

# Change the Rules – Heal a Fractured World

## **Peace and democracy are increasingly collateral damage of globalisation’s failings**

*Increasing authoritarianism, dictatorship and militarisation have brought us increased conflict and the threat of nuclear war. Military spending is the highest since WWII, and more people than at any other time in our history are displaced.*

*Young people are turning away from democracy.*

## **Corporate greed has torn apart the social contract**

*Global earnings have been falling for five years and income inequality has grown in 53 per cent of countries.*

*Ninety-four per cent of workers in the world’s supply chains are in low-wage, insecure and often unsafe work. Seventy-five per cent of the world has no social protection while at least \$21 trillion is stashed away in tax havens.*

## **Global leaders have allowed a wave of misogyny**

*In restaurants and journalism, one in two women have experienced sexual harassment.*

*More than 50 per cent of men in the USA believe women are well represented while less than one in ten senior leaders is a woman.*

## **Predatory “uberisation” of the economy is fueling anxiety and inequality**

*Sixty-three per cent believe new technologies are making jobs redundant and without regulation, platform businesses are increasing informal work.*

*Data behemoths like Google, Facebook and Amazon are increasingly dominating not only data but also economic and social life.*

## **The risks of the fourth industrial revolution may outweigh the benefits.**

*If full employment is abandoned and productivity gains are not shared, the world will soon reach a tipping point.*

*If human control is abandoned to artificial intelligence, we will face social disintegration.*

## **Destruction from climate change is accelerating**

*Lives and livelihoods are being lost, and a 4°C world is uninsurable.*

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### What people want

**85%** say it’s time to rewrite the rules of the global economy.

**93%** want their government to stop corporate abuse and support the rule of law.

**95%** want governments to be more committed to jobs and decent work.

**82%** want governments to take a stand on discrimination against women.

# A New Social Contract – Change the Rules

The SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement are agreed global solutions. This must mean a Just Transition to a zero-poverty, zero-carbon world.

A new social contract requires:

1. Fundamental reform of governance for peace and social and economic justice
  2. Macroeconomic policy based on inclusive growth, jobs and decent work, with reform of multilateral institutions
  3. Minimum living wages and collective bargaining
  4. Universal social protection and vital public services
  5. A social license for business to operate
  6. Laws that work for people and guarantee their rights based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and ILO labour standards
  7. Implementation of the European Social Pillar recognising the opportunity it shows to shape the future of work globally
  8. Human control of a data commons
  9. Life-long learning
  10. Elimination of violence against women
  11. Inclusion of migrants and refugees
  12. An end to corporate tax cheating and corruption
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