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DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION IN RECRUITMENT: A LITERATURE REVIEW ON TECHNOLOGIES, STRATEGIES, AND QUALITY TALENT ACQUISITION

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Abstract

Digital transformation has transformed human resource management, particularly in the recruitment and selection process. The use of artificial intelligence (AI), Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS), social media, job portals, data analytics, chatbots, and video interviews allows organizations to increase the number of candidates, accelerate the selection process, and improve data-driven decision-making. However, digital recruitment also presents various challenges, such as algorithmic bias, low transparency, candidate data protection, procedural fairness, and reduced human interaction. This study aims to analyze the role of digital transformation in the recruitment process and formulate strategies for acquiring quality talent in the technology era. The study used qualitative methods with a literature review of scientific articles published between 2022 and 2025. Retrieved from Web of Science, Google Scholar, dan Emerald Insigh. A total of 20 articles were initially identified, of which 12 met the inclusion criteria and were selected for analysis. The analysis was conducted through identification, categorization, comparison, and synthesis of previous research results. The study results show that digital transformation can increase recruitment efficiency, expand the talent pool, accelerate the screening process, support candidate-job matching, and improve data-driven decision-making. AI specifically has potential in automating resume screening, candidate sourcing, and candidate analysis. However, the effectiveness of the technology is highly dependent on data quality, algorithm design, recruiter competence, candidate experience, and human oversight mechanisms. Therefore, a digital recruitment strategy needs to integrate technology with human judgment, digital employer branding, candidate experience, algorithmic fairness, transparency, and AI governance. The conceptual model positions digital transformation as a strategic capability in acquiring quality talent and creating an organization's competitive advantage.

Keywords: digital transformation, digital recruitment, artificial intelligence, employer branding, candidate experience, quality talent

INTRODUCTION

Digital transformation has reshaped how organizations design business processes, develop organizational capabilities, and create value through the utilization of technology and data. In human resource management (HRM), digital transformation extends beyond merely replacing administrative tasks with electronic systems; it encompasses shifts in decision-making processes, talent management, and the integration of technology with human competencies. Research by Montero Guerra et al. (2023) on 314 companies in Spain demonstrates that an organization’s level of digital maturity is linked to the development of talent management processes, including the attraction and retention of employees. Similarly, Shiferaw (2025) identifies various

ways digital technology is applied within HRM practices, emphasizing the importance of understanding the interplay between technology, organizational processes, and the execution of human resource functions. Consequently, digital transformation should be viewed as a strategic organizational capability rather than simply the adoption of technological tools.

Recruitment serves as a strategic HRM function, as it determines an organization's access to candidates who possess the knowledge, skills, abilities, and characteristics required for specific roles. Technological advancements have expanded the use of career websites, job portals, social media, applicant tracking systems (ATS), and various digital selection applications. Through an integrative review of 23 studies, Memon et al. (2024) mapped the use of diverse digital recruitment tools, including ATS, video interviews, psychometric testing, and gamification. Meanwhile, Baranyi (2025) developed a classification of selection processes based on their level of digitalization—ranging from manual procedures to those that have undergone full digital transformation. Both studies indicate that the digitalization of recruitment encompasses a wide array of technologies and selection stages; therefore, its benefits should be evaluated not only by processing speed but also by how well it aligns with organizational needs and the quality of selection decisions. Artificial Intelligence (AI) expands the capabilities of digital technology in the recruitment process, encompassing candidate sourcing, resume screening, matching candidates to job requirements, the use of chatbots, predictive analytics, and interview analysis. In a systematic review of 49 articles sourced from Web of Science, Dadaboyev et al. (2025) identified the potential for AI to enhance recruitment productivity, automate candidate screening, and support the assessment of candidate-job fit. Similarly, Baranyi (2025) suggests that digital technologies and AI-driven enhancements can be applied across various stages of the selection process, though their implementation is contingent upon technical and organizational considerations, as well as candidate perceptions. However, automation does not inherently guarantee that the selected candidates are of the highest quality. Selection outcomes remain dependent on data relevance, the alignment of evaluation criteria with the job role, the validity of assessment methods, and an organization's capacity to interpret the system's recommendations.

