

What members say about us...



My HR team, and I as an individual have derived immense value from being a member of City HR – I strongly recommend membership to any financial services firm. The three most valuable aspects of membership for me are, in no particular order:

- Quality regular virtual and in-person events, webinars, roundtables – often tailored to different parts of financial services HR teams – CPOs, data or comp or talent specialists, junior to intermediate colleagues and always with insightful speakers and discussion.
- The sense and value of being part of a strong community meeting and networking with other HR professionals and exchanging experiences is very rewarding.
- A super-extensive biennial benchmarking survey across countless people-related topics, from reward strategy, to the structure of HR, to recruitment, talent management, ED&I and future trends the results and insights of this survey have really had an impact on our business in terms of how we have, for example, enhanced certain benefits or changed policies and approaches."

Andrew Grant, Head of HR, Natixis UK

City HR provides a great opportunity to learn, keep up to date with latest developments and to have a collective voice on some of the key changes facing Financial Services. It gives organisations and their Chief People Officers the ability to have a network to leverage and share best practice and a sounding board for ideas. It also provides development opportunities for those looking to broaden their career, which are well received and valuable

Sue Maple, Group Head, HR, TPICAP



















Vho is City HR?



Founded in 1973, we are the professional body for HR in organisations and sectors that support the City of London



Not for profit, we are governed by member-led board and shadow board



We have c.150 firms as our members covering everything from Banking and Insurance to Fintechs and Fund Administrators



Collectively our members represent c.2/3 of the employees that work in the City of London





What members say about us?



As HR professionals, we have an incredible opportunity (and responsibility) to elevate the people agenda in our organisations – to evolve the world of work to be more human, more fit for purpose for today's and future world. Over the last 50 years, City HR has played a significant role in providing members with opportunities to connect, to learn, to share, and through this, to influence and shape people practices in organisations – in the UK and beyond. Today it remains a cutting edge network. The topics that are covered are incredibly versatile; I often feel that the Team have a unique ability to anticipate trends, and at all times they have a very accurate perception of what's most relevant for the community. The content is world class, and vendors and presenters are too.

For a number of years since joining, our Team has used the content on many occasions and it helped to shape our HR strategy, influence our Board and our leadership teams.

Lastly, the people you meet through this network is what makes it extra special; I truly appreciate how many opportunities we have to connect/interact in different ways (i.e. online, in person).

Yulia Dmitrieva, Head, People and Culture, International, Standard Bank Group

City HR is an exemplary association, dedicated to advancing the field of human resources in financial services. The Association is committed to fostering professional growth of its' members, sharing best practices and provides invaluable networking opportunities. For me and my firm, being a member has been priceless in terms of the sense of community, receiving guidance from the many focused special interest groups, and being able to participate in surveys like the City HR Benchmarking Survey, which helps ensure we have the latest up to date developments/best practices.

Vanessa Trigg, Head of HR, GIB









What we do!

To provide our members with the tools, expertise, best practice and networks to support the challenges facing their business. Our agenda is driven by, and on behalf of, our members.

1

LOBBYING AND CONSULTATION ON PEOPLE AND CULTURE ISSUES

We support our members through lobbying and representation on people issues, contributing to the national HR agenda on generic issues and dedicating specialist resource to people matters which affect the City and Financial Services. We do this through market-wide collaboration, commenting on – and – distributing latest government, legal and regulatory mandates and providing thought leadership.

2

RESEARCH, BEST PRACTICE AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

In partnership with our amazing Associate and Affiliate member organisations, we regularly research and share best practice across all aspect of the People and Culture agenda.

3

SKILL BUILDING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

We seek to provide our members and their teams with training support as well as actively seeking out opportunities for career development, such as mentorship programs, networking events, and professional certifications irrespective of where you are in your HR journey.

4

REFERRALS TO SPECIALIST HR PROVIDERS

At City HR we have created a comprehensive network of trusted professionals, fostering strong relationships within the industry. We understand the unique needs and challenges faced by our members and tailor our recommendations to match their specific requirements, always ensuring a personalised approach.

5

MEMBER NETWORKING

Above all, members value the networking opportunities that City HR facilitates.









Why join? Here are 10 great reasons!

