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I'm Mark Innesley, I joined CSC in 2006 and presently I am working as a consultant. My role as a consultant involves looking at the service that we're trying to deliver. I think the things I enjoy about the consulting in particular is the opportunity to have an impact on strategy at a pretty high level.

Within my first week we were getting to meet senior people, you've got a number of benefits from that. One is, that you're learning from their expertise and they're really giving you guidance all the time as to the right path to take in terms of getting exposure to people at that sort of level, it's very impressive.

CSC very much works as a meritocracy and doesn't operate with the same sort of structure and limitations that other companies do. You've got a fantastic work life balance, it may be for examples you've got some pressures on at home and for a couple of weeks you've got to ease off for a little bit. After you've gone through that, perhaps a quieter spell, if you want to drive your career forward you've also got the opportunity to put in the extra hours and that's going to be recognised as well.

In terms of your career, shaping your career, you've got a lot of freedom to work on that with your mentors and with your line managers and on the training front as well, all my training demands have been met and I think in many cases they have been surpassed. I've got a number of friends who work in some of the major global business consultancies, they've got great graduate schemes that they're involved in but the structure is very rigid and they haven't got the same sort of freedom to shape their careers.

I think in the industry it's difficult to say where your future is going to be, things change rapidly, so for me I just want to keep on pushing forward and hopefully get towards the top in the near future.

