





# Global Youth and Adolescents Recommendations

For the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly at the 69th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69).





# Foreword

Thirty years ago, the world gathered in Beijing and made bold commitments to advance gender equality and women's and girls' rights. Today, we are witnessing eroding democracies, and a rise of authoritarianism, fascism, nationalism, militarization, patriarchy, austerity, growing debt, and corporate capture of the United Nations and government agendas. Our governments are targeting our human rights and environmental defenders. Yet still, we rise in resistance, cross-movement mobilization, and solidarity as we fight for our human rights and a just and resilient recovery from the compounding crises of conflict, climate change, increasing cost of living, and the COVID-19 pandemic. As we reflect on the legacy of the Beijing Declaration, we, over 16,000 young voices from every region of the world, are here to say: that we cannot roll back progress, we are here to hold the line, and we need an outcome that pushes us forward.

This is not just a document of recommendations. It is the collective power of young feminists calling for systems change, respecting human rights, and protecting our planet. It is the unapologetic voice of youth and adolescents demanding that gender justice be more than a tagline and urging the world to stop seeing us as "the future" when we have been leading and continue to lead today.

We come from cities and villages, from communities of diverse identities, languages, and struggles<sup>1</sup>. Through conversations, consultations, and collaborations, we have crafted these 30 recommendations that challenge complacency and ignite action. From climate justice to bodily autonomy, from digital equity to ending patriarchal violence, our priorities are clear: a world where every person – regardless of gender – has their rights upheld and the freedom to thrive. These recommendations are rooted in courage because it is not enough to dream of a better world, our action requires bravery. They are steeped in intersectionality, because no one's liberation is complete until all of us are free, and they are fiercely inclusive because feminism knows no borders.

We refuse to inherit broken systems. We are the voices echoing across time and space, demanding that Beijing+30 be not just a commemoration but a revolution. The world we envision is bold, transformative, and feminist to its core. To the decision-makers, allies, and accomplices who hold power: this is your invitation and your challenge to rise with us at Beijing+30. Partner with us. Resource and fund us. Lead with us. We cannot afford to be in the same place in five years.

#### With solidarity, radical hope, and determination,

# **The Beijing+30 Youth Steering Committee and Young Feminist Caucus** On behalf of over 16,000 young feminists who co-created these recommendations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: people from marginalised communities includes women, young women, girls, adolescents, and gender-diverse people, in all their diversity, from marginalised, vulnerable and historically criminalised communities, especially communities discriminated by caste, class, income, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, ethnicity, or social status such as Dalits, Bahujans, Adivasi and Indigenous tribes, De-notified and Nomadic Tribes, religious minorities, LGBTQIA+ persons, persons with disabilities, widows, older women, women and girls living with HIV and other illnesses, women and girls who use drugs, transgender people, sex workers, domestic workers, workers in the informal sector, survivors of trafficking in persons, women who are in closed institutions including prisons, women and girls living in poverty, stateless persons, women and girls from migrant, immigrant, refugee, forcibly displaced, and internally displaced communities, among others.





# **30** Priority Areas for Beijing+30

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# **30 Recommendations for Beijing+30**

*Reaffirming* the centrality and urgency of fully implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, as well as the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, outcomes of the Commission on the Status of Women, the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and all relevant major United Nations conferences and summits and their outcomes and follow-up, we, young feminists, young women, adolescents, girls, and gender diverse youth, in all our diversity, call on Member States to center the following recommendations in the intergovernmental negotiations, political stance, and outcomes of the 69th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women and other multilateral processes:

## 1. Eradicating Poverty and the Feminization of Poverty

Eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty and the feminization of poverty, and take targeted, comprehensive, gender-transformative, and disability-inclusive measures, policies, and strategies for eradicating the multidimensional nature of poverty, including through significant mobilization and provision of resources, investments, inclusive and sustainable growth, enhancing macro-economic policy cooperation, establishing well-designed, sustainable and efficient social protection systems for all that are responsive to shocks, and enhanced international cooperation.

# 2. Quality Gender-Transformative Education and Training

Mandate equal access to universal, inclusive, equitable, gender-transformative, and quality education for women and girls, in all their diversity, throughout their life course, and further increase financing for education, ensuring gender-transformative and rights-based education systems and curricula, including access to evidence-based, comprehensive, and inclusive sexuality education, recalling the outcomes of the Transforming Education Summit and its Youth Declaration as accelerators of progress.

