trainers / Professional Development

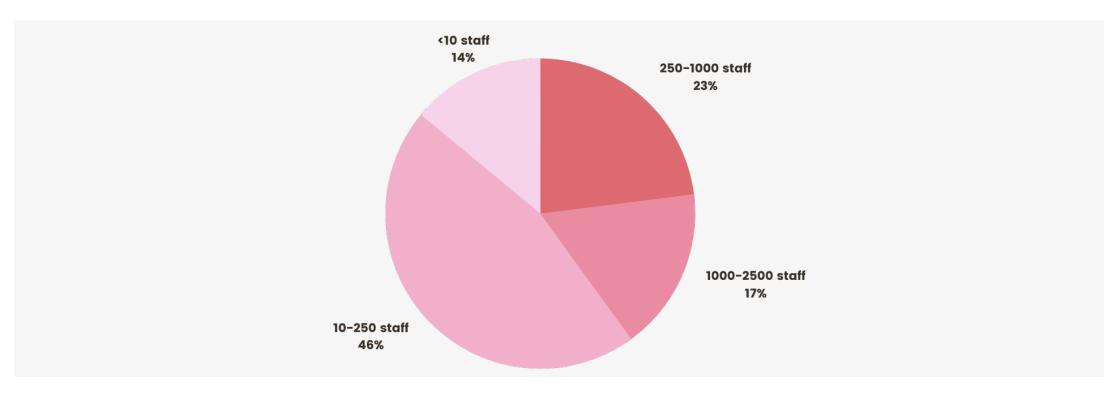


Restaurants & Caterers

29%

# **Global Responses**

#### Size of business



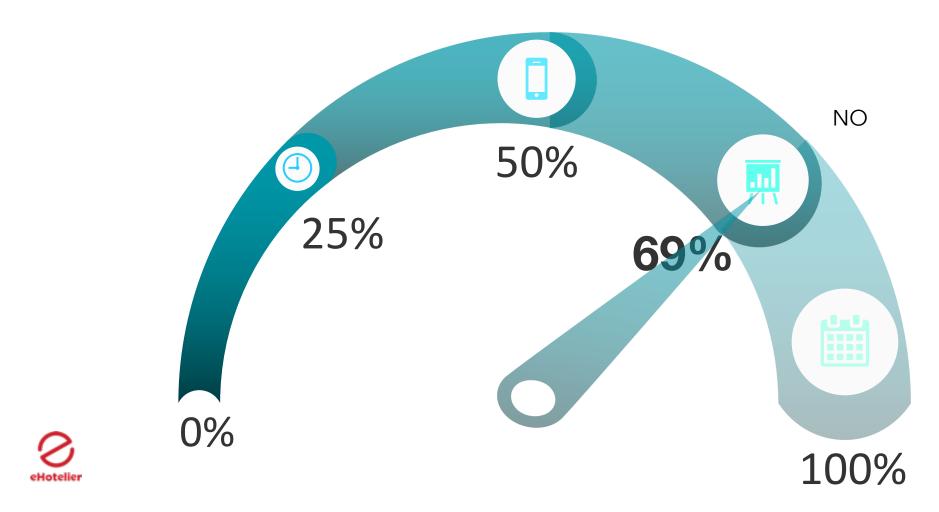


1 – Impact on the industry

The pandemic has resulted in the hospitality industry undergoing the most significant changes in my lifetime.



Do you think that your business model will be the same after the pandemic as it was before?



# Impact on the industry

**Industry Leaders views** 

- √ Industry has been significantly impacted by COVID-19 86%
- Pusiness models need to change − 69%
- Fechnology will have an important role − 95%
- PReal commitment to sustainability is needed 94%
- Education and Training needs to change 94%

