## Pact for the Future- Chapter 4 Youth and Future Generations - MS consultations

**ABOUT:** Between February 6 and February 9, 2024, Member States engaged in the first reading of the zero draft of the Pact for the Future at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. This bulletin will focus on Chapter 4 of the Pact for the Future, Youth, and Future Generations.

## **Executive Summary:**

The youth are integral to shaping a sustainable future by championing gender equality and fostering a more inclusive global workplace. As the future generations, their well-being is intricately linked to their education and empowerment. Member States emphasized the significance of investing in inclusive education as a cornerstone for the long-term development of young people. They also underscored the importance of addressing discrimination, promoting interreligious dialogue, and enhancing digital literacy to support the growth and progress of youth. Furthermore, Member States highlighted the critical role of cultural engagement and active participation in decision-making processes to cultivate a more inclusive society. Some Member States further called upon the Secretary-General to spearhead the establishment of a global standard for inclusive youth engagement, recognizing the need for coordinated efforts in this regard.

## **Headlines:**

- → Promotion of sustainable development, gender equality, and peace through UN efforts and international treaties.
- → Focus on youth empowerment, education, and well-being for intergenerational equity.
- → Emphasis on social justice, human rights, and peace in inclusive education and youth development.
- → Addressing discrimination, racism, and promoting dialogue for global security and well-being.
- → Importance of nutrition, health, and cultural diversity for children's well-being and future generations.
- → Enabling youth voices, supporting diversity, and advocating for human rights to combat marginalization.
- → Investment in quality education, eradication of poverty, and providing essential services for youth success.
- → Inclusive youth participation in decision-making, promoting a just society and peaceful coexistence.
- → Commitment to meaningful youth engagement, leadership development, and safety in the UN and beyond.
- → Collaboration with Member States, youth organizations, and stakeholders to enhance youth representation and create a more inclusive world.

## **RESOURCES:**

- 1. <u>Pact for the Future: zero draft</u>
- 2. <u>A declaration on Future Generations</u>