

# 4 ABSL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

# ROMANIA - FROM STARDOM TO VALUE CREATOR

A JOURNEY FROM COST TO COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

THROUGH KNOWLEDGE AND TALENT

SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2016 Radisson Blu Hotel, Bucharest, Romania

8:30 / 9:30

### **Registration & Networking Coffee**

9:30

11:30

## One Voice, ABSL

**Opening Speeches** 

How will Talent, Technology and Knowledge influence the Future of the Business Services in Romania?

Lessons Learned, Current Status and Trends for the Romanian Business Services Market. - part 1

11:30 / 12:00

### **Networking Coffee Break**

12:00` / 13:30

How will Talent, Technology and Knowledge influence the Future of the Business Services in Romania?

Lessons Learned, Current Status and Trends for the Romanian Business Services Market. - part 2

13:00 / 14:30

## **Networking Lunch**

15:00 / 17:30

### **Breakout Session 1:**

Making the Impossible a Reality by delivering Performance and Solutions: New Businesses and Processes.

\*What new processes are brought by SSCs/ BPOs in Romania? \*How are they delivering performance and solutions for their clients/ company? \*How are companies in Real Estate/ Consultancy supporting

#### **Breakout Session 2:**

The Creation of the New Human: Delivering Talent for an Ever Growing Industry.

\*How are companies growing their talents? \*How are companies creating Employer branding? \*Initiatives in Education/ best practices.

#### **Breakout Session 3:**

Reinventing the Wheel or Humanizing the Robots? Tapping into the New Era for Finance and Accounting through Standardization, Flexibility and Adaptability.

\*Can Romanian Talent innovate in the F&A field? \*How can RPA be integrated in the day to day activity of SSCs/ BPOs?

#### Breakout Session 4:

Transforming the
Business Services through
IT: How Romanian
developed Software is
changing the Global
Businesses?

- \*How much can the Romanian IT market still grow?
- \*How can Romanian Technologies have an impact in the Global Arena?

\*Success Stories

17:30 / 19:00

**Closing Cocktail** 

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# THE CONCEPT

As you may remember, last year's theme was "Romania: The Shining Star of Business Services. Delivering High End Solutions Around the Globe", and the conclusions for the Breakout Sessions were all under the theme "Romania from Stardom to Value Creator". The meaning of the concept is that while to be "the star" of an industry is a good thing, this status-quo may not last. Thus, in order to be competitive, one must show what is "bringing to the table"; this is the reason why the first sentence states "Romania from Stardom to Value Creator". And how can Romania go from stardom to a value creator, and go from a cost-relevant location to a competitive one? Well, through its main important assets: Knowledge and Talent. The Opening Speeches section will feature ABSL Representatives and authorities. Mr. Colin Lovering (Commercial Director, Corporate Office Solutions I Chairman, British Romanian Chamber of Commerce) will be moderating the event.

### **Main Plenary Session**

How will Talent, Technology and Knowledge influence the Future of the Business Services in Romania? Lessons Learned, Current Status and Trends for the Romanian Business Services Market.

The main plenary session of the Conference will bring, as last year, analysts and strategic partners of ABSL to debate on the status and trends of the Business Services Industry in Romania. This session is structured into 2 parts, with a short Networking Coffee Break in between.

#### **Breakout Session 1**

Making the Impossible a Reality by delivering Performance and Solutions:

New Businesses and Processes.

The first Breakout Session has a larger scope and is focusing on Business and Processes that are new in Romania. In addition, companies in the sectors connected to the industry of Business Services will share their stories on how are supporting this industry and what are the challenges they are facing while doing this.



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#### Breakout Session 2

### The Creation of the New Human: Delivering Talent for an Ever Growing Industry

This Breakout Session is dedicated to the HR professionals. In the past years, the profile of the ideal employee in the Business Services Industry has evolved a great deal. There is also a constant pressure between employees' expectations and employers' possibilities that are offered. Thus, a New Human is emerging, one that is aware of its skills and the need to constantly improve them, one that is constantly searching for new opportunities and is curious about its contribution to the industry. How can HR Professionals identify the perfect Talent for the company, and at the same time juggle with the aforementioned demands? They can only tell us!

#### **Breakout Session 3**

# Reinventing the Wheel or Humanizing the Robots? Tapping into the New Era for Finance and Accounting through Standardization, Flexibility and Adaptability.

Finance and Accounting has been one of the main areas of this industry for a long time now, and for some more transactional activities in this area RPA seems to be a solution. Along with RPA, a great deal of standardization (which is more than welcomed) appears. The question would be: how much good standardization is bad standardization, and where does this evolve into inadaptability? Thus, do we need to Reinvent the Wheel when it comes to F&A processes, by innovations and technologies, or do we need to Humanize Robots and make them more flexible?

#### **Breakout Session 4**

# Transforming the Business Services through IT: How Romanian developed Software is changing the Global Businesses?

Romanian developed software has had its growth until now and one can definitely say it has transformed the Business Services Industry. This session is dedicated to the IT Professionals who would like to share with us the successes and threats they faced along the road.