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Redesigning Organizations' Sustainability: Force of Talent Management and Employee Wellbeing Interplay

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Abstract

In today's economy, in order to ensure sustainable development and, in particular, to maintain their competitive advantage, organizations must ensure that they have highly trained human capital, with an innovative spirit, eager to continuously improve their skills and qualifications. This natural desire of organizations has led to a gap, which tends to permanently widen, between the demand and supply of human capital that possesses the necessary qualifications for companies. In addition, given the organization's digital transformation, the pool of employees who are able to respond to new challenges is in a continuous shortage. It is also worth mentioning that the globalization of the economy and labour migration tends to cause a huge human capital gap in developing and underdeveloped countries.

We believe that implementing an efficient talent management system should lead to increased employee wellbeing, which would mean that strong links appear in the literature between the two concepts. A previous bibliometric analysis, conducted on articles indexed in both Scopus and Web of Science using VOSviewer, demonstrated only a low level of link strength and a low level of occurrences between talent management and employee wellbeing. This means that the two topics have only appeared together in very few articles and researchers haven't analysed their direct relationship. Job satisfaction, employee (work) engagement, employee commitment, and organizational commitment were analysed separately, in relationship with both talent management and employee engagement. In our opinion, the conclusion is that a relationship, even if indirect, exists between talent management and employee wellbeing.

This paper aims to identify those "missing links" that determine the relationship between talent management and employee wellbeing.

Keywords: employee wellbeing, employee engagement, job satisfaction, talent management

Introduction

In the modern organizational landscape, the concept of talent management is subject to diverse interpretations and approaches. Some scholars think that it is an integral part of an organization's HR policies, while others think that it constitutes a distinct field, encompassing certain HR functions. Beyond the conventional functions of attracting, developing, and retaining talented individuals, effective talent management is seen as an instrument that can be used to align employee development with organization's mission and vision. Moreover, talent management can serve as a strategic imperative, not only supporting current business objectives but also facilitating growth and ensuring the long-term prosperity and sustainability of the organization (Bratianu, 2018, 2022; Spender, 2014).

However, the exclusive adoption of talent management focused solely on top performers within an organization, which raises concerns about potential negative organizational behaviors among other employees. To mitigate this, an inclusive approach to talent management is preferable, emphasizing the wellbeing of all employees.

Employee wellbeing is a critical aspect of organizational success, influencing productivity, engagement, and overall company performance (Bakker, 2015). In recent years, there has been a growing recognition of the importance of creating a workplace that fosters and supports the wellbeing of its employees. This article explores various dimensions of employee wellbeing and examines the impact of a comprehensive approach on organizational outcomes. The multifaceted nature of employee wellbeing is explored through positive indicators such as work engagement and negative indicators like burnout and boredom.

Prioritizing employee wellbeing is not just a moral imperative but a strategic business decision. Organizations that invest in creating a holistic and supportive work environment reap the benefits of increased productivity, reduced turnover, and a more positive organizational culture. By addressing physical, mental, emotional, social, and developmental aspects of wellbeing, companies can build a resilient and thriving workforce that contributes to long-term success. The importance

of leadership behavior in influencing employees is emphasized, with a call to recognize employee wellbeing as a primary and independent outcome rather than a secondary consideration.

In the complex interplay of talent management, leadership, and employee wellbeing, a holistic and inclusive approach emerges as pivotal for fostering a thriving organizational ecosystem. In our opinion, organizations can achieve their goal of attracting and retaining talented employees by introducing procedures and practices through which to develop an efficient talent management and by ensuring employee wellbeing.

Literature Review

Talent management is considered by some authors as a component of the organization's HR policies or as bringing complementary HR policies. Other authors consider talent management to be a totally different field from HR, even if it embraces and develops certain HR functions, such as attracting, recruiting, developing and retaining employees. Different approaches also exist regarding the personnel segment to which talent management is addressed. Some authors believe that talent management refers only to identifying key positions within the organization and providing the necessary personnel to fill them, while other authors consider that talent management addresses all employees in the organization, giving it the possibility to identify and develop talents within the organization, so that they have the right person, at the right time, in the right workplace. Talent management, in addition to the function of attracting, developing and retaining talented employees, must ensure that staff development is done in accordance with the mission and vision of the organization, to support the current business and to enable the business growth and the prosperity and sustainability of the organization (Spender, 2014). In organizations that adopt exclusive talent management (the one focused only on elites), employees with high potential are privileged within the organization in relation to other employees, which could cause the latter to adopt a negative organizational behaviour (Fedorova, Naumov, Kalinina, & Sedyakina, 2020). Therefore, we believe that for ensuring employee wellbeing within organizations, an inclusive style of talent management would be preferable.

