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Introduction⁰¹

A new model for
how work gets done.

Introduction⁰¹



The Fourth Industrial Revolution will radically shift the way people live and work and how businesses operate. In the future, talent, more than capital, will represent the critical factor of production.

Organizations will also need to use their assets and capabilities differently, transforming their core businesses and developing new revenue opportunities. Talent will not be limited by location or locked into prescribed working styles and corporate cultures.

Vision⁰²



We are Braintrust. We believe that the way that global organizations and knowledge workers work together is fundamentally unfair and broken. We believe that Talent deserve to keep 100% of the value they create while getting full credit for their work.

We believe that Organizations deserve more than a black box. That they should have easy access to the world's top talent without middle men taking huge cuts. We're here to shape the future of work—one that is transparent, responsible, and 100% aligned for everyone.



Positioning⁰³

Accelerate a new era
of global abundance.

Positioning⁰³



Brand Promise

We're creating the future of work,
to benefit enterprise and talent alike.

Positioning Statement

For global enterprises that are frustrated with the hassle and exorbitant costs of finding qualified technical talent, Braintrust is an easy-to-use platform that connects enterprises directly to prescreened technical talent. Unlike agencies, headhunters and other marketplaces that operate with massive markups, Braintrust is a new model that charges near-zero fees and redistributes value back to enterprises and talent alike.

Tagline

Braintrust. The way work should work.



Mission⁰⁴

Our mission is to build the world's most compelling talent platform.

Values⁰⁵



Everyone is an owner

The collective “we” - talent, employers, and the Braintrust team - all act like owners because we are all owners. We are all responsible for the success of the network and ensuring great experiences for our users. We’re entrepreneurial, not entitled. We believe in the value of hard work and we’ll do whatever it takes to ensure the success of the network.

Ultimate transparency

We communicate with our team and users in an open and honest way especially when it’s difficult. We take responsibility for our mistakes and move quickly to fix them.

Work with integrity

Our users and teammates count on us to deliver. We follow through on our commitments. People trust us because we deliver on what we promise we will do.

Move fast, with precision

We move quickly to deliver value to our users but not at the expense of quality. We approach each project with thoughtful planning and ultimate precision. The details matter because we’re dealing with our user's money and livelihood.

Raise the bar

We’re committed to continually delivering better experiences to all of our users. We’re committed to excellence and we surround ourselves with people who share in that commitment. We elevate one another by performing at the highest level every day, taking on new challenges, and being dedicated to learning from one another and the world around us.

Be a global citizen

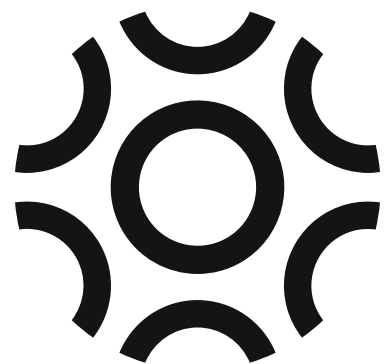
We believe that we have a responsibility to talent, to organizations, and to the world. We’re grateful for this opportunity and look for ways to use our resources and skills to help our fellow global citizens. We’re inclusive and treat everyone with dignity and respect.



Logos⁰⁶ —Symbol

The Braintrust Symbol is one of two primary identifiers for the brand. It must always be displayed predominately and legibly in every application — digital or print. Harnessing its strong simplicity, Braintrust’s abstracted Symbol will allow consumers to apply their own meaning, creating lasting relationships specific to their journeys.

Symbol





Logos⁰⁶ —Wordmark

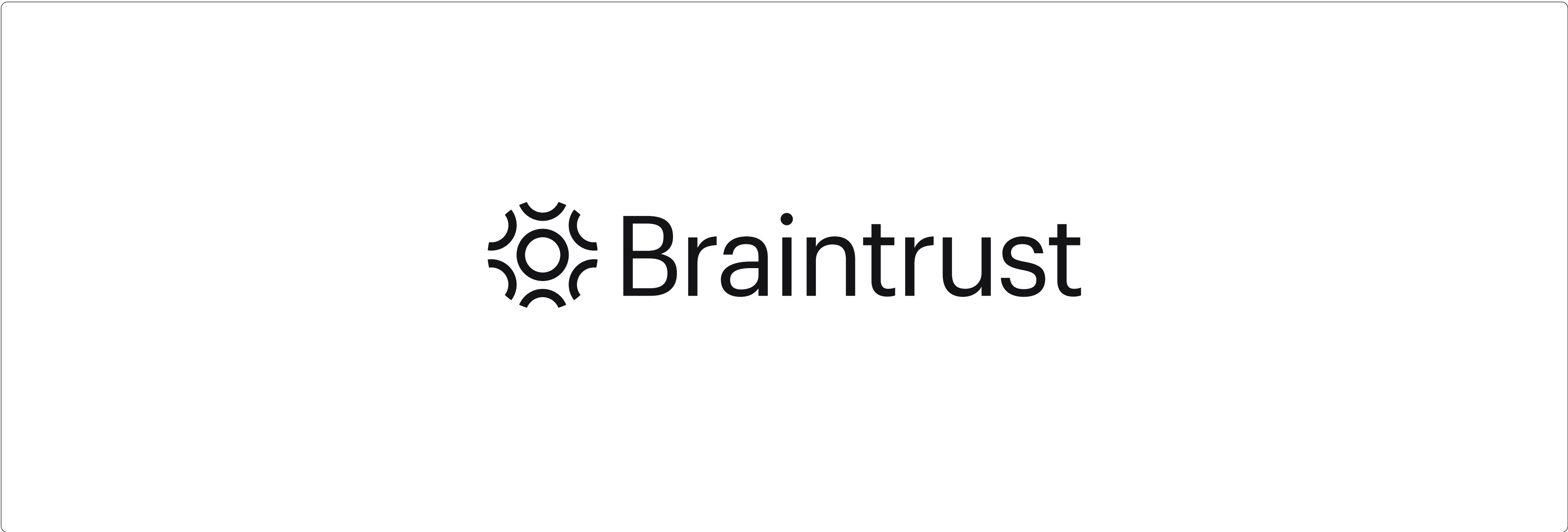
The Wordmark is the second instance of the core identity. The letters have been developed to carry strong presence and legibility, to communicate our maturity. It is to be used with and without the Symbol, creating a strong image.

Braintrust



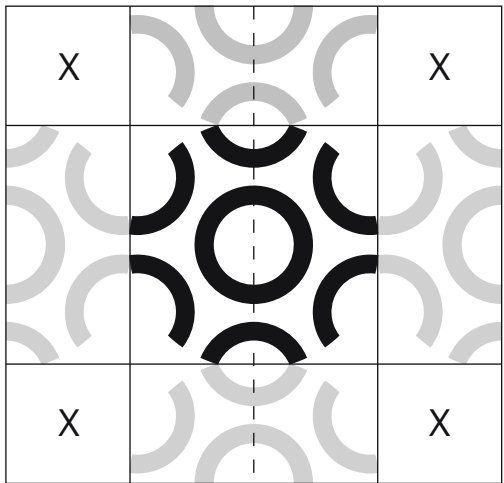
Logos⁰⁶ —Lockup

The logo lockup is a simple method of pairing the two core identity elements. The lockup must never be placed too closely to margins, other logos, or visually competing graphic elements.



