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Survey Methodology/Respondent Overview

- In mid-February, FUSE conducted a survey "Views on the Post Pandemic Workplace" in an effort to analyze the long-term, holistic view of firms related to the remote work environment. 12 firms completed the survey. A breakdown of the respondents was as follows:
 - \rightarrow Tier 1 4 firms
 - ➤ Tier 2 4 firms (3 respondent firms also have significant institutional business)
 - ➤ Tier 3 4 firms (1 respondent firm is a global manager w/ large institutional business, 1 respondent firm has significant SMA business and institutional business)
- FUSE tiers firms based on MF/ETF AUM. Tier 1 is \$100B+, Tier 2 is b/w
 \$25B and \$100B, and Tier 3 is less than \$25B.



Observations

- Majority of respondents intend to adjust workplace environment in response to the pandemic
- Half of firms offered WFH options prior to Covid-19
- Respondents see workplace flexibility as having a positive impact:
 - Enhances D&I initiatives
 - Offers a progressive stance towards work/life balance for employees
 - Expands talent pool and provides talent retention tool
- Flexible workplace environment presents challenges
 - Requires new procedures to protect firm/client data
 - Presents challenge for establishing/maintaining firm culture
 - Requires mentoring programs for new/younger employees
- Respondents show optimism that productivity will remain consistent
- Firms will look to offer benefits around home offices (equipment, internet, mobile phone expenses)



Thank you!

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