The discourse on employee wellbeing intersects with various factors, as outlined by scholars such as Bakker (2015, p. 839) who identified job satisfaction, burnout, work engagement and positive/negative affect as predictors of employee wellbeing. This idea can also be found in the article published by Ilies, Pluut, & Aw (2015, p.850). van den Bosch *et al* (2019, p.248) consider the concept of employee wellbeing as having two types of indicators: the positive ones, respectively work performance and work engagement, and the negative ones, respectively burnout and boredom. Węziak-Białowolska, Białowolski & McNeely (2019, p.158) identify a direct positive link between employee wellbeing and job satisfaction, also mentioning the indirect influence exerted by job control, trust and recognition on employee wellbeing, through job satisfaction and work engagement. Also, there is a strong link coming from the knowledge management and knowledge dynamics (Bratianu, 2023; Bratianu & Bejinaru, 2023).

In the article published in 2018, Wieneke *et al.* identify the role of leadership style as having a decisive role in relation to employee wellbeing, employee engagement and satisfaction. Also related to leadership style, Sparr & Sonnentag (2008, p.218) demonstrate that perceiving correct feedback from supervisors contributes to increasing the level of wellbeing, manifested by decreasing job depression and the intention to leave the organization and increasing job satisfaction. According to Inceoglu, Thomas, Chu, Plans, & Gerbasi (2018), the existing body of research on leadership behavior and its impact on employees has primarily focused on performance outcomes, with employee wellbeing often treated as a secondary consideration. The authors highlight the need to shift the paradigm and recognize employee wellbeing, encompassing psychological and physical aspects, as a crucial and

independent outcome (Inceoglu *et al.*, 2018). McGuire & McLaren (2009) consider that employee wellbeing could generate higher levels of employee commitment, which, as we know, leads to reduced absenteeism, increased performance and a decrease in the intention to leave the organization.

Findings and Results

The research on employee wellbeing was conducted using the papers indexed both in Web of Science and in Scopus. For both databases, the export was made in the 29th of October 2023 using the query "employee well-being" (All Fields) OR "employee wellbeing" (All Fields) OR "employee well being" (All Fields) for Web of Science, and TITLE-ABS-KEY("employee well-being") OR TITLE-ABS-KEY("employee wellbeing") OR TITLE-ABS-KEY("employee well being") for Scopus. Using the before-mentioned queries, we identified 1.922 papers indexed in Web of Science and 3.173 works indexed in Scopus.

The first articles published on the researched topics were: Warr, P. (1990). Decision latitude, job demands, and employee well-being. *Work and Stress*, 4, pp. 285-294 (for the articles indexed in Web of Science) and Tomeski (1975). Building human factors into computer applications: The computer profession must overcome a 'jackass fallacy'. *Manage Datamatics*, 4 (4), pp. 115-120 (for the articles indexed in Scopus).

We analysed the yearly evolution of the number of papers published for both databases. The chart below highlights this evolution over time, showing only the period when the number of papers published annually began to be significant. It can be noted that the number of published papers has been steadily increasing, which reflects the growing interest for this concept.