Logos⁰⁶ —Clear Space

Symbol

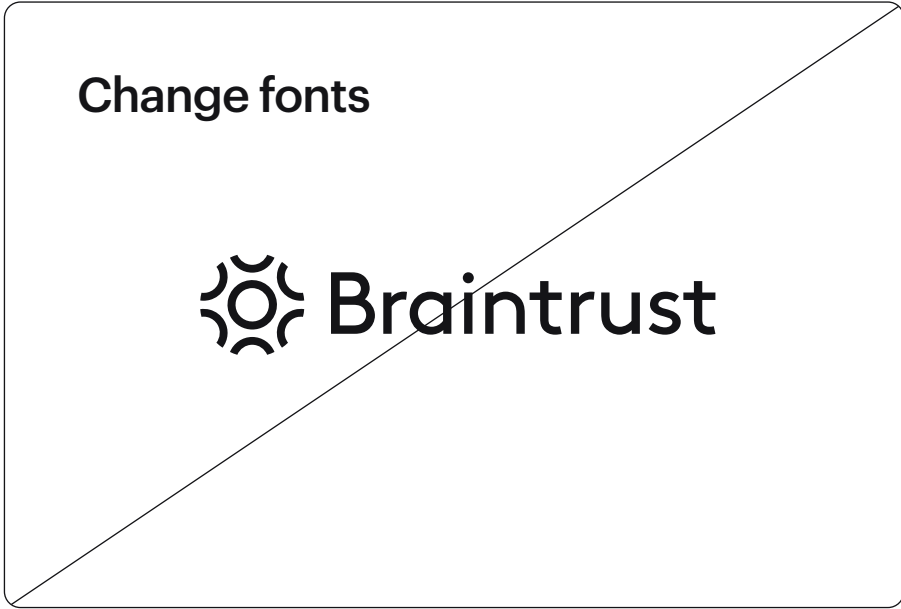
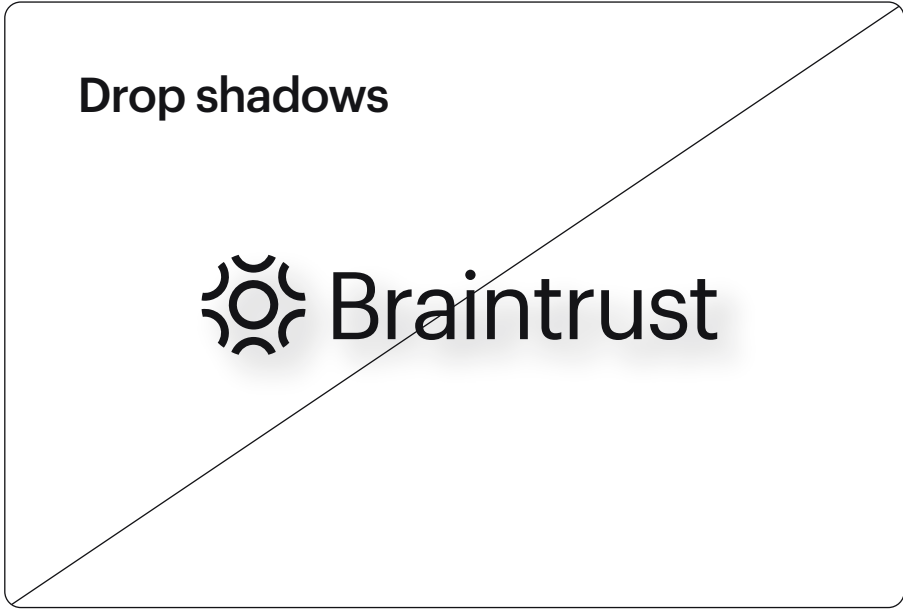
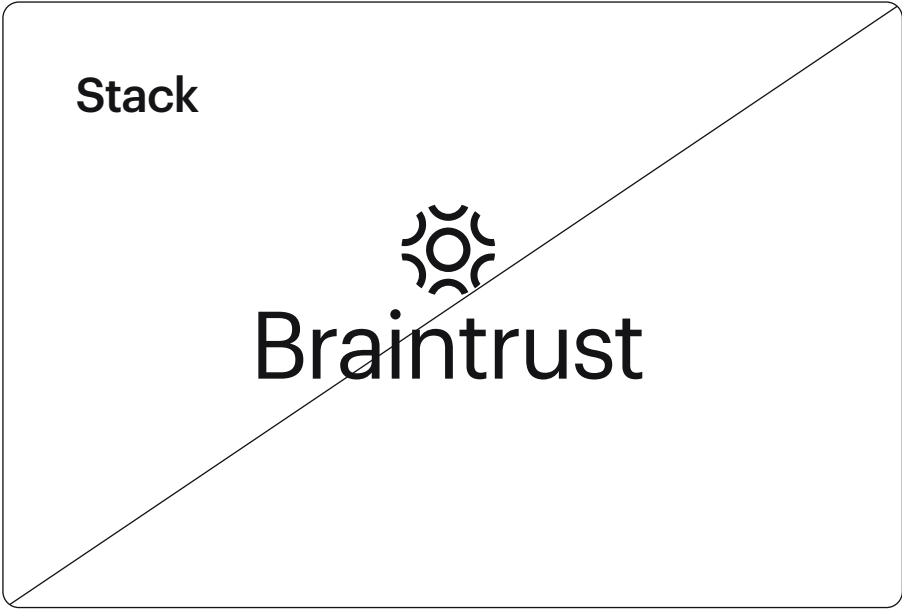
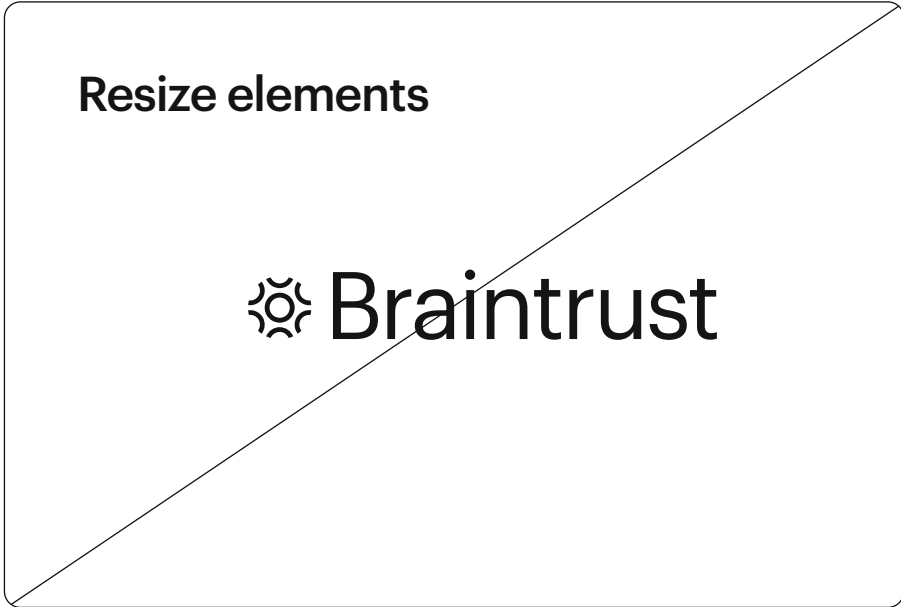
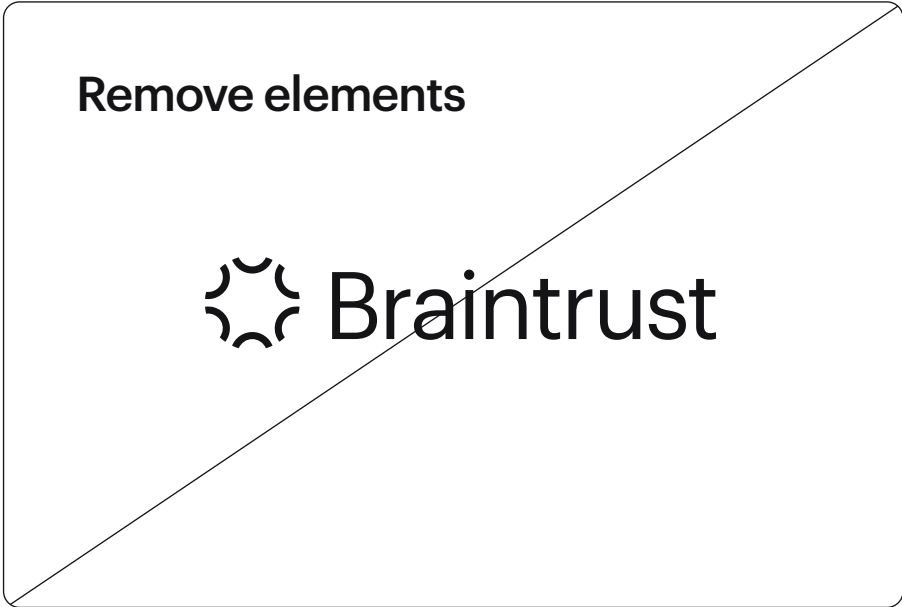
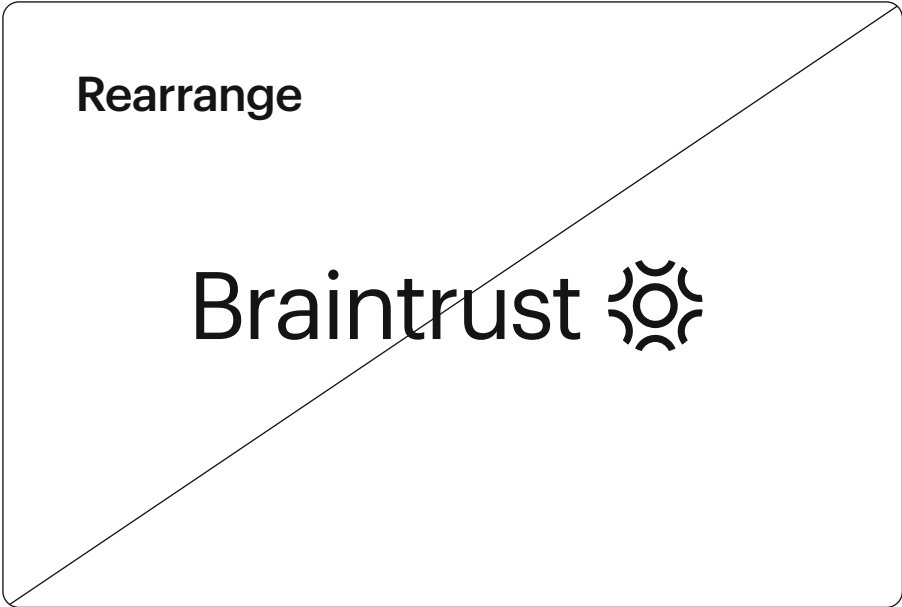


