



## The Role of Flexible Workspaces in Enhancing Organizational Performance: a Systematic Review

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**Abstract:** The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated the adoption of flexible work arrangements (FWAs), prompting a paradigm shift in the traditional work model. This study aims to systematically review the literature on the impact of FWAs and organizational culture on work productivity. A systematic literature review was conducted using a rigorous methodology, including database searches, screening, data extraction, and thematic analysis. The search focused on peer-reviewed articles published in reputable academic journals. The findings from the literature review indicate that FWAs and organizational culture have a significant impact on work productivity. FWAs can enhance work-life balance, job satisfaction, and employee motivation, leading to increased productivity. However, challenges such as social isolation, decreased collaboration, and difficulty in maintaining work-life boundaries may arise. Organizational culture plays a crucial role in shaping employee behaviour and performance. A positive organizational culture characterized by trust, respect, and open communication can foster employee engagement and productivity. However, negative organizational cultures can hinder employee performance and job satisfaction. This systematic literature review highlights the complex interplay between FWAs and organizational culture in influencing work productivity. Organizations should strive to create a positive organizational culture that supports employee well-being, provides opportunities for professional development, and facilitates effective collaboration. By carefully designing and implementing FWAs, organizations can harness the benefits of flexibility while mitigating potential challenges. Further research is needed to explore the long-term impact of FWAs and organizational culture on employee productivity and organizational performance.

**Keywords:** flexible work arrangements, organizational culture, work productivity, systematic literature review, employee performance.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The COVID-19 pandemic has irrevocably transformed the global landscape, forcing a rapid shift towards remote work and digital technologies. As organizations worldwide scrambled to adapt to the new reality, a paradigm shift occurred, fundamentally altering the future of work. This paper delves into the multifaceted impact of the pandemic on the future of work, examining the implications for remote work, workplace culture, and employee well-being. By analyzing the lessons learned from this unprecedented crisis, we can gain valuable insights into the evolving nature of work and develop strategies to navigate the challenges and capitalize on the opportunities presented by the new normal.

The abrupt transition to remote work necessitated by the pandemic has highlighted the potential benefits and challenges of remote work arrangements. While remote work offers flexibility, improved work-life balance, and reduced commuting costs, it also poses significant challenges, such as social isolation, decreased collaboration, and difficulties in maintaining work-life boundaries. As organizations continue to adopt hybrid work models, it is crucial to

strike a balance between the advantages and disadvantages of remote work, ensuring that employees are supported and empowered to thrive in this new environment.

The pandemic has also had a profound impact on workplace culture. Traditional office cultures, characterized by physical proximity and face-to-face interactions, have been disrupted, leading to a decline in informal communication and social cohesion. To address this challenge, organizations must foster a strong sense of community and belonging among employees, regardless of their location. This can be achieved through virtual team-building activities, regular check-ins, and transparent communication. Additionally, organizations must prioritize employee well-being by providing mental health support, flexible work arrangements, and opportunities for professional development.

The rapid adoption of digital technologies has accelerated the pace of workplace transformation. Automation, artificial intelligence, and machine learning have the potential to streamline processes, increase productivity, and create new job opportunities. However, these technological advancements also raise concerns about job displacement, skill gaps, and ethical implications. To mitigate these risks, organizations must invest in employee training and development, fostering a culture of lifelong learning. Furthermore, it is essential to establish ethical guidelines for the use of technology, ensuring that it is used responsibly and ethically.

The pandemic has underscored the importance of resilience, adaptability, and innovation in the face of uncertainty. Organizations that were able to quickly adapt to the changing circumstances and embrace digital technologies were better positioned to weather the storm. As we look to the future, it is imperative for organizations to cultivate a culture of innovation and continuous improvement. By encouraging creativity, experimentation, and risk-taking, organizations can drive growth and remain competitive in the ever-evolving global marketplace.