Beyond operational efficiency, the candidate experience and an organization's employer branding are critical dimensions of digital recruitment. The use of technology can shape how candidates perceive an organization's level of innovation, professionalism, and overall appeal. Through two experimental studies, Jung and Park (2023) found that the use of AI can bolster perceptions of organizational innovation and, under certain conditions, increase the organization's attractiveness to job seekers. Nevertheless, candidate responses are not always uniform, as they are influenced by individual characteristics and how each candidate interprets the use of such technology. Furthermore, Ochmann et al. (2024) point out that the perception of algorithmic fairness cannot be assumed to arise automatically simply because decisions are made via algorithms; rather, transparency and the nature of the interaction with the system are essential aspects that must be taken into account. These findings indicate that the success of digital recruitment is linked to an organization's ability to integrate technological functions with the candidate experience, clear communication, and the perception of procedural fairness.

Ethical issues pose another challenge in the application of AI for recruitment. Through a review of 51 articles, Hunkenschroer and Luetge (2022) identified the opportunities, risks, and ethical concerns associated with AI-based recruitment and selection. These risks include algorithmic bias, privacy concerns, transparency, and accountability. Furthermore, Kelan (2024) explains that the inclusion of algorithms in recruitment must be considered across three interrelated aspects: data, design, ...and decision-making. Systems trained on non-representative historical data can reproduce or reinforce existing inequalities. Furthermore, Yuan et al. (2025) propose a "human-in-the-loop" approach that emphasizes collaborative decision-making between humans and AI, transparency, fair system design, and clear communication with candidates. Consequently, the use of AI must be accompanied by human oversight mechanisms, fairness evaluations, data protection, and accountability for selection decisions.

Although previous research has made significant contributions, the scope and focus of these studies vary. Dadaboyev et al. (2025) examine the opportunities and challenges of AI in recruitment, particularly regarding productivity, automation, candidate quality, and the risk of algorithmic bias. Hunkenschroer and Luetge (2022) focus on ethical issues, while Kelan (2024) develops a perspective on algorithmic inclusion centered on data, design, and decision-making. Meanwhile, Jung and Park (2023) investigate how the implementation of AI influences organizational attractiveness through the perceptions of candidates. Baranyi (2025) provides a systematic classification of the levels of digitalization in selection processes and the factors influencing their adoption. Thus, it would be inaccurate to define the research gap simply as a lack of study regarding the benefits and risks of the technology. A more relevant gap lies in the need to synthesize the dimensions of technology, strategic recruitment outcomes, candidate experience, employer attractiveness, human-AI collaboration, and responsible governance into a single conceptual framework oriented toward the acquisition of high-quality talent.

Addressing this gap, this article aims to analyze the role of digital transformation in the recruitment process and to formulate a conceptual framework for acquiring high-quality talent. The proposed framework links digital recruitment capabilities with an expanded candidate reach, process efficiency, candidate-job

matching, and data-driven decision-making. It positions candidate experience and employer branding as strategic dimensions, while establishing algorithmic fairness, transparency, data protection, and human oversight as governance principles that must underpin the use of technology. Under this approach, talent quality is not merely viewed as an output of automated selection, but as a strategic objective requiring alignment between competencies and job requirements, accountable evaluation processes, and meaningful human judgment.

This article aims to make two primary contributions. Theoretically, it synthesizes perspectives from digital transformation, talent management, candidate experience, and AI governance into a conceptual framework that connects technological capabilities with the processes and strategic goals of talent acquisition. This framework complements existing research—which often addresses AI functionality or ethical concerns in isolation—by integrating operational, organizational, and ethical dimensions into a unified discussion. Practically, it provides a foundation for HR managers and organizations to design digital recruitment strategies that go beyond a pursuit of speed and efficiency; such strategies also account for the quality of candidate-job matching, the applicant experience, organizational branding, algorithmic fairness, transparency, data security, and human involvement in final decision-making. As the proposed framework is a conceptual synthesis of the literature, it requires further validation through empirical research across various organizational and industrial contexts.