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Lockup



Logos⁰⁶ —Misuse



Never alter the construction, make color changes, add, or remove any elements of the logos. Some examples of incorrect logo usage can be seen below.



Color⁰⁷ —Base

The primary color palette features a high contrast mix of black with pure white, off white, and soft blue.

Black
—#141417

RGB
20 / 20 / 23

CMYK
75 / 69 / 64 / 80

Pure White
—#FFFFFF

RGB
255 / 255 / 255

CMYK
00 / 00 / 00 / 00

Off White
—#FAF9F8

RGB
250 / 249 / 248

CMYK
01 / 01 / 01 / 00

Soft Blue
—#F5F8FF

RGB
245 / 248 / 255

CMYK
03 / 01 / 00 / 00



Color⁰⁷

—Base application

The primary color palette features a high contrast mix of black with pure white, off white, and soft blue.

Blog

The future of work

Latest

Popular

Work

Innovation

Culture

Q Search

Color⁰⁷ —Backgrounds

<div>Beige —#E9E7E4</div> <div>RGB 233 / 231 / 228</div> <div>CMYK 07 / 06 / 08 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Red —#F9FOFO</div> <div>RGB 249 / 240 / 240</div> <div>CMYK 01 / 05 / 02 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Orange —#FFF4E3</div> <div>RGB 255 / 244 / 227</div> <div>CMYK 00 / 03 / 10 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Yellow —#FFFCEA</div> <div>RGB 255 / 252 / 234</div> <div>CMYK 00 / 00 / 08 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Green —#F7FCEC</div> <div>RGB 247 / 252 / 236</div> <div>CMYK 03 / 00 / 08 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Teal —#F8FFFF</div> <div>RGB 248 / 255 / 255</div> <div>CMYK 02 / 00 / 00 / 00</div>	<div>Soft Violet —#F9F6FF</div> <div>RGB 249 / 246 / 255</div> <div>CMYK 03 / 01 / 00 / 00</div>	<div>Cool Grey —#E5ECEC</div> <div>RGB 229 / 236 / 236</div> <div>CMYK 09 / 03 / 05 / 00</div>
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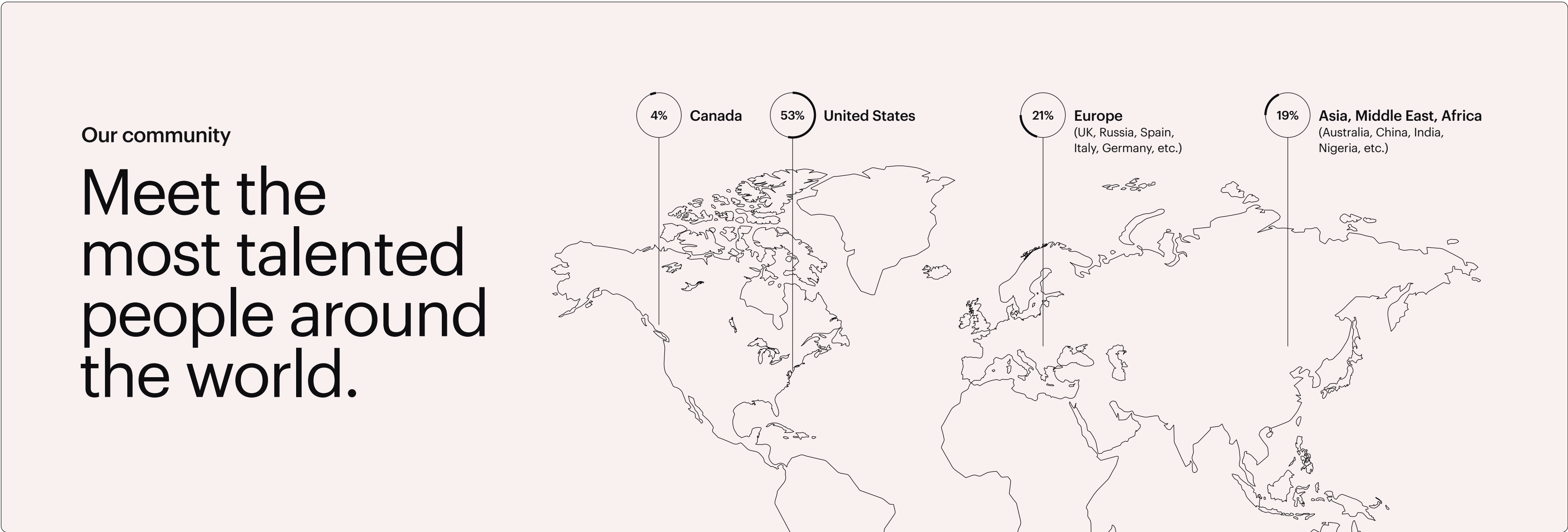
The background color palette features brighter accents to help create warmth. These should be applied to full page backgrounds in print and digital and should not be mixed and matched within the same application. Gradients should not be used anywhere in the brand system.