In conclusion, the COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the future of work, forcing organizations to rethink traditional ways of working. By understanding the implications of remote work, workplace culture, and technology on the future of work, organizations can develop strategies to navigate these challenges and capitalize on the opportunities presented by the new normal. By prioritizing employee well-being, fostering a strong organizational culture, and embracing technological advancements, organizations can emerge from this crisis stronger and more resilient.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

### **Flexible Workspace Transformation**

The COVID-19 pandemic necessitated a sudden shift to remote work for numerous employees. While remote work is often idealized as offering flexibility, technological advantages, and improved work-life balance, recent research suggests a more complex reality. As highlighted by Shirmohammadi, Au, and Beigi (2022), there is a notable disparity between the perceived benefits and actual experiences of remote work. For example, despite expectations of increased temporal flexibility, many remote workers report experiencing elevated work intensity. Additionally, constrained home workspace can hinder productivity and creativity. While technology is intended to facilitate communication and collaboration, it can paradoxically lead to technological stress and social isolation. Finally, although remote work is anticipated to enhance work-life balance by eliminating commuting time, it often results in increased domestic and childcare responsibilities.

Therefore, the role of Human Resources Development (HRD) is paramount in facilitating employee work-life balance within remote work contexts. HRD can contribute by designing effective remote work policies, providing training in technology and time management, and offering psychological support to employees. By doing so, HRD can help bridge the gap between the expectations and realities of remote work, fostering a more productive and sustainable work environment.

Digital nomadism, a contemporary phenomenon redefining the relationship between work, place, and time, has attracted significant sociological attention. Coworking spaces, physical embodiments of the collaborative and flexible spirit of the digital age, have become integral to the digital nomad lifestyle. While research has demonstrated a positive correlation between coworking spaces and digital nomad productivity (Moravec, 2013), a more nuanced exploration of the underlying dynamics of this choice is warranted.

Orel (2019) accurately observes that coworking spaces provide a "third place" - an intermediary space between home and work that fosters social interaction and productivity. Nonetheless, a fundamental question remains: What draws digital nomads to coworking spaces? Is it solely the physical amenities, or are deeper psychological and sociological factors at play? Further research could delve into the intrinsic motivations of digital nomads in choosing coworking spaces. Are they seeking enhanced social connections, intellectual stimulation, or simply a respite from the isolation of remote work? Additionally, how do

their experiences in coworking spaces influence their perceptions of professional and personal identity?

By broadening the scope of research, we can identify contextual factors that influence digital nomads' utilization of coworking spaces. For instance, how do local cultural nuances, government policies, and technological advancements shape the remote work landscape? Moreover, it is crucial to consider how experiences within coworking spaces can foster digital nomads' social networks and social capital, thereby potentially impacting their career trajectories.

Kingma's (2019) study provides valuable insights into the intricate dynamics of New Ways of Working (NWW). While NWWs promise enhanced flexibility and efficiency, their implementation often encounters significant challenges. The author's analysis, grounded in Lefebvre's theory of the "production of space," underscores the importance of considering the spatial and temporal dimensions of work. However, the study also illuminates the potential for NWWs to contribute to increased isolation and a diminished sense of community among employees.

Ironically, while NWW is promoted as a strategy to enhance work-life balance, many employees report increased workloads and difficulty in delineating work and personal time. This paradox highlights the potential for increased demands, despite the intended flexibility of NWW. The insurance company case study exemplifies the challenges and contradictions inherent in NWW implementation. Moreover, organizations face the challenge of measuring employee productivity and performance within a more flexible work environment. Determining how to maintain employee productivity and motivation without direct supervision is a complex issue. To fully realize the potential benefits of NWW, organizations must carefully consider the interplay of social, psychological, and technological factors. It is crucial to recognize that NWW is not a universal solution. What proves effective for one organization may not be suitable for another. Therefore, organizations should develop tailored approaches that align with their specific contexts and cultures.

The advent of Mixed Reality (MR), Augmented Reality (AR), and Virtual Reality (VR) has revolutionized remote work paradigms. These immersive technologies offer significant potential to transcend the limitations of traditional physical workspaces, as highlighted by McGill et al. (2020). By creating expansive and ergonomic virtual display spaces, MR headsets enable unparalleled flexibility and productivity. However, the integration of immersive technologies into daily work routines still faces substantial

challenges, particularly concerning the physical and ergonomic constraints of the human body, especially neck movement. McGill et al. (2020) have conducted extensive research to address this issue. By exploring innovative techniques such as viewing angle optimization and display position mapping, they have successfully minimized the physical strain and discomfort experienced by users.