RESEARCH METHODS

This study employs a qualitative literature review approach combined with thematic synthesis to identify, evaluate, compare, and integrate previous research findings on digital transformation in recruitment and organizational strategies for acquiring high-quality talent. The review focuses on digital recruitment technologies, artificial intelligence (AI), talent acquisition, employer branding, candidate experience, quality of hire, algorithmic fairness, and human–AI collaboration. Rather than statistically testing relationships between variables, this study develops a conceptual understanding of how digital technologies can support recruitment effectiveness and talent quality.

The literature review primarily covers scholarly articles published between January 2022 and December 2025. This period was selected to capture recent developments in digital recruitment, generative AI, data analytics, automated candidate screening, and technology governance. Earlier publications may be included when necessary to support the theoretical or methodological foundations of the study. Literature searches were conducted using Web of Science, Google Scholar, and Emerald Insight. These sources were selected to identify relevant scholarly publications across management, organizational studies, information systems, and human resource management. The databases reported in the final manuscript must reflect those actually used during the search process.

The review prioritizes peer-reviewed journal articles, including quantitative empirical studies, qualitative research, systematic literature reviews, integrative reviews, and conceptual papers. Particular attention is given to articles published in reputable international journals, especially those indexed in Scopus or Web of Science. Relevant articles from accredited national journals may also be considered when they meet the research objectives and quality requirements. Editorials, opinion pieces, book reviews, non-academic publications, and articles without a substantive connection to digital recruitment or talent acquisition are excluded from the main synthesis.

The search strategy uses English-language keywords related to digital transformation, recruitment technology, AI, talent acquisition, and recruitment quality. The keywords include “digital transformation,” “digital recruitment,” “digital hiring,” “e-recruitment,” “artificial intelligence,” “machine learning,” “generative AI,” “talent acquisition,” “quality of hire,” “candidate-job fit,” “candidate experience,” “employer branding,” “algorithmic bias,” “algorithmic fairness,” “data privacy,” “human-AI collaboration,” and “human-in-the-loop.” Boolean operators, quotation marks, and available database filters are used to refine the search and identify relevant publications.

Search combinations are organized around the main research themes. Studies on digital transformation combine terms such as “digital transformation,” “digital recruitment,” “digital hiring,” and “e-recruitment.” Research on AI combines “artificial intelligence,” “machine learning,” or “generative AI” with “recruitment,” “hiring,” or “selection.” Searches concerning recruitment quality combine “talent acquisition,” “quality of hire,” and “candidate-job fit” with relevant digital technology terms. Candidate experience, employer branding, and governance are examined using combinations of “candidate experience,” “employer branding,” “algorithmic fairness,” “transparency,” “data privacy,” and “human-AI collaboration.” Search syntax is adapted to each database. Search dates, final search strings, filters, and result counts are documented to improve transparency and reproducibility.

Articles are included when they were published between January 2022 and December 2025, were available in English, addressed at least one of the central research themes, and provided sufficient information for analysis. Eligible publications include empirical studies, literature reviews, and relevant conceptual papers. Exclusion criteria comprise duplicate records, studies unrelated to recruitment or talent acquisition, technical AI studies without a substantive recruitment context, and publications that provide insufficient information to

assess their methods or findings. Studies reporting negative, mixed, or contradictory outcomes are retained when they meet the criteria to avoid presenting a one-sided interpretation of digital recruitment.