Color⁰⁷

—Background application

The background color palette features brighter accents to help create warmth. These should be applied to full page backgrounds in print and digital and should not be mixed and matched within the same application.





Color⁰⁷ —Accents

Color accents are used for illustrated elements and abstract background shapes to help create a varied and dynamic system of color application. For secondary applications and brand extensions, these can be used as background colors. Gradients should not be created using the accent colors.

Yellow
—#FEFDBF

RGB
254 / 253 / 191

CMYK
02 / 00 / 30 / 00

Orange
—#FFD37A

RGB
255 / 211 / 122

CMYK
00 / 17 / 61 / 00

Peach
—#FFBB8D

RGB
255 / 187 / 141

CMYK
00 / 32 / 45 / 00

Blue
—#D4E4F9

RGB
212 / 228 / 249

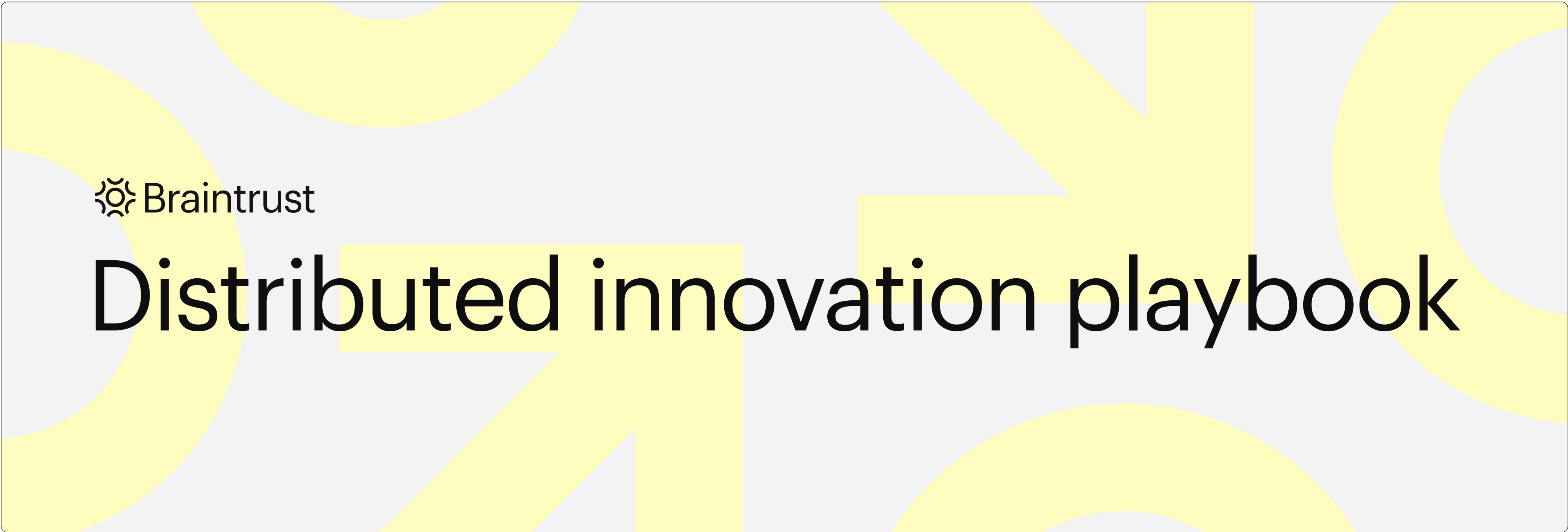
CMYK
15 / 05 / 00 / 00



Color⁰⁷

—Accent application

Color accents are used for illustrated elements and abstract background shapes to help create a varied and dynamic system of color application. For secondary applications and brand extensions, these can be used as background colors.



Typography⁰⁸

—Graphik Regular



Graphik is the sole typeface for the Braintrust identity. It should be used for headlines, subheadlines, body copy, and link text. Medium, regular, and light are the weights used across the brand system.

Graphik Medium

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890()&?!.,:;’"/~

Graphik Regular

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890()&?!.,:;’"/~

Graphik Light

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890()&?!.,:;’"/~



Typography⁰⁸ —Hierarchy

Extra Large Stylized Headlines — Graphik Light

Hello.



Typography⁰⁸ —Hierarchy

Large Headlines — Graphik Regular

Building the world's
most compelling
talent platform.

Typography⁰⁸ —Hierarchy

Medium Headlines — Graphik Medium

Accelerating innovation
and digital transformation

Google Fonts Fallback Typeface — DM Sans Medium & Regular

DM Sans Medium
DM Sans Regular



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Subheadlines — Graphik Medium

An introduction

Body Copy — Graphik Regular

The way we work is broken, and has been for a long time. We hoped the gig economy would usher in a new era of autonomy and abundance, but the economics didn’t pan out. A few wealthy people became even wealthier, and the average worker is still struggling to make a living.

We believe there’s a better way to think about work—a model that benefits both enterprises and talent alike. At Braintrust, we’ve built our user-controlled talent network on the basis that everyone should be treated fairly. Transactions should be transparent, incentives should be aligned, and the huge percentages that used to be taken by middlemen should be a thing of the past. That means talent keeps the value they create, organizations get access to the top-tier talent they need without breaking the bank, and everybody wins.

We’re Braintrust. And this is the way work should work.