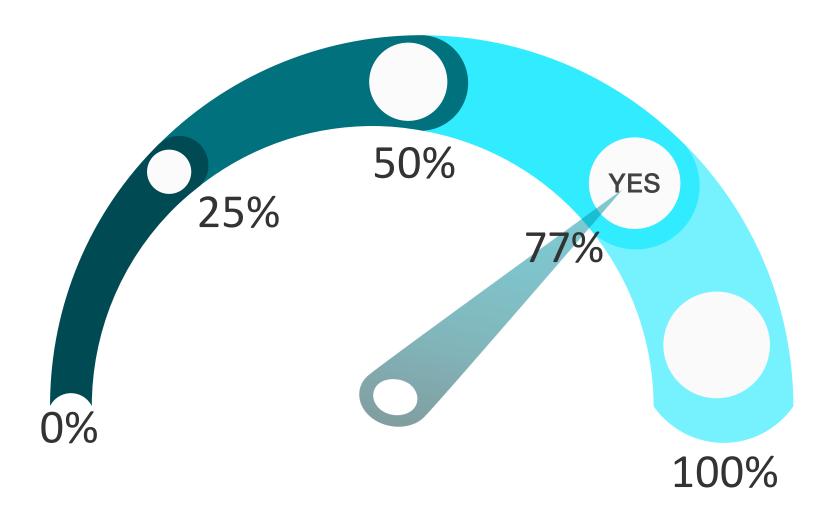


#### 2 - Recruitment and Retention

Recruitment and retention are, and will remain, one of the biggest issues facing the industry over the next 5 years.



Do you think that business now needs to be flexible in recruiting the workforce and accommodate a more flexible working pattern?



#### Recruitment and Retention

94% of respondents believe that this is the biggest challenge over the next 5 years

# **Implications**

- Losses to the profession
- Better work life balance
- Employment more of a negotiated partnership
- Increased complexity of managing a more flexible workforce
- P Not attracting new entrants to replace those leaving
- Greater costs of recruitment
- Potential talent pipeline does not have the professional skills
- P Greater investment required in training and career development



3 - Skills Needs for the Future

Younger new entrants to the industry expect a better work-life balance in their careers.

