We, 267 economists from 44 countries – representing diverse experience and perspectives on economic policy – declare that our global society has a vested interest in investing in health to transform lives and livelihoods.


Our generation has a historic opportunity to achieve a “grand convergence” in global health, reducing preventable maternal, child and infectious disease deaths to universal levels by 2035.

With the United Nations set to launch the bold sustainable development agenda, we call on the world’s leaders to prioritize a pro-poor pathway to universal health coverage.

Universal health coverage ensures that everyone can obtain high-quality, essential health services without suffering financial hardship. It is an essential pillar of sustainable development.

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