Brand Elements⁰⁹

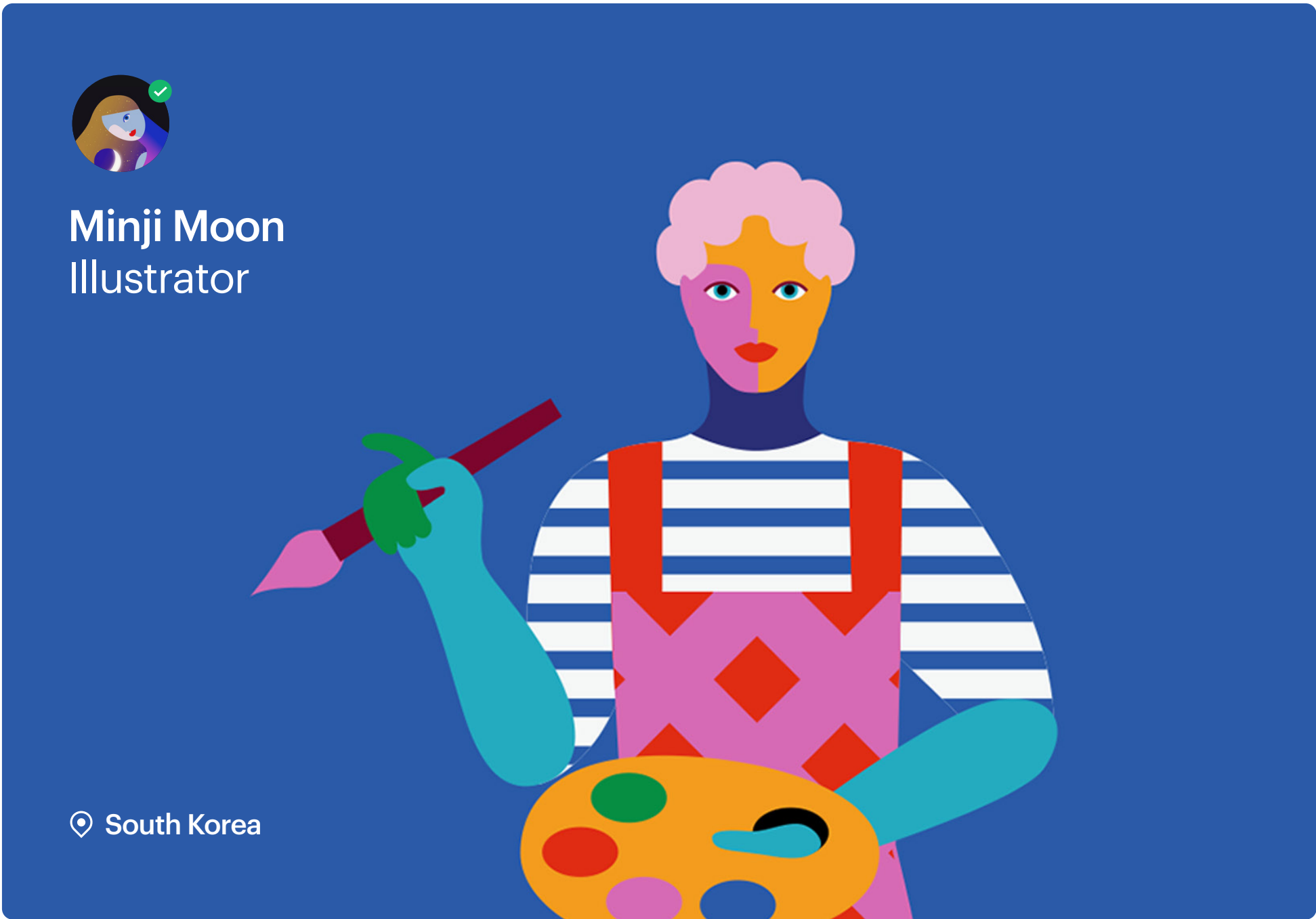
—Talent Cards



Talent cards are used to feature members of the Braintrust community. When used as a brand element in marketing communications, the logo appears in the top right corner.



Brand Elements⁰⁹ —Talent Cards



Talent cards can be used to feature projects when applicable. When used for interactive applications (i.e. website), the Braintrust logo is not applied to the cards.





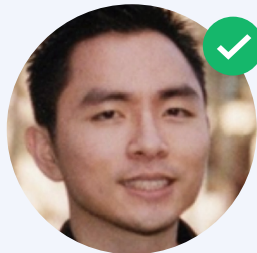
Brand Elements⁰⁹ —Talent Cards

When larger photography is not available for talent, smaller containers can be used to show profile images.



