Workday Talent Marketplace Delivers Skills-based Talent Matching to Drive Greater Agility

Machine Learning-Powered Skills Technology Connects People With Relevant Work and Growth Opportunities; Helps Organizations Optimize Talent to Quickly Adapt to Changing Business Needs

PLEASANTON, Calif., Oct. 15, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) --Workday, Inc. (NASDAQ:WDAY), a leader in enterprise cloud applications for finance and human resources, today announced the availability of Workday Talent Marketplace, a talent mobility solution that enables employers to connect their people with targeted opportunities for greater organizational agility. Workday Talent Marketplace helps companies foster employee development and better allocate talent to meet evolving business needs—all greatly improving how work gets done.

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Workday created its talent marketplace to help customers navigate this changing world of work, enabling them to more effectively redeploy, reskill, and upskill employees to support the business as new needs arise. Equally important, Workday Talent Marketplace helps employers connect their employees with the targeted development and growth opportunities they seek to further their career goals—ultimately helping to improve engagement and retention.

Additionally, with Workday Talent Marketplace, customers are able to:

- **Make Skill-based Connections Between People and Opportunity.** Workday Talent Marketplace leverages Workday's machine learning-powered skills cloud to match people to opportunities by comparing their skills and interests against the organization's full-time, project, and gig work skill requirements. The skills cloud can provide a full view of the skills workers have by inferring and verifying skills—derived from Workday HCM data—to create a comprehensive and unique skills signature for each worker. It has the ability to review data in an employee's profile to predict skills that person may have, even if they have not explicitly entered that information. By understanding how well matched a person's skills are for a particular role, and where employees may need additional learning or development, organizations can drive more intelligent talent matching and opportunity creation.

- **Build a More Agile Workforce.** Workday Talent Marketplace enables a faster transition to a more agile workforce, helping companies quickly tap into internal talent pools to fill projects, short-term gigs, and full-time roles, and reskill and upskill employees to adapt to change. For example, as a result of the pandemic, many companies are experiencing surge demand and requiring additional resources in one part of the business, while other areas may have less need and overcapacity of resources. Workday Talent Marketplace can identify employees that best match the skill needs of internal opportunities to help companies find the right mix of resources and more efficiently build more agile cross-functional teams—quickly placing people where they are most needed.

- **Promote Employee Growth and Internal Mobility.** People are looking to increase their marketability and want to pursue new experiences and skills outside of their traditional roles. Workday Talent Marketplace delivers more personalized, data-driven opportunity recommendations to empower employees to take an active role in their development, while enabling organizations to promote internal mobility to keep their best workers. For example, a sales associate interested in developing a career in marketing could use Workday Talent Marketplace to find hands-on experiences in that field. With tailored recommendations for internal marketing gigs or projects, this person could pursue the growth opportunities that align most with their career goals and aspirations.

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