The selection process follows several stages. First, records retrieved from the selected databases are compiled and duplicates are removed. Second, titles and abstracts are screened for relevance to the research objectives. Third, potentially relevant publications are assessed in full text against the inclusion and exclusion criteria. Reasons for excluding full-text articles are documented. The reporting structure is informed by the PRISMA 2020 guidelines proposed by Page et al. (2021), particularly the principles of transparent identification, screening, and selection. PRISMA is used as a reporting guide; its use does not, by itself, mean that this study constitutes a full systematic review. The final number of included articles must be based on the actual search and screening results.

The review by Dadaboyev et al. (2025), which examined 49 articles on AI in employee recruitment, serves as an important contextual reference for understanding developments in the field and identifying relevant research themes. However, the 49 articles reviewed by Dadaboyev et al. are not treated as the sample size of the present study. The literature corpus is established independently through the current study's search, deduplication, screening, and eligibility assessment.

For each included article, information is extracted using a consistent analytical framework. The extracted information includes authors, publication year, journal, research objectives, theoretical foundations, methodology, recruitment technologies examined, principal findings, research limitations, and implications for talent acquisition. The collected information is then analyzed through thematic synthesis, adapting the approach described by Thomas and Harden (2008).

The thematic synthesis consists of three stages. The first stage involves coding relevant findings from the selected articles. Initial codes cover recruitment automation, candidate sourcing, résumé screening, candidate-job matching, process efficiency, candidate experience, employer branding, recruitment quality, algorithmic bias, data privacy, transparency, and human oversight. The second stage groups conceptually related codes into broader analytical themes. Findings are compared across studies to identify recurring patterns, differences, implementation conditions, and contradictory outcomes. The third stage synthesizes the themes to examine connections between digital technology capabilities, recruitment processes, candidate experience, employer branding, candidate-job fit, and AI governance. The resulting synthesis provides the basis for developing the conceptual framework.

The credibility and trustworthiness of the analysis are strengthened through documentation of search decisions, verification against original articles, cross-study comparison, and consideration of methodological limitations. An audit trail records the search strategies, dates, eligibility criteria, and article-selection decisions. Findings are checked against full texts whenever available rather than relying exclusively on abstracts or secondary citations. Article quality is considered through the clarity of research objectives, appropriateness of methods, sufficiency of evidence, relevance of findings, and reported limitations. Journal indexing and reputation are treated as relevant considerations but not as the sole indicators of research quality. Contradictory findings are retained, and interpretations are traced back to the evidence supporting each theme. Independent coding checks are reported only if they were actually conducted.

Finally, the thematic findings are integrated into a conceptual framework for digital recruitment strategies aimed at acquiring high-quality talent. Digital transformation is positioned as an organizational capability that supports candidate sourcing, screening, candidate-job matching, and data-driven decision-making. Candidate experience and employer branding are treated as strategic dimensions shaping candidates' perceptions of the recruitment process and the organization. Algorithmic fairness, transparency, data protection, and human oversight are considered governance principles for responsible technology use. The framework represents a conceptual synthesis of the reviewed literature rather than an empirically validated causal model. It therefore provides a foundation for future empirical research and practical guidance for organizations seeking recruitment processes that are effective, fair, transparent, and focused on talent quality.

Flowchart for article identification and selection: Identification of articles from all databases used (n = [initial count]) → Removal of duplicate articles (n = [number of duplicates]) → Screening of titles and abstracts (n = [number screened]) → Exclusion of irrelevant articles (n = [number excluded]) → Full-text assessment (n = [number assessed]) → Exclusion of full-text articles (with reasons) (n = [number excluded]) → Articles included in the thematic synthesis (n = [final count]).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Digital technology is fundamentally changing the recruitment process. In conventional systems, recruitment is carried out manually, from publication and application receipt to candidate screening and evaluation. Digital technology can perform these activities in an integrated manner.