Diana Santos
UX/UI Designer

📍 Porto, PT



Tu Nguyen
UI Designer

📍 Laguna Hills, CA



Kelli Borgonia
Project Manager

📍 Seattle



Jonathan Gresley
UX Designer

📍 San Francisco

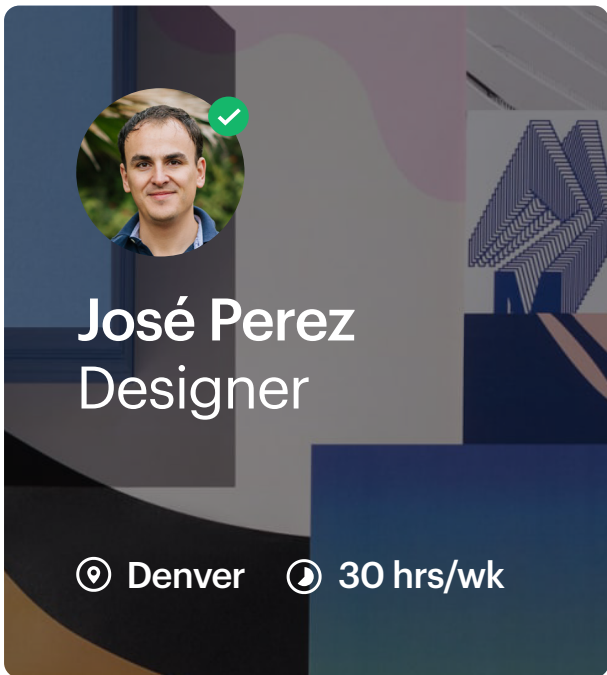


Brand Elements⁰⁹ —Talent Cards



David Martin
Senior UX Design Consultant

📍 Orlando 🕒 40 hrs/wk



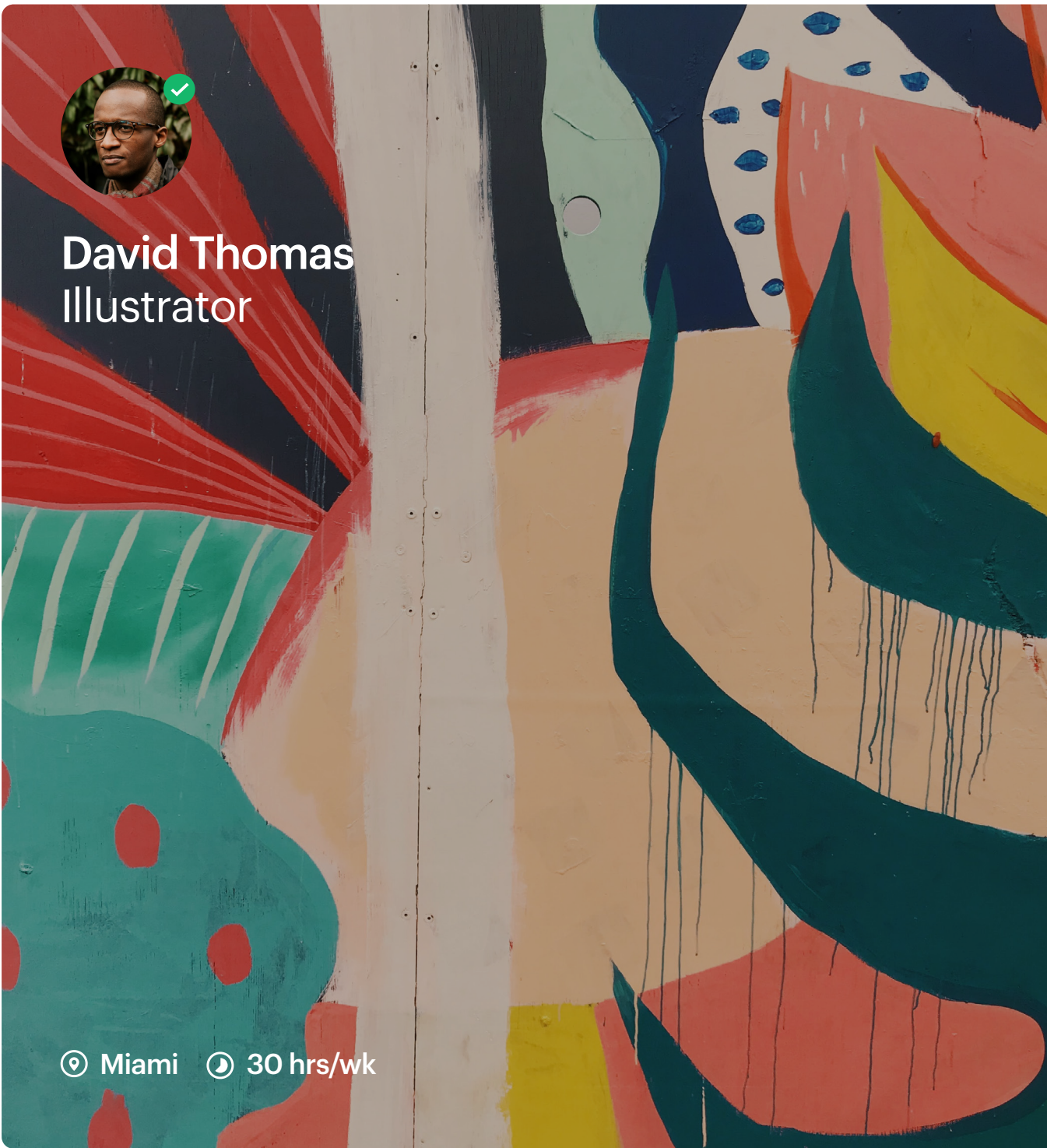
José Perez
Designer

📍 Denver 🕒 30 hrs/wk



Kelly Lamano
Multimedia
Content Creator

📍 Orlando 🕒 10 hrs/wk



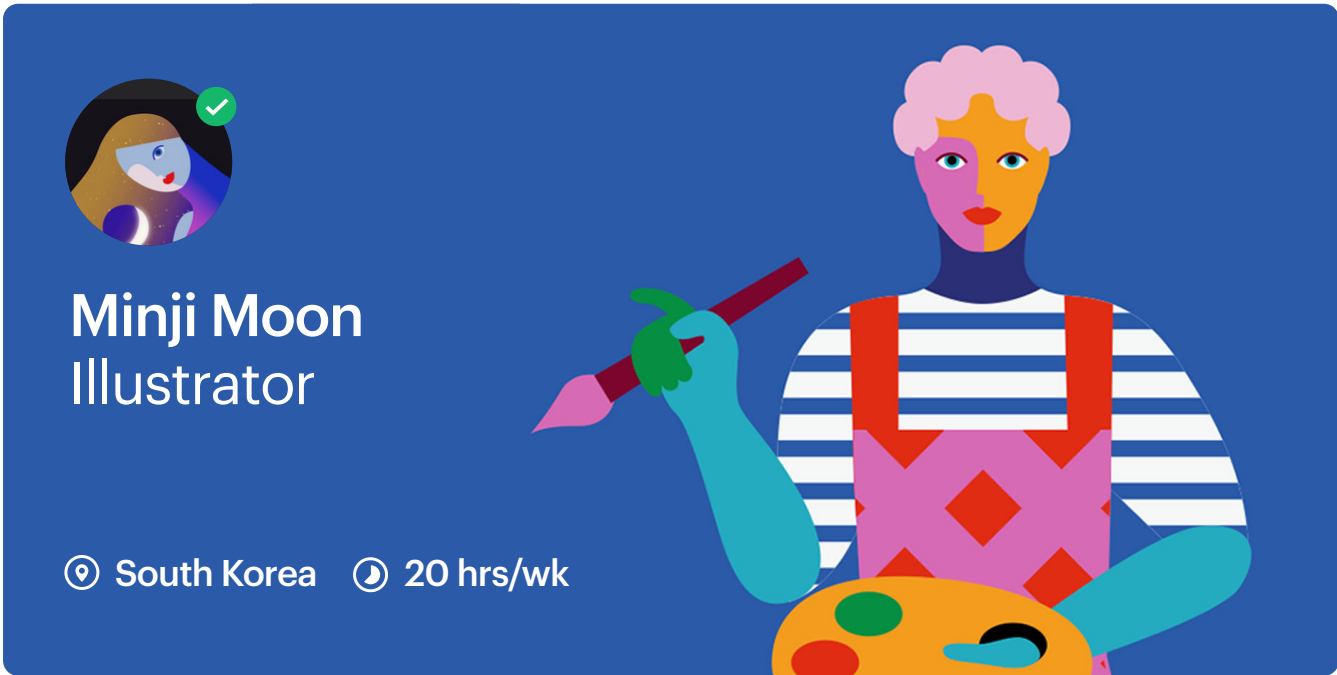
David Thomas
Illustrator

📍 Miami 🕒 30 hrs/wk



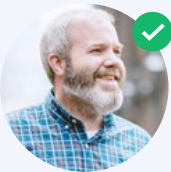
**Oluwafemi
Omoniyi**
Engineer

📍 Miami 🕒 40 hrs/wk



Minji Moon
Illustrator

📍 South Korea 🕒 20 hrs/wk



Patrick Hughes
Project Manager

📍 Miami 🕒 40 hrs/wk

Brand Elements⁰⁹ —Enterprise Cards



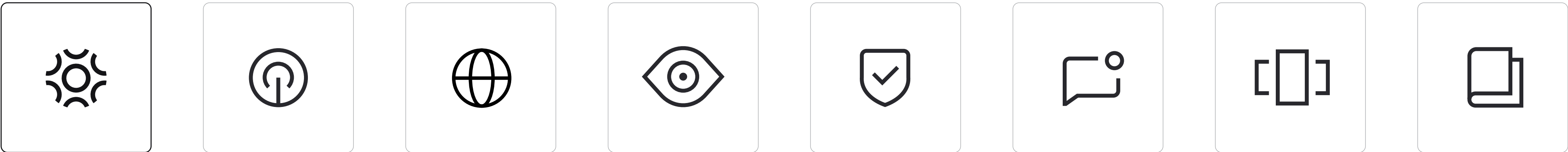
When possible, featured companies should be presented with compelling photography.





Brand Elements⁰⁹ —Iconography

Form / composition



Color backgrounds



Iconography should feel cohesive with the styling of the Braintrust logo, with consistent weight and density.

Brand Elements⁰⁹

—Infographics



Infographics should be primarily black and white with accent colors to highlight specific benefits and callouts.

	Braintrust	Agencies & Consultants
Talent match	48 hours 	1-3 months
Talent markup	10% 	60-70%
Talent quality	⬆️ Top 1%	? Unknown
Pre-vetted talent	✓ Yes	✗ No
Quality guarantee	✓ Yes	✗ No

Interaction¹⁰

—Buttons & Fields



Primary CTA text: FFFFFFFF button: 347BFF

Graphik Medium 18 pt

Secondary CTA text: 252528 outline: 1 px 252528

Graphik Medium 18 pt

Primary Dual CTA

Med 18 pt Med 18 pt

Form Field text: 50% 252528 line: 1 px 252528

Medium 18 pt unpopulated form field

Form Field Error text: 50% 252528 line: 1 px ED273D

Medium 18 pt unpopulated form field

Hover State text: 347BFF button: ffffff

Graphik Medium 18 pt

Hover State text: FFFFFFFF button: 252528

Graphik Medium 18 pt

Secondary Dual CTA

Med 18 pt Med 18 pt →

Form Field Active text: 252528 line: 1 px 252528

Medium 18 pt populated form field



Interaction¹⁰

—Testimonials



01 / 05 ← →

I appreciate how difficult it is to align incentives between customers and workers, and to ensure you're delivering a high-quality service. Braintrust has accomplished just that.

