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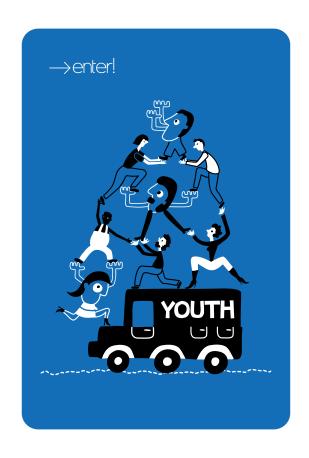


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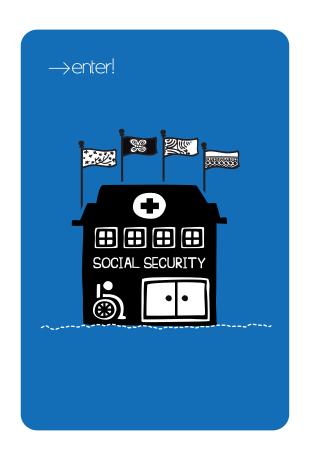


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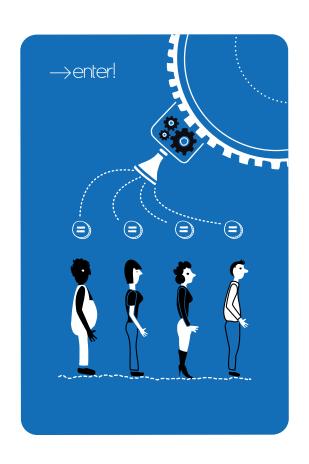


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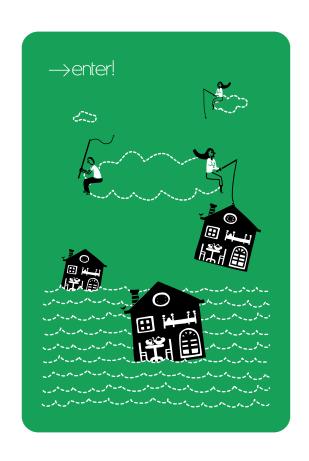


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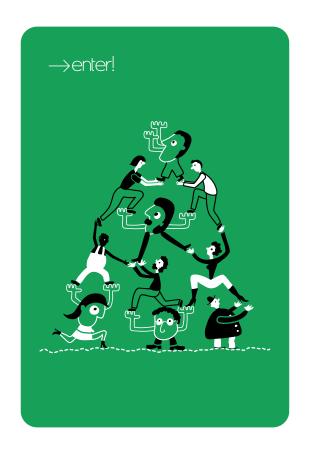
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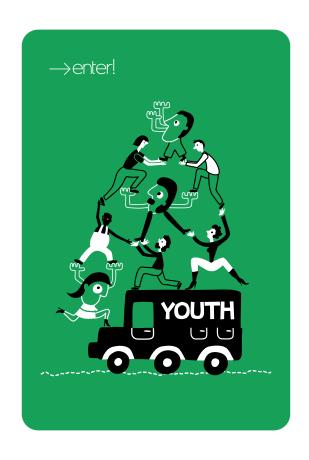
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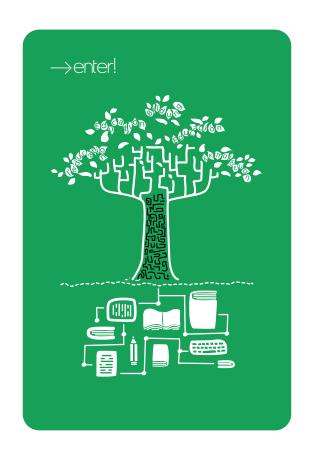


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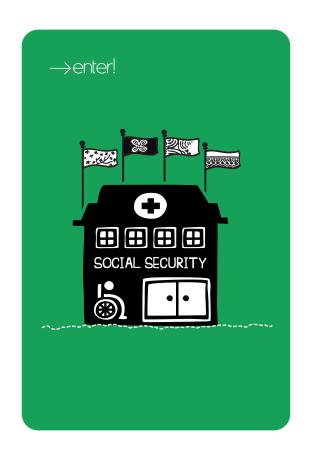


