



**Annual
Report
2017**



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Sawiris Foundation For Social Development





Towards Sustainable Development



"Mural by the Children – Banati Foundation"

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Letter From The Chairman Mr. Hazem Hassan

Dear Friends & Partners,

I am pleased to present to you the annual report of the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development for the year 2017. I would like at the beginning of this report to extend, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation and its staff, our sincere thanks and gratitude to my predecessor, His Excellency Ambassador, Dr. Mohamed Ibrahim Shaker, for his wise leadership and outstanding contributions to the development of the SFSD – may his soul rest in peace. He was an honorable figure with tremendous accomplishments in diplomacy, foreign policy and development.

The SFSD annual report provides a snapshot of our journey that started in 2001, as one of the first family foundations established in Egypt. 16 years later, we remain a highly committed foundation that upholds values of transparency, accountability and efficiency, and that remains relentlessly focused on reaching the most marginalized Egyptians and transforming their lives.

Since its inception, the foundation has chosen to tackle challenging and prominent issues in Egypt, namely, poverty alleviation, youth unemployment and the provision of high quality Education. We have also ensured the alignment of our programs with Egypt's vision 2030 and with the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals 2030 (SDGs). As I reflect on our achievements in these areas, I am proud to report that we have been able to reach over many thousands of marginalized Egyptians across 24 governorates, and that we have been able to make a remarkable difference in their quality of life.

Our development journey has been inclusive, ensuring that we reach marginalized women that are heads of their households, vulnerable children, people with special needs and youths. Our development journey has also focused on the sustainability of our results, always piloting innovative programs, learning from our experiences, and scaling up best practices.

In our journey, we have worked with hundreds of NGOs to enable them to achieve tangible results and have focused on investing in raising their capacities to

ensure that we have a strong and capable civil society in Egypt. We have also invested significantly in rigorously measuring the impact of our programs, with the aim to learn and improve.

Given the magnitude of the challenges that the foundation has chosen to address, we have always been keen to partner with the relevant governmental entities and with like-minded organizations from all sectors to maximize our impact. We are grateful for all our partners – local and international – whose dedication, hard work and perseverance have enabled us to achieve even more than we set out to.

As we look forward, we will continue our focus on making a difference, on measuring our impact, on forging effective partnerships and on operating with the highest professional standards in all that we do.

In closing, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the SFSD team who work hard to make a difference in the lives of thousands of Egyptians.



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Message From The Executive Director Eng. Noura Selim

It is a pleasure to be sharing the 2017 annual report for the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development.

I would like to start by thanking the tireless team at SFSD for their passion for what they do, their hard work, and their commitment to the hundreds of thousands of Egyptians, whom we are all proud to serve.

2017 was a year of significant growth for the foundation, not only in terms of our investments in development- having directed 116 million EGP towards development programs in Egypt, but also in terms of our intellectual growth as a professional Egyptian grant-making foundation. In 2017, we continued our focus on sustainable impact, on measuring our results and on learning from our experiences and learning from our many inspiring partners.

As I reflect on our achievements in 2017, highlighted in this annual report, I would like to focus on the commitments we have made that have defined the way we work and that have enabled those achievements.

1. A commitment to professional, effective, and sustainable Philanthropy

We believe in sustainable development versus one-time charitable donations. Every grant goes through a rigorous evaluation to ensure maximum and lasting impact. We also believe in the professional management of philanthropy, with a focus on proper governance, attraction of top talent, and proper internal processes.

2. A commitment to transparency and accountability

We strive to be transparent in all that we do- in our financials, our programs, and their impact. In order to do that, we have focused and invested greatly in setting up rigorous evaluations of our core programs and we ensure publication of our success- and our failures - alike, with the goal of learning and improving.

3. A commitment to remaining focused on the most prominent issues where we have an edge

For 16 years, we have worked on job creation and education and continue to be a leading foundation in these areas, honing our knowledge and scaling up best practices. We remain razor focused on our work in youth unemployment and in the provision of high quality education, be that through our world class Gouna Technical Nursing Institute, or our community schools in Upper Egypt.

4. A commitment to reaching the most marginalized

Over 70% of our funding goes to the poorest villages in Egypt, and we ensure our reach to the most disenfranchised members of society from children

without shelter to people with disabilities.

5. A commitment to efficiency

We are committed to maximizing the impact of every pound directed towards development; we therefore keep our General and Administrative expenses as a percent of our total investments at a maximum of 10%.

6. A commitment to knowledge creation and knowledge sharing

As founding members of the Arab Foundations Forum and active members of the OECD Network of foundations working for development, we play a key role in supporting knowledge creation and dissemination in the region and globally.

7. A commitment to partnering for impact

We do not work alone and believe in the power of effective partnerships. Our partners come from across all sectors and have enabled us to maximize our impact and to complement each other and learn from each other.

We will remain ambitious in our objectives: to eradicate poverty, combat youth unemployment, transform the quality of education and to significantly empower all marginalized Egyptians; and we will remain steadfast in our work- with our many partners - to achieve those objectives.

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1. The Foundation at a Glance

"Schools for Egypt" Initiative, Gena.

Sawiris Foundation for Social Development (SFSD)

Committed to Sustainable Development

The Sawiris Foundation for Social Development is one of the first national donor foundations that devotes all its efforts to social development in Egypt. It was established with an endowment from the Sawiris Family in 2001 with the aim of offering grants to support development projects and programs implemented by NGOs, in partnership with the private and governmental sectors. Throughout the past 16 years, SFSD has promoted the participation and empowerment of Egypt's most underprivileged communities and improved their conditions by focusing on job creation, provision of high – quality education, addressing priority health topics, community development and cultural awards. With the launch of flagship initiatives and more than EGP 880 million invested, SFSD has impacted the lives of over 230,000 Egyptians in 24 governorates.

VISION:

The Sawiris Foundation was founded on the belief that development is only sustainable when its beneficiaries are equal partners in the process. We aspire to be a recognized pioneer in the provision of innovative and sustainable development initiatives, promoting increased empowerment of, and participation by, the people of Egypt.

MISSION:

Our mission is to contribute to Egypt's development, create sustainable job opportunities, and empower citizens to build productive lives that realize their full potential. We support initiatives that encourage job creation through training, education and access to micro-credit. We also enhance efforts to improve health and further the endeavors of local communities to improve infrastructure and gain access to basic services – two important prerequisites for higher productivity and the increased empowerment of citizens.



Throughout the past 16 years, SFSD has promoted the participation and empowerment of Egypt's most underprivileged communities".

