Secure and Equitable Connectivity: A Manifesto for a Global Order

This manifesto outlines a comprehensive strategy, addressing national and global facets of connectivity, ensuring not only security but also inclusivity and sustainability.

I. Bridging the Digital Divide

National Connectivity Initiatives: Governments and private sectors must collaborate on extensive infrastructure development, ensuring high-speed internet access as a fundamental right. A significant investment, estimated at $50 billion over the next five years, is required to bridge the digital divide, with a focus on rural and underserved areas.

Inclusive Digital Education: Empower individuals through inclusive digital education programs. Collaboration with education ministries, technology companies, and NGOs is crucial. An initial investment of $10 billion and continuous updates for improvement.

II. Cybersecurity and Privacy

International Cybersecurity Standards: Collaborate globally on cybersecurity standards to protect critical infrastructure and sensitive data.

Privacy Laws: Enact robust privacy laws, striking a balance between national security and personal privacy.

III. Sustainable Connectivity

Green Technologies: Adopt environmentally friendly practices in technology and connectivity infrastructure.

Global Cooperation: Collaborate globally to set standards for sustainable connectivity, fostering innovation in green technologies.

IV. Inclusive Global Governance

Multilateral Cooperation: Establish open and inclusive dialogue forums among nations to address connectivity challenges collaboratively.

Ethical Use of Technology: Encourage ethical considerations in technology development and deployment. Advocate for international agreements on responsible technology use.

V. Strengthening Resilience

Diverse Connectivity Routes: Develop diverse routes for enhanced resilience against disruptions, including natural disasters and cyber threats.

Capacity Building: Support nations in developing the capacity to respond to and recover from connectivity-related disruptions.