The study compared implicit and explicit control mechanisms for display position. Results demonstrated a user preference for implicit control, which correlated with lower workload and higher comfort levels. These findings have substantial implications for the design of future immersive workspaces. As technology rapidly advances, we foresee a future where remote work extends beyond the confines of two-dimensional displays. Instead, workers can fully immerse themselves in dynamic and interactive virtual environments. This paradigm shift has the potential to significantly enhance creativity, collaboration, and productivity. To ensure the widespread and sustainable adoption of immersive technologies, several key aspects must be prioritized. Firstly, user experience should be a primary focus in the design and development of these technologies. Secondly, ergonomic considerations are crucial to prevent health issues associated with prolonged use. Lastly, accessibility must be a primary concern to ensure that these technologies can be utilized by workers at all levels.

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly transformed the world of work. While remote work offers unparalleled flexibility, it also presents novel and complex challenges. To fully realize the potential of remote work, a holistic approach that considers technical, social, and psychological factors must be developed. Additionally, it is imperative to ensure that emerging technologies such as virtual reality and augmented reality are used ethically and inclusively. By doing so, we can create a brighter future of work for all.

### **Organizational Culture**

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly transformed the global workforce. Kniffin et al.'s (2021) review offers a valuable framework for understanding the implications of these changes. However, critical questions remain, particularly concerning inequality, the future of work, and the role of technology. To address these challenges and ensure an equitable and sustainable transition, further research is imperative to develop effective strategies.

Roscoe et al.'s (2019) findings illuminate the potential of green human resource management (GHRM) in enhancing environmental performance. Further investigation is necessary to elucidate the underlying mechanisms of this relationship and to explore the

moderating effects of organizational context, such as size, industry, and culture. To optimize the impact of GHRM, organizations must implement comprehensive strategies that encompass employee training, effective communication, and robust performance measurement. Proactive measures are required to mitigate challenges such as cost, resistance to change, and the difficulty of quantifying environmental performance. Future research should prioritize the development of comprehensive frameworks for measuring and managing environmental performance, as well as the identification of best practices in GHRM implementation.

Martínez-Caro et al. (2020) have laid a strong foundation for understanding the significance of digital culture in the context of digital transformation. However, numerous challenges, including resistance to change, skill gaps, and investment costs, persist. To successfully implement digital transformation, organizations must develop a comprehensive strategy that involves cultivating a digital culture, investing in technology, and empowering employees. Moreover, engaging all stakeholders, from executive leadership to frontline staff, is crucial throughout the transformation process.

Dubey et al. (2019) have shed light on the potential of big data analytics to enhance the effectiveness of humanitarian efforts. Nevertheless, numerous questions remain regarding the full exploitation of this technology's potential. Future research should delve deeper into the integration of BDAC into various stages of the aid cycle, the cultivation of a flexible organizational culture, and the ethical considerations associated with data utilization in humanitarian contexts. By doing so, we can construct a more resilient, efficient, and inclusive humanitarian logistics system.

The research conducted by Azeem et al. (2021) has significantly advanced our understanding of the interplay between organizational culture, knowledge sharing, and innovation. However, to fully harness the potential of this research, future studies should delve deeper into the increasing influence of technology, the impact of transformational leadership, and the role of national culture on knowledge sharing practices. By addressing these areas, a more comprehensive theoretical framework can be developed to comprehend and manage organizational cultures that stimulate innovation. Furthermore, such research can provide practical guidance for managers and policymakers in designing effective interventions to optimize organizational performance.

The study by Al-Swidi et al. (2021) has made substantial contributions to our understanding of the relationship between green HR practices, leadership, organizational culture, and employee behaviors. Nonetheless, further research is imperative to elucidate

the underlying mechanisms of these relationships. Developing a more robust theoretical framework and refining measurement instruments are essential steps in this direction. Additionally, considering the cultural and historical context of organizations is crucial for the effective design and implementation of green HR practices. Topic modeling has emerged as a promising tool for understanding organizational culture. However, to fully realize its potential, further research is needed to explore its integration with other methods, develop practical applications, and delve deeper into ethical considerations. Thus, topic modeling can become an invaluable tool for researchers, practitioners, and policymakers in understanding and improving organizational performance. A fundamental question that remains is how to ensure that topic modeling results are not only accurate but also relevant and meaningful to the organization.

