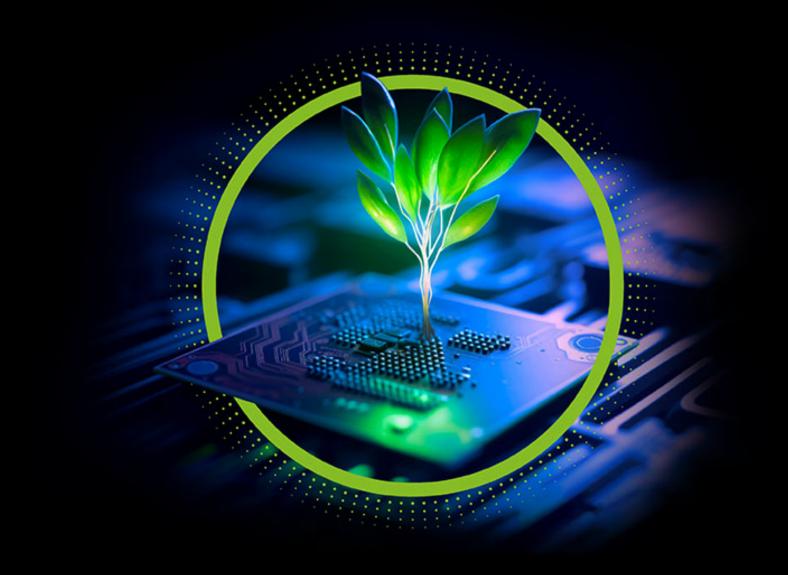
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**GLOBAL EMPLOYER SERVICES TURN IT UP** 

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### Key takeaways

Opening plenary – assessing the state of the UK economy

There continues to be a skilled labour shortage in the UK leaving employers no option but to hire from overseas.

Pensions – what's changed?

Given recent HMRC activity, employers should ensure they have reviewed overseas pension plans and are comfortable with the treatment.

Terminating mobile employees – legal and tax considerations

With cross border termination cases, advice should be sought as early as possible to ensure legal and payroll compliance. Immigration and social security - update

Recent immigration and social security changes have been made to support remote working with further changes expected in the coming years.

The emerging workforce – latest trends

Employees are demanding more flexibility in where they work. Employers need to consider if their existing policies and processes remain fit for purpose.

Artificial intelligence – impacts on mobility tax

Now is the time to consider how AI could impact your work. There is much that you can do to prepare for the data driven future.

Non-resident directors – achieving compliance

Non-resident directors are visible to HMRC on companies house so it is crucial to ensure compliance in terms of payroll and social security.

#### The next 12 months budget and general election

What are the major political parties saying?



### Labour's tax plan for expatriates

What more do we know?

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Labour's original costing suggested abolition of the non-dom regime would raise £3.2 billion

- This is based on a report issued in September 2022, which assumed that non-dom wealth could be estimated, based on the wealth of UK doms living in the same postcode
- It also assumed a low rate of exodus if non-dom status abolished on the basis of the 2017 reforms (which included safeguards to mitigate the risk of mass emigration)

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According to press reports in January 2024, Labour has revised the amount to be raised from its non-dom policy down to £2 billion. The revised figure relates to the cost of introducing a four-year regime for newcomers to the UK (Labour has not officially committed to a four-year regime)

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There has also been speculation that the Treasure's view is that Labour's plan would cost money rather than raise money. The (Conservative) Chair of the Commons Treasury Committee has stated (in Finance Bill debates) that there is analysis showing this (but did not comment on where)

#### Other possible disruptors



#### The year of elections

Countries home to nearly half of the world's population will hold elections in 2024. This includes the UK, the US, India, South Africa and Mexico.

The outcome of these elections could trigger tax regime changes.

Employers will need to ensure their global mobility policies remain appropriate in light of any rule changes.

#### Income tax in the middle east

Middle eastern countries understand that oil revenues are not sustainable long term and they have started raising or introducing VAT and corporate tax.

There is speculation that they may move onto income tax.

Should income tax be introduced, employers will need to update their budgets and ensure their policies are fit for purpose.

#### Further global turbulence

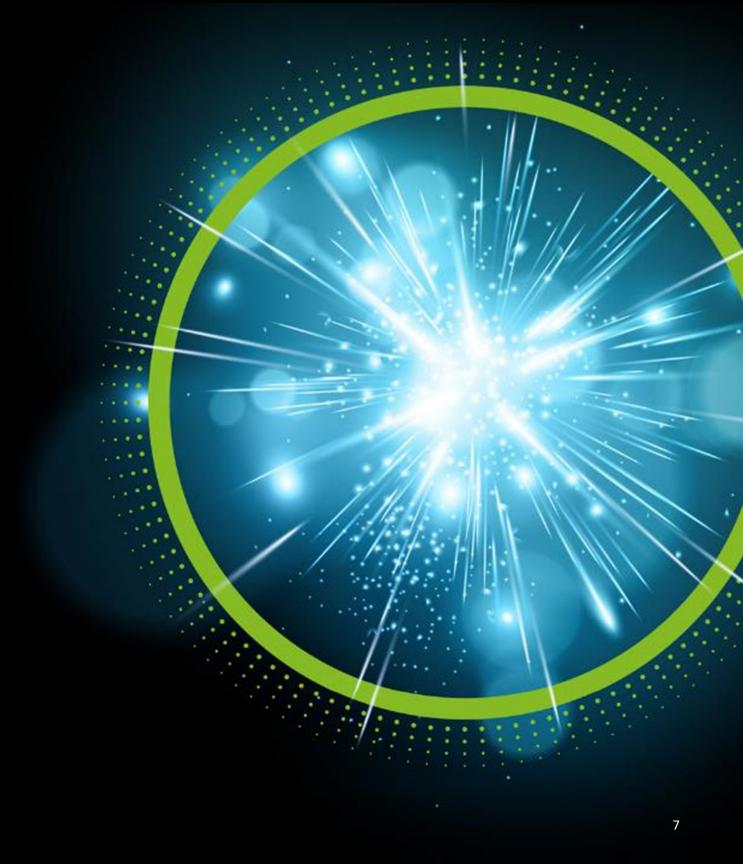


There is the potential for the escalation of conflicts, for example in the middle east.

This could cause dispersion of employees, and travel and immigration difficulties.

Employers should ensure they have a business continuity plan in place which includes immigration support.

## Thank you for coming



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