

An Evolving Business Landscape: Change and disruption in Asia

Research results from Criticaleye's 2016 Asia Leadership Retreat





"In today's environment businesses can be disrupted at any moment – you need to be prepared for it and have a leadership team that is aligned, has complete trust in one another and can collaborate effectively to weather the storm.

This research, conducted at our Asia Leadership Retreat 2016, asked leaders about the regional threats, opportunities and trends they are facing, plus the requirements executives face in tackling them."



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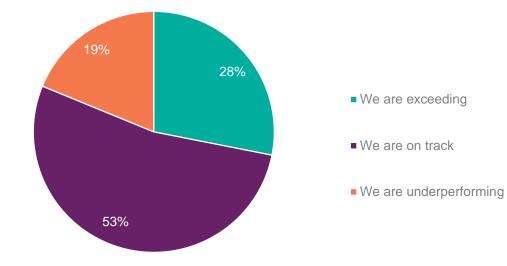


Survey highlights from Criticaleye's Asia Leadership Retreat 2016

- 94% of those surveyed will undertake organisational change within the next 12-18 months
- Economic downturn and a shortage of skills are the biggest risks to business
- Executive team behaviour often reinforces silos and needs to be more collaborative
- Three quarters of the leaders polled believe their company's succession plan could be improved
- 91% see mentoring as a useful tool to develop the top team
- 94% believe experiential learning is key to developing leadership skills

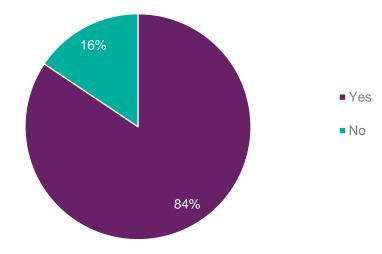


81% of businesses are either exceeding or are on track with their strategy...



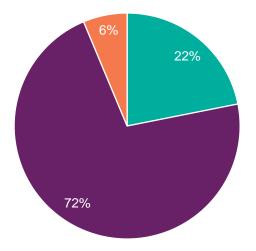


84% have a clear and effective regional growth strategy...





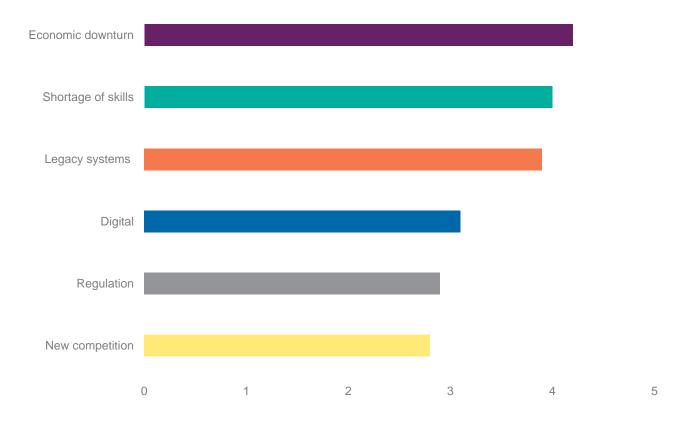
... Yet disruption is inevitable. 94% will undertake organisational change within the next 12-18 months



- Yes, there will be significant transformation
- There will be some changes
- No changes will be made

