



## ManpowerGroup Executives Lead Sessions At World Economic Forum Annual Meeting of the New Champions 2012

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TIANJIN, China, Sept. 10, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- ManpowerGroup (NYSE: MAN), the world leader in innovative workforce solutions and World Economic Forum (WEF) strategic partner, will lead sessions at the WEF Annual Meeting of the New Champions in Tianjin, China, this week, exploring how the future global economy can deliver meaningful employment in the midst of a fast-changing environment.

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Jeffrey A. Joerres, ManpowerGroup Chairman and CEO, is one select executive from the world's most influential companies who was invited to serve as a Mentor at this "Summer Davos," held annually in China, to exchange experiences and ideas on managing economic issues. Earlier this year, Joerres co-chaired the B20 Task Force on Employment, which began with a robust discussions at the 2012 WEF Annual Meeting and culminated in delivering recommendations for focused actions to inspire sustainable employment creation at the G20 Summit in Mexico. Joerres also co-chaired the WEF on Latin America in April 2012.

"This tumultuous global era, which ManpowerGroup identified last year as the Human Age, can only be successfully navigated by taking steps to ensure access to the right talent with the right skills that can ensure future success and economic growth," said Joerres. "The impact of the European crisis on the global economy, and how business and governments can recover from multiple shocks related to decelerating global growth, high unemployment and resource scarcity are all critical issues facing governments, businesses and individuals."

With the world's population now at 7 billion, the world faces opportunities and challenges on an unprecedented scale as current models buckle under the pressure of expansion. The discussions in Tianjin, incorporating leaders from business, government, academia, civil society and media, will focus on ensuring the right values, incentives and models are in place to deliver the best possible outcomes for global prosperity, national competitiveness and entrepreneurial growth for future generations.

"Globally, there are massive problems matching supply with demand — people need jobs and employers need workers, but companies simply cannot find people with the right blend of skills," said David Arkless, ManpowerGroup President of Corporate and Government Affairs. "Success is going to depend on a comprehensive analysis of future skills requirements and acting now to plug those skills gaps."

ManpowerGroup executives participating in this week's summit include: Joerres; Arkless, ManpowerGroup President of Corporate and Government Affairs; Darryl Green, ManpowerGroup President of Asia-Pacific and Middle East; and Danny Yuan, ManpowerGroup China Managing Director.

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September:

Joerres will Mentor a session titled, "*Leadership: Turning Chaos into Engagement*," sharing his unique perspectives with Global Growth Companies on the leadership skills that are essential to maintaining an engaged and outcome-oriented workforce in the midst of an ever-changing, complex and challenging environment.

Joerres will also moderate a session titled, "*European Crisis, Global Impact*," exploring the global economic impact of the crisis in Europe. Dimensions to be addressed include EU-emerging market trade and investment and the role of the euro in the international monetary system. Watch live coverage of the session on Livestream at <http://wef.ch/live>.

Arkless will participate in a private session titled, "*Is Asia Ready for a Knowledge Transformation*," exploring how silos can be broken down in order to build a strong knowledge infrastructure for the region with competitive advantage at stake for knowledge firms and policymakers alike.

### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September:

Joerres will participate in a private session titled, "*Informal Gathering of World Economic Leaders: Setting Course for Smart Growth*," in which he will offer ManpowerGroup's perspective on how business can drive job-generating growth and help governments recover from multiple economic shocks.

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Arkless will participate in a workshop titled, "*Redefining the Human Capital Agenda*," exploring what measures and approaches will help economies address crises of both structural unemployment and an unprecedented skills gap, using their human capital endowment more effectively to avoid people being "the most wasted resource on the planet".

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In January 2011, at the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting in Davos, Switzerland, ManpowerGroup announced the world has entered the Human Age, where talent has replaced capital as the key competitive differentiator. This concept of talentism as the new capitalism continues to resonate and was echoed as a core theme of the 2012 Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum in Davos. Learn more about this new age at [www.manpowergroup.com/humanage](http://www.manpowergroup.com/humanage)

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