# 3. Universal Health Coverage and Wellbeing

Implement universal health coverage and advance targeted gender-transformative health programs addressing the specific needs of women, girls, and gender-diverse young people, acknowledging that the key solution for health and well-being for all is through universal access to health services, inter alia, sexual and reproductive health services, rights-based mental health and psychosocial services, food and nutritional support, and menstrual health, eliminating all taxes on menstrual products to ensure they are free and accessible, strengthening efforts to address eye health conditions and oral health, as well as rare diseases and neglected tropical diseases, as part of universal health coverage; and ensuring global accessibility, availability and affordability of safe, effective and quality-assured medicines, including generics, vaccines, diagnostics and other health technologies to prevent, diagnose and treat HIV infection and its co-infections and comorbidities.





## 4. Eliminating Gender-Based Violence

Eliminate all forms of sexual and gender based violence, online and offline, across all spheres of life, inter alia, stalking, cyberstalking, bullying, cyberbullying, sexual harassment, online harassment, defamation, hate speech, trolling, abuse, the unsolicited sending of obscene images, image-based sexual abuse, blackmail, doxing, child, early, and forced marriage, female genital mutilation, intimate partner violence, marital rape, and gender-based violence that occurs through or is amplified by the use of technology, through addressing the root causes of gender-based violence, establishing and strengthening institutional support systems for protection, rehabilitation, legal recourse, refuge and safe housing and physical health and mental well-being support, including sexual and reproductive health and rights services, for women and girls, in all their diversity, ensuring that laws uphold survivors' right to privacy and confidentiality, including requirements that the media respect survivor privacy, with adequate training and sensitization for justice, law enforcement, and state entities to avoid any potential of re-victimization; and ensure that legal definitions of rape are consent-based and not force-based, and end discriminatory practices such as the admissibility of character evidence and the two-finger test.

#### 5. Women and Youth, Peace and Security, and Armed Conflict

Prioritize peace, demilitarization, and ceasefire, focusing on the contributions of young people, especially of young women and girls, in all their diversity, including adolescent girls, in all peace efforts and in addressing conflict and wars; reaffirming the Women and Youth Peace and Security agendas; reducing expenditure on militarization, recognizing that militarism has a direct correlation with the exploitation of economic and natural resources; and reaffirming that the maintenance of international peace and security is a prerequisite to the realization of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the realization of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls.

#### 6. Economic Justice and Rights

Realize women's economic justice and rights through upholding the right to work and rights at work by implementing all relevant International Labour Organization standards, including ratifying and enforcing Convention No.190 on Violence and Harassment in the World of Work, enforcing the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence across global supply chains, eliminating child labor in all its forms, and protecting informal, domestic, and care workers, as well as migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and stateless persons, through strong legal protections, decent and safe working conditions, and social protections like parental leave, disability care, and universal basic income; dismantle exploitative neo-liberal economic systems that perpetuate poverty, inequality, and corporate impunity by redistributing resources, wealth, and power equitably within and between nations, rejecting privatization of essential public services, and ensuring significant public spending on health, education, housing, social protection, and dignified livelihoods; recognize the economic and social value of paid and unpaid, underpaid, and unrecognized care work, most often shouldered by women and girls, by redistributing and reducing their burden through strengthened public services, robust infrastructures, and recognition of care as a human right and collective social responsibility; guarantee freedom of association, peaceful assembly, and collective bargaining to trade unions while supporting feminist-led implementation and monitoring of workplace protections against violence, harassment, and exploitation; address systemic gender-based violence by holding governments and corporations accountable for





workplace violence and harassment, ensuring access to justice for women and gender-diverse people, and breaking the nexus of state and corporate complicity in oppression; and ensure accessible, gender-transformative social protection systems encompassing food security, education, skills development, child and elder care, disability care, sexual and reproductive health services, equal pay for work of equal value, universal basic income, and social security, with increased budget allocations, international cooperation, and debt cancellation to expand fiscal capacity and ensure economic systems that prioritize people, human rights, and the planet over profit.

#### 7. Young Feminist Leadership, Decision-Making, and Power

Systematically integrate and institutionalize the substantive and meaningful engagement of young people and young feminist leadership, especially of young women, girls, and adolescents, in all their diversity, centering young people facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, marginalization, and violence, across decision-making, policy-making, and the United Nations system, at all levels, including in intergovernmental bodies, processes, and delegations, by intentionally shifting power dynamics and adopting co-creational and co-ownership methods of work, while ensuring a safe and enabling environment for them and taking action to eliminate all barriers, and in this regard, reaffirm the commitment to listen to and work with youth.