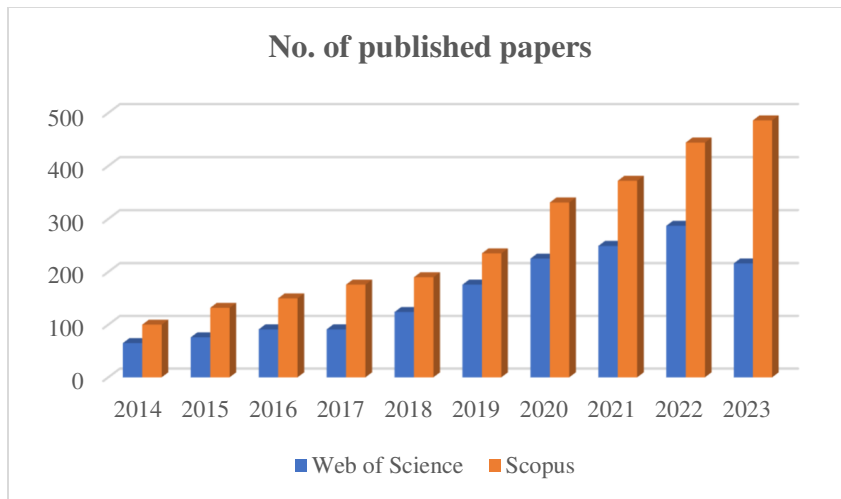


Fig. 1. Distribution by year of the papers having as subject employee wellbeing

Source: Authors' own research

We also tried to identify the countries in which the highest number of papers were published. In the figure below, it can be noted that the countries with the greatest contribution to the development of the

researched concept are practically the same, both as papers published in Web of Science and in Scopus.

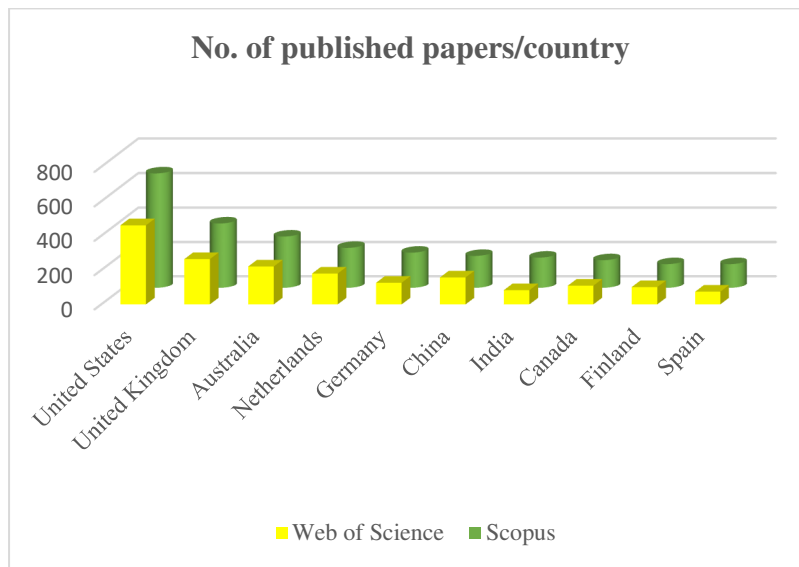


Fig. 2. Distribution by country of the papers having as subject employee wellbeing

Source: Authors' own research

In our research, we tried to identify the authors with the largest number of papers approaching employee wellbeing, indexed both in Web of

Science and Scopus. The results are presented in the following table.

Table 1. Number of works published by each of the authors

Authors	Web of Science	Scopus
Bakker, A.B.	21	30
Schaufeli, W.B.	20	25
Brunetto, Y.	12	15
Nielsen, K.	11	15
Boxall, P.	13	13
Sonnentag, S.	11	14
Kinnunen, U.	10	13
Vincent-Höper, S.	9	13
Gabriel, A.S.	9	12
Demerouti, E.	0	16

Source: Authors' own research

The largest number of papers on the researched topic were published in the publications mentioned in the following tables. In the tables

were mentioned also the number of citations and the journals found in both databases and were marked with the same colour.

Table 2. Journals which published the largest number of papers on the concept employee wellbeing (Web of Science)

Journal name - Web of Science	No. of published papers	Citations
Frontiers in Psychology	69	613
International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health	58	582
Sustainability	47	311
Journal of Occupational Health Psychology	44	5,903
International Journal of Human Resource Management	42	1,436
Personnel Review	38	738
Work and Stress	36	3,084
Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine	28	699
European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology	27	1,156
Journal of Managerial Psychology	27	483

Source: Authors' own research

Table 3. Journals which published the largest number of papers on the concept employee wellbeing (Scopus)

Journal name - Scopus	No. of published papers	Citations
Frontiers in Psychology	97	1,193
International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health	97	958
Sustainability	70	625
Journal of Occupational Health Psychology	51	7,191
International Journal of Human Resource Management	48	1,778
Personnel Review	43	921
Work and Stress	38	3,328
Journal of Managerial Psychology	35	6,899
Human Resource Management International Digest	33	30
European Journal of Work and Organizational Psychology	32	1,535

Source: Authors' own research

The journals marked with a green background in the above tables can be found only in one of the two databases.