Table 1. Comparison stages recruitment

Aspect	Recruitment Conventional	Recruitment Digital
Candidate sources	Advertisements and recommendations	Job portal, social media, professional network
Screening	Manual	ATS and AI
Communication	Manual phone/email	Chatbots and automated communication
Interview	Face to face	Video interview
Assessment	Paper-based	Online assessment
Decision-making	Intuition and experience	Data analytics + human judgment
Range	Relatively limited	Wider
Speed	Relatively slow	Faster

The adoption of digital technology has helped reduce administrative workloads in the recruitment process, allowing recruitment officers to allocate more time to other strategic activities. These activities include talent development, candidate relationship management, workforce planning, and improving the overall quality of recruitment decisions. Montero Guerra et al. (2023) showed that digital maturity with talent management development is related , so that digital transformation can viewed as part from ability organization in manage talent .

AI further strengthens these capabilities, including: Candidate sourcing stage, AI can help identify candidates based on competency, experience, and job requirements; screening stage, AI can read CVs, identify keywords, group candidates, and provide initial rankings; and candidate-job matching stage, algorithms can compare candidate characteristics with position requirements. Dadaboyev et al. (2025), Artificial intelligence (AI) can enhance recruitment productivity by automating and optimizing several key activities, including résumé parsing, chatbot-assisted communication, preliminary candidate screening, predictive analytics, and job-fit analysis. These capabilities enable organizations to process candidate information more efficiently, streamline recruitment workflows, and support more informed, data-driven hiring decisions. Consequently, AI serves as a strategic enabler of talent acquisition by improving operational efficiency while supporting the identification and selection of candidates whose qualifications align with organizational requirements..

However, organizations need to avoid the notion that AI can completely replace recruiters. Dutta (2025) explains that the use of AI is changing the structure of recruitment and selection by dividing activities between humans and technology. AI has advantages in processing large amounts of data, finding patterns, automating, and generating recommendations. In contrast, humans have the ability to understand context, empathy, communication, ethical considerations, understanding organizational culture, and making decisions under complex conditions. Therefore, a more appropriate model is human-AI collaboration. In this model, AI is used to enhance the skills of recruiters, while recruiters remain responsible for the final decision. AI can help generate recommendations, but deciding whether someone is truly a good fit for the organization still requires human evaluation. Digital transformation can also change the methods organizations use to source candidates. Employer branding, previously largely carried out through conventional advertising, is now evolving through company websites, social media, professional platforms, videos, employee testimonials, and content about organizational culture. Companies can use digital media to showcase values, culture, work environment, development opportunities, and employee experience.

Digital employer branding becomes important Where candidate get information about organization before submit application . Candidate No only evaluate wages And position , but Also consider a number of matter namely : reputation , culture organization , opportunities career , flexibility work , and suitability value . Digital employer branding must nature Authenticity . Organizations that project an overly positive image that doesn't align with employees' actual experiences can potentially create distrust. Therefore, employer branding needs to be grounded in the organization's actual conditions.

Besides employer branding, candidate experience is a crucial aspect of digital recruitment. Candidate experience shapes the way individuals interact with an organization during the recruitment process. A simple, fast, transparent, and communicative recruitment process can enhance positive candidate perceptions. Conversely, an overly automated process that lacks explanation can result in negative experiences. Jamaluddin et al. (2025) highlighted the importance of candidate experience in the relationship between AI implementation and quality of hire in an Indonesian organizational context. Findings show that technology influences recruitment staff and candidates' experiences and recruitment outcomes.

The use of AI can also impact organizational attractiveness. AI recruitment can increase organizational attractiveness. However, the use of AI technology can have negative impacts if candidates perceive the selection process as unfair or opaque (Jung and Park, 2023). According to Luo and Zhang (2023), AI-enabled interviews can decrease responses related to procedural justice and organizational attractiveness under certain conditions. The differences in results indicate that the influence of technology depends heavily on how candidates perceive and experience the digital recruitment process.