#### 8. Gender Transformative Institutional Mechanisms

Welcome the fifteenth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), reaffirm its important role in promoting gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and in supporting Member States and coordinating the United Nations system and mobilizing civil society, young people, the private sector and other relevant stakeholders, at all levels, in support of the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, calling for increased adequate, predictable and sustainable funding to achieve these goals; and in this regard, implement all of the recommendations outlined in the Independent Review of the UN System's Capacity to deliver on Gender Equality, as a matter of priority; and further welcome calls for the next Secretary General to be a woman, and in the spirit of intergenerational leadership, for the Deputy-Secretary General to be a young woman, under the age of 30, noting with concern that since the United Nations' founding in 1945 there is yet to be a woman or a young person appointed Secretary-General, which is not reconcilable with the leading role of the UN in the promotion of gender equality, and further take measures to increase the representation of young women and other underrepresented groups in UN Senior positions, and in this regard, call upon the Secretary-General to secure the process of appointments to senior posts to be guided by feminist principles, including of gender-parity, transparency, inclusiveness and diversity.

#### 9. Human Rights, Environmental, and Climate Defenders

Uphold, respect, protect, and fulfill all human rights as enshrined in international human rights law and instruments, and ensure the full implementation of all Human Rights Council resolutions, including through strengthening the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, to enable the Office, the Human Rights Council, the Treaty





Bodies and the Special Procedures and to promote the universalization of the Core International Human Rights Treaties, through adopting concrete measures to strengthen the United Nations Human Rights mechanisms and ensure their adequate, predictable and sustainable financing; further meaningfully engage with the Universal Periodic Review and Voluntary National Review processes, ensuring transparency, accountability, and participation from young people and civil society, especially women, girls, feminist organizations, networks, movements, and collectives, and those facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, marginalization, and violence; and in this regard, guarantee the full respect of all human rights and fundamental freedoms of human rights, environment, and climate defenders, especially women, girls, and young defenders, in all their diversity, ensuring that legislation is not misused to target them, countering impunity and 'red-tagging' to provide safety and protection, and repealing all laws that allow for detention without trial, restrict fundamental freedoms, and the criminalization of peaceful association, and reaffirm the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

#### 10. Media, Misinformation, and Dis-information

Recognizing with concern the growing use of disinformation campaigns to deter the public participation of women, young women, and gender-diverse people in all their diversity and intersectional identities, particularly journalists, politicians, activists, and defenders working on climate justice, gender equality, human rights, and other socio-economic issues; establish enforceable international mechanisms to ensure transparency and accountability from technology companies, digital platforms, and media outlets in decision-making processes; eliminate practices such as internet restrictions, censorship, disinformation sponsorship, attacks on human rights defenders, and limitations on foreign funding for civil society organizations; and mandate social media and communication companies to implement fact-checking policies, ensure transparency, and hold perpetrators accountable to prevent the spread of mis- and dis-information and fake news, especially those targeting marginalized groups.

#### **11. Feminist Action for Climate Justice**

Reaffirming the Paris Agreement, the Enhanced Lima Work Programme on Gender and its Gender Action Plan, and all international climate and environmental agreements, Member States must recognize the disproportionate impacts of climate change on women, girls, and gender-diverse people, particularly those facing intersecting forms of discrimination, and ensure gender-transformative implementation and means of implementation by enabling their full, equal, and meaningful participation and leadership in climate action; respect and uphold human rights, including the rights to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment, health, and the rights of Indigenous Peoples, local communities, migrants, persons with disabilities, and children, while advancing intergenerational equity and gender equality; ensure the phase-out of fossil fuels, acknowledge historical responsibilities, and provide financial resources amounting to \$3 trillion USD to assist developing countries through highly concessional, grant-based, and non-debt instruments, in line with obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and Paris Agreement; integrate climate mitigation and adaptation strategies with policies addressing gender-based violence, providing direct financial support to community-based, indigenous, and women-led climate solutions, resilience, and disaster preparedness; establish taxation systems, including wealth taxes, and reparative, redistributive





policies to acknowledge historical injustices, particularly against developing nations; strengthen mechanisms to prevent and respond to violence against women, girls, and environmental human rights defenders, holding state and corporate perpetrators accountable under international human rights standards; and recognize that climate knowledge is deeply rooted in Indigenous and tribal wisdom, requiring community-led, gender-responsive approaches to achieving climate goals.