The most cited papers are presented in bellow tables, in which the papers found in both databases were marked with the same colour.

Table 4. Most cited papers on employee wellbeing (Web of Science)

Articles indexed in Web of Science	No. of citations
Bakker, A. B., & Demerouti, E. (2017) Job demands-resources theory: taking stock and looking forward, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 22(3)	2,055
Schaufeli, W. B., Taris, T.W., & van Rhenen, W. (2008) Workaholism, burnout, and work engagement: three of a kind or three different kinds of employee well-being?, <i>Applied Psychology-an international review</i> , 57(2)	760
Tims, M., Bakker, A.B., & Derks, D (2013) The impact of job crafting on job demands, job resources, and well-being, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 18(2)	547
Guest, D.E. (2017) Human resource management and employee well-being: towards a new analytic framework, <i>Human Resource Management Journal</i> , 27(1)	516
Avey, J.B., Luthans, F., Smith, R.M., & Palmer, N.F. (2010) Impact of positive psychological capital on employee well-being over time, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 15(1)	468
van de Voorde, K., Paauwe, J., & van Veldhoven, M. (2012) Employee well-being and the hrm-organizational performance relationship: a review of quantitative studies, <i>International Journal of Management Reviews</i> , 14(4)	461
Hakanen, J.J., & Schaufeli, W.B. (2012) Do burnout and work engagement predict depressive symptoms and life satisfaction? A three-wave seven-year prospective study, <i>Journal of Affective Disorders</i> , 141(2-3)	448

Thompson, C.A., & Prottas, D.J (2006) Relationships among organizational family support, job autonomy, perceived control, and employee well-being, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 11(1)	432
de Jonge, J, Bosma, H., Peter, R., & Siegrist, J. (2000) Job strain, effort-reward imbalance and employee wellbeing: a large-scale cross-sectional study, <i>Social Science & Medicine</i> , 50(9)	418
Glomb, T.M., Duffy, M.K., Bono, J.E., & Yang, T. (2011) Mindfulness at work, <i>Research in Personnel and Human Resources Management</i> , 30	409

Source: Authors' own research

Table 5. Most cited papers on employee wellbeing (Scopus)

Articles indexed in Scopus	No. of citations
Bakker, A.B., & Demerouti, E. (2007) The job demands-resources model: state of the art, <i>Journal of Managerial Psychology</i> , 22(3)	5,997
Bakker, A.B., & Demerouti, E. (2017) Job demands-resources theory: taking stock and looking forward, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 22(3)	2,252
Schaufeli, W. B., Taris, T.W., & van Rhenen, W. (2008) Workaholism, burnout, and work engagement: three of a kind or three different kinds of employee well-being?, <i>Applied Psychology-an international review</i> , 57(2)	873
Demerouti, E., & Bakker, A.B. (2011) The job demands-resources model: challenges for future research, <i>SA Journal of Industrial Psychology</i> , 37(2)	699
Tims, M., Bakker, A.B., & Derks, D (2013) The impact of job crafting on job demands, job resources, and well-being, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 18(2)	639
Guest, D.E. (2017) Human resource management and employee well-being: towards a new analytic framework, <i>Human Resource Management Journal</i> , 27(1)	609
Hakanen, J.J., & Schaufeli, W.B. (2012) Do burnout and work engagement predict depressive symptoms and life satisfaction? A three-wave seven-year prospective study, <i>Journal of Affective Disorders</i> , 141(2-3)	531
Avey, J.B., Luthans, F., Smith, R.M., & Palmer, N.F.(2010) Impact of positive psychological capital on employee well-being over time, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 15(1)	519
van de Voorde, K., Paauwe, J., & van Veldhoven, M. (2012) Employee well-being and the hrm-organizational performance relationship: a review of quantitative studies, <i>International Journal of Management Reviews</i> , 14(4)	517
Thompson, C.A., & Prottas, D.J (2006) Relationships among organizational family support, job autonomy, perceived control, and employee well-being, <i>Journal of Occupational Health Psychology</i> , 11(1)	493