The use of AI needs to be communicated transparently within the organization. Similarly, candidates need to understand several things related to the use of AI in recruitment, namely: at what stage AI is used and how data is processed, and how final decisions are made. Biased decisions can result in fairness issues due to the relationship between algorithms and bias. Bias can stem from several things, namely: historical data, variables used, algorithm design, developer assumptions, and human responses to algorithm results. According to Kelan (2024), algorithmic inclusion relates to how bias can emerge in data, design, and decisions. Organizations that rely solely on algorithms without conducting evaluations can allow historical bias to enter the recruitment process. Reducing bias in recruitment and selection requires an integrative approach. Addressing bias requires more than just improving algorithms; it requires attention to data, people, technology, and organizational processes (Soleimani et al., 2025).

Therefore, it is essential for organizations to implement algorithmic governance. This includes algorithm audits, fairness testing, data quality evaluation, process documentation, human oversight, and candidate complaint mechanisms. Transparency also relates to procedural justice, where candidates not only focus on the final result but also assess the organization's processes. Organizations do not have to disclose algorithm code to candidates, but can provide information about the purpose of using AI, the types of data generally used, the role of AI in the process, and when human decisions are made. A more important aspect is how all these elements contribute to the quality of hire. Recruitment success cannot be measured solely by the number of candidates submitted, the speed of filling positions, or the low cost of recruitment. Organizations must assess whether the individuals recruited are competent, capable of performing well, aligned with job requirements, adaptable, and have the potential to develop.

Digital transformation can produce high-quality talent if organizations are able to integrate technology with HR strategies. The following conceptual model can be developed:

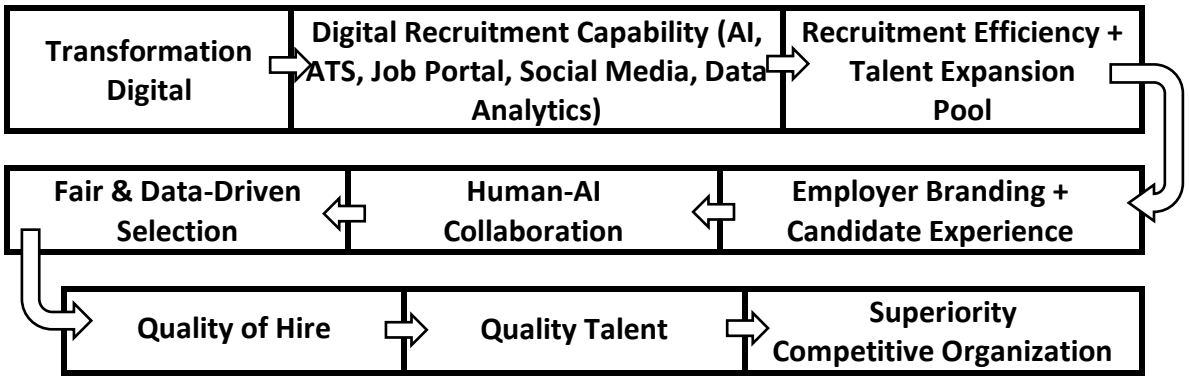

Figure 1. diagram conceptual model flow

This conceptual model explains how digital transformation supports organizations in acquiring high-quality talent and enhancing their competitive advantage. The process begins with digital transformation through the utilization of technologies such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS), job portals, social media, and data analytics. The integration of these technologies establishes digital recruitment capabilities, enabling organizations to manage the hiring process more effectively and systematically.

These digital recruitment capabilities, in turn, foster greater recruitment efficiency and an expanded talent pool. Automation accelerates the processing of applications, while digital platforms broaden the reach to potential candidates. The subsequent stage emphasizes fair, data-driven selection, ensuring that candidates are evaluated based on their qualifications and alignment with job requirements. The success of this process is further bolstered by human–AI collaboration. AI assists in processing information and conducting initial screening, while humans remain responsible for evaluating analytical outputs and making final decisions. Furthermore, employer branding and a positive candidate experience enhance an organization’s appeal, ensuring the recruitment process is transparent and responsive. The integration of these various elements is expected to improve the "quality of hire"—the degree to which a candidate’s competencies align with the organization’s needs. A high quality of hire ensures the availability of quality talent, which has the potential to boost an organization’s productivity, innovation, and adaptability. Ultimately, high-quality talent can serve as a source of competitive organizational advantage. Achieving this outcome depends on the effective integration of

technology, fair selection practices, human oversight, and talent management. This model serves as a conceptual framework, with the relationships between its components still requiring empirical testing.