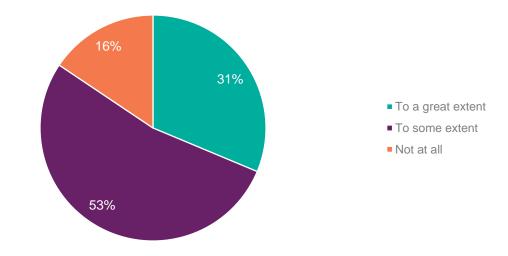


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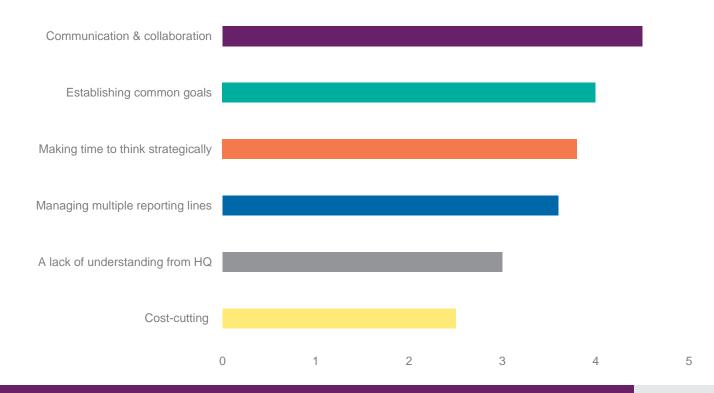


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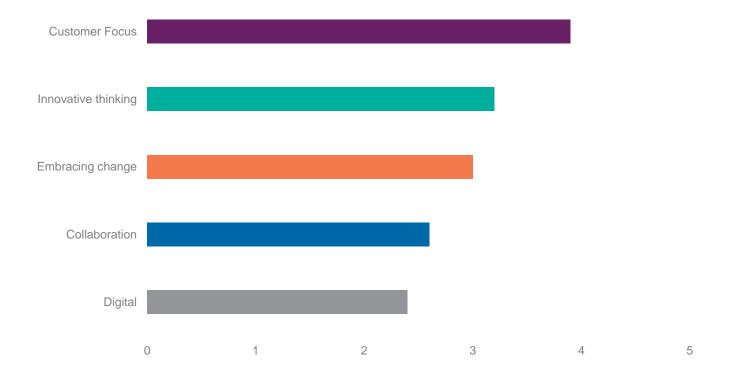
...Even on a regional level, communication, collaboration and establishing common goals are seen as the biggest challenges



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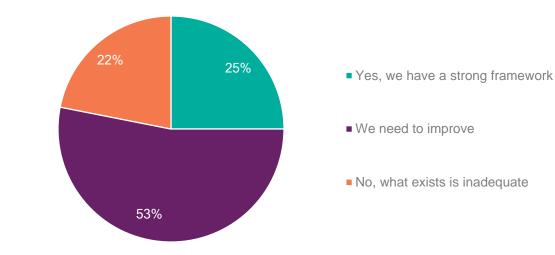
Executives must also be skilled in innovation and customer experience if they are to develop the business



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Three quarters of leaders believe their company's succession plan could be improved





Experiential learning and mentoring are seen as highly valuable in tackling these and other leadership issues

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Key Findings



- Change is inevitable for businesses operating in Asia no surprise then that innovation is highly prized in leaders and executive teams. Other valued skills are diversity, trust and collaboration
- In a complex business environment, regional executives have the additional challenge of effectively communicating and collaborating with their global counterparts
- Encouragingly, most executives have a successful regional growth strategy, and most are performing well against it
- Although digital disruption continues to be a threat to organisations regionally and globally, the economic downturn and a skills shortages are more pressing risks to Asia-based leaders
- In addition to talent acquisition, businesses in Asia acknowledge that the workforce is becoming more transient with more people opting for part-time, portfolio and flexible roles. In particular, more must be done to develop the talent pipeline

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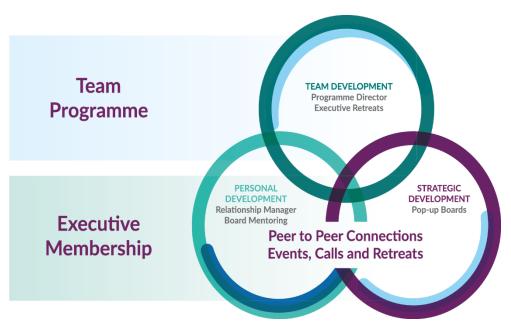


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