## 12. The Girl Child

Accelerating efforts to provide adequate resources, including capacity building and financial resources, to increase the voice and full, equal, and effective leadership of girls in all decision-making processes and bodies, including at the highest levels of government and in the governance structures of international organizations, including by building the capacity of girls at local, national, regional, and international levels, as partners, with full respect for their human rights, allowing them to participate actively and effectively lead in the conceptualization, design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, governance and reporting of all policies, strategies, and programs.

#### **13. Adolescents**

Center the full, equal, and meaningful participation and leadership of adolescent girls, in all their diversity, across decision-making and policy-making processes, at all levels, including by addressing the gender and age-specific barriers they face, ensuring full enjoyment of their human rights and fundamental freedoms, such as sexual and gender-based violence, child, early and forced marriage and adolescent pregnancy, as well as an unequal distribution of unpaid care work that can negatively impact adolescent girls.

#### 14. Accountability

Adopt robust, transparent, and community-led accountability mechanisms that center the voices of those most impacted by inequalities, including through the creation of and strengthening of binding accountability measures and mechanisms at local, national, regional, and international levels that are just, rights-centered, transparent, multistakeholder, and participatory, centering the active influence and leadership of feminist and women's and girls' communities at the grassroots in their creation and implementation, ensuring that gender equality and gender justice remain at the center of policies and decision-making at national, regional, and global levels.

#### **15. Decolonizing Approaches**

Promoting development justice by halting the extraction of wealth and power from the Global South and working class to the Global North and elites; establish decolonized feminist social contracts free from discrimination; dismantle hierarchies of race, gender, class, caste, sexuality, and ability that sustain colonial, neoliberal, and capitalist systems; reaffirm the need to end all forms of colonialism; challenge colonial knowledge production; provide meaningful recognition, apologies, and reparations beyond symbolic gestures and debt cancellation; adopt a decolonial lens to reshape power, resources, and decision-making; eliminate neo-colonialist labor exploitation; and embrace diverse economic models, such as community, informal, and solidarity economies, while rejecting harmful growth-based paradigms.





#### 16. Reclaiming Rights, Civic Spaces, and Democracies

Ensure participatory democracy and the creation of democratic spaces and processes that foster youth and adolescent movements, especially those led by young women and girls, in all their diversity, building a more equal, gender-just, and democratic future for all, upholding all their human rights obligations guaranteeing the rights of all individuals, including freedom of speech, expression, organizing, unionizing, and collective bargaining - on the streets, offline, and online; eliminate restrictions on foreign funding opportunities for civil society, young people, and non-governmental organizations; and end the resourcing and political backing of state and non-state anti-gender and anti-rights movements.

#### 17. Funding Feminist Movement Building

Significantly increase multi-year, core, accessible, sustainable, participatory, direct, transparent, and flexible gender-transformative funding directed towards feminist and youth-led, adolescent-led, and girl-led movements, organizations, networks, and collectives, especially those led by marginalized communities, as well as supporting the establishment of dedicated funding mechanisms to sponsor the participation of young people working at the grassroots level, especially of young women, girls, and adolescents in Global South regions, across United Nations processes; recognizing that philanthropy and giving exist because of inequality, and colonial capitalist dynamics, and that feminist financing can dismantle the traditional hierarchical giving.

#### 18. Feminist Financing for Development

Adopt feminist financing approaches to development that prioritize gender equality, human rights, and social justice, reaffirming the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities, and that international development cooperation, particularly North-South cooperation, remains essential in addressing the persistent global development imbalances and today's multi-dimensional challenges; and in this regard, call on donor countries to scale up and fulfill their official development assistance (ODA) commitments, channeling financing to feminist, women-, girl-, adolescent- and youth-led organizations, networks, movements, and collectives working on gender equality, particularly in the Global South, to meet the needs of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, integrating gender-transformative budgeting, accountability mechanisms, and the meaningful participation of women, girls, and marginalized groups in decision-making processes related to development finance; continue to pursue gender-transformative, decolonial, and ambitious reforms of the international financial architecture; ensuring progressive taxation, particularly taxation of high-net work and 'rich' individuals, debt relief and cancellation, and ending austerity; and call for constructive intergovernmental deliberations for a bold outcome at the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development to ensure that financing for development is not only sufficient but also transformative in advancing gender equality and achieving the 2030 Agenda.