Khan et al. (2020) highlighted the significance of transformational leadership styles in driving innovation in higher education institutions. However, to fully realize the potential of innovation, a more holistic approach is necessary that considers the role of organizational culture, organizational citizenship behaviors, and the broader institutional context. Further research is needed to identify contextual factors that may strengthen or weaken the relationships among these variables. Additionally, it is crucial to develop a comprehensive framework for measuring and evaluating the impact of leadership interventions on driving innovation.

Upadhyay and Kumar's (2020) research has significantly advanced our understanding of BDAC's role in enhancing corporate performance. However, to fully harness BDAC's potential, organizations must overcome several challenges, including resistance to change, skill deficiencies, and ethical dilemmas. By adopting a holistic and human-centered approach, organizations can leverage BDAC to achieve a sustainable competitive edge.

González-Rodríguez et al.'s (2019) research has made substantial contributions to our understanding of the relationship between CSR and corporate performance in the hospitality industry. Nevertheless, numerous questions remain unanswered. For example, how can we quantify the long-term impact of CSR practices on a company's financial performance and reputational standing? Furthermore, additional research is necessary to explore how diverse cultural and institutional contexts may influence CSR implementation in the hospitality industry. By addressing these inquiries, we can develop a more comprehensive framework for measuring and improving CSR performance within this sector.

Spicer's (2020) research has made a substantial contribution to our understanding of the transformative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on organizational culture. By illuminating the fundamental shifts in organizational operations, this work opens the door to a wide range of future research avenues. Our analysis has identified three key areas for further investigation:

- **The Role of Leadership:** We have identified several critical dimensions of leadership that warrant further exploration in the context of the pandemic. Future research could delve into the specific ways in which effective leadership can facilitate organizational learning and adaptability in the face of rapid change.
- **Employee Well-being:** Our analysis of the pandemic's impact on employee mental health and well-being is highly pertinent. Future research could examine the role of organizational culture in fostering employee mental health, as well as the factors that influence employees' perceptions of organizational support.
- **The Future of Work and Organizational Culture:** We have identified several key trends that will shape the future of work and organizational culture. Future research could explore how organizations can cultivate adaptive and resilient cultures in the context of heightened uncertainty.

The COVID-19 pandemic has catalyzed significant shifts in workplace dynamics. Further research is imperative to elucidate the impact of the pandemic on organizational culture, thereby enabling a deeper understanding of the underlying changes and the development of effective strategies to address future challenges.

Abbas and Khan's (2023) study has made a substantial contribution to our understanding of the relationship between green knowledge management (GKM), green culture, and green innovation. However, numerous questions remain unanswered, necessitating further investigation to comprehensively elucidate these relationships and the specific contexts in which they manifest. Additionally, the development of a more comprehensive framework for measuring organizational sustainability performance is crucial.

The reviewed studies indicate that the workplace is undergoing significant transformation due to the COVID-19 pandemic and technological advancements. While this research has provided valuable insights, several critical questions remain unanswered. A pressing concern is how to create more equitable and inclusive workplaces amidst this rapid change. Future research should delve into the role of social identity, bias, and discrimination in shaping individual work experiences. Additionally, it is crucial to



understand how human resource management practices can contribute to reducing gender and ethnic disparities in the workplace.

### **Work Productivity**

Galanti et al.'s (2021) study has provided a valuable foundation for further research into the dynamics of remote work. However, to fully understand the implications of this trend, a broader scope of inquiry is necessary. Questions regarding the role of technology, organizational culture, and employee well-being warrant further investigation. Additionally, the long-term impact of remote work on the overall labor market and the requisite policy implications must be considered.

Thalibana's (2022) study has made a significant contribution to identifying factors that influence work productivity. Nevertheless, many questions remain unanswered regarding the mechanisms underlying the relationships between these variables. Further research is needed to explore the role of moderation and mediation, the influence of cultural context, and the practical implications for organizations. By doing so, a more comprehensive model can be developed to explain the complex interplay between individual, social, and organizational factors that influence employee performance.

Putri et al.'s (2022) research offers a valuable contribution to our understanding of HR function implementation in multinational corporations such as Unilever Indonesia. Nevertheless, to delve deeper, further research is needed to explore the qualitative aspects of HR practices, conduct comparative analyses across different companies, and assess their long-term impacts. Moreover, it is imperative to consider the roles of technology, social responsibility, and leadership in facilitating successful HR function implementation.

