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LET'S ACT NOW!



Luxembourg has a history to be proud of. The discovery of iron ore in the first half of the 19th century marked the start of unprecedented economic and social development. Within two generations, Luxembourg had evolved from a poor agrarian country into an industrial nation, and it went on to become one of the top performing and most prosperous service economies in the world. On the back of this extraordinary economic success, Luxembourg's inhabitants enjoyed a standard of living and social services that were second to none. However, although Luxembourg has long been a model of success, opening up to Europe and the world and implementing a shrewd diversification policy, the country has now reached a crossroads.

The world is changing at lightning speed and the old recipes are no longer enough to ensure the country's development and prosperity in the years ahead. The extensive growth on which Luxembourg relied in the past is not sustainable in the long term and could lead to social and environmental imbalances. If Luxembourg wants to continue its success story, it will have to be even more open to change, and indeed welcome it as an opportunity to reinvent itself. It must galvanise all its citizens if it wants to move forward and remain an inclusive and attractive society.

The Grand Duchy's future depends largely on the type of society it decides to become and the political choices that are made today. The recession exacerbated the challenges facing the country: housing crisis, government deficit, unemployment, ecological footprint, economic diversification, multi-lingualism, co-existence, education, demographic changes, etc. To meet these challenges and provide future generations with the same quality of life as that enjoyed by the current generation, it is vital that Luxembourg considers all these factors carefully and adopts a vision and a long-term goal.

Initiative 2030.lu is pinning its hopes on a future society built around the following fundamental values and principles:

- political, legal, economic, ecological and social justice;
- access for all citizens to qualitative and affordable housing, information and training, with an eye to personal and professional fulfilment;
- solidarity between the wealthiest and the poorest and between the older and younger generations;
- application of sustainable development principles to the management of natural, energy and financial resources;
- opening the country up to the Greater Region, Europe and the world, and collaboration in European and international projects of common interest;
- promotion of innovation in every area of society.

By translating these principles into reality in its political, economic, social and cultural life, Luxembourg will be able to offer everyone the chance to live in dignity in an inclusive society that guarantees fundamental protection for every citizen and where disparities only result from each citizen's individual efforts and contributions to the well-being of the society.

Let's change together for a better future

The vision of a fair, balanced and sustainable socio-economic model in Luxembourg by 2030 can only be realised if attitudes and habits change.

This is why 2030.lu is calling on everyone concerned about the country's future to contribute in their daily professional and private lives to achieving the goals listed in this Manifesto.

This is why 2030.lu is launching an appeal for change by calling on our political leaders to work towards creating a fairer, bolder Luxembourg.

Let's act together, starting today

To realise this vision of a fairer, bolder Luxembourg, which has confidence in its possibilities and more control over its destiny, which acts more effectively and shows a greater spirit of enterprise, we need:

1. public institutions capable of imagining and shaping the future of the country in a long-term perspective;
2. an integration model and electoral system that enable everyone who contributes to the country's prosperity and diversity to participate in the debate on citizenship and society, as well as in political decision-making;
3. enhancement of citizen participation models at every level of society with a view to improving government transparency;
4. immigration levels and a demographic trend that are compatible with both the country's integration capacity and its infrastructure capacity;
5. responsible public finance management that commits to presenting a balanced budget at the end of each legislature while preparing for the future with infrastructure investments that meet the needs of Luxembourg society;
6. judicious allocation of the country's available resources that meets the following criteria: performance, efficiency and compatibility with its regeneration capacity;
7. a land and housing development policy that gives each citizen access to affordable housing;
8. government services that act as facilitators for entrepreneurial, social and cultural projects;
9. an education system that takes account of the country's demographic and linguistic diversity and offers young people equal access to quality training that will open the door to employment;
10. better targeted social welfare, based on disease prevention criteria for a healthier lifestyle and environment, as well as emergency and necessity criteria, guaranteeing quality care for people at risk or in need, and backed by a sustainable financing model;
11. measures to make Luxembourg's pension and dependency systems more equitable and sustainable, by ensuring their long-term financing and thereby avoiding inter-generation conflict;
12. active solidarity to combat poverty in Luxembourg and abroad;
13. a drive to improve effort, knowledge, know-how and the spirit of initiative in all areas of society: the economy, community life, education, culture, etc.

This collective commitment and joint action will bring about the change that is so vital for the country's development. Luxembourg is ready for change. Let's move forward together to meet these challenges and collectively build a better future for all. That is our ambition for the future.

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