#### **19. Ending Corporate Capture**

Ensure that the financial independence of the United Nations, governments and other international institutions does not compromise human rights, including the rights of marginalized individuals and communities; end the continuing austerity measures, including the financial and liquidity crisis experienced by the United Nations, that has led to further shrinking of civic space, and the privatization of essential social services including education, health, and agriculture;





further control the rise of corporate giants and the constant drive for profit prioritization that has led to exploitation of the resource-rich lands and human rights violations of the working class, disproportionately impacting women and girls; and end the domination and influence of corporations in policy and decision-making spaces, including in intergovernmental processes, and enable a just, rights-based, and sustainable recovery and development for people and the planet, ensuring accountability for damages, in line with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and International Labour Organization standards, treaties, and frameworks.

#### 20. Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights and Bodily Autonomy

Mandate unimpeded access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health and rights, the right to bodily autonomy, and the right to have control over, and to decide freely on all matters related to their sexuality, integrating such rights into national strategies, policies, and programs

#### 21. Science, Technology, Innovation, and Resisting Rapid Digitalization

Eliminate the digital divide, including the gender-digital divide, as well as all barriers to the full, equal and meaningful access to and participation and leadership in science, technology and innovation for women and girls, in all their diversity, including through challenging the narrative of rapid digitalization, decolonizing tech infrastructure, delivering accessible, and affordable access to the internet, digital tools, and resources for all women, girls and gender-diverse people by developing autonomous and community-based infrastructure that is not controlled by big tech, fostering digital literacy of women, girls, and gender-diverse people, accompanied by bodily integrity and data sovereignty, center their movements in policy-making and the governing process around access to technology, improving employment and research opportunities for women and girls, in all their diversity, in areas such as science, technology, innovation, mathematics and engineering, unlinking digital identities from access to essential social protection; and ensure that human rights are respected online and offline, through regulating the activities of and hold large tech and digital companies, as well as States, accountable with particular attention to addressing the gender-related risks and challenges from the use of technologies, including new and emerging technologies, including all forms of violence, including technology-facilitated gender-based violence, extraction of profits from different services including agriculture, the spread of disinformation, misinformation and hate speech especially against marginalized women, girls and gender-diverse people, internet shutdowns, breach of data privacy and misuse of people's data, and human rights violations.

#### 22. Engaging Men and Boys and Holding Them Accountable

Move from engaging men and boys as agents of change towards taking measures to hold men and boys accountable, transforming toxic, negative, and harmful masculinities into those that are positive, rights-based, and feminist, recognizing them as strategic partners and allies, as well as agents and beneficiaries of change, for the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment and rights of women and girls, in all their diversity, and acknowledge the historic and persistent impacts of patriarchal structures, systems, gender stereotypes, and harmful social norms, and the urgent need to dismantle such systems of oppression, marginalization, and violence, to catalyze efforts to achieve the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.





## 23. Persons with Disabilities

Fully and effectively implementing the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ensuring all policies and programs, at all levels, are disability-inclusive and gender-transformative to benefit women and girls living with disabilities, in all their diversity, preventing any further marginalization and harm, and in this regard centering the full, effective, and meaningful leadership of women and girls with disabilities, in all their diversity, so that they can actively participate in and equally benefit from decision-making and policy-making; as well as collecting disability-specific disaggregated data using recognized approaches to track the impact of efforts accurately.

## 24. LGBTQIA+ Rights

Decriminalize and repeal all such legislation and policies that criminalize LGBTQIA+ persons and people of diverse sexual orientation, gender identity and sex characteristics as a matter of priority, taking active measures to stand up against violations and abuses of all human rights, including discrimination and exclusion of any person; protection against torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment; addressing structural barriers that perpetuate discrimination and exclusion and to spotlight and redress the deeply rooted inequalities and disparities faced by LGBTQIA+ persons; reforming education systems and curricula to introduce LGBTQIA+ inclusive curricula, authentic media representation, and collaboration with progressive faith leaders to dismantle harmful traditions; ensuring inclusive policies that respect, protect and fulfill the human rights of all, including LGBTQIA+ persons; and reiterating that the full and effective implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action requires their full, effective, and meaningful engagement, leadership, and political participation, and that all forms of violence, discrimination and political, social and economic exclusion of any individual, including of LGBTQIA+ persons, must end.