While Suyatno et al.'s (2023) research provides an initial overview of the influence of FWS and organizational culture on work productivity, further research is necessary to comprehend the intricate relationship between these factors. Future research can consider contextual factors such as job type, technology, organizational policies, and organizational culture. Additionally, research can focus on the impact of FWS on employee well-being, innovation, and overall organizational performance. By understanding the factors influencing the success of FWS, organizations can develop effective strategies to enhance employee productivity and satisfaction.

Yandi's study (2022) provides a foundational understanding of factors influencing employee productivity. However, to gain a more comprehensive perspective, further research is necessary to explore the roles of intrinsic motivation, psychological work environment, leadership style, and technology in enhancing productivity. Additionally, the

development of more sophisticated measurement instruments to assess various productivity facets is crucial. This will enable organizations to implement more effective strategies for improving employee performance and achieving organizational objectives.

Hendrialdi and Mailindra's (2019) research highlights both the challenges and opportunities facing human resource management in the digital age. In an increasingly competitive landscape, organizations must prioritize the development of employee competencies, the cultivation of adaptive organizational cultures, and the strategic utilization of technology to boost productivity. To address these challenges, organizations should foster closer collaborations with educational institutions and develop training programs aligned with industry needs. This will ensure that their workforce possesses the necessary competencies to navigate future business challenges. The aforementioned studies offer an increasingly nuanced understanding of contemporary work dynamics. Nevertheless, significant questions persist regarding the multifaceted nature of this phenomenon. Future research should prioritize the development of comprehensive models that can account for the intricate interplay between various factors influencing employee performance. Furthermore, it is imperative to consider the broader sociocultural context when designing effective interventions. By doing so, we can cultivate more productive, equitable, and sustainable work environments for all.

Lame (2019) established a robust foundation for the application of Systematic Literature Review (SLR) in the design domain. Saptaria's (2022) study made a significant contribution to our understanding of leadership's role in the green industry transition. Nonetheless, numerous questions remain unanswered. Further research is necessary to investigate how leaders can overcome resistance to change, develop more effective metrics for measuring green transformation success, and leverage government policies to support these efforts. Through collaborative efforts, academics, practitioners, and policymakers can collectively build a more sustainable future. Kurniati et al.'s (2020) study highlighted the importance of IT risk management in ensuring the successful implementation of e-government. However, numerous challenges, such as resource constraints, resistance to change, and the complexity of the ever-evolving technological landscape, persist. Addressing these challenges requires a comprehensive approach involving all stakeholders, from the strategic to the operational level. Additionally, regular evaluations are essential to maintain the relevance and effectiveness of the IT risk management system in the face of emerging threats.

Lame and Saptaria's research has made substantial contributions to our understanding of the role of design and leadership in driving the transformation towards green industries. However, further research is needed to elucidate the mechanisms underlying the success of these transformations. For instance, how can transformational leadership inspire employees to modify their behavior and adopt more sustainable practices? Qualitative research methodologies, such as case studies, can provide deeper insights into the social and cultural dynamics that influence the transformation process.

### 3. RESEARCH METHODS

Lame's (2019) seminal work provides a foundational understanding of Systematic Literature Reviews (SLRs) and their potential to elevate design research. While SRs offer a structured approach to synthesizing evidence, their application in the often-divergent and context-specific field of design research presents unique challenges. Design research, with its emphasis on creativity, innovation, and context-specific solutions, presents unique challenges for conducting systematic reviews. While traditional SR methodologies can provide a useful starting point, they often need to be adapted to account for the iterative, exploratory, and often qualitative nature of design research. By developing rigorous criteria for evaluating design research studies, employing visual methods to synthesize findings, and considering the ethical implications of the research process, we can ensure that SRs contribute meaningfully to the advancement of design research and practice. To maximize the value of SRs in design research, several key considerations are crucial:

- **Adapting Review Protocols:** While traditional SR protocols provide a useful foundation, they may need to be adapted to accommodate the unique characteristics of design research. This might involve incorporating qualitative analysis techniques, such as thematic analysis or discourse analysis.
- **Developing Rigorous Criteria:** Establishing rigorous criteria for evaluating the quality of design research studies is essential. These criteria should consider factors such as methodological rigor, theoretical contribution, and practical impact, while acknowledging the diverse nature of design research.
- **Visualizing Findings:** Visual methods, such as mind maps or concept maps, can be employed to synthesize and visualize the findings of design research SRs, making them more accessible to a wider audience.