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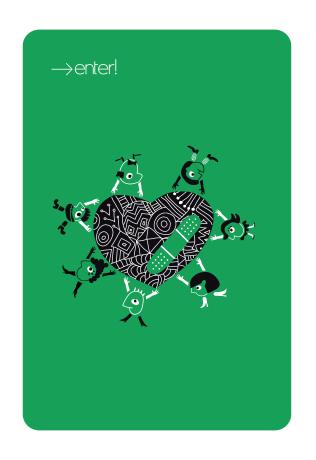
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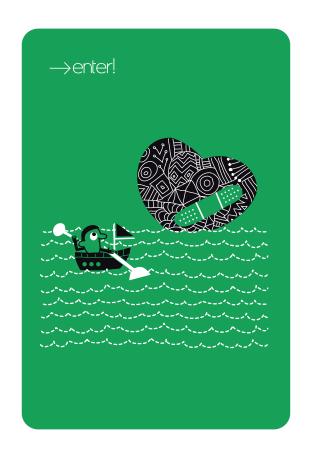


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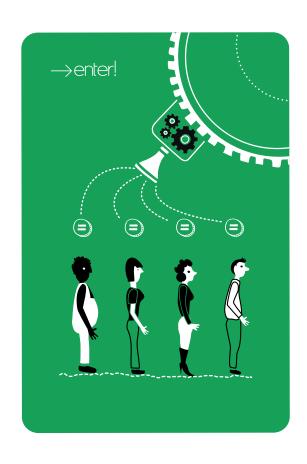


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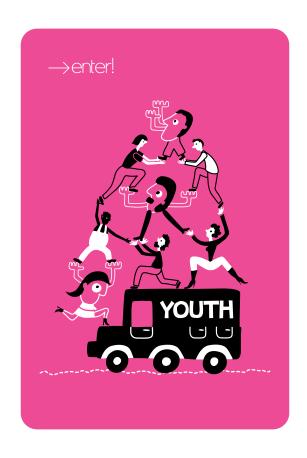


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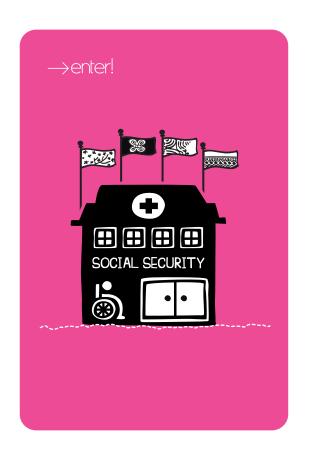


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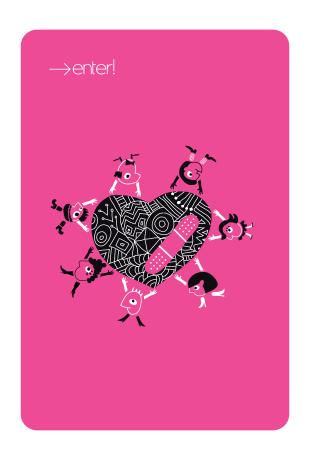
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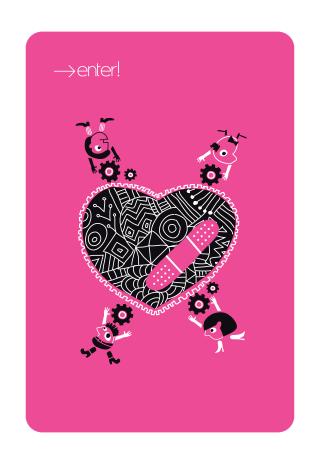
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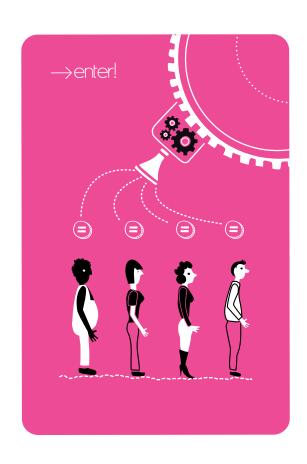


