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The Pact for the Future, a visionary global compact, envisions a world transformed, where humanity thrives in harmony with nature, prosperity is shared equitably, and peace and justice prevail. This transformative agenda ushers in an era of unprecedented progress, guided by the principles of sustainable development, international cooperation, and empowerment of future generations.

Through collective action, we can eradicate poverty, hunger, and conflict, ensuring that all individuals have the opportunity to reach their full potential. By embracing innovation, harnessing technology, and upholding the principles of human dignity, we can create a more resilient, equitable, and sustainable future for all. The Pact for the Future is our collective roadmap towards this extraordinary future.

To achieve these ambitious goals, the Pact for the Future will undertake a series of concrete actions, including:

Investing in education and healthcare to ensure that all people have access to these essential services.

Promoting sustainable agriculture and renewable energy to protect the environment and address climate change.

Strengthening institutions and fostering dialogue to promote peace and security.

The Pact for the Future will also forge partnership mechanisms with governments, businesses, civil society, and other stakeholders to achieve its goals. Together, we can create a more just, equitable, and sustainable world for all.

Chapter I. Sustainable development and financing for development

Accelerating Sustainable Development and Financing for Development: A Call to Action

The world faces interconnected challenges that demand a transformative approach to sustainable development and financing. This document outlines key recommendations to accelerate progress towards a more sustainable and equitable future:

Strengthen International Cooperation: Foster global collaboration, uphold multilateralism, and promote South-South and North-South cooperation.

Mobilize Adequate Financing: Implement innovative financing mechanisms, increase ODA, and encourage private sector investment in sustainable development.

Promote Sustainable Economic Growth: Transition to a low-carbon economy, invest in education and skills, and implement inclusive economic policies.

Strengthen Environmental Protection: Implement effective environmental policies, promote sustainable consumption and production, and utilize nature-based solutions.

Empower Sustainable Development Champions: Engage civil society, indigenous communities, and local stakeholders; ensure meaningful participation of women, youth, and marginalized groups; and promote education on sustainable development.

Strengthen Governance and Accountability: Enhance transparency, accountability, and good governance; establish robust monitoring and evaluation mechanisms; and foster collaboration between governments, businesses, civil society, and academia.

By implementing these recommendations, we can create a more sustainable and equitable future for all.

Chapter II. International peace and security

Fostering International Peace and Security: A Call for Action

The pursuit of international peace and security is a fundamental pillar of sustainable development. To achieve a world free from conflict and violence, the following recommendations are proposed:

1. Strengthen the Rules-Based International Order:

Uphold the principles of the UN Charter, including the prohibition of the use of force and the peaceful resolution of disputes.

Reinforce the role of international institutions, such as the United Nations, in maintaining peace and security.

Promote multilateral cooperation to address global security challenges, including terrorism, cyber threats, and weapons proliferation.

2. Prevent and Resolve Conflicts:

Invest in preventive diplomacy, mediation, and conflict resolution mechanisms to address potential conflicts at an early stage.

Support peacebuilding efforts in post-conflict societies, promoting reconciliation, reconstruction, and durable peace.

Encourage dialogue and political participation among conflicting parties to achieve sustainable peace agreements.

3. Address Root Causes of Conflict:

Promote sustainable development, poverty reduction, and social justice to address underlying grievances that fuel conflict.

Respect human rights and fundamental freedoms, promoting inclusive governance and democratic institutions.

Address environmental degradation and resource scarcity, which can lead to tensions and instability.

4. Promote Non-Proliferation and Arms Control:

Strengthen international treaties and agreements on disarmament and non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Promote transparency and confidence-building measures to reduce the risk of nuclear and conventional arms races.

Encourage responsible arms transfers and prevent the illicit trade in weapons.

5. Enhance International Cooperation on Peacekeeping:

Support UN peacekeeping operations and ensure adequate resources for their effectiveness.

Encourage participation in peacekeeping missions by a wider range of countries, including developing nations.

Enhance cooperation between UN peacekeeping forces and other security actors, such as regional organizations.

By implementing these recommendations, we can create a more peaceful and secure world for all, fostering stability and prosperity for future generations.

Chapter III. Science, technology and innovation and digital cooperation

Harnessing Science, Technology, and Innovation for Sustainable Development and Digital Cooperation: Recommendations for ActionScience, technology, and innovation (STI) play a crucial role in addressing global challenges and achieving sustainable development.

To harness STI for a better future, the following recommendations are proposed:

- 1. Promote Open Access to Scientific Knowledge and Data: Implement open access policies to ensure that scientific research and data are freely available to all. Support open science initiatives that facilitate collaboration and knowledge sharing among researchers. Promote the use of open data standards and platforms to enhance accessibility and interoperability.
- 2. Invest in Research and Development for Sustainable Development: Increase funding for research and development (R&D) focused on addressing sustainable development challenges, including climate change, poverty, and health. Encourage collaboration between public and private sector institutions to foster innovation for sustainable solutions. Support the development and transfer of STI to developing countries to accelerate their progress towards sustainable development.
- 3. Bridge the Digital Divide: Expand access to affordable and reliable broadband internet connectivity, particularly in underserved and remote areas. Promote digital literacy and skills development to empower individuals and communities to participate in the digital economy. Address digital inequality and ensure that all individuals have access to the benefits and opportunities of digital technologies.
- 4. Foster Responsible and Ethical Development of Artificial Intelligence (AI): Establish clear guidelines and principles for the ethical and responsible development and use of AI.Promote transparency and accountability in AI systems to address concerns about bias, discrimination, and privacy. Encourage public discourse and engagement on the ethical implications of AI and related objective systems to ensure that it serves the common good.
- 5. Strengthen International Cooperation on STI and Digital Issues: Facilitate international collaboration on STI research and innovation, sharing best practices and knowledge. Establish international frameworks and agreements on digital trade, governance, and security to promote a safe and open digital ecosystem. Encourage partnerships between governments, businesses, civil society, and academia to address global challenges and opportunities through STI and digital cooperation.