#### **4. DISCUSSION AND RESULTS**

Zulkifli (2022) made a significant contribution to understanding the relationship between leadership, motivation, job satisfaction, and employee performance. However, there remains ample scope for further exploration. Future research could delve deeper into the mechanisms underlying these relationships, the moderating effects of contextual factors, and the practical implications for organizational strategies. By gaining a more nuanced understanding, we can develop more effective interventions to enhance employee performance and organizational outcomes. Sutrisno et al. (2022) provided valuable insights into the factors influencing employee performance. Their comprehensive literature review highlighted the critical roles of compensation, motivation, and job satisfaction. The empirical findings underscored the significant impact of these factors on employee performance. Nevertheless, further research is warranted to address the limitations of the study and to explore additional factors that may contribute to improved performance. By building upon the foundation laid by this study, future research can provide a more comprehensive understanding of the complex interplay between individual, organizational, and contextual factors that drive employee performance.

Suyatno et al. (2023) have made significant strides in understanding the influence of flexible work arrangements (FWAs) and organizational culture on work productivity. However, further research is necessary to elucidate the underlying mechanisms of this relationship. By considering factors such as technology, leadership, and job characteristics, we can develop a more comprehensive understanding of how FWAs and organizational culture can be optimized to enhance organizational performance. Moreover, it is imperative to continuously evaluate the impact of FWAs and organizational culture to ensure their ongoing contribution to employee productivity and well-being. Transformational leadership has been established as an effective leadership style in motivating employees and improving organizational performance. Nevertheless, its implementation is not always straightforward and requires a deep understanding of the organizational context, individual characteristics, and group dynamics. Transformational leaders must not only possess a clear vision but also be adept at building strong relationships with employees, fostering a positive culture, and overcoming complex challenges. Further research is needed to explore how transformational leadership can be adapted to diverse organizational contexts and how we can cultivate more effective transformational leaders.

Putra and Fitri's (2020) research offers a valuable contribution to the understanding of factors influencing lecturer performance and organizational citizenship behavior (OCB). However, significant gaps remain in our knowledge of the underlying mechanisms. Future research should delve deeper into specific mechanisms of influence, consider diverse local contexts, and explore concrete policy implications to inform the development of effective interventions for enhancing higher education quality. The reviewed studies highlight the multifaceted nature of employee performance, influenced by factors such as leadership, motivation, job satisfaction, organizational culture, and compensation. To advance our understanding of these complex relationships, future research should prioritize the development of a comprehensive conceptual model that elucidates the interplay of these factors in shaping performance. Furthermore, longitudinal and multilevel research designs can provide valuable insights into the dynamic nature of employee performance within complex organizational contexts. By addressing these research priorities, we can develop more effective interventions to optimize individual and organizational performance.

Cakranegara et al.'s (2022) study offers a valuable contribution to our understanding of leader motivation's impact on employee performance. However, further research is necessary to delve deeper into the complex relationship between these variables across diverse organizational contexts. By elucidating the factors influencing employee motivation and its subsequent impact on performance, leaders can develop more effective strategies to align with organizational goals. Zulkifli's (2022) research significantly advances our comprehension of the factors influencing employee performance. Nevertheless, to attain a more holistic understanding, future research should explore intricate mechanisms of influence, diverse organizational contexts, and specific practical applications. Additionally, it is imperative to acknowledge the limitations of existing methodologies and develop more robust and reliable measurement instruments.

Widodo and Yandi (2022) provide valuable insights into the factors influencing employee performance. However, to create an optimal work environment, a comprehensive understanding of the complex interplay between organizational culture, leadership, technology, and other relevant factors is essential. Additionally, the implementation of a robust performance measurement system and the provision of constructive feedback are crucial for maximizing employee potential and achieving organizational goals. Putra and Fitri's research significantly advances our understanding of the factors influencing lecturer performance and organizational citizenship behavior (OCB). By identifying key variables and their relationships, this study opens avenues for further in-depth research. Nevertheless, several questions remain

unanswered, such as the moderating and mediating roles of other variables and the implications of these findings for higher education policies in diverse cultural contexts.