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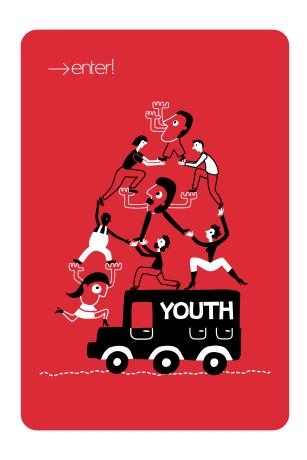


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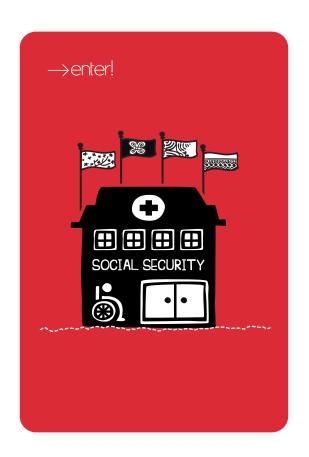


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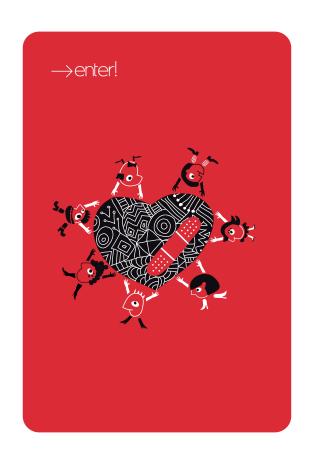
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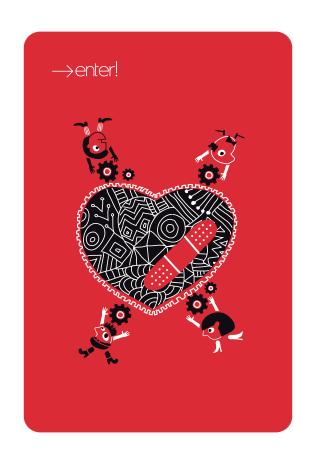
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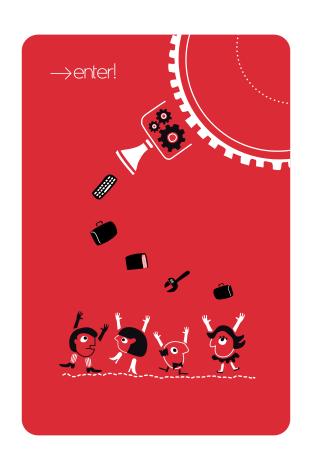
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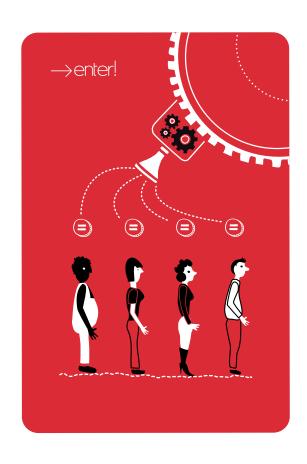


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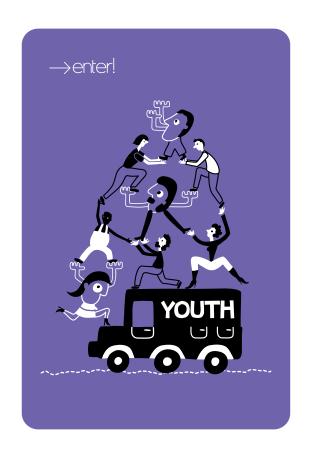


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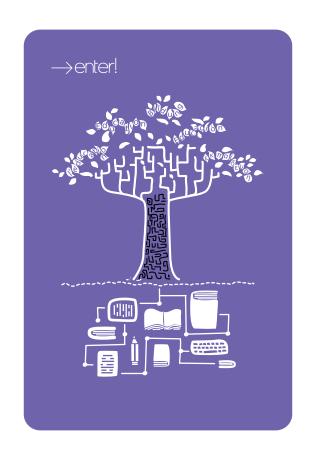


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Increases employment and reinforces the social role of young people.