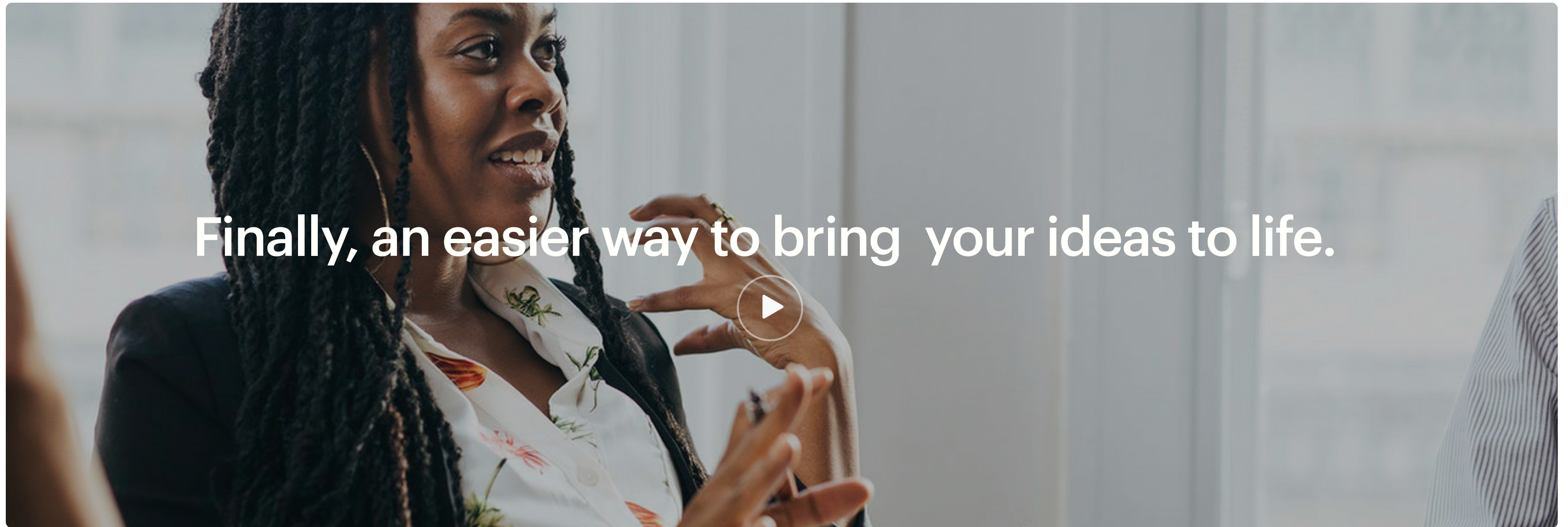


Stacy Brown-Philpot
CEO



Interaction¹⁰

—Video covers





Interaction¹⁰

—Signup form

Subscribe to our newsletter for updates on the future of work

Your name

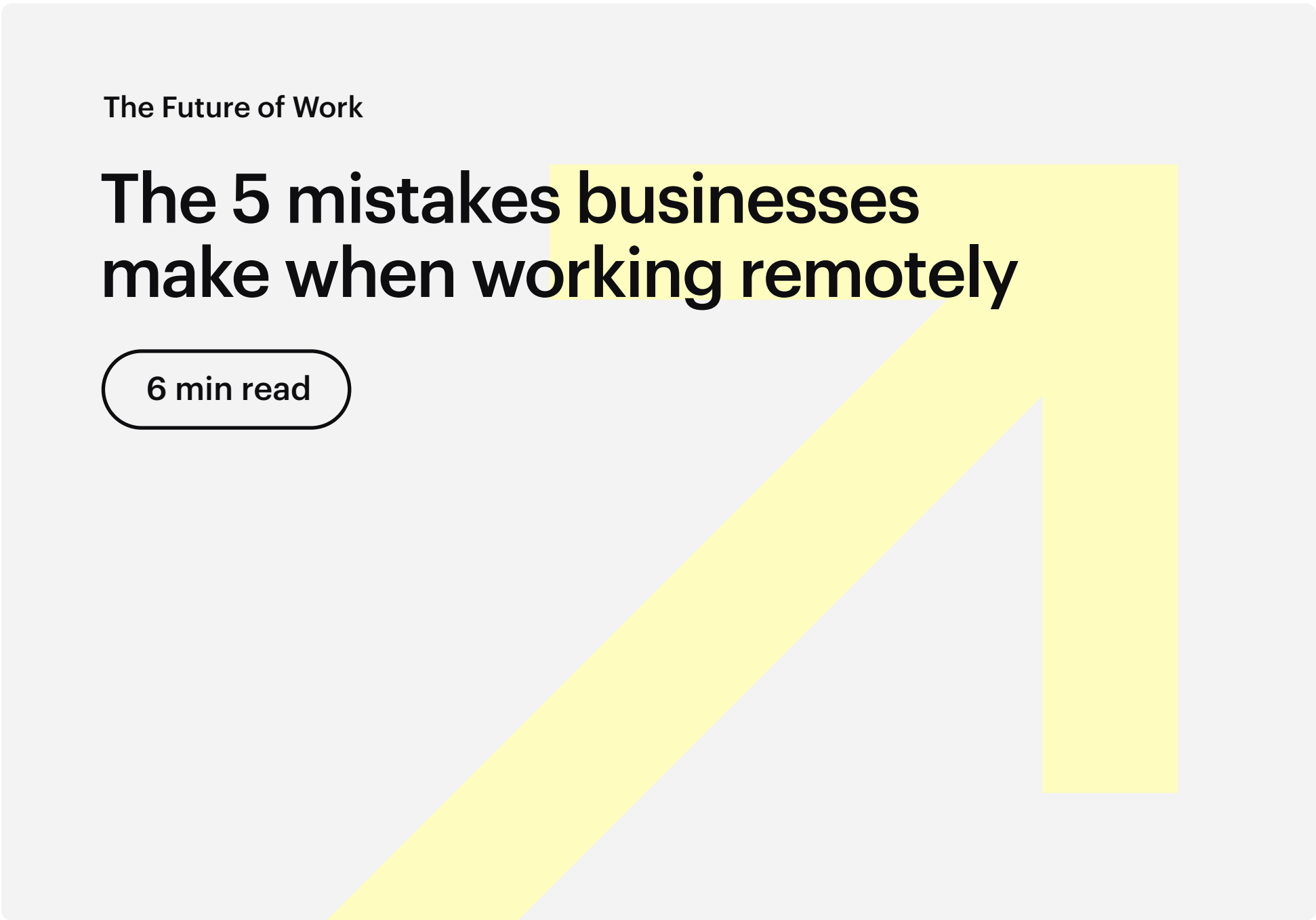
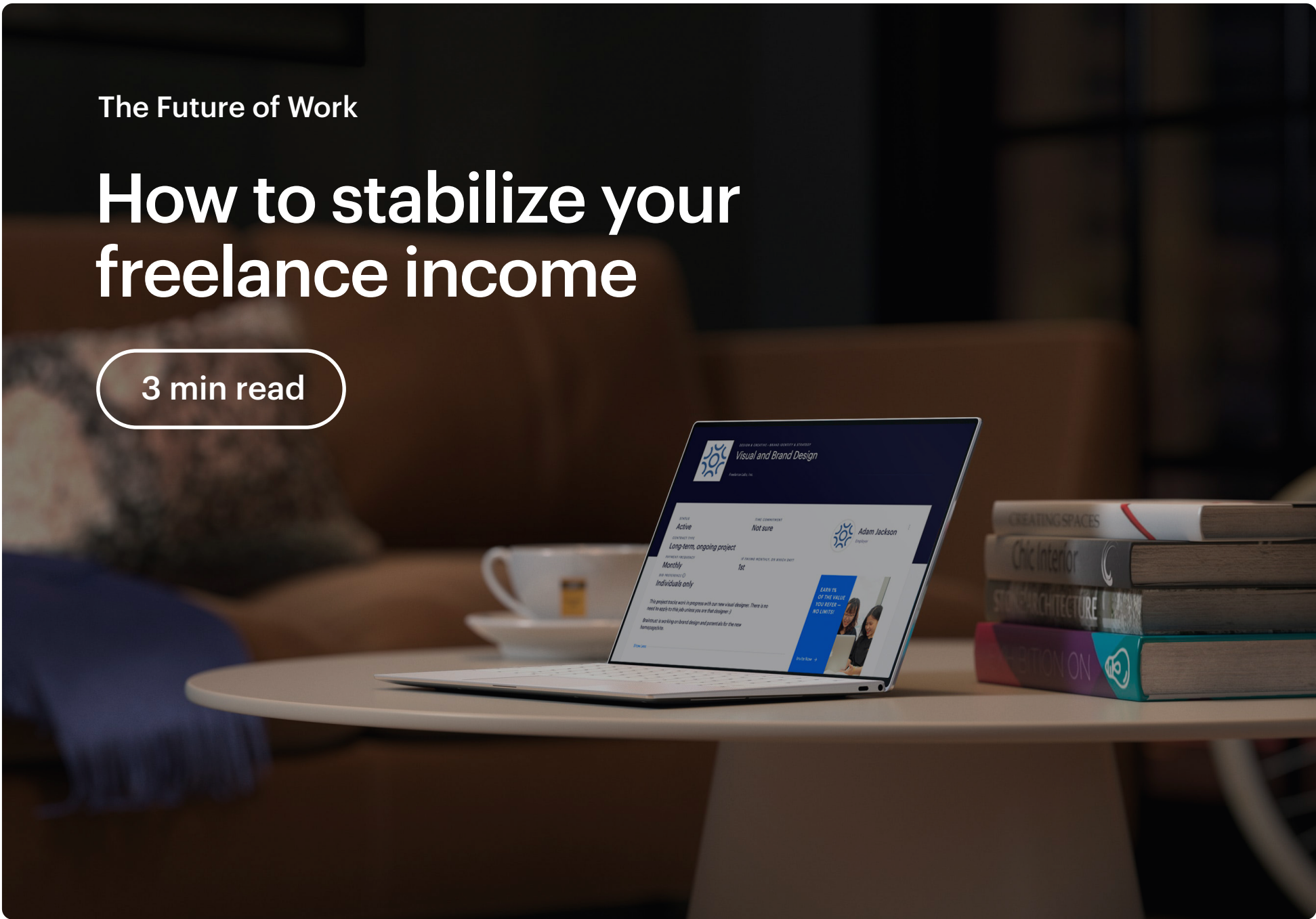
Your email

