

NSC PACT OF THE FUTURE INPUT

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Chapeau:

The National Student Council (NSC) of Mauritius envisions a future anchored in sustainability, peace, innovation, youth empowerment, and inclusive governance. As we co-author the UN Pact of the Future, we pledge to forge an equitable path leaving no one behind. This shared global pact will catalyze resilient and just societies for generations to come.

Chapter I. Sustainable Development and Financing for Development

To realize the promise of sustainable development, the international community must embrace financing mechanisms aligned with needs of the future.

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This reimagined financing architecture, grounded in solidarity and shared prosperity, will allow us to eliminate extremes of poverty, reduce inequality, protect biodiversity, and limit warming to 1.5°C. When we unify behind a common cause, sustainable development ceases to be an aspiration, but an inevitability.

Chapter II. International Peace and Security

Lasting peace requires addressing root causes, not just reacting to symptoms. We call for a holistic investment in strengthening the foundations of human security worldwide.

1. **First, doubling investment in development aid and programs alleviating poverty, hunger, and inequality.** By ensuring equitable access to basic needs, we reduce desperation that engenders extremism and conflict.
2. **Second, increased spending on peacekeeping must be matched by greater investment in peacebuilding.** We propose the creation of a UN Peacebuilding Fund supporting long-term projects dedicated to conflict resolution, reconstructing social fabric within societies and building trust between groups. This Fund will also finance educational programs promoting tolerance, diversity and nonviolence, particularly focusing on youth.
3. **Third, expanding funding for humanitarian assistance and building local capacities to enhance disaster resilience and access to food, shelter and healthcare.** This will minimize instability resulting from both natural hazards and human conflicts.
4. **Fourth, establishing a Multilateral Diplomacy Initiative to strengthen and broaden cooperation between nations on issues of trade, human rights, climate action and global security.** Constructive dialogue creates empathy and diminishes tendencies towards unilateral aggression.
5. **Fifth, enacting responsible arms-control regulations globally to limit proliferation of weapons both between states and among non-state actors.** Arms sales must align with principles of human rights and responsible use.

Through this holistic agenda prioritizing multilateralism over militarism, we can cultivate a

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Chapter III. Science, Technology and Innovation; and Digital Cooperation

Science and technology must be guiding forces in creating an equitable future. We call for the establishment of a UN Global Innovation Fund to finance collaborative breakthroughs that improve lives.

The Fund will back pioneering projects in renewable energy, healthcare, education, environmental conservation and more. It will provide grant incentives for diverse researcher teams comprising youth, marginalized groups and developing world scientists to ensure an inclusive innovation ecosystem. All resulting innovations will be open-access.

Intellectual property restrictions often obstruct diffusion of life-saving technologies globally. Hence the Fund will champion open-source innovation for the public good. Grantees must commit to equitable access and transparency.

Still, sharing knowledge is only meaningful if societies worldwide can integrate innovations. The Fund will devote resources to expanding STEM education and digital infrastructure in disadvantaged regions, closing opportunity gaps. It will also finance incubator programs nurturing entrepreneurs who can adapt technologies locally.

Technology is merely a tool - its positive impacts depend on responsible governance.

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