#### 25. Migration and Displacement

Ensure full respect for the human rights and fundamental freedoms of migrant women and girls, as well as refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls, in all their diversity, and regardless of their migration or legal status, recognize the distinct experiences and vulnerabilities of refugees and asylum seekers, including the forcible nature of their displacement due to persecution, conflict, or violence, while reaffirming the importance of international cooperation, international partnerships, and global solidarity to facilitate safe, orderly, and regular migration and ensure fair, inclusive, and gender-transformative asylum and refugee protection systems in line with international law, and recognizing the positive role and contributions of migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers to all spheres of life, while addressing the urgency of comprehensively tackling the drivers of irregular migration and forced displacement, ensuring their safety, dignity, and human rights, especially through actions that accelerate the realization of the 2030 Agenda, with the aim of eliminating the adverse drivers and structural factors, such as gender-based violence, poverty, and systemic inequality, that hinder women and girls, in all their diversity, from building and maintaining sustainable livelihoods and fulfilling their personal aspirations, and so compel them to leave their country of origin.

#### 26. Indigenous Women and Girls

Respect, protect, promote, and uphold the rights of Indigenous women and girls, in all their diversity, their territories, lands and ecosystems, guaranteeing unimpeded access, use, control,





equitable benefit and fair distribution over resources while safeguarding their traditions, spiritual beliefs and ancestral knowledge, halting all forms of extractivism, strengthening their distinct political, legal, economic social and cultural institutions, while retaining their right to participate fully, if they so choose, in the political, economic, social and cultural life of the State; and ensure their right to participation in decision-making and policy-making in all matters, fully implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and all relevant international human rights obligations, through decolonial and feminist social contracts and frameworks of accountability.

#### 27. Rural Women and Girls, Agriculture, Food, and Farmers

Ensuring all frameworks, policies, and programs are fully inclusive of women and girls, in all their diversity, from rural and remote areas, including smallholders and women farmers, fishers, and Indigenous women and girls, in all their diversity, and in this regard, bridge the divides between remote rural, rural, and urban areas, through leadership opportunities, capacity building, and the upholding of their rights, including economic justice, rights, and opportunities; and reaffirm the need to end hunger, and recognize the definition of 'women farmers' to secure equal rights of ownership, control over livelihood resources, access to agricultural inputs, finance, support services and resources, particularly for rural and farming women, including young women, networks and collectives, centering their participation in discourses around solutions to agricultural, land, and climate matters, especially since women farmers are repositories of farming knowledge; and further promote gender equity in the dynamics of food production and a gender perspective in food security, requiring a human rights-based and agroecological transformation of food systems, including awareness and respect of seed sovereignty.

#### 28. The Right to Clean Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

Respect, fulfill, and uphold the right to water, ensuring universal, unpolluted, substantial, and free access to this fundamental human right, irrespective of multiple and intersectional identities, and in this regard, recognizing the burden of water collection on women and girls, take immediate action to address water pollution to protect and restore water-related ecosystems, ensure impacted communities have access to justice for crimes of ecocide, implement further provisions to invest in accessible and sustainable infrastructure to secure access to water rights, invest in access to universal sanitation facilities, eliminate all forms of sexual and gender-based violence, and ensure the leadership of women and girls, in all their diversity, across the water domain, including in decision-making and policy-making at all levels.

#### **29. Future Generations**

Center future generations, strategic foresight, and anticipatory governance across decision-making and policy-making processes at all levels, to ensure long-term thinking and planning, implementing practical mechanisms for safeguarding the interests and preserving the rights of future generations at all levels, recognizing that every delay and impediment to achieving gender equality compromises the well-being, rights, and futures of future generations.

#### **30.** Generation Equality

Recall the Generation Equality Forums, which were convened by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and co-chaired by France and





Mexico, in partnership with civil society and young people, and in this regard, welcome the Generation Equality Forum's 5-year action journey and implement all the agreed actions across the Global Acceleration Plan with UN-Women and Generation Equality Multi-Stakeholder Partners; and encourage support, including political and financial mobilisation for its continuation beyond 2026.

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Please note that the figure of 16,000 young people is a minimal (baseline) estimate of contributions. Young people who submitted their recommendations conducted and submitted them through consultations (in-person, online, or hybrid), written contributions, multimedia, poetry, and workshops, among others.