"My Future Career" project, Aswan

OBJECTIVES:

Our primary objective is to support development projects, programs and initiatives that improve lives in all of Egypt's governorates through:

1. **Economic empowerment through:**
 - a. Financing training programs that lead to employment.
 - b. Encouraging microenterprise development by providing technical, administrative and financial assistance through grants and loans.
2. **Increasing access to and improving the quality of education through:**
 - a. Awarding merit scholarships to Egyptian students to study at home and abroad.
 - b. Establishing specialized higher education institutions to offer education that responds to society's needs.
3. **Addressing the most pressing societal issues (e.g. Hepatitis C, children without shelter, etc.)**
4. **Encouraging artistic and cultural innovation through an annual competition.**



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CORE VALUES:

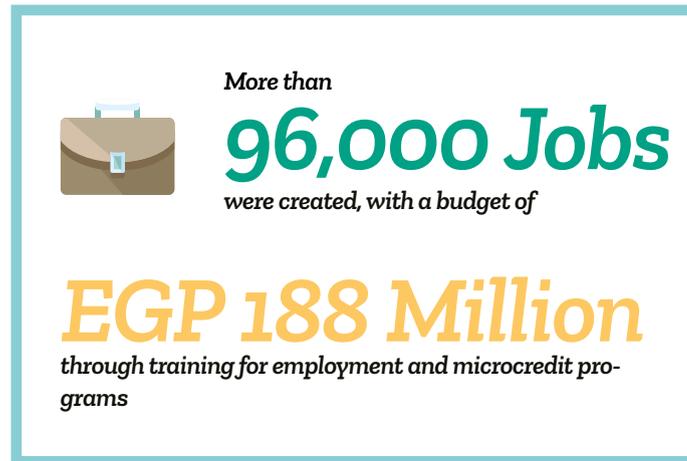
At SFSD, we are committed to fundamental values that underpin our mission and objectives to improve the lives of underprivileged Egyptians throughout the country. We commit ourselves to accountability, transparency, equality and fairness, and integrity in all the work we do to effectively respond to the needs of the people of Egypt.

SFSD's approach to sustainable development - The 5 pillars

1. Forging effective partnerships, with civil society, corporate and governmental actors.
2. Adopting a backward employment model, in which labor market needs are comprehensively assessed prior to the design and provision of training in order to maximize job potential for trainees.
3. Fostering healthy competition between beneficiaries through annual awards and scholarships.
4. Instituting best practices by going beyond grant-giving and ensuring that grantees are supported to apply the best practices in strategic planning, financial management, monitoring and evaluation and reporting.
5. Scaling- up successful initiatives to maximize impact and sustainability.