Source: Authors' own research

We performed a bibliometric analysis, conducted on papers indexed both in Web of Science and in Scopus, for employee wellbeing, using VOSviewer. The export was made using "Full Record and Cited References" for the papers indexed in Web of Science, and "Citation information", Bibliographical information", "Abstract & keywords" and "Include reference" from "Other information" for the papers

indexed in Scopus. For both databases, "Co-occurrence" was used as "Type of analysis" and "Author keywords" as "Unit of analysis". From the 6.162 keywords only 384 met the threshold 5 for the minimum number of occurrences of a keyword for the papers indexed in Scopus, and from 4.058 keywords only 253 met the threshold 5 for the minimum number of occurrences of a keyword for

The most 20 powerful link strengths between employee wellbeing and related concepts were identified and we present them in the following

tables (we excluded from the considered keywords: countries, research methods, theories):

Table 6. Keywords connected with employee wellbeing (Web of Science)

Papers indexed in Web of Science	Cluster	Links	Link strength	Total link strength	Occurrences
job satisfaction	11	113	33	262	125
covid-19	1	100	32	217	94
work engagement	8	107	31	282	107
burnout	5	102	22	262	100
human resource management	9	71	18	127	52
job demands-resources model	10	42	15	90	35
job performance	2	47	13	81	29
corporate social responsibility	4	27	13	48	29
job demands	4	48	12	130	44
mental health	1	66	12	114	43
stress	4	78	12	156	60
leadership	3	83	11	142	56
work-family conflict	3	41	11	66	28
employee performance	8	19	11	31	15
mindfulness	8	36	10	56	28
perceived organizational support	10	34	10	50	20
workplace spirituality	7	23	10	45	19
employee engagement	8	34	10	49	22
occupational stress	4	24	9	36	19
work-life balance	2	25	9	45	21

Source: Authors' own research

Table 7. Keywords connected with employee wellbeing (Scopus)

Papers indexed in Scopus	Cluster	Links	Link strength	Total link strength	Occurrences
job satisfaction	4	178	41	462	199
work engagement	4	157	40	407	147
covid-19	8	142	36	335	133
human resources management	2	115	30	221	93
burnout	9	140	26	359	133
employee engagement	2	67	19	112	42
mental health	10	89	18	171	61
job performance	4	70	17	127	46
workplace spirituality	6	43	15	81	29
job demands	7	79	14	194	64

job demands-resources model	8	67	14	136	53
leadership	3	129	14	241	93
work-life balance	9	57	14	101	43
corporate social responsibility	11	46	14	81	44
performance	10	99	12	201	77
stress	2	121	12	242	91
employee performance	2	27	12	44	21
organizational commitment	4	47	11	81	31
perceived organizational support	1	56	11	85	35
ethical leadership	1	41	10	58	22

Source: Authors' own research

We analysed the clusters that present interest for our research, as they are organized by VOSviewer, clusters containing connected keywords. For the articles indexed in Web of Science, the cluster having as node employee wellbeing (cluster 2, green, containing 36 keywords) contains also the following related concepts: coping strategies, creativity, ethical leadership, innovation, innovative behaviour, intrinsic motivation, job burnout, job insecurity, job performance, knowledge sharing, knowledge workers, life satisfaction, organizational identification, perceived control, perceived supervisor support, person-job fit, psychological capital, psychological distress, psychological empowerment, psychological safety, psychological wellbeing, servant leadership, social capital, social media, social sustainability, subjective well-being, teleworking, trust, work environment, work-life balance and workplace friendship. Regarding the papers indexed in Scopus, the cluster having as node employee wellbeing (cluster 6, teal shade, containing 38 keywords) contains also the following related concepts: affect, coping, decent work, deep acting, emotion, emotion regulation, emotional labour, emotions, employee health, flourishing, happiness, health, health-oriented leadership, higher education, industry 4.0, innovative work behaviour, manufacturing, organizational citizenship behaviour, PTSD, safety, self-regulation, shift work, spiritual leadership, spirituality, supervisor support, surface acting, training, wellness, workplace intervention, workplace spirituality and workplace violence.

