## How IBM, Goldman Sachs, PwC and others are responding to the coronavirus threat to the global workplace

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David Barron was quoted in *The Washington Post* discussing what he sees how businesses are handling coronavirus with their employees. He said that many companies are putting travel restrictions in place but that few in the United States are talking yet about arrangements for remote work. They are, however, discussing what they'll do if the virus's spread causes widespread absences, such as letting workers dip into the following year's paid time off bank. He's also watching how things are changing in real time. He was helping a large auto parts supplier put together a coronavirus response plan Wednesday when one manager had to step out of the meeting to talk with an employee in Britain whose wife had just received a coronavirus diagnosis. "From where things were a week or two ago, it's like a different world," Barron said.

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