1.1 Portfolio Structure (2001 -2017)

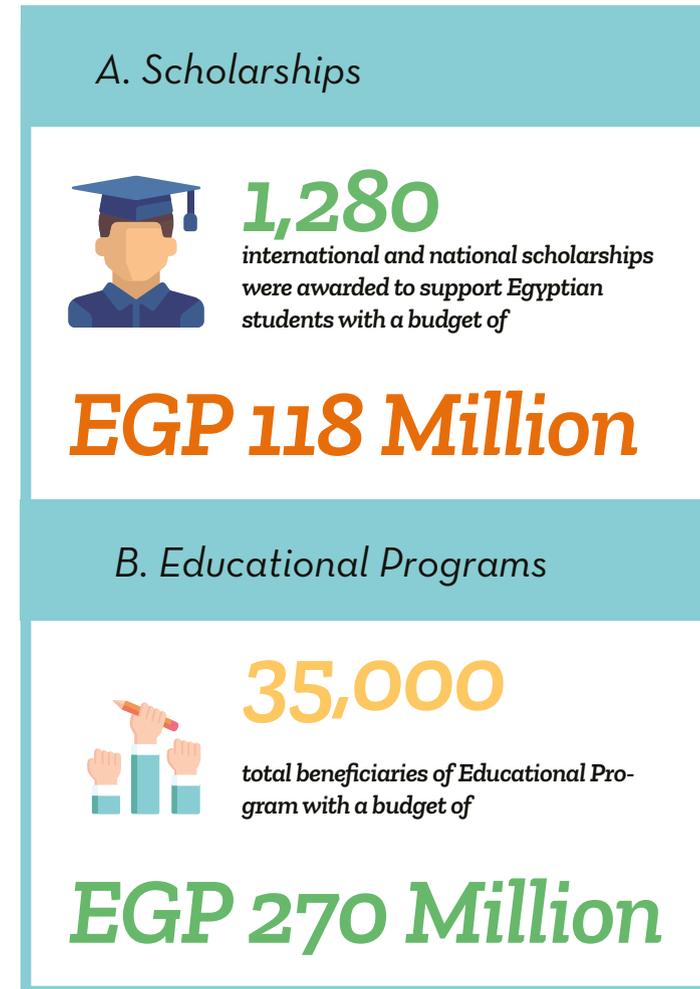
Economic Empowerment



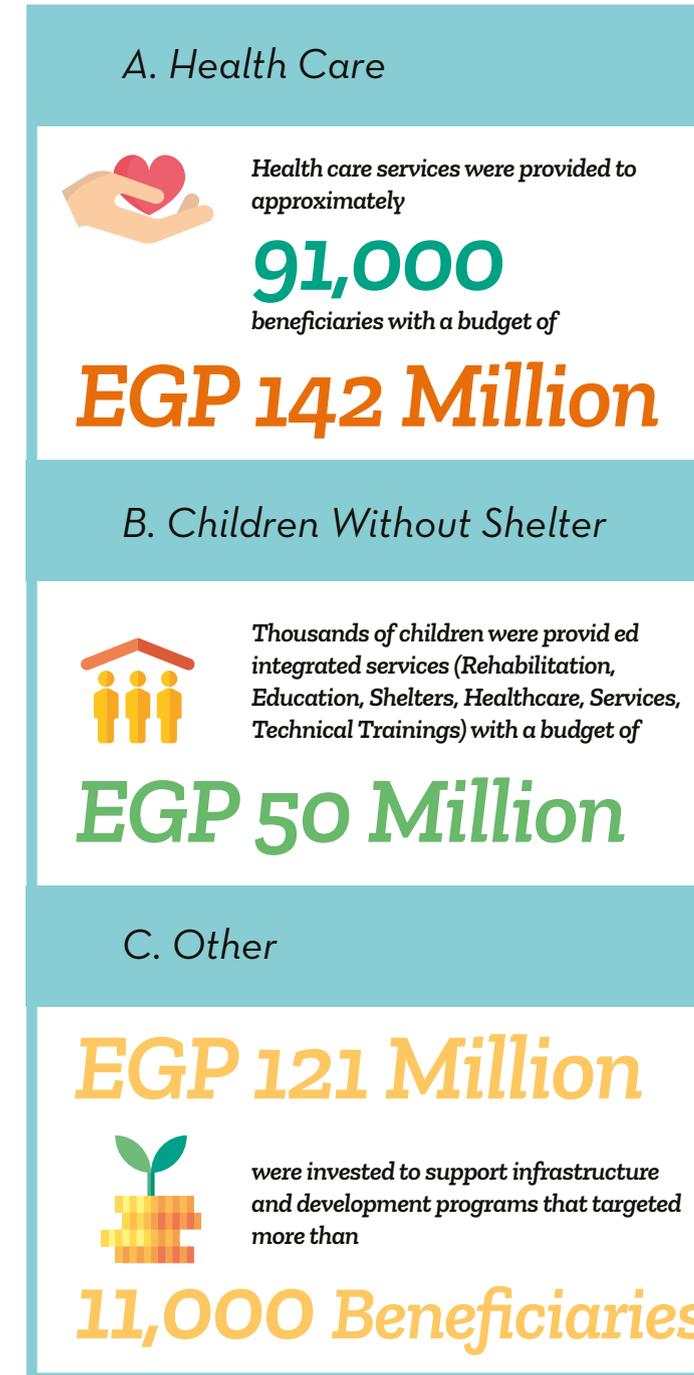
Sawiris Cultural Award



High Quality Education



Most Pressing Societal Issues

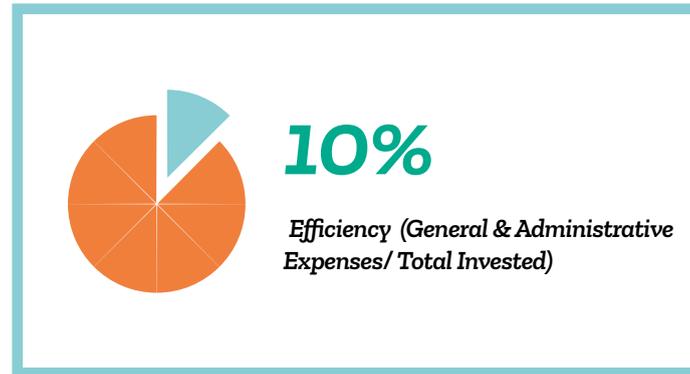


“Eradaty” Project to empower people with disabilities, Fayoum governorate”

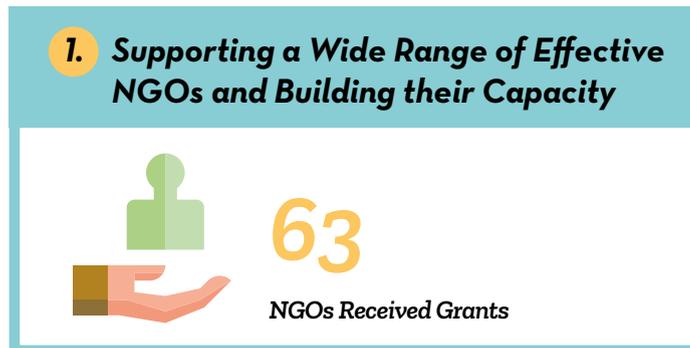
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2017 in Numbers

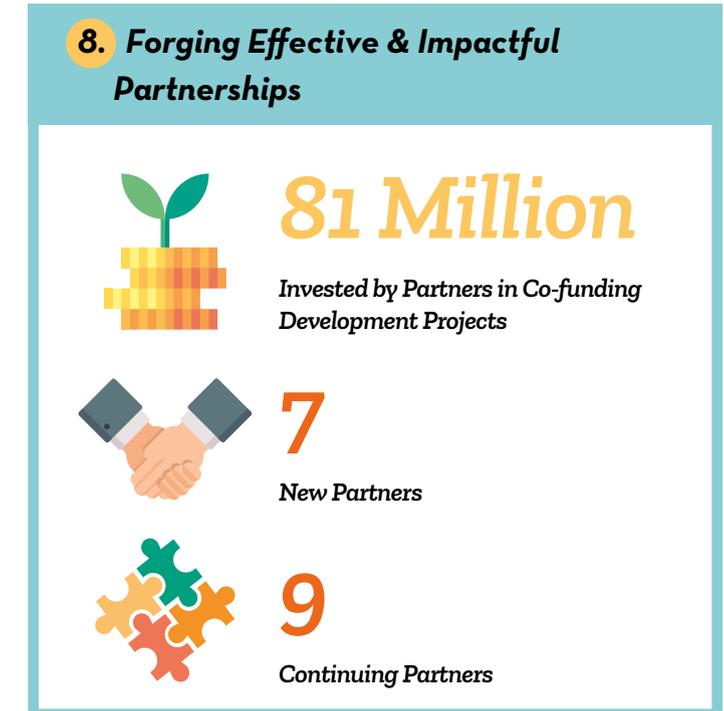
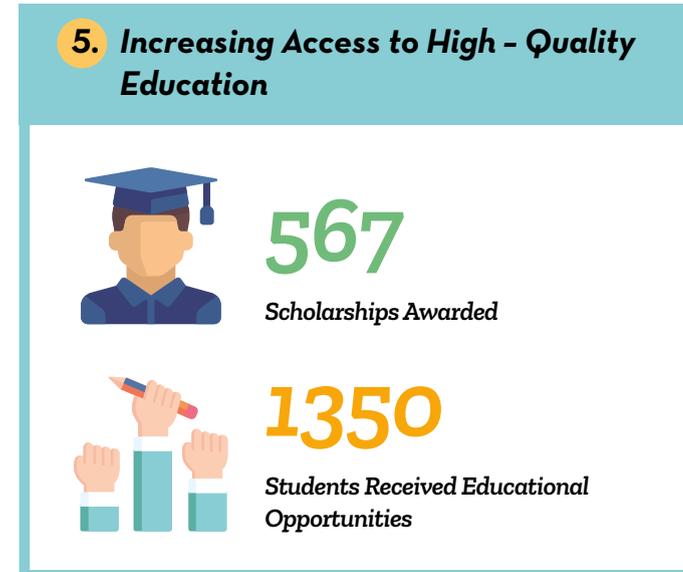
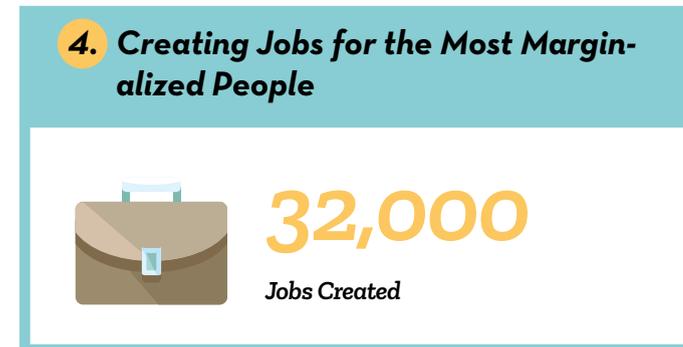
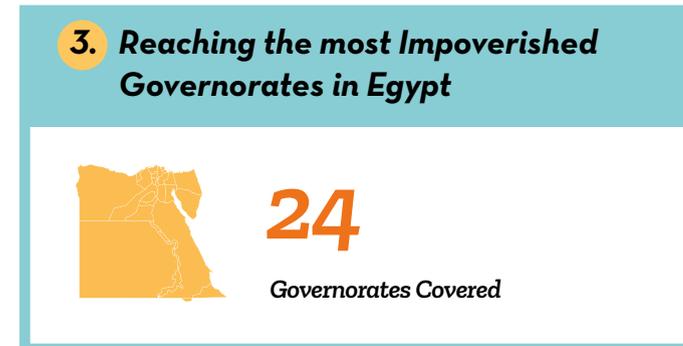
Our Financials



Our Impact



- 2. Promoting Effective, Professional and Sustainable Philanthropy**
- Chairing the Arab Foundations Forum.
 - Active member of OECD network of foundations working for development (OECD Net Fund).
 - Supporting a wide range of knowledge creation platforms.
 - Collaborating with Abdel Latif Jamel Poverty for Action Lab (J-PAL) to conduct two large scale randomized control trials.





