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INTRODUCTION:

Progress has been made in achieving the sustainable development goals. However, the world is not on track in meeting the 2030 target. As such, governments, private sector entities and organizations needs to be more proactive in prioritizing and addressing the global issues for the well-being of the present and the future generation

CHAPTER I. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCING DEVELOPMENT.

Sustainable development and financing development are interconnected and essential for preserving the well-being of the present and future generation. Adequate financing is important in addressing and achieving the sustainable development goals.

Recommendations:

- Diversify sources of funding: With the growing need of sustainable development, the traditional sources of income such as government budgets and assistance are fast becoming insufficient to meet this needs, hence the need to seek diverse sources of

income. Government should utilize public-private partnerships and civil society organizations in raising funds to meet rising financial needs. Private businesses can contribute by adopting sustainable business practices as well as investing in the sustainable development goals. Also, government should involve philanthropists in the society in sustainable development initiatives and mobilize the contributions appropriately.

- Responsible investment: Government should invest in human capital who will in turn invest in the future. Women and girls are central in achieving sustainable development in any society. As such, protecting and promoting policies that support women's right, economic empowerment and political participation and representation is essential for advancing and achieving a sustainable society.
- Debt relief and restructuring: implementing debt reliefs in low and middle income countries who are already behind in achieving sustainable development will enable them manage their debt and still invest in sustainable development initiatives.

CHAPTER II. INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

- Governments should encourage peaceful negotiations and diplomacy in resolving conflict between nations.
- International organizations and platforms that work to ensure peace and security should be strengthened and supported both financially and otherwise.
- International institutions and governments should invest in post-conflict building by addressing the main cause of conflict, sending humanitarian assistance to the affected population and reconciliations to encourage sustainable peace.
- International laws and agreement should be enacted and enforced in promoting global peace as well as preventing the use of weapons of mass destruction by any country.

CHAPTER III. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION AND DIGITAL COOPERATION.

- Government, civil society, private sector should increase investment in research in various sectors to bring about innovation in science and technology.
- Government should build infrastructure, ensure connectivity and invest in digital skill training to train and enable individuals adapt to the changing demands of the digital economy.
- Bridge the gender inequality gap in the digital world. Women and girls should be given access to digital education and training to equip them for innovation and economic empowerment especially those in remote areas.
- Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education should be strengthened and equip at all levels. This includes, promoting coding, data sciences and other skills necessary to thrive in digital age.
- Government, private and organizations should provide support for startups through funding, mentorships and partnership to enable economic growth.

CHAPTER IV. YOUTH AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

- Government should invest in quality education and skill training in order to equip young people in capacity building to thrive in a rapidly changing world.
- Access to quality health care service including sexual and reproductive health education and services. Mental health awareness and support for young people, and policies that curb stigma around mental health.
- Youth should be allowed to participate in decision making processes in all levels of government. This includes , electoral reforms, quotas and support that encourage their representation and participations.
- Empowering and supporting youth led innovations, businesses, community activities and activisms through mentorship, provision of financial resources and encouraging their engagements in conservation and sustainable efforts.
- Promoting digital inclusion and bridging digital divide especially among women and girls through trainings

and policies that protect online privacy and prevent cyberbullying.

CHAPTER V. TRANSFORMING GLOBAL GOVERNANCE.

- International institutions such as United Nations, World Health Organization, World Bank and others should be strengthened in order to effectively address the rising global challenges.
- Multilateral collaboration and cooperations among countries should be encourage to utilize innovations and expertise in addressing the emerging global challenges such as climate change, pandemics, economic inequality and others.
- Enacting and implementing already existing international laws and ensuring accountability when violated.
- Global health system should be strengthened by investment in the health system and research, ensuring access to quality health care and vaccine for better response to pandemics.

In conclusion, achieving the sustainable development goals for the present and future generation is possible if we walk and work the talk.

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