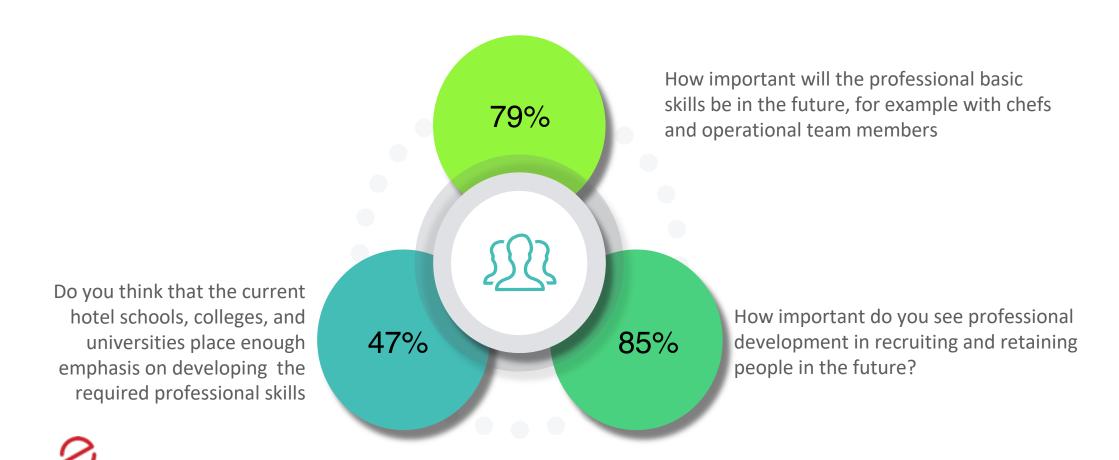




Over 95%
identified
this as the
priority issue
for the
industry



# Professional Skills and Development



#### Skills needs for the future

Top four skills needs in order of importance as ranked by respondents





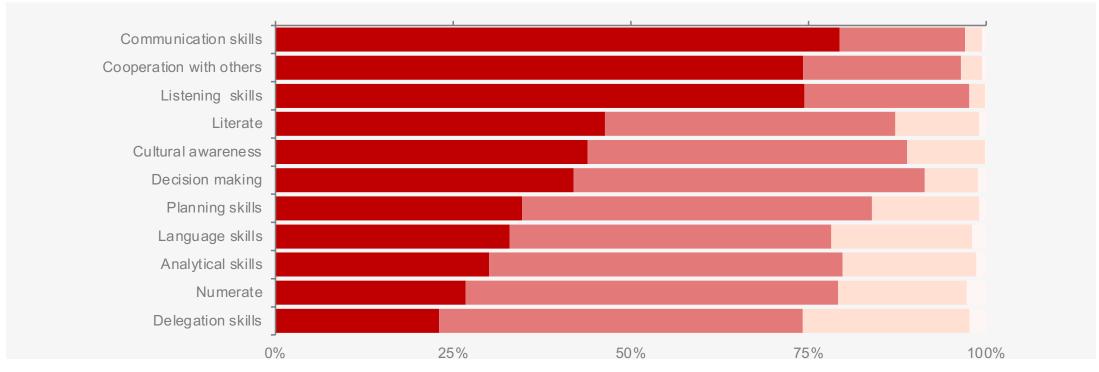
#### Staff Essential Skills





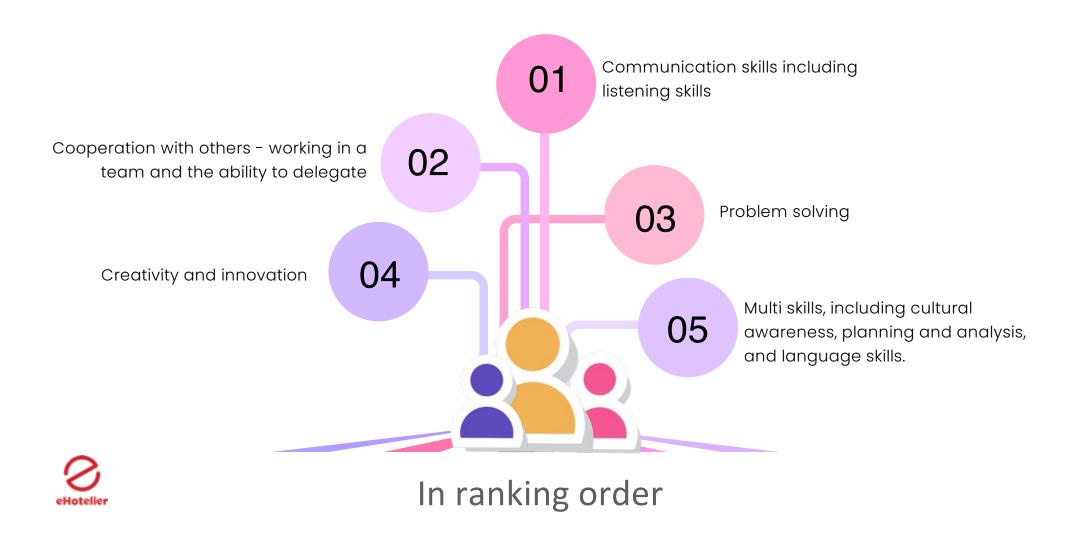
#### **Skills and Personal Characteristics**