1.3

Our Commitment to the SDGs

Banati rehabilitation shelter, Haram City

We are committed to supporting Egypt in achieving the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals 2030 (SDGs), and contributing where our competitive strengths are as a grant-making foundation. We have therefore mapped our portfolio structure to the SDGs and are relentless about tracking and reporting our progress and KPIs quantitatively and qualitatively. We have also focused on SDG 5 (gender equality), SDG 10 (reducing inequality) and SDG 17 (partnership for the goals), to be cross – cutting goals that span across our entire portfolio and are integrated in how we work.

SFSD Portfolio

Economic Empowerment

High – Quality Education

Most Pressing Societal Issues

(Hepatitis C, Children without Shelters, Infrastructure and Sanitation)



Upholding values of accountability and transparency is a priority for SFSD. In order to do that, it is critical to rigorously measure the impact we are having on the lives of Egyptians who we are hoping to touch in a positive way. We believe that we cannot manage what we cannot measure, therefore, and in addition to continuously monitoring the process of our projects, we launched a partnership with Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) in 2015 to conduct an impact measurement of our core programs. This is done through Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs), which are considered the gold standard for monitoring and evaluating the impact of projects and interventions.

J-PAL is also assisting in the capacity building of the implementing NGOs through workshops that aim to provide information and training on the most efficient mechanisms for monitoring and evaluation. This Impact Measurement Program shall also assist in building the framework for future action in light of the results of the evaluation.

We expect to publish our findings in early 2019 as they become available.



1.4 Our Commitment to Impact Measurement

"Eradaty" Project to empower people with disabilities, Fayoum governorate

A man in a beige thobe is standing next to a large date palm tree, touching its trunk. The background is filled with many other date palm trees under a clear blue sky.

2. Our Impact in 2017

"Youth Inventions: Creation of Palm Products" project, Aswan



2.1 Creating Decent & Sustainable Jobs

"Chance" project to support small enterprises at Markz Al Wakf, Qena governorate

For more than 16 years, SFSD has addressed this pressing issue by developing and financing projects that promote job creation and employment to empower the poorest & most marginalized groups of people. We support many interventions to improve the quality of life of the unemployed and poverty-stricken groups, especially youth, women and people with disabilities, through training and creating opportunities for them and/or providing them with loans to set up their small businesses.

2017

Most Important Initiatives and Projects

“Integrated Sustainable Development” Project

In partnership with EFG Hermes Foundation, Orascom Construction Limited and the Kuwaiti Initiative for the Support of the Egyptian People

This EGP 70 million project aims to improve the lives of 60,000 under-privileged citizens in El Deir village in Luxor Governorate through investments in infrastructure development, educational opportunities, economic empowerment and increasing the skill set of the local workforce. This new initiative addresses the actual needs of the village and its surrounding community. The project also aims to upgrade the housing and sanitation conditions as well as to renovate a local school and establish a bakery, a nursery for early learning and a community service center. Furthermore, literacy programmes are provided in combination with economic empowerment projects to women and youth.



“Prospecting Economic Development in Luxor” project

Sawiris Job Creation Competition

"Empowering Upper Egyptians"

In 2016, 41 projects were implemented in the poorest villages in Upper Egypt's governorates through the Sawiris Job Creation Competition, which was launched under the slogan "Empowering Upper Egyptians". In 2017, the fourth phase was completed and the activities of the final phase had begun. These projects aim to create 20,000 sustainable jobs for people in Upper Egypt governorates through training for employment and microcredit programs in the fields of rural and agricultural development, handicrafts and healthcare.

This project aims at creating work opportunities for the people of the targeted villages in Sohag Governorate in the field of recycling banana tree waste using modern techniques. The training program includes the manufacture of fertilizers and wood from the leaves of banana trees.



"The Right to Life" project - Banana trees waste recycling, Sohag governorate



Here are the success stories of some of the winning projects:

I. Training for Employment

The "Right to Life" Project

A Dream of a Better Future Comes True

My name is Yasser, I'm 35 years old; I lived and worked in Libya for 11 years until the revolutions broke out in 2011, so I had to leave everything and go back to Egypt to save my life. After returning home, I began to look for a job until I found an online announcement about the training in the furniture industry that was provided by the "Right to Life" project. I joined the training program which benefited me in a practical way and qualified me to work in a furniture factory. The monthly income was very little at first, but after a few months, the owner of the factory doubled my salary due to my skills and commitment to work. I feel a lot of satisfaction and stability in my work and I aspire to develop my skills and learn more in order to be promoted or to have my own factory someday".



“Job Opportunity for a Better Life” project

Improving the chances of young people to work in the health care sector

Mohammed Fawzi, a 22-year-old man, received a technical diploma in 2015, but was not able to work in the field of nursing with this certificate, so he decided to enroll in a private nursing institute. However, after graduating from the Institute, he did not find work in hospitals because the certificate is not accredited. He spent nearly a year looking for work until he heard about the “Job Opportunity for a Better life” project. Mohammed joined the training program that improved his skills and knowledge and enabled him to obtain practical training in a specialized hospital. After completion of the training, Mohammed got a stable job at the International Eye Hospital, one of the largest specialized hospitals in Fayoum.



This project seeks to improve health care services through the training of young graduates in Beni Sweif and Fayoum governorates and qualifying them to fill the posts of medical secretaries, health assistants or nursing assistants in hospitals, private clinics, elderly homes and schools for students with disabilities.

II. Micro-Credit Program

Our Youth..Leaders of the Future

Khaled used to leave his home every day not knowing whether he will earn his daily living or not. Would today be similar to yesterday? What about tomorrow and after tomorrow? He lived an unstable life where he had to ask these questions. He worked as a plasterer. His daily income could barely cover food expenses for himself , his wife and their expected child. He began to think about how to create a better life and get out of that suffocation he endured. He heard about the small enterprises financed by Sawiris Foundation in Qena. Khaled asked around and reached the “Our Youth the Leaders of the Future” project, and received finance in the form of an in-kind grant. The project provided him with the necessary tools to start his own project and set up a workshop to manufacture gypsum decoration modules in collaboration with his friends. After making a profit from his workshop, he hired some workers to help him increase production. Khaled started to stand on solid ground, his income increased and his life became safer and better for him and his small family.



Khaled, one of the beneficiaries of “Our Youth Leaders of the Future” project, Qena governorate



The project aims to provide small loans to finance various commercial, agricultural, industrial and service small enterprises. It also provides non financial services including administrative and technical trainings.

