Organisational Culture and Hybrid Working Revisited

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EFTA is a networking organisation

- Social networks and cameraderie
- Share mindsets and ideas
- Home office pros and cons
- Work-life balance
- Maximum six years
Organisational Culture

Healthy organisational culture

Common experiences

New staff and integration

International Organisations

Other challenges along the road...
Hybrid Working Arrangement Policy

Policy introduced in autumn 2021

- Best of both worlds
- Office presence the default
- Not a specified number of days
- Refers to operational needs
- Telework from another country, up to 10 days

Adaptable, open to adjustment and development.

Individual problems not solved with a policy
Current status

- Hybrid Working Arrangement Policy revisited
- Pull and push
- Open plan office environment
- Finding a new balance

The value of the office is in the people, not the place!
Learning & development

We switched to fully online trainings in 2020-2021:

- Language classes
- Wellness – Yoga, Pilates, Gym
- Group trainings – technical and soft skills
- Breakfast/lunch conferences
- Mental Health First Aid & Supporting people in difficulties
- on-demand video learning
What happened next?
Listen to your people

Same trend appeared for the online language classes, and overall for online group trainings.

Office presence restrictions were removed.

People are now encouraged to come regularly to the office and training is a positive incentive.
Where do we stand now?

Most trainings are organised again in person.

Online format is used where & when it is convenient – joint trainings for the 3 duty stations.

On-demand video learning is still available for individual learning.
Questions?
Thank you for your attention!

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