Weekly HR Community Chats

Each week all members of your HR function are invited to an online conversation on topical People and Culture issues. You can find more details on our Event List. The perfect tool to build broad awareness of issues impacting HR teams.

Several Networks/ Special Interest Groups

Aimed at fostering collaboration among member organisations and external experts, facilitating knowledge exchange, networking, and collaboration to advance aspects of the HR agendas. Our Networks and Special Interest Groups are perfect for your specialist HR colleagues. We have everything from EDI and ESG to AI! Check our website for details.

Quarterly Newsletter and Podcasts

Filled with the latest insights and updates on key People and Culture issues, our newsletter provides members with a one-stop shop for HR professionals direct to your inbox. Enjoy over a coffee!

Quarterly Member Forums

On a quarterly basis members are invited to an in-person networking event. Each offers a 90-minute presentation from different thought leaders and HR practioners followed by the chance to unwind over refreshments. Lovely!

Best Practice Guides

We regularly produce position papers, toolkits and guides serving as a comprehensive resource to implement key HR initatives. Recent examples include implementing a race equality strategy and setting up a people metrics dashboard. Check our library for details.

City HR Annual Conference

The highlight of our calendar, each member organisation receives one free ticket to this much coveted annual event as part of their subscription and a discounted rate for further tickets.

City HR's Trusted Supplier Network

A roster of suppliers that City HR has identified and validated for specific HR services relevant to the sectors covered by City HR.

Biannual Benchmarking on HR practice and policies

City HR conducts a biennial benchmarking survey to provide people leaders in the Financial Services sector with insights into HR trends, aiding evidence-based decision-making on policies, including those related to the Employee Value Proposition. The survey is highly regarded as the definitive source for understanding HR activities and perspectives within financial institutions and broader City firms.









City HR CPO Sunrise Symposia

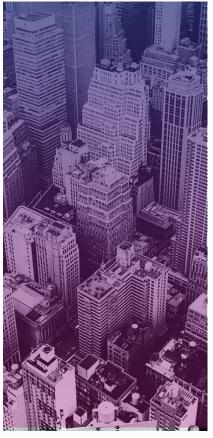
An exclusive series of 90-minute, inperson, discussions with CPOs of City HR Member firms.

Each event starts with a 30 min. provocation, presentation or series of questions from a world-class thought leader in the People and Culture space followed by facilitated discussion.

Spaces are limited to just 25 CPOs each year to facilitate deeper member connection and conversation.

Curated list of world-class Associate Members

City HR is dedicated to providing its members with top-notch expertise across various aspects of the People and Culture agenda. By engaging world-class specialists and offering Associate Membership to select firms, we ensure that our members have access to a diverse range of expert skills and knowledge. This approach not only enriches our membership experience but also strengthens our community by fostering collaboration and innovation.













Leadership Opportunities... play a part in our future

City HR is committed to the ongoing development of the HR profession. As a member-led, member-run organisation, we have a range of leadership opportunities, perfect for HR practitioners across our member organisations looking for an opportunity to lead outside of their day-job.



CITY HR BOARD

City HR activities are governed by our membership community. Representatives from our membership form our 12 person board.



CITY HR SHADOW BOARD

Introduced in 2021 the City HR Shadow Board comprises of senior HR practitioners and market experts who are elected annually to represent the membership.



NETWORK/SIG LEADER

Newly created in 2024, our 13 Networks and Special Interest Groups are all co-led by our members. Not as onerous as our boards, these roles provide a fabulous leadership opportunity!

Our Charity Partners...

City HR is committed to transforming the City our member organisations operate within and those that they employ, live in. We therefore have entered into a 3-year relationship with two fabulous charities.













Become a member today!

Joining the City HR community is easy. Simply visit our website or contact us directly (via info@cityhr.co.uk) to learn more about membership options and how to get started.

Member organisations pay a nominal annual subscription for all of their employees within the HR function. This covers the operating costs of the Association and enables City HR to deliver a range of services which are either free (i.e. contained with the subscription) or heavily subsidised.

Subscription costs are tiered by the size of your organisation within the UK:



(all prices are exclusive of VAT and refer to 2025 prices)

Take the first step towards expanding your network, advancing your business, and making a positive impact in your community.



Notes...











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