Sameh Gamal, one of the beneficiaries of the "Chance" project, Markz Al Wakf, Qena governorate

A "Chance" at Markz Al Wakf in Qena

This small loan had a great impact on my life as it increased my income and greatly reduced the pressures of life".

"I am Sameh Gamal, I am married and I have two children. When I heard about the "Chance" project that is implemented by the Family and Environment Development Association "FEDA" in my village, I immediately decided to apply for a small loan that could help me improve my social and economic standard. I joined administrative and technical trainings on sewing. It was a great opportunity, especially since I had practiced sewing for a while, it was enough for me to help my colleagues in the training. After completing the training, I received a loan of 2,500 EGP from the project to start my own business. I rented a small shop, bought cloth and began sewing the Jalalib for the people of the village. This small loan had a great impact on my life as it increased my income and greatly reduced the pressures of life. I hope to expand my small project and buy a bigger shop so that I can improve the standard of living of my family and secure a better future for my children".



2.2

Contributing to Women Empowerment in the Year of Egyptian Women

"Eradaty" Project to empower people with disabilities, Fayoum governorate

Empowering Egyptian women has been and remains one of the Foundation's most important objectives. Over the past 16 years, we have supported many programs and initiatives aimed at empowering Egyptian women economically and providing them with quality education opportunities at all levels, as well as health care and social services. The outstanding Egyptian girls had the larger share of the international and local scholarships offered by the Foundation. Additionally, many of the writers and authors who were awarded and celebrated through the Sawiris Cultural Awards were women.

After declaring 2017 as the “Year of Egyptian women”, SFSD continues its efforts to support and empower women through several initiatives and programs, the most important of which are:

“Egyptian Women: Pioneers for the Future” Project

Under the umbrella of the National Council for Women & in partnership with the French Embassy in Cairo & U.N Women

A cooperation protocol was signed with the National Council for Women (NCW), who are a key partner and representative of the Egyptian government in “Egyptian Women: Pioneers for the Future” project, with the aim of developing frameworks for cooperation and supervision of the implementation of the project. The project aims to promote the economic empowerment of Egyptian women and integrate them, as active participants, into the labor market through providing them with a package of vocational training programs and job opportunities in French and international companies in Egypt including L’Oreal, Total, Saint-Gobain, Credit Agricole, Orange, Accor Hotels and Majid Al Futtaim Group (Carrefour).

This project is a pioneering model for cooperation between governments, international organizations, the private sector & NGOs. It was initiated in partnership with the French Embassy in Cairo & UN Women – Egypt. The project is implemented by the Association for the Development and Enhancement of Women (ADEW), Maadi Youth Training Center (MYTC) and Gozour Foundation with a total budget of EGP 5 million.



“Egyptian Women: Pioneers for the Future” Project, Cairo

Mrs Yousriya Loza - Sawiris continues to inspire many other NGOs, and to support Egyptian Society in creating jobs and doing the things that really matter”.

*-H.E Ghada Waly,
Minister of Social
Solidarity*

“Training & Employment for Women & Youth” Project

In Partnership with the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

After the successful evolution of “Egyptian Women: Pioneers for the Future” project, SFSD in partnership with the Embassy of Netherlands launched this project to economically empower the women & youth through decent jobs in Dutch and Egyptian companies, such as Unilever and Philips, after providing them with the required training programs that meet the needs of the labor market. The Maadi Youth Training Center (MYTC) is implementing this project, with a total budget of more than EGP 2.5 million.

“I am very pleased that Sawiris Foundation - the foundation that has been very active for many years - and Mrs Yousriya Loza - Sawiris continues to inspire many other NGOs, and to support Egyptian Society in creating jobs and doing the things that really matter. For years & years she has never lost the spark, interest and enthusiasm about projects. For this I salute her and thank her for being a guru for many other civil society organization”.



Tamkeen Project



1200

Provided Jobs
for Young Women & Men



40

NGOs Recieved
Capacity Building



400

University Students and
Graduates Trained in Entre-
preneurial Skills



+5

Million

Total Budget of
the Projects

“Tamkeen” - Youth & Women Socioeconomic Empowerment Project

In partnership with International Labor Organization (ILO) ALEXBANK and Professional Development Foundation (PDF)

Tamkeen was launched in order to facilitate the opportunity for women and youth in 4 governorates of Upper Egypt (Beni Suef, Minya, Assiut, Sohag), to have access to productive employment, decent work and income opportunities. Throughout the project; university students and fresh graduates are also trained on entrepreneurship and leadership skills, qualified to manage small and medium enterprises and provided small loans to encourage self-employment opportunities. The partnership also aims to build the capacity of NGOs and involve them in the training of women and young people benefiting from the project.

“My Future Career” project, Aswan



“Economic Empowerment of Rural Women” project

Fransa’s Dream

“I became famous in the neighborhood and started marketing my products in supermarkets and small restaurants”.

“I am Fransa Fawzi, 31 years old, married and a mother of three. I live in Seflak Village of Markaz Saqulta in Sohag Governorate. My life with my husband and the three children was not easy at all because of the high cost of living, until my neighbor told me about the training program for the empowerment of rural women. I joined the project and started management training courses on how to prepare the feasibility study, followed by practical training on how to make simple food products such as pickles, jam, baked goods and dairy products. At first I experienced difficulties in marketing products. I was only selling to neighbors and relatives, until I became famous in the neighborhood and started marketing my products in supermarkets and small restaurants. Now I am able to make a profit of EGP 3200 per month.

I want to say to every woman who does not work, look for a training that could meet your skills and work to achieve your dream and provide your children a better life than yours”.



This project is implemented in one of the poorest villages in Egypt with the aim of training women and girls on simple rural industries, entrepreneurship, and management of small enterprises and marketing of their products to raise the living standards of the women and their families.

“Economic Empowerment of Rural Women” project, Seflak Village, Sohag



This project aims to promote and develop the skills of girls and women in Aswan governorate on handicrafts and to raise the quality of the local products.

"My Future Career" project, Aswan



"My Future Career"

The Story of Creative Girls from Aswan

Esraa (18 years old), Mirna and Aya (19 years old), are a real model of Egyptian girls who have a strong will to realize their dreams by taking responsibility and seeking all available opportunities. The girls participated in the training of handicrafts that was carried out in Aswan. They were very impressed with the training that provided them with the information and techniques needed to develop their skills in the craft, while giving them space for creativity, innovation and marketing of their designs through social media platforms. This training program was a great incentive for them to start saving in order to realize their future dream of setting up a work space for women to practice different arts such as painting, design, beads and crafts, etc.



2.3

Providing World - Class Education

The Students of the German Hotel School (GHS), El Gouna



Provision of world – class education has been a core focus of SFSD since its founding in 2001. We work across the entire educational grade from primary education to doctorate degrees. In addition, SFSD owns and oversees two world - class technical educational institutes.

- The Gouna Technical Nursing Institute (GTNI), in partnership with the Lawrence Memorial/Regis College Nursing Program in the USA.
- The German Hotel School in Gouna (GHS) in collaboration with the Government of Germany and accredited by the German IHK.

