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Comparison - REV 2 vs REV 3



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ABOUT: ([REV 2](#)) of the Declaration on Future Generations was released on July 8, 2024, followed by the third revision ([REV 3](#)) on August 13, 2024. This bulletin will provide a focused analysis of the Declaration on Futures Generations, highlighting the differences between Rev.2 and Rev.3.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The Rev.3 Declaration on Future Generations, unveiled on September 22-23, 2024, at the United Nations Headquarters, enhances the earlier Rev.2 by improving language precision, commitment, and focus areas, while reaffirming foundational principles like the UN Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, emphasizing the shared responsibility to future generations. Both declarations share key similarities, including a commitment to international law, peace, human rights, and sustainable development, an acknowledgment of the ethical obligation to future generations, and a recognition of the complexities faced by current societies, advocating for multilateral cooperation to overcome these challenges. However, Rev.3 differentiates itself with language enhancements that stress urgency in safety, environmental action, and ethical governance of technology. Furthermore, it expands commitments towards vulnerable populations, addresses historic inequities with a focus on gender equality and indigenous rights, promotes a "whole-of-society" approach to engage broader stakeholder collaboration, emphasizes responsible technology governance, and articulates a clearer vision for strengthening effective multilateralism that anticipates future challenges. In conclusion, Rev.3 reinforces the commitment to inclusivity and proactive strategies, offering a comprehensive and forward-looking agenda that underscores the importance of present actions and the urgent need for collective responses to emerging global issues.

HEADLINES:

- Rev.3 Declaration Elevates Commitment to Future Generations with Enhanced Language and Precision
- Commitment to Inclusivity and Equity: Rev.3 Advances Language on Gender and Racial Equality
- Towards a Sustainable Future: Rev.3 Emphasizes Urgency in Environmental Actions and Technology Governance
- A Call for Collective Action: Rev.3 Puts Focus on Whole-of-Society Engagement and Multilateralism
- Addressing Global Challenges: Rev.3 Outlines a Framework for Supporting Vulnerable Populations
- Taking Ownership: Rev.3 Declares Enhanced Government Responsibilities and Accountability for Future Generations
- Cultural and Ethical Commitment: Rev.3 Highlights Protection of Indigenous Rights and Ethical Technology Use"

RESOURCES:

1. [Co-Facilitators letter on the 13th of August 2024](#)
2. [REV3 Declaration on Future Generations](#)
3. [Co-Facilitators letter on the 2nd of July 2024](#)
4. [REV2 Declaration on Future Generations](#)
5. [Explanatory note on the concepts](#)
6. [Our Common Agenda Policy Brief on Future Generations.](#)
7. [Issues Paper on the Intergovernmental Process for the Declaration on Future Generations](#)
8. [Letter from the President of the General Assembly – Declaration on Future Generations Roadmap](#)
9. [A Declaration on Future Generation](#)