

<u>Preamble</u>

We, Representatives of Youth from the Delegations from Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa, assembled in Brasilia, Brazil, from 17-20 October 2019 on the occasion of the 5th BRICS Youth Summit to debate on the future of BRICS youth and make recommendations in light of the 11th BRICS summit. We have identified trends that are common to all of our youths and have, henceforth, established recommendations based on our mutual outlook on this matter. Therefore,

Recognizing the span in terms of population and the economic power of the BRICS association;

Reaffirming the importance of the BRICS Youth Summit and believing it to be an ideal space of discussion for matters of youth;

Understanding that our youth share common goals and yearnings;

Recognizing the efforts of all delegations to be present in the aforementioned date and time to discuss these important topics;

Bearing in mind that youths are key for the development and economic growth of all our economies;

Emphasizing that entrepreneurship and innovation are fundamental for the growth of any nation; and

Recalling the history and partnership of the BRICS summits,

We present the following recommendations to our Heads of State and Government:

Recommendations on the topic of "Inclusion through Education"

1) To create incentives for student exchange between BRICS countries through the facilitation of visas and the creation of university and school programs.

2) Creation of a BRICS scholarship program to secure funding for impactful ideas for young individuals from any social class and build literacy standards between the countries.

3) To support the creation of integrated research clusters resulting from BRICS initiatives.

Recommendations on the topic of "Future of Labor - Impact Reducing Actions"

- 1. Adaptation of labor and education to new sectors realities it is necessary that the youth is prepared for the new knowledge that the 4th industrial revolution dictates and 21st century needs.
- 2. Preparation of the youth labor for the automation reality in some sectors like mining and agriculture
- 3. Create a curriculum standard that can improve youth's education and job placement.
- 4. Having a more competent group of educators that can adapt teaching for the technological necessities and improve and strengthen the formation of teachers.
- 5. Diminish the skill gap that advances with new technologies by giving access to technological education and STEM training for youth
- 6. Diminish the precarious work for youth by creating security and strengthening the development of young workers.

<u>Recommendations on the topic of "Socio-Emotional Skills – The Importance of Soft</u> <u>Skills"</u>

- 1. Creation of a platform where academic, social, emotional learning modules are created and reach member nations through a platform called Education through distance.
- 2. Strengthening of University-Industry relations, in a way that schools can adapt to the current demands.
- 3. Inclusion of all society in a way that we can work soft-skills in various levels.
- 4. Implementation of accessibility policies, in order to create a more inclusive society.
- 5. Introduce Soft Skills as a part of curriculum in schools at early stages.
- 6. Establish a more proactive role of Civil Society organizations in imparting soft skills on society.
- 7. Recognition of Sign Language as a strategic skill that must be promoted within BRICS countries.
- 8. Establish that at least one tenth of delegations going to BRICS summits should be comprised of young people with disabilities.

Recommendations on the topic of "Youth as a bridge to strengthen Intra-BRICS relations"

- 1. Promotion of BRICS Games periodically;
- 2. Continuation the efforts on energy cooperation and research within BRICS countries based on the platform of the BRICS Youth Energy Agency;
- 3. Search of a digital platform that the Summit can use to promote decisions and results. BRICS YEA has volunteered to research platforms that the summit can use;
- 4. Promote energy efficiency in the scope of youth through initiatives such as the "International Festival on Energy Efficiency #ToghetherBrighter"

- 5. Exchange of information on existing youth exchange programs in each country every summit;
- 6. Define and deliberate on a structure for a BRICS Youth Secretariat by the next BRICS Youth Summit;
- 7. Create incentives and guidelines for volunteering amongst youths in BRICS countries;
- 8. Include guest countries in different BRICS summits in such a way as to increase networking between BRICS nations and close nations.

<u>Recommendations on the topic of "Social Ascension through Entrepreneurship and Job</u> <u>Creation"</u>

- 1. Creation of a Common Blended Fund, using private and government capital;
- 2. Creation of a Capacity Building Fund, in order to support start-up businesses;
- 3. Creation of a Crowdfunding platform for BRICS entrepreneurs;
- 4. Adoption, by the New Development Bank, of a Project Development Fund that prioritizes social entrepreneurship and job creation for youths;
- 5. Creation of a Cross-Company platform, to act a social entrepreneur network to find solutions for different issues;
- 6. Allocation of part of industry expenditure to youth owned businesses;
- 7. Developing special economic zones to create incentives for investment in youth businesses or projects and promote intra-BRICS commercial trade;
- 8. Promoting of skill development initiatives for BRICS Youth in order to improve capacitation.