In a time of a surging far-right takeover of politics around the world, massive cases of killings of human rights defenders, the disturbing inaction of governments toward the climate crisis, and the rising global outrage of people against neoliberal policies, the International Union of Socialist Youth (IUSY), as the largest political youth organization, should be in the forefront of a global mass movement for freedom, equality, and solidarity.

In recent years, IUSY has released solidarity statements for the people of the Philippines, Hong Kong, Burma, Israel, Palestine, Armenia, El Salvador, Venezuela, Hungary, Libya, to name a few. With its global reach, IUSY has shone a light on issues that needed immediate global responses.

The political manifesto of IUSY aptly stated that “in order to change the world it is necessary that each individual takes a small part of collective responsibility, and we are convinced that together we can get the strength to achieve aims that a single person cannot achieve”.

IUSY is a powerful organization with its broad and expansive membership in different countries around the world and its long roster of influential veterans including former prime ministers, presidents, members of parliament or chiefs of global and regional institutions.
This resolution therefore sets the basic guidelines for international solidarity activities, thereby strengthening the political manifesto of IUSY and providing member organizations the needed global infrastructure for campaigns.

IUSY, with its unique global reach, should craft and publish annual reports on the state of human rights, feminism, climate, labor and other struggles from different countries and regions in order to document the challenges and victories of young people all over the world.

IUSY should widen actions and responses to issues aside from the statements posted on its website and social media platforms. The IUSY presidium members can facilitate low-cost but high-impact activities such as petitions, letters to MPs to build public pressure, online seminars, and multi-media materials on issues faced by member organizations.

IUSY should profile the priority campaigns and popular issues of member organizations and their countries to effectively facilitate campaigns and strategically recommend people to trainings, conferences, and events attended by IUSY.

IUSY should facilitate sister party relationships among its member organizations especially for budding or vulnerable member organizations who will need the exposure, resources, and knowledge for their issues.

IUSY should commit to increasing the travel subsidies of participating individuals from developing countries and with it, the timely payment of membership dues from its member organizations. IUSY should also refer member organizations to strategic funding organizations to encourage more local or regional activities, as IUSY has an active status in several global bodies.

IUSY can continue its important global work by ensuring that it builds an infrastructure that nourishes the political growth of its member organizations and therefore, capture the revolutionary momentum of our times!