The reviewed studies offer a clearer understanding of the complex relationship between employee motivation and performance. However, to achieve a more comprehensive understanding, future research should consider several additional factors. Firstly, it is crucial to explore the role of organizational culture in shaping employee motivation and behavior. Secondly, longitudinal research can provide deeper insights into the dynamics of changes in motivation and performance over time. Thirdly, qualitative research can help us understand employees' subjective experiences and identify unique contextual factors. By doing so, we can develop more robust and relevant models for predicting and improving employee performance.

A consensus emerges from the reviewed literature that Flexible Working Space (FWS) and organizational culture significantly influence work productivity. However, these studies also identify knowledge gaps requiring further investigation. Suyatno et al.'s (2023) research has advanced our understanding of the interplay between FWS, organizational culture, and productivity. Nevertheless, numerous aspects demand further exploration to provide a more comprehensive understanding. While this research has made a substantial contribution to understanding the relationship between FWS, organizational culture, and productivity, several knowledge gaps remain. Future research should delve deeper into the underlying mechanisms of this relationship, consider diverse local contexts, and offer more specific recommendations for organizations implementing FWS. By doing so, we can develop a more comprehensive understanding of how FWS can be leveraged to enhance organizational performance and employee well-being.

Based on the literature review, a general consensus emerges among researchers regarding the significant influence of organizational culture on work productivity. Key findings from these studies include:

- **Leadership Motivation:** Cakranegara et al. (2022) highlight the critical role of leadership motivation in enhancing employee performance. However, further research is necessary to elucidate the complexities of this relationship within diverse organizational contexts.
- **Factors Affecting Performance:** Zulkifli (2022) and Widodo and Yandi (2022) identify various factors that impact employee performance, including organizational culture, leadership, and technology. Their research demonstrates that employee performance is influenced by intricate interactions among these factors.

- **The Role of Organizational Culture:** Collectively, the reviewed studies indicate that organizational culture exerts a substantial influence on work productivity. A positive, supportive, and innovative organizational culture can foster improved employee motivation, job satisfaction, and performance.

The findings of this study have significant practical implications for organizational leaders, HR managers, and policymakers. Key implications include:

- **Cultivating a Positive Organizational Culture:** Organizations should foster a positive organizational culture that encourages employee growth, innovation, and collaboration.
- **Enhancing Leadership Motivation:** Leaders must exemplify strong leadership and motivate employees to achieve organizational goals.
- **Implementing a Robust Performance Measurement System:** Organizations need to establish a comprehensive performance measurement system and provide constructive feedback to employees.
- **Considering Organizational Context:** Each organization has a unique context. Therefore, the implementation of strategies to improve work productivity should be tailored to the specific circumstances of each organization.

Existing research has substantiated the considerable potential of flexible work schedules (FWS) to augment both work productivity and employee well-being. Nevertheless, to fully harness this potential, a more profound understanding of the mechanisms underpinning the relationships between FWS, organizational culture, and performance is imperative. Future research should delve into the role of technology, leadership, and public policy in facilitating the successful implementation of FWS. Furthermore, it is essential to develop comprehensive metrics to evaluate the impact of FWS on various facets of organizational performance and employee well-being

## 5. CONCLUSION

While transformational leadership remains a cornerstone, emerging leadership theories such as authentic leadership and servant leadership offer additional insights. Authentic leaders, characterized by genuineness, self-awareness, and ethical behavior, can foster trust and commitment. Servant leaders, prioritizing the needs of their followers, can empower employees and enhance job satisfaction. Self-Determination Theory (SDT) provides a robust framework for understanding intrinsic motivation, autonomy, competence, and relatedness. By catering to these psychological needs, organizations can create work environments that foster intrinsic motivation and enhance employee engagement and productivity. Goal-Setting Theory and

Equity Theory offer additional perspectives on how to motivate employees through clear goal setting and equitable treatment.

A strong organizational culture, characterized by shared values, beliefs, and behaviors, can significantly impact employee performance. Psychological safety, a climate where employees feel comfortable taking risks and sharing ideas, is crucial for innovation and creativity. A learning culture, where continuous learning and development are encouraged, can enhance employee adaptability and skill acquisition. While flexible work arrangements, such as remote work and hybrid work models, offer numerous benefits, they also present challenges. To maximize the benefits and mitigate the drawbacks, organizations must carefully design and implement these arrangements. Factors such as employee preferences, job roles, and technological infrastructure must be considered to ensure a successful transition to flexible work.

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