For the articles indexed in Web of Science, we found talent management in cluster 8 (node human resource management, lavender, 16 keywords) contains also the following related concepts:

authentic leadership, employee welfare, hope, human capital, occupational well-being, organizational citizenship behaviour, performance, positive psychology, productivity, self-esteem, strengths, telecommuting and turnover. Regarding the papers indexed in Scopus, in the cluster having as node emotional exhaustion (cluster 5, lavender, containing 39 keywords) we found talent management together with the following related concepts: affective well-being, autonomy, basic psychological needs, competence, customer incivility, detachment, exhaustion, frontline employees, hope, hospitality, intrinsic motivation, job involvement, leader-member exchange, leadership behaviour, leadership style, meaningful work, need satisfaction, occupational well-being, optimism, person-job fit, proactive behaviour, psychological capital, psychological detachment, recovery, remote working, rumination, self-efficacy, social work, supervisor, transformational leadership, trust, vigour and work motivation. Talent management presents 7 links (work engagement, burnout, employee wellbeing, human resource management, performance, quantitative and stress) in the papers indexed in Web of Science, and 6 links (work engagement, burnout, employee wellbeing, human resource management, optimism and quantitative) in the papers indexed in Scopus.

We conducted also research on the other analysed concept, talent management, by using also papers indexed both in Web of Science and in Scopus. For both databases, the export was made in the 2nd of November 2023. We identified 2.459 papers indexed in Web of Science and 2.750 works indexed in Scopus. The export methods were the same as for employee wellbeing. We used "Thesaurus" and we replaced global talent

Fig. 6. The most widely used keywords related to talent management- by VOSviewer (Scopus)

Source: Authors' own research

The most 20 powerful link strengths between talent management and related concepts were

identified and we present them in the following tables (we excluded from the considered keywords: countries, research methods, theories):

Table 8. Keywords connected with talent management (Web of Science)

Papers indexed in Web of Science	Cluster	Links	Link strength	Total link strength	Occurrences
human resources management	5	103	79	248	127
talent	1	93	74	261	106
talent development	5	44	37	119	46
human resources	2	56	30	110	48
talent retention	5	41	27	108	38
human capital	7	55	27	101	50
leadership	12	54	23	100	43
multinational companies	8	33	23	74	31
talent identification	3	29	22	70	25
talent pools	9	24	21	56	24
employee engagement	6	35	21	69	27
retention	4	36	20	80	30
knowledge management	2	26	18	48	24
employer branding	4	31	17	56	31
covid-19	10	36	16	59	29
high potentials	11	25	16	46	17
organizational commitment	6	23	16	44	20
talent attraction	5	20	16	63	20
performance	1	35	15	61	27
job satisfaction	6	30	14	57	28

Source: Authors' own research

Table 9. Keywords connected with talent management (Scopus)

Papers indexed in Scopus	Cluster	Links	Link strength	Total link strength	Occurrences
human resources management	2	157	106	455	191
talent	3	120	97	366	141
talent development	8	70	64	219	74
human resources	2	80	51	190	79
talent retention	14	61	45	180	61
human capital	5	78	45	169	65
leadership	13	87	45	231	81
employee engagement	4	61	36	135	48
knowledge management	10	36	36	86	46
retention	4	67	35	157	53
high potentials	3	46	31	96	31
leadership development	13	50	31	129	50
recruitment	5	62	31	134	51
employee retention	13	45	26	91	34
multinational companies	6	37	25	85	35
employer branding	1	39	24	78	35
performance	10	50	24	98	36
succession planning	13	53	24	114	46
motivation	4	52	23	92	33
performance management	4	45	22	86	32

Source: Authors' own research

We analysed the clusters that present interest for our research, as they are organized by VOSviewer, clusters containing connected keywords. For the articles indexed in Web of Science, the cluster having as node talent management (cluster 3, blue, containing 19 keywords) contains also the following related concepts: emerging economies, global talent, higher education, information

technology, institutional logics, internationalization, knowledge transfer, public sector, SMEs, social capital, talent identification, talent management strategy, universities. Regarding the papers indexed in Scopus, the cluster having as node talent management (cluster 6, teal shade, containing 20 keywords) contains also the following related concepts: cross-cultural

management, ethics, expatriation, global mobility, human capital theory, international HRM, multinational companies, organizational citizenship behaviour, organizational justice, talent pools, talent strategy, turnover intention and work engagement.

