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Pact for the Future

Chapter 4 Youth and Future Generations

Comparison - REV 1 vs REV 2



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ABOUT: The first revision ([REV 1](#)) of the Pact for the Future was released on May 14, 2024, followed by the second revision ([REV 2](#)) on July 17, 2024. The latter was developed after the Second Reading with member states. This bulletin will provide a focused analysis of Chapter 4, highlighting the differences between REV 1 and REV 2. A bulletin focusing on Chapter 4, comparing the [Zero Draft](#) and REV 1 was published earlier by the ICH team and can be found [here](#).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: REV 2 marks a significant evolution in the approach to addressing the needs and rights of children and youth by moving beyond the limitations established in REV 1. Also, REV 2 emphasizes a more comprehensive strategy that not only prioritizes human rights but also integrates social and economic development for a wider demographic, including vulnerable populations. The modifications reflect a robust commitment to equitable access to quality education and social inclusion, especially in emergencies. Furthermore, REV 2 enhances the scope of investment in social services and encourages active youth participation in shaping their futures, fostering intergenerational cooperation, and addressing challenges linked to climate change. The revision also points to a clearer pathway towards fully realizing and protecting the rights of young individuals. It shifts the language from prescriptive guidelines to supportive recommendations, promoting community engagement and inclusivity in decision-making processes. Notably, it acknowledges the dynamic role that youth can play in advocating for their rights while also addressing negative stereotypes and harmful practices that hinder their potential. In general, REV 2 represents a comprehensive, action-oriented commitment to uplift children and youth through a broader lens of human rights, sustainability, and inclusivity. However, the transition from a focus on direct investment in the fund to a broader strategy that emphasizes raising awareness and encouraging contributions may raise some concerns.

METHODOLOGY: This bulletin focuses on Chapter 4, providing a detailed comparison between REV 1 and REV 2. Key changes in each operational paragraph and action are clearly identified in the accompanying comparison table. Changes, whether they are removals, additions, or modifications, are highlighted in the table. The content of REV 1 that has been removed in REV 2 has been indicated by **yellow highlights** in column 1, and the content that has been added to REV 2 but not found in REV 1 is indicated by **green highlights** in column 2. Specific terms that were modified from REV 1 to REV 2 are indicated by **orange highlights** in both column 1 and 2. Additionally, the "Author's Observations" with an objective analysis of the changes are presented in the right-most column and are italicized to differentiate from the excerpts in the other columns.

HEADLINES:

- Clear inclusion of children in chapter 4 in REV 2.
- A More Inclusive Approach to Youth and Children in Social and Economic Development in REV 2.
- Promotion of Intergenerational Solidarity for Enhanced Social Outcomes in Rev 2.
- Increased youth participation is requested in decision-making and policy-making processes in REV 2.
- Reporting on the progress made regarding these matters at the 2025 High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly, commemorating the thirtieth anniversary of the World Programme of Action for Youth and its subsequent follow-up, was omitted in REV 2.
- REV 2 addressed quality education and resilience during emergencies.
- REV 2 considers a broader understanding of challenges faced by young people, including but not limited to discrimination.
- REV 1 was more prescriptive and focused on establishing formal bodies with specific mandates and resources. In contrast, REV 2 takes a more supportive and encouraging tone, emphasizing collaborative efforts and the provision of meaningful engagement opportunities without the same level of emphasis on formal structures or resources.
- REV 2 contains language on ensuring the fulfillment of rights for vulnerable and marginalized youth.
- REV 2 Encourages Community Engagement Over Prescriptive Guidelines.
- REV 2 recognizes the intersection of environmental and human rights issues.
- The mention of establishing a Global Youth Investment platform was retained in REV 2; however, the omission of the Second World Summit for Social Development reduces the clarity of the timeline for this initiative.

RESOURCES:

1. [Pact for the Future: Rev. 2](#)
2. [Pact for the Future: Rev. 1](#)
3. [Pact for the Future: Zero Draft](#)