**Concept Note**

Beyond Pacts for the Future: Local Action, Global Progress for Accelerating SDGs

Empowering Communities, Transforming the World

**Objective**:

To foster a global movement that bridges the gap between international agreements and local action, mobilizing communities to drive transformative change and achieve sustainable development.

Rationale:

Despite numerous global pacts and agreements, progress towards sustainable development goals remains slow. Local communities hold the key to unlocking meaningful change, but often lack the resources, support, and connectivity to drive impact.The Pact for the Future, a landmark agreement adopted by the United Nations, provides a comprehensive framework for addressing global challenges. While the Pact outlines ambitious goals and commitments, its implementation requires concerted action at all levels. This concept note proposes a strategy to harness the potential of local initiatives to drive global progress, ensuring that the Pact's vision is realized on the ground.

Local actions, global progress:

The Pact recognizes that local communities play a crucial role in addressing global challenges. By empowering local actors and fostering collaboration between different levels of governance, the Pact aims to:

Promote bottom-up innovation: Encourage grassroots initiatives and support local communities in developing innovative solutions to address pressing issues.

 Enhance accountability: Increase transparency and accountability in decision-making processes, ensuring that the needs and priorities of local communities are reflected in global policies.

Build resilience: Strengthen the capacity of local communities to adapt to changing circumstances and build resilience to shocks and stresses.

Sustainable agriculture: Local farmers adopting sustainable farming practices can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions, protect biodiversity, and improve food security.

Renewable energy: Community-based renewable energy projects can provide clean energy access to remote areas and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

Waste management: Local initiatives to reduce waste and promote recycling can help mitigate pollution and conserve resources.

Education and empowerment: Community-led education programs can provide opportunities for young people to develop their skills and contribute to their communities

Proposed Strategies

Local Action Plans: Encourage local communities to develop tailored action plans that address their specific needs and priorities within the context of the Pact for the Future.

Capacity Building Programs: Provide training, workshops, and mentorship opportunities to enhance the skills and knowledge of local stakeholders.

 Community Grants and Funding: Allocate resources to support local initiatives that align with the Pact's objectives and demonstrate potential for impact.

 Local-Global Partnerships: Foster partnerships between local organizations and international actors to facilitate knowledge exchange, resource mobilization, and advocacy.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Implement robust monitoring and evaluation frameworks to track progress, identify challenges, and inform decision-making..

Innovative Financing

Leveraging Public-Private Partnerships for Innovative Financing Mechanisms

Public-private partnerships can provide innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development. By leveraging the resources and expertise of both the public and private sectors, PPPs can develop innovative financing solutions that address the financing gap in local Action

**Plenary Sessions**

1. Reimagining Global Cooperation: The Role of Local Action

2. From Local to Global: Scaling Impact through Partnerships

3. The Future of Sustainable Development: Local Perspectives

**Conclusion:**

Beyond Pacts for the Future is a call to action for local communities, global stakeholders, and international organizations to unite and drive transformative change. By empowering local action and connecting global efforts, we can achieve sustainable development and create a better future for all

**EVENT SCHEDULE**

**11TH DECEMBER 2024**

**MORNING SESSION - 10am - 1PM**

Plenary Session : Review of the Pact For the Future - Host - 6 Minutes

1. Adebusuyi Olutayo Olumadewa - Founder DoTheDream YDI and CEO Alliance of Social Transformer For Sustainable Development

**Plenary with 2 Speakers 5 Minutes Each -**

Dr Adedayo Benjamin Laniyi ( Phd) Hon Mandate Secretary ,Women Affairs FCT

Cyril Ritchie first Vice President - Co NGO

 **Panel Sesson Thematics: Education : 3 Panelist 10:25 - 11:15**

Dr Ruma Bhargava -World Economic Forum - Global Lead on Health

Timo Stegelmann - Stegelman Consulting - W Balkans Economies expert

Dr Nobuhle Pamela Nkabane - Minister of Higher Education SA

Dr Adedayo Benjamin Laniyi -(PhD) Honourable Mandate Secretary for Women Affairs FCT (Federal Capital Territory), Abuja

Q/A and Intervention from the Floor 11:15 - 11:45

**Agriculture : 3 Panelist 11:50 - 12:45PM**

Charlene Ruto - (SMACHs) Agric Expert - First Daughter Kenya

Trent Simmons - SOTG

Victor Etuk - Innovative Agriculture

Intervention/ Q/A from the Floor 12:45 - 1PM

Moderator: Beecee Ugboh

BREAK TIME 1 - 3 PM

**AFTERNOON SESSION - 3PM - 6PM**

Plenary Session : 2 Speakers 5Minutes Each -

Dr Adedayo Benjamin Laniyi -PhD : Honourable Mandate Secretary for Women Affairs FCT (Federal Capital Territory), Abuja

Trent Simmons : World Spirit of the Game Foundation - Impact Entrepreneurship as an NGO solution

**Panel Session Thematics**

**Energy /Enviroment : 3 Panelist 3:25PM - 5 :15PM**

Uche Ugho - Group Head Treasury & Financial Institutions, NOVA

Hon Ibrahim Matola. Hon Minister of energy Malawi

Lucy Mutuku - National Youth Caucus Kenya, Kenya Sessions, EnergyNet

Florian Kermmitsch - KOIS Impact Investing & YPO -  "Impact Lives, Share Profits

Q/A and Intervention from the Floor 4:20 PM - 4: 40PM

**Moderators : Noor Alesawy**

**12TH DECEMBER 2024**

MORNING SESSION - 10am - 1PM

Plenary with 2 Speakers - 5 Minutes

Gender: 4 Panelist 10:30 - 11:35

GENDER AND STEM,CLIMATE ACTIONS 12:00 - 12:45PM

Intervention/ Q/A from the Floor 12:15 - 1PM

Elisa Gazzotti: Co Chair at NGO WG on Human Rights Education and Learning

Sanaa Hichami

Dr Adedayo Benjamin Laniyi -PhD

**Moderator:** Beecee Ugbo

BREAK TIME 1 - 3 PM

**AFTERNOON SESSION - 3PM - 6PM - TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT**

Plenary Session : 2 Speakers

Adebusuyi Olutayo Olumadewa: Founder DoTheDream YDI and CEO Alliance of Social Transformer For Sustainable Development

Trent Simmons : World Spirit of the Game Foundation - Impact Entrepreneurship as an NGO solution

**Panel Session**

Financing For Development : 3 Panelist 3:20PM - 4:15PM

Uche Ugboh: Group Head Treasury & Financial Institutions, NOVA

Maria Dimitriadou : Special Representative to the UN and the WTO

3 Panelist- FINANCING SDGS 4:45PM - 5::45PM

Neal Rijkenberg - Minister of Finance Eswantini

Philippe Rudaz      - Hyphen &  Sustainable Finance Geneva - EMEA Sustainable Finance

Florian Kermmitsch - KOIS Impact Investing & YPO -  "Impact Lives, Share Profits

Intervention/ Q/A from the Floor 5:45 PM - 6:00 PM