For the articles indexed in Web of Science, we found well-being in cluster 5 (node human resource management, lavender, 18 keywords) contains also the following related concepts: big data, career management, digital transformation, digitalization, HR practices, human resource development, human resources management, social networks, sustainability, talent acquisition, talent attraction, talent development, talent retention and training and development. Regarding the papers indexed in Scopus, in the cluster having as node human capital (cluster 5, lavender, containing 21 keywords) we found well-

being together with the following related concepts: blockchain, cloud computing, collaboration, competences, competencies, competency development, corporate culture, diversity management, future of work, HR practices, human resource development, human resource strategies, innovation, knowledge, organizational change, organizational culture, recruitment, social capital and social media. Well-being presents 7 links (big data, employee development, HR practices, human capital, human resources management, sustainability, talent management) in the papers indexed in Web of Science, and 4 links (employees' development, HR practices, human capital and talent management) in the papers indexed in Scopus.

Following the bibliometric analysis, we obtained the following link strength between the topics that were of interest for our research:

Table 10. Most powerful link strengths between related concepts and employee wellbeing/talent management

	Employee wellbeing		Talent management	
	Web of Science	Scopus	Web of Science	Scopus
Job satisfaction	33	41	14	17
Work engagement	31	40	5	8
Employee engagement	10	19	21	36
Engagement	6	6	3	9
Engagement	47	65	29	53
Performance	7	12	15	24
Job performance	13	17	5	7
Employee performance	11	12	4	10
Firm performance	0	3	8	8
Organizational performance	4	5	6	20
Performance	82	74	74	74
Leadership	11	14	23	45
Transformational leadership	8	9	4	4
Leadership	19	23	27	49
Human resources management	18	30	79	106

Source: Authors' own research

To analyse link strength, we grouped topics on five criteria: job satisfaction, engagement, performance, leadership and human resources management.

In our analysis, we will sum up the results obtained for work engagement and employee engagement, because Kosaka, D. & Sato, H. (2020) demonstrate that they describe the same organizational behaviour.

Conclusions

Following the literature review, we expect to identify the following links between talent management and employee well-being: person-job fit, development opportunities, recognition and rewards, work-life balance, performance feedback and supports, career pathing and opportunities, work (employee) engagement, job satisfaction, leadership practices.

We will present our conclusions based on link strengths by presenting link strengths using the rule (link strength Web of Science/link strength Scopus)

The analysis demonstrated the existence of strong link strength between employee wellbeing and job satisfaction (33/41) and employee engagement (41/59), which was expected, given that these two organizational behaviours are components of employee wellbeing. A weak link strength was identified between talent management and job satisfaction (14/17), but a fairly strong one was identified with employee engagement (26/44). From this we can deduce that talent management influences employee wellbeing through the work (employee) engagement component.

Strong link strength was identified between both concepts and performance (82/74 with employee well-being and 74/74 with talent management), which was expected given that both employee wellbeing and talent management contribute to increasing performance within the organization. The leadership style can lead to an increase or decrease in the level of employee wellbeing, and talent management contributes to the introduction within the organization of a leadership style that

leads to employee wellbeing, so as to allow the organization to attract, develop, and choose to keep within it the most valuable employees. Under these conditions, the link strength registered by the employee wellbeing with the leadership components is 19/23, the latter registering a link strength of 27/49 with talent management.

On the other hand, a high level of job satisfaction and an increased level of employee commitment (determined by a high employee wellbeing) lead to decreased absenteeism and, especially, to a diminished intention to leave the organization. It should be mentioned that employee retention represents one of the main goals of talent management.

We believe that one reason that could lead to the low strength link identified between employee wellbeing and talent management is represented by the different formation of authors. While employee wellbeing is approached by authors working in psychology related to organizational behaviours, articles on talent management topic are written by authors who approach organizational behaviours from the perspective of management and consulting.

Another explanation is the employee wellbeing was analysed only in relation with human resources management and not in relation with talent management, which represents, in our opinion, a research gap and a direction for further research.

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