# African talent

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Never bribe Recruit top local talent Partner with care, if needed



What is local talent? vrs. International vrs. Expat

### Education and experience

### The evolution...

### 1980's and 1990's: the expats

• Companies who know it, love it The ((R)West is scared

An expat culture Locals as deputies Poor packages for locals, at least the cash

# 2000's: The Repats

 Expats migrate to International's MTN 'creates' the repat

> Multinational's follow suit We fill the pipeline

Salary equalisation: great impact, but brings its challenges:

Vicious circle for employers, virtuous for employees Real tensions with real locals

### 2014: Competition

Africa's changing fast It takes more than being there to win South South entry Indian 'expats' command international salaries Local companies transforming whether they like it or not! Technology - leapfrogging Specific local, regional, sectorial and competence shortages

Repats in control of corporate Rentrepreneurs: the new repat Capital flooding in...but

## 2020: human capital excellence

What will things look like?

It's going to be local, but very mobile Local education will be better, but very mixed International staff treated as locals Top talent retention grows tougher Feast and famine of matching talent to need

Excess capital means the winners must retain the best

Rentrepreneurs at every corner