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Chapter 4 Youth and Future Generations

Comparison - Rev.2 vs Rev.3



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ABOUT: The Second revision ([Rev.2](#)) of the Pact for the Future was released on July 17, 2024, followed by the third revision ([Rev.3](#)) on August 27, 2024. This bulletin will provide a focused analysis of Chapter 4, highlighting the differences between Rev.2 and Rev.3. A bulletin focusing on Chapter 4, comparing Rev 1 and Rev.2 was published earlier by the ICH team and can be found [here](#).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The revision from Rev.2 to Rev.3 introduces some clarifications and expansions regarding the rights and opportunities of children and youth. Notably, Rev.3 adds an emphasis on the fundamental rights of children and youth, enhancing the acknowledgment of their distinct status from future generations. Rev.3 also broadened the definition of essential services, ensured a focus on achieving universal health coverage, and specified the need for inclusion of afro-descendent populations. Additionally, language has been adjusted to invite engagement rather than mandate action, and greater clarity has been provided on compliance with national legislation in decision-making processes. Furthermore, Rev.3 stresses the importance of geographical diversity in youth representation from developing countries. Overall, the changes serve to strengthen the commitments to rights protection and inclusive opportunities for young people, while ensuring a comprehensive and nuanced approach to their needs and roles in policy making.

HEADLINES:

- Emphasizing Rights: Additions to Youth and Children's Rights in Global Discussions
- Clarified Distinction: Recognition of Children and Youth as Separate Groups
- Broadening Scope: Essential Services for All Children and Young People Highlighted
- Adjusted Approach: Proposal for Global Youth Investment Platform Updated
- Universal Health Coverage: A Commitment to Attainable Health Standards for Youth
- Focus Shift: Emphasis on Decent Jobs for Youth Without Sustainability Requirement
- Inclusion of Specific Populations: Recognition of Afro-Descendant Groups in Social Policies

RESOURCES:

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

COMPARISON:

● **Rev.2 (58) vs Rev.3 (61)**

- Rev.2 (58): "Children and young people continue to live in extreme poverty, without access to critical, basic services.
- Rev.3 (61): "Children and young persons continue to live in extreme poverty, without access to critical, basic services and respect for their fundamental rights."
 - ❖ Change: In Rev.3, "and respect for their fundamental rights" is added to emphasize the need for rights protection.

● **Rev.2 (59) vs Rev.3 (62)**

- Rev.2 (59): "We recognize that children and youth are a distinct group from future generations."
- Rev.3 (62): "We recognize that children and youth are distinct groups from future generations."
 - ❖ Change: The wording is changed from "a distinct group" to "distinct groups," clarifying that they are considered separately.

● **Rev.2 (60) vs Rev.3 (63)**

- Rev.2 (60): "...and ensure equitable access to, essential social services for children and young people..."
- Rev.3 (63): "...and ensure equitable access to, essential services for all children and young people..."
 - ❖ Change: The word "social" is removed before "services" and the word "all" was added before "children" broadening the scope to "essential services."

● **Rev.2 (60a) vs Rev.3 (63a)**

- Rev.2 (60a): "request the Secretary-General establish a Global Youth Investment platform..."
- Rev.3 (63a): "...invite the Secretary-General to update Member States on the proposal for a Global Youth Investment platform..."
 - ❖ Change: The request is less direct in Rev.3, changing from "establish" to "update the Member States on the proposal."

- **Rev.2 (60b) vs Rev.3 (63b)**

- Rev.2 (60b): "...accelerate efforts to ensure all young people enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health..."
- Rev.3 (63b): "...accelerate efforts to achieve universal health coverage to ensure all young people enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health..."
 - ❖ Change: Added the phrase "achieve universal health coverage."

- **Rev.2 (60d) vs Rev.3 (63d)**

- Rev.2 (60d): "...create sustainable jobs and decent livelihoods for youth..."
- Rev.3 (63d): "...create decent jobs and livelihoods for youth..."
 - ❖ Change: "Sustainable" is removed.

- **Rev.2 (61) vs Rev.3 (64)**

- Rev.2 (61): "...and foster social inclusion and integration especially the poorest, those in vulnerable situations..."
- Rev.3 (64): "...and foster social inclusion and integration especially the poorest, persons in vulnerable situations, including afro-descendent populations..."
 - ❖ Change: A more specific reference to "afro-descendent populations" is added.

- **Rev.2 (61c) vs Rev.3 (64c)**

- Rev.2 (61c): "...combating negative gender stereotypes and negative social norms..."
- Rev.3 (64c): "...combating gender stereotypes and negative social norms..."
 - ❖ Change: "Negative" before "gender stereotypes" is removed.

- **Rev.2 (62) vs Rev.3 (65)**

- Rev.2 (62): "...meaningful opportunities to engage in national policymaking and decision-making processes supported, upon request, by the United Nations system."
- Rev.3 (65): "...meaningful opportunities to engage in national policymaking and decision-making processes supported, upon request, by the United Nations system, in line with national legislation and policies."
 - ❖ Change: "in line with national legislation and policies" added for clarity on compliance.

- **Rev.2 (63) vs Rev.3 (66)**

- Rev.2 (63): "...Contributions to boost the participation of youth representatives from developing countries..."
- Rev.3 (66): "...facilitate the participation of youth representatives from developing countries, taking into account the need for greater geographical balance in terms of youth representation..."
 - ❖ Change: Added emphasis on the need for geographical balance in representation.