In addition to these institute, we invest in our “schools for Egypt” program, which establishes high – quality community schools in Egypt, and in our numerous scholarship program that allow committed Egyptians to gain access to the best education in their respective fields.

The next pages highlight our educational and scholarship portfolio in more details.

I. SFSD TECHNICAL INSTITUTES

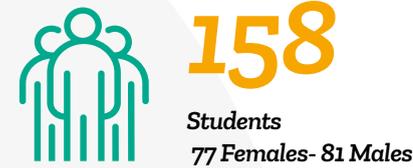
Gouna Technical Nursing Institute (GTNI)

Providing top – notch nurses to the Egyptian healthcare ecosystem

In the framework of an international partnership with the Lawrence Memorial/ Regis College Nursing Program in the US, and under the supervision of the Ministries of Higher Education and Health in Egypt, GTNI has contributed to the development of the health care system and provided many qualified and highly skilled cadres in the nursing field. Over the past years, 67 students have graduated and were provided with job opportunities in major Egyptian hospitals such as 57357 Hospital and Dr. Magdy Yacoub Aswan Heart Center.

In order to amplify the impact of GTNI, SFSD is now geared towards increasing the capacity of the Institute. The number of students who were enrolled in 2016 were 113, that number increased to 158 students in 2017 and we plan to raise the capacity to 250 students by 2020.

The Institute covers an area of 6 thousand square meters and is equipped with state of the art educational aids including laboratories, a specialized electronic library (Nursing Reference Center) and a computer lab connected to the educational database ABISCO, in order to enable students to develop their scientific and practical skills.



GTNI Scholarship Program

The SFSD offers full annual scholarships to students who have completed their secondary education and wish to join the Institute. Theoretical and practical studies last for two and a half years at GTNI, they are then followed by an intensive clinical internship for 3 months in a hospital. This is required to obtain a nursing diploma that is accredited by the Technical Health Education Section at the Ministry of Health and Population and by its National Accreditation Department. The students also receive a license to practice the nursing profession, which makes employment 100% guaranteed.

GTNI Board of Directors:

- Mr. Hazem Hassan, Chairman
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Azza, one of the GTNI's students



The Success Story of Azza

One of the GTNI Students

I am very proud of my daughter and my wish is to take her myself to Dr. Magdy Yacoub's Aswan Heart Center".

-Azza's Father

Since I was a child, I dreamt of being able to help others when I grow up, so I decided to become a nurse. I had strong faith in my ability to realize my own dream; therefore I was able to convince my father to let me stay away from the family home in Tanta to complete my university education. With the grant from the SFSD, I was able to join the Technical Nursing Institute of El Gouna to realize my dream".

[Watch this video to learn more](#)



The German Hotel School in Gouna (GHS)

The German Hotel School in Gouna is the only hotel school of its kind in Egypt that offers top tier hospitality education. It was established in 2002 with the aim of implementing the Dual Training System for the hotel industry that combines theoretical study and practical training in hotels within Gouna, Red Sea Governorate. The duration of the Diploma program is three years, during which students are qualified to acquire the language, theoretical and practical skills necessary to work in the tourism and hotel sector. At the end of the three years, the graduates are awarded a hotel technical diploma accredited by the German Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Leipzig (IHK) and the Ministry of Education in Egypt. Students are also given a chance to work in the most prominent hotels and resorts after graduating directly from the school. The school's full capacity accommodates up to 432 students and includes 10 classrooms, a modern computer lab with internet access, a fully equipped training cuisine with an adjacent restaurant, a sample hotel room, an American cocktail bar and a hotel reception desk for training purposes. The school also offers boarding to most attending students and rents out two dormitories in close proximity to the school for their accommodation.



"The German Hotel School", Gouna



The German Hotel School Scholarship Program

Since the inception of the school in 2002, SFSD has launched a scholarship program for students who have completed their preparatory education to obtain a technical diploma in hotel industry. Over the years, hundreds of students have graduated and have been employed in the top hotels inside and outside Egypt. In 2015, SFSD launched a new program, in partnership with Misr El Kheir Foundation, to provide scholarships to 200 students from Upper Egypt and governorates on the borders of Egypt.



Chef Maged, alumni of the GHS, El Gouna



My dream for the future is to become an Executive Chef in one of the world's largest hotels or to have my own restaurant".



Chef Maged from Aswan

"I started my profession as a chef from here"

"I was fond of cooking with my mother since I was eight years old. After finishing my preparatory education in Aswan, I joined the German Hotel School in El Gouna with a grant from SFSD. After graduating, I was employed as first chef at the Bellevue Hotel in El Gouna. My dream for the future is to become an Executive Chef in one of the world's largest hotels or to have my own restaurant".

You can learn more about Maged's story and the German Hotel School through this QR Code





II. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:

As part of our commitment to improving quality of education for Egyptian children, we have invested more than EGP 350 million to support the construction and renovation of a number of governmental schools and the establishment of community schools in Upper Egypt. We also support various educational initiatives aimed at developing the educational system and building the capacity of teachers and students. In addition, we continued to support the education of children and their families living in the garbage collection areas of Manshiet Nasser.



45

Community Schools



120

Teachers Trained



+1350

Students Enrolled in Schools



+8.5

Million
Total Budget



Schools for Egypt initiative, Arab El Shekh Salem Community School, Qena

Community Schools Program

“Schools for Egypt”

This initiative, which is being implemented in partnership with Star Care-Egypt / Mercedes Benz and Sherouk Misr, has furnished 45 community schools in 3 governorates in Upper Egypt, Assiut, Sohag and Qena , in order to provide a healthy and safe educational environment for children who have not attended basic education or who have dropped out of it. Due to the positive impact of the Sawiris Community Schools (Schools for Egypt), and in order to maximize the return on Egyptian society, SFSD launched and supported the following projects and initiatives:

I. Sawiris Initiative for the Education & Development of our Children

SFSD launched a specific call for proposal to invite the Egyptian society, all its sectors (private sector, citizens and civil society organizations), to submit their proposals for the establishment of community schools in remote villages that are deprived of educational services.

II. “Together for Change” project

SFSD, in partnership with the CIB foundation and Star Care Egypt / Mercedes Benz, support this project that aims to enhance the economic, educational and health conditions of people in the areas where the community schools are located. Through this project, the health units surrounding these areas were upgraded and economic empowerment programs were provided for the families of the students in these schools.

III. “Digital Schools” initiative

This initiative was launched by Orange in partnership with SFSD to create a new educational environment that is based on modern technologies to better deliver knowledge to students and to develop the educational abilities of teachers in our community schools in Assiut, Qena and Sohag. The initiative aims to provide more than 900 students with digital screens (tablets and computers) and to educational content in a simple and easy way that is regularly updated.

IV. “I and My School” initiative

In Partnership with Dubai Cares and Care International, this initiative aims to increase the efficiency of the educational process and to provide a safe schooling environment for girls in 30 primary schools in Minya, Beni Suef and Assiut, with a total budget of EGP 36 million.