Subscribe

☐ I agree to receive Braintrust communications.



Interaction¹⁰ —Touts





Photography¹¹

Our photography builds on the emotional qualities of bringing together a distributed group of global talent to create the innovations of tomorrow.

Photography¹¹

—Core Elements



People

- Flexible teams (agile, staff augmentation, dedicated teams, long-term support)
- Talent is global, bringing fresh and diverse perspectives to the work

Process

- Suited for rapidly evolving work landscape
- Suited to emerging technologies
- Talent has freedom of movement
- Talent is flexible to different working styles
- Extremely collaborative process, looking to ensure mutual success

Platform

- Tools and systems empowering Talent to use technology to work more efficiently
- System provides frequent pulse updates on progress
- System predicts talent demand and staffs more talent
- System learns from completed projects and becomes smarter over time

Photography¹¹

—Best Practices



Yes

- ☑ Authentic
- ☑ Natural light / shadows in real locations
- ☑ Photos that document the human experience of doing meaningful work
- ☑ Showing connection between people
- ☑ Diversity of genders, ethnicities, and ages. Casual dress is acceptable.
- ☑ Real people, doing real work they love on their own terms.
- ☑ Aspirational / inspiring

No

- ☒ Images that look fake or over stylized
- ☒ Overly stylized photos shot in studios
- ☒ Photos that showcase old models of work or elicit negative emotions
- ☒ Stock photos that are overly stylized or contrived (talent or people in organizations)
- ☒ Actors playing exaggerated roles or in staged environments
- ☒ Photos of people looking directly at the camera — all photos should feel authentic and candid



Photography¹¹ —Examples

Bright, inviting and natural.





Photography¹¹ —Examples

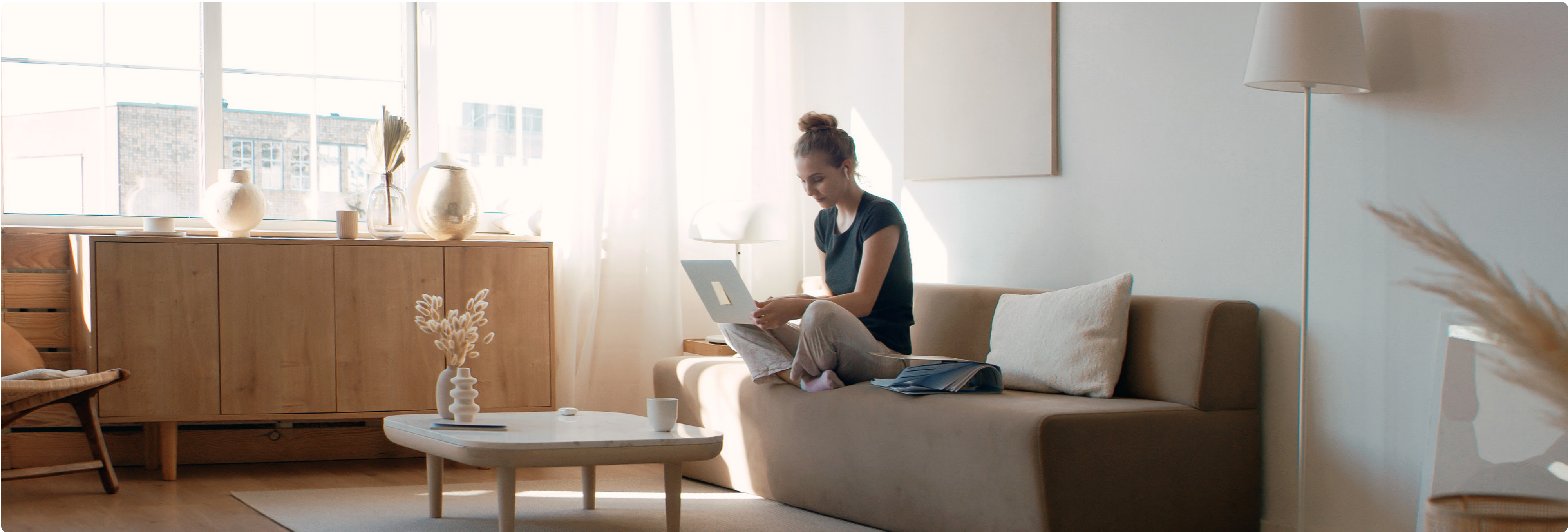
A range of settings and situations.





Photography¹¹ —Examples

Real environments and real people who are not posing for the shot.





Photography¹¹ —Examples

Warm, natural lighting in an environment that does not look staged.





Photography¹¹ —Examples

☑ Natural working posture



☒ Overly staged





Photography¹¹ —Examples

☑ Real work environment



☒ Studio portraits



Photography¹¹

—Examples

☑ Bright, warm, natural



☒ Cold, staged

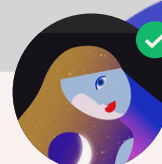




Collateral¹²

—OOH

Access
the world's
most
talented
freelancers.



Minji Moon
Illustrator

📍 South Korea



Collateral¹² —OOH

The world's first
user-controlled
talent network.





Collateral¹² —Playbook