#### Skills - Ranked

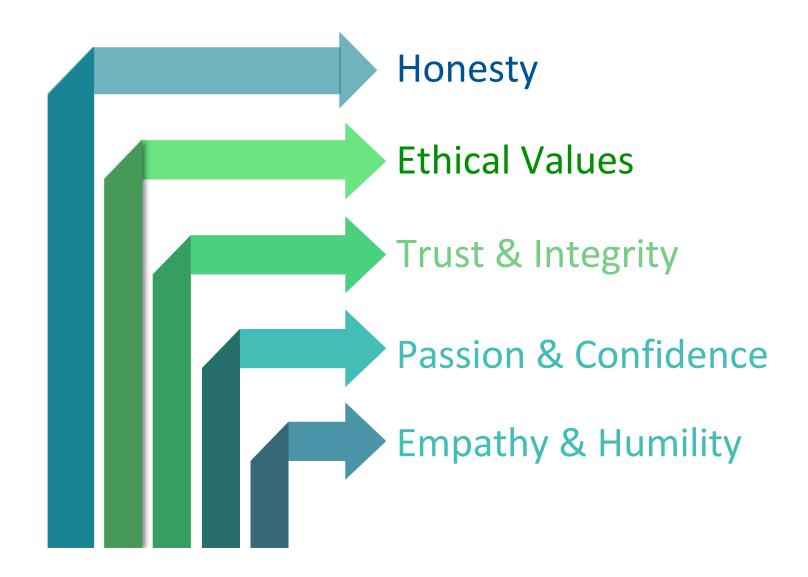




# Staff skills to deliver high standards of guest service



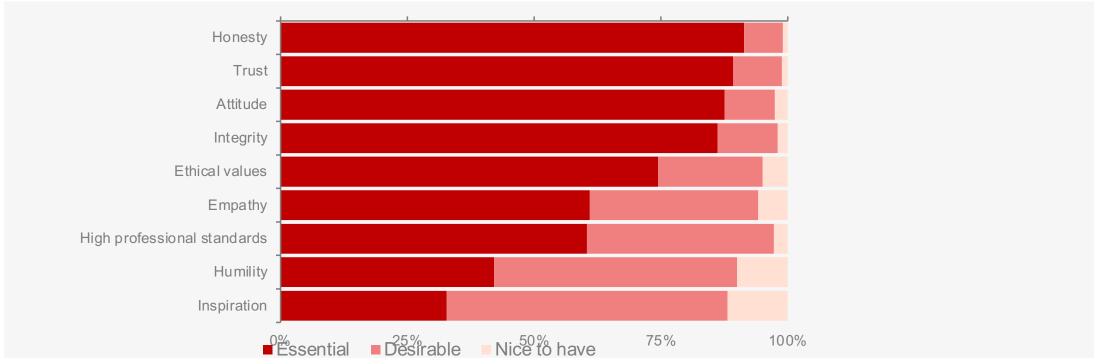
#### Staff Personal Qualities





#### **Skills and Personal Characteristics**

#### Characteristics - Ranked

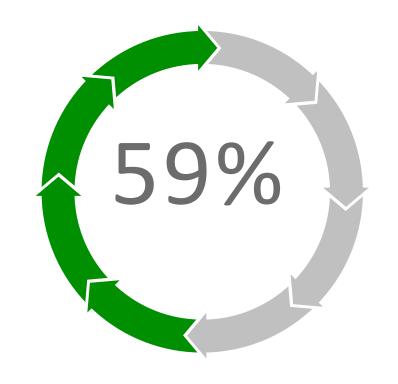




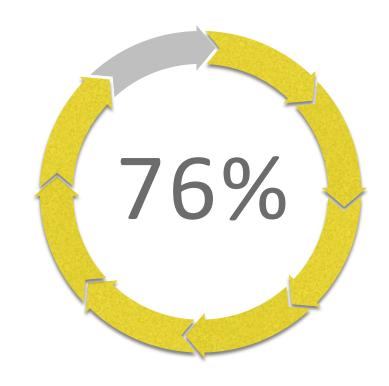
# 4 – Training and Education

Education and training will have to change to keep pace with the changes in the industry





HOW RELEVANT DO YOU SEE ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS FOR YOUR STAFF IN THE FUTURE



HOW RELEVANT DO YOU
SEE PROFESSIONAL
RECOGNITION BEING FOR
YOUR PEOPLE IN THE
FUTURE



#### Training and Education

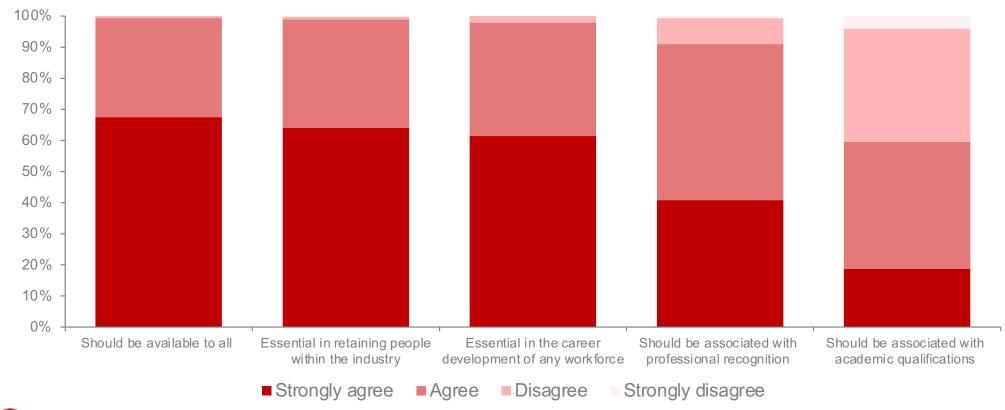
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# **Implications**

- P Current education and training is not meeting industry needs
- Pindustry values professional recognition (75%) over academic qualifications (66%)
- P More flexible career pathways 76 59
- Talent pipeline shrinkage
- Professional development essential
- Emphasis on professional recognition
- P Recruitment focus on personal characteristics
- Promote aspirational career opportunities



# Professional development needs in the future





#### **Key Take-Aways**

Significant international political and financial uncertainties. Impacts on corporate and consumer confidence and spends

- 1. Customer service and good value is paramount
- 2. Staffing is the major challenge
- 3. Technology can help but is not a substitute for guest service
- 4. Education and training is not meeting the needs
- 5. Industry needs provide an aspirational yet flexible professional career package to potential staff and take responsibility for training



#### **THANK YOU**

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