By implementing these recommendations, we can harness the power of STI and digital cooperation to create a more sustainable, equitable, and prosperous future for all.

Chapter IV. Youth and future generations

Empowering Youth and Future Generations: Recommendations for Action

Youth are the driving force of change and innovation, and their well-being and empowerment are essential for securing a sustainable and equitable future for all. To realize the full potential of youth and ensure a brighter future for generations to come, the following recommendations are proposed:

1. Enhance Meaningful Youth Participation:

Create inclusive platforms and mechanisms for youth to actively participate in decision-making processes at all levels.

Support youth-led initiatives and organizations that address social, economic, and environmental challenges.

Encourage youth engagement in policy development, program implementation, and evaluation to ensure their voices are heard and acted upon.

2. Invest in Education, Skills, and Employment Opportunities:

Provide quality and equitable education for all youth, equipping them with the knowledge, skills, and competencies needed to thrive in the 21st century.

Promote lifelong learning opportunities to enable youth to adapt to the changing demands of the workforce and society.

Facilitate access to decent work opportunities, entrepreneurship, and vocational training for youth, empowering them to contribute to economic growth and sustainable development.

3. Promote Mental Health and Well-being:

Address the mental health challenges faced by youth, providing accessible and culturally sensitive mental health services.

Foster a supportive and inclusive environment that promotes mental well-being and resilience among youth.

Raise awareness about mental health issues and encourage open dialogue to reduce stigma and promote seeking help.

4. Nurture Civic Engagement and Leadership:

Empower youth to become active citizens, promoting civic engagement, volunteering, and social responsibility.

Provide mentorship and leadership development opportunities for youth to enhance their skills and confidence.

Encourage youth participation in community governance and decision-making processes to foster a sense of ownership and responsibility.

5. Protect the Rights and Well-being of Youth:

Uphold the rights of all youth, including the right to education, healthcare, protection from violence and exploitation.

Address the specific vulnerabilities faced by marginalized youth, such as girls, minorities, and those living in conflict-affected areas.

Promote gender equality and empower girls and young women to reach their full potential.

By implementing these recommendations, we can create an environment where youth are empowered, engaged, and equipped to lead us towards a more sustainable, equitable, and prosperous future.

Chapter V. Transforming global governance

Transforming Global Governance for a Sustainable and Equitable Future: Recommendations for Action

In an increasingly interconnected and complex world, effective global governance is essential to address shared challenges and achieve sustainable development for all. To transform global governance and make it more inclusive, accountable, and responsive to the needs of all, the following recommendations are proposed:

1. Strengthen Multilateralism and the Rules-Based International Order:

Uphold the principles of the UN Charter and international law, promoting cooperation, dialogue, and peaceful resolution of disputes.

Revitalize the United Nations and its agencies, enhancing their effectiveness, efficiency, and responsiveness to evolving global challenges.

Strengthen the role of regional organizations and intergovernmental bodies in addressing regional and global issues.

2. Promote Inclusive and Equitable Representation:

Enhance the participation of developing countries, marginalized groups, and civil society in global governance processes.

Ensure that women, youth, and indigenous peoples have a meaningful voice and role in decision-making at all levels.

Foster inclusive and participatory approaches to policy development and implementation, incorporating the views and perspectives of all stakeholders.

3. Enhance Transparency, Accountability, and Good Governance:

Strengthen transparency mechanisms in global governance institutions, ensuring open access to information and decision-making processes.

Promote accountability and oversight of global governance institutions, establishing clear evaluation frameworks and performance indicators.

Foster good governance practices in global governance institutions, including ethical leadership, conflict of interest management, and effective risk management.

4. Strengthen International Cooperation in Critical Areas:

Promote international cooperation on climate change, addressing mitigation, adaptation, and finance to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Enhance international cooperation on sustainable development, aligning national policies and actions with the Sustainable Development Goals.

Foster international cooperation on peace and security, addressing conflict prevention, peacekeeping, and disarmament.

5. Embrace Innovation and Technology for Enhanced Global Governance:

Utilize technological advancements to improve efficiency, transparency, and accessibility in global governance processes.

Explore innovative forms of global governance, such as multi-stakeholder partnerships and public-private collaborations.

Promote digital inclusion and access to technology for all, ensuring that the benefits of technology are shared equitably.

By implementing these recommendations, we can transform global governance into a more inclusive, accountable, and effective system that can address the pressing challenges of our time and pave the way for a sustainable and equitable future for all.