Schools for Egypt initiative, Ahmed Heshmat Community School, Qena



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Orange seeks to cooperate with leading associations and partner with national foundations which have credibility in the Egyptian society such as Sawiris Foundation for Social Development which has significant experience in this field and constantly provides job opportunities through training and education”.

-Jean Marc Harion, Orange Egypt CEO



Seeds of Hope Initiative El Wardian, Alexandria

“Seeds of Hope”...

Initiative to Support Technical Education

A partnership agreement was signed between SFSD and the European Institute for Cooperation and Development (IECD) in the context of implementing the second phase of the “Seeds of Hope” program in Egypt. The program aims to improve the efficiency of 4 technical and industrial schools/institutes in Cairo and Alexandria (the Don Bosco institutes in Cairo and Alexandria, El Wardian and Ras El Soda Schools in Alexandria). “Seeds of Hope” is an international program that is being implemented in more than one developing country. The activities of the second phase of the “Seeds of Hope” program in Egypt started in May 2017, they were in cooperation with Lord Michelham Foundation, AirFrance Foundation and Maitre Junod with a total number of 2,711 beneficiaries.





Technische Universität Berlin (TU Berlin) Campus El Gouna

III. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

We believe in the power of education in deriving change and prosperity not only for the lives of its recipients but also for our community as a whole. We are, in effect, investing in Egypt's future leaders through offering financial support to motivated candidates to pursue their right to a quality education.

Higher Education Scholarships

Masters & Doctoral Degree Scholarships

Onsi Sawiris Scholarship Program (OSSP)

16 Years of Access to the Best Global Education

The OSSP was launched in 2001 and is sponsored by Orascom Construction Industries through the SFSD. This program offers fully funded scholarships to highly qualified, motivated and dedicated Egyptian students to pursue their Master's Degrees at prestigious universities in the USA including MIT, Stanford, Harvard, and Caltech, in the fields of Business Administration and Construction Management. Since its inception, the program has supported the academic aspirations of 76 students with a total fund of EGP 72 million.

"To me, the 2 years at Stanford were personally and professionally transformational. Some of the highlights of the program include building friendships with my classmates, professors and alumni, organizing business and social development focused student trips to Egypt and Morocco, engaging in discussions with some of the leading global business leaders who regularly visit Stanford, working with one of the world's leading investment banks to serve some of the top global energy companies, leading the Middle East and North Africa club at the GSB, running a 10 mile obstacle race along with a group of my classmates and last but not least witnessing the birth of my first child.

After graduation, I founded PowerBridge Resources Group, a venture providing integrated small scale Natural Gas solutions. Thereafter, I joined ADES International as Chief Strategy Officer where I led the strategy and commercial work streams on the company's successful IPO on the London Stock Exchange. With ADES I was also responsible for the company's post IPO growth execution plan including the acquisition of a \$100M offshore drilling fleet, a \$250M oilfield services company and a range of drilling assets \$10-100M in value each. I am also a board member at Energy and Contracting Solutions, a leading Egyptian provider of electro mechanical contracting and energy solutions".

Omar Saleh, Chief Strategy Officer (ADES)



OSSP Scholarship



74
Scholarships Offered



52
Scholarships for
Master's Degree



22
Scholarships for
Bachelor's Degree



+72
Million
Total Budget



The Yousriya Loza-Sawiris Scholarship Program

This program is a two-year degree providing graduate level students with the skills and knowledge required to better identify and address the global challenges of sustainable development.

Nayera El Hussein, Minnesota University, USA



“I joined that program because it is interdisciplinary and practice based. I believe that our field needs links between theory and practice”.

Nayera Graduated in 2014 from the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University. She received the Onsi Sawiris Scholarship to study liberal arts at the University of Chicago in 2011-2012. After graduation, she worked in the social development field for 3 years on education related projects in various parts of Egypt. Parallel to work, she was an active volunteer with TEDx Cairo. In 2017, Nayera received the Yousriya Loza Sawiris scholarship to pursue her master’s degree in Development practices at the Hubert Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota.

-Nayera El Hussein





SFSD – DAAD Scholarship Program

Established in 2005, in cooperation with the German Academic Exchange Service DAAD, this program provides two full scholarships annually to outstanding graduates of the accredited German schools in Egypt to obtain their Bachelor and Master's degree in one of the top German universities.

SFSD – DAAD annual celebration 2017, Cairo



It was a dream come true to study architecture at the RWTH Aachen, one of the very prestigious universities in Germany".

*-Rana ElKholi
M.Sc. Architecture
(RWTH Aachen
2011-2017)*



"I was very fortunate to be one of the chosen students to receive the SFSD scholarship in cooperation with the DAAD to study in Germany. It was a dream come true to study architecture at the RWTH Aachen, one of the very prestigious universities in Germany. After receiving my Bachelor and Masters degree and being able to look back at the whole experience, I can see all the benefits it had on my personality and my academic career and will have on my professional career in the future. Living abroad helped me grow personally a lot and mature faster. Furthermore, I value the work experience I gathered over the years as a student assistant at the university, an intern at architecture studios in Germany and Egypt and on a construction site in Cape Town. Thank you SFSD for this opportunity and for your support throughout my journey".



Technische Universität Berlin (TU Berlin) Campus El Gouna Scholarship Program

The realization of this campus was made possible by the extraordinary initiative of the sponsor, TU Berlin alumnus Samih Sawiris. He donated 200 million EGP to this project, reinforcing Egypt's reputation as a venue for scientific research and technology. The Campus offers a master's degree in Water Engineering, Energy Engineering and Urban Development.



Technische Universität Berlin (TU Berlin) Campus El Gouna



I had the chance to mainly focus on my studies, and make use of all the resources provided without any financial stress".

-Mohamed Nabil

"The scholarship opportunity, offered by SFSD, enabled me to take a significant step towards my dream career. Throughout my study period at TU Berlin Campus El Gouna's Energy Engineering Master's program, I had the chance to mainly focus on my studies, and make use of all the resources provided without any financial stress. During my 4th semester, I received a job offer from ToughTrough GmbH. The job offer included the coordination between the company and Egyptian potential partners, either from the public sector, the private sector, or the respective authorities such as the National Renewable Energy Authority and the Ministry of Electricity and Renewable Energy".



86
Scholarships



+32
Million
Total Budget



Technische Universität Berlin (TU Berlin) Campus El Gouna Scholarship Program for Syrian Refugees

SFSD, in partnership with the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) offers scholarships to support Syrian refugees living in Egypt to obtain a Master's degree in Urban Development, Water Engineering, Energy Engineering, Business Energy Engineering and Information Technology for Energy.



Special & Inclusive Education Scholarship Program

Inaugurated in 2007, in collaboration with the Learning Resource Center (LRC) in Cairo and the Institute of Education (IoE) of the University of London, this program is taught through face-to-face tutorials and video conferences that are held at the British Council in Cairo.