We need young people's contributions for the pensions of retired people.



UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EVERYONE



Without health you cannot do much.



Where are the limits of public health care? Health is also an individual responsibility.





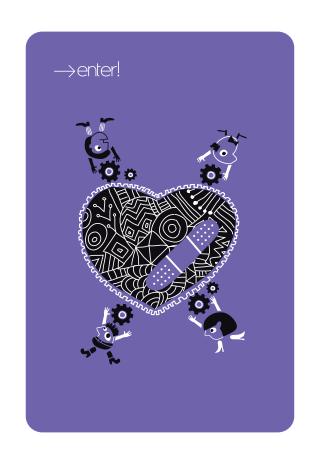
FULL HEALTH INSURANCE ONLY FOR THOSE UNABLE TO PAY



Better use of state resources as those who can pay should.



Certain groups, those not eligible for free health care, would be unable to afford costly or long-term treatment.



FULL HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EVERYONE IN EMPLOYMENT



This may motivate people to work.



What will happen to those who do not work?





COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM
OF WELFARE BENEFITS FOR
EVERYONE/GUARANTEED
MINIMUM INCOME FOR ALL



Ensures all people have guaranteed minimum resources.



Costly; may be abused. It may dissuade persons from seeking work.





FOOD AND HEATING BENEFITS FOR THOSE WITH LIMITED INCOME



Ensures, at the very least, a minimum protection against poverty.



But would it be sufficient to properly protect against poverty?





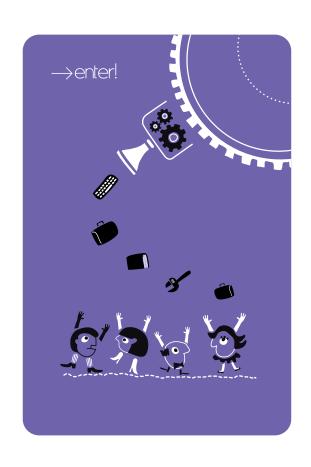
CERTAIN CASH BENEFITS, SUCH AS CHILD WELFARE BENEFIT, IRRESPECTIVE OF MEANS



Ensures that no one slips through the net, and that no one is excluded.



Not an efficient use of resources; only those with low means should receive such benefits.



PROVISION OF APPROPRIATE VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, TRAINING AND REHABILITATION



It will be efficient for employment.



Impossible to respond to such diverse needs and situations.





SPECIAL MEASURES (E.G. TAX
REDUCTIONS, QUOTA)
FOR EMPLOYING SPECIFIC GROUPS
(E.G. DISABLED PEOPLE,
THE LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED)

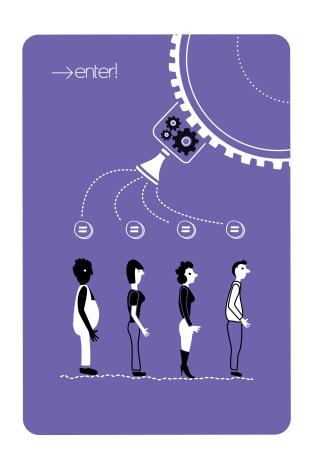


Otherwise risks exclusion from labour market.



It puts stigma on these groups and enforces dependency.





SAME SALARY FOR WORK
OF EQUAL VALUE, IRRESPECTIVE
OF AGE AND GENDER



It is the practical realisation of the principle of equality.



Experience counts. Lower salaries might help young people to get a first job.