Therefore, an organization's strategy requires formulating seven steps in implementing digital recruitment. First, organizations need to develop digital talent sourcing through a combination of job portals, social media, career websites, and professional networking. Second, AI can be used to assist in the initial screening process and candidate-job matching. Third, recruitment decisions need to be supported by data but remain under the oversight of recruiters. Fourth, organizations need to build authentic digital employer branding. Fifth, candidate experience is an indicator of the success of the recruitment process, alongside other indicators. Sixth, audit the AI system to ensure fairness. Seventh, or the final step, recruiters need to have digital competencies to be able to understand, use, and evaluate the results of the technology.

The main strategy that can be implemented is human-in-the-loop recruitment, namely a recruitment system that utilizes AI to increase efficiency and analytical capabilities, but still places humans as strategic decision makers.

CONCLUSION

Digital transformation is transforming recruitment from an administrative function into a strategic one within HR. Organizations have the opportunity to increase efficiency, expand the talent pool, accelerate the selection process, and enhance data-driven decision-making capabilities through the use of artificial intelligence, applicant tracking systems, job portals, social media, data analytics, chatbots, and video interviews. However, the use of technology does not automatically guarantee that organizations will acquire quality talent. The risks of algorithmic bias, lack of transparency, data protection, poor candidate experience, and reduced human touch are challenges that must be managed.

The literature review found that the most relevant approach is human-AI collaboration. AI should be used to enhance recruiters' data processing and administrative activities, while humans remain responsible for strategic decisions and interpersonal aspects. Digital employer branding and candidate experience are also important elements in recruitment strategies. Rapid technology will result in a positive experience for candidates, but when transparency and fairness are lacking, negative experiences will result. Technology must be designed in a human-centered manner to increase organizational attractiveness and the effectiveness of the recruitment process. The main contribution of this article is the development of a conceptual model that connects digital recruitment capability, efficiency, talent pool expansion, employer branding, candidate experience, human-AI collaboration, algorithmic fairness, and quality of hire.

Thus, while digital transformation can accelerate recruitment and help organizations fill vacant positions more efficiently, speed alone is insufficient to determine its success. More importantly, the effectiveness of digital recruitment should be evaluated in terms of the quality of talent acquired. This involves an organization’s ability to attract and select individuals who possess the competencies required for the job, demonstrate the capacity to deliver strong performance, and have the potential for continuous growth and development within the organization.

Managerial Implications

The research findings provide five implications that organizations must implement. First, companies need to view recruitment technology investments as part of their HR strategy, not simply as an investment in information technology. Organizational needs, job characteristics, and talent management strategies are key elements in selecting an appropriate system. Second, recruiter competencies must be developed. Future recruiters need to understand more than just interview and selection techniques; they also need to understand AI, data analytics, ATS, data interpretation, and the risks of algorithmic bias. Third, organizations need to maintain human oversight in final decisions. AI can provide recommendations, but recruiters must have the ability to question and evaluate those recommendations. Fourth, organizations need to establish AI governance policies that encompass transparency, fairness, accountability, privacy, data security, and human oversight. Fifth, indicators of digital recruitment success need to be expanded. In addition to time to hire and cost per hire, organizations need to measure quality of hire, candidate experience, retention, employee performance, organizational attractiveness, and diversity. Sixth, digital employer branding must be consistent with actual employee experiences. A mismatch between the digital image and the organization's reality can undermine candidate trust.

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