“Earning my Master’s degree positively transformed my career development. I held the position of Special Education Director, which gave me the opportunity to transfer what I gained from my study to a larger number of specialists and to apply it with many students. Also, it has paved the way for me to participate as a trainer in many courses and scientific conferences to raise awareness in many governorates in Egypt”.

Yosra Maher



Bachelor's Degree Scholarships

Nursing Scholarship Program

This scholarship gives a chance to the graduates of the nursing institute in Gouna to obtain a B.Sc. in Nursing from the British University in Egypt (BUE).



"I joined the Sawiris scholarship program, to receive my bachelor's degree from the Faculty of Nursing at the BUE in order to enrich my knowledge in the nursing field. The program enabled me to be in control of my own life and find solutions to the problems that I faced. The program not only implanted skills in me such as productivity, leadership and self-awareness, but it is also where I learned to have the right attitude as a nurse. After graduation, I started applying my knowledge to my career. Furthermore, I joined various international courses such as BLS, ACLS and PHTLS, and I became an instructor at the American Heart Association".

Amr Mohamed

The Nile University Scholarship Program

This program covers full tuition fees for five students displaying academic excellence and seeking to earn a Bachelor's degree in the fields of Business Administration, Computer Engineering, Electronics & Communications Engineering, Mechanical Engineering or Industrial & Service Engineering and Management.



The French University Scholarship program

SFSD funds scholarships for eligible Egyptian students to obtain their Bachelor's degree from the French University, which includes three faculties: Management and Computer Systems, Engineering and Applied Languages.



"The great supportive environment has pushed me to succeed academically".

-Ammar Yasser

"In high school, I was always hoping to join a great university that would help me become a qualified engineer in my field by enhancing my technical and personal skills, but my financial situation was an obstacle to join high-ranking universities. I thought I had lost the opportunity to get a good education, until I applied for UFE and got a fully funded scholarship from SFSD. The great supportive environment has pushed me to succeed academically. I have also engaged in many activities such as the student union, which positively affected my skills and taught me many things even outside the domain of my studies. This scholarship has given me the opportunity to become someone who helps others and seeks to do the best for his country".

Research Programs

SFSD Scholarship in Stem Cell Research at Zewail City

This grant was designed specifically to provide a living stipend to researchers planning to conduct research projects in the field of stem cells. The grant is offered through the Center of Excellence of Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine (CESC) at Zewail City. Scholarships are merit-based and are awarded based on a competitive basis.



"The scholarship provided me with tremendous support to follow my dream and reach my goal of scientific and research excellence".

-Dr. Ahmed El-Badawy

After graduating from the Faculty of Dentistry and Maxillofacial Surgery, Tanta University, many of my patients were suffering from untraceable diseases such as cancer. With their delicate medical condition, they were very difficult to manage. Therefore, I thought that by doing basic research in stem cell and cancer biology, one day I might be able to find new effective therapies and help those patients. This is why I shifted my career from medical practice to basic research; it gave me freedom in both, taking risks and following my instincts — something I could not do when treating patients. Hence, in the fall of 2014, I embarked upon my much-awaited research career as a research assistant at the Center of Excellence for Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine (CESC). I was able to publish 10 peer-reviewed articles in well-known international journals. In addition to my publications, I have also received several international awards and was invited to present my work at international conferences in Boston and San Francisco, USA. However, among the most prestigious awards that I have received was the Sawiris Foundation Scholarship in Stem Cell Research, which provided me with tremendous support to follow my dream and reach my goal of scientific and research excellence. I am proud that I am currently doing part of my PhD at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), a leading research University. This grant provided me with vital support to apply my knowledge in an attempt to fix a global problem with clinical need; and I hope that one day, when I leave this world, I would have contributed to making it a better place".

Technical Education Scholarships

Don Bosco Scholarship Program

SFSD offers scholarships for outstanding students to obtain technical diplomas in electrical or mechanical fields, under the supervision of the Italian Foreign Ministry's General Directorate for Cultural Promotion and Cooperation.



+3
Million
Total Budget



121
Scholarships

Don Bosco Institute, Cairo

Continuing the Fight Against Hepatitis C Virus

Since 2008, SFSD has been funding the Egypt Liver Care Society and The Association for the Protection of the Environment (APE), In order to support the Government's efforts, contribute to the elimination of Hepatitis C virus and provide equitable health care for the most needy and disadvantaged segment of society. In 2017, we have continued our focus on Hepatitis C, supporting prevention, screening and treatment, in addition to supporting liver transplant operations.



2.4 Addressing the Most Pressing Societal Issues



“I’m cured!”

Hepatitis C Survivor Story

This is the story of Samia, a lady who works as a healthcare coach in her community where many work in garbage collection. Samia works to spread awareness about Hepatitis C until she found out, during mandatory blood testing, that she had the virus herself. She never stopped fighting, and began treatment by Sovaldi without any side effects, and completely eradicated the virus in months. In other words, she’s cured. Samia’s life mission is how to help others and to make them aware about how to prevent the disease and to plant hope in the hearts of patients.

You can see Samia’s story through this QR Code



I the Egyptian Foundation



190
Children at the Shelter of
the I the Egyptian Foundation



29
Total Funding Provided to I the
Egyptian Foundation

Banati Foundation



225
Children at
Banati Foundation



24
Total Funding Provided to Banati
Foundation



4000
Children Under Difficult Conditions Receive
Support Through Daytime Reception
Centers and Mobile Vehicles

Empowering & Protecting Homeless Children

As part of our efforts to protect and advocate for Egypt's most marginalized children, SFSD funds initiatives and programs that are carried out by "I the Egyptian" & "Banati" Foundations, in order to support children without shelter on and out of the street. Through these programs, thousands of children have been able to receive long term accommodation, psychological rehabilitation, legal support, healthcare and education through the rehabilitation shelters, daytime reception centers & the mobile units program. SFSD also signed a partnership agreement worth EGP 15 Million with AlexBank to address this challenge.



Banati Foundation shelter, Haram City

Five Years Later ...

Ali met with his family in "I the Egyptian" Foundation

"In July 2017, and after gruelling years of searching for their missing 5 years old boy, Ali's family was finally able to reach "I the Egyptian" Foundation through the Ministry of Social Solidarity to meet their son. Ali is 10 years old now; he was found in the streets of Cairo when he was 5. No information about his family could be found throughout these years. This young boy is very clever, he has great linguistic abilities and insatiable curiosity to search for knowledge. He was enrolled in the "I the Egyptian" community school until he reached third grade. Ali also joined the puppet workshop and was one of the most distinguished children in the puppet show. There is no doubt that his life at the "I the Egyptian" rehabilitation shelter was much healthier than the roughness of the street and its hateful experiences".



"Smile"

Story of a talented girl at the Banati Foundation

Some people could have a talent that may seem simple but can change their entire life. This statement reflects the story of one of the girls of the Banati Foundation, who had suffered many traumatic shocks in childhood after her parents were sentenced to life in prison for murder and robbery. However, when she joined a photography workshop at the Banati Foundation, the girl discovered in herself a talent that gave her hope for