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Second, double down on the digitalisation of our economies and education systems by investing in new technologies and high-speed internet.

Third, orient action toward inclusion and fairness, especially for women and young people.

Fourth, leave no one behind by ensuring adequate social and financial protection for the most vulnerable amongst us.

The financial system can be a force multiplier, but we need to strengthen adherence to global standards and norms by reporting data in a transparent and comparable manner.

The menu of policy options being presented today gives each country the tools to prevail in its unique context. We cannot allow the Sustainable Development Goals to become a victim of the Covid pandemic or any other unexpected shock. Let's stay focused.

Thank you.

Rwanda was pleased to co-lead the Discussion Group on Recovering Better for Sustainability, together with the European Union, Fiji, and the United Kingdom. Our recommendations focus on four key strategies in close alignment with both the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement.

First, build resilient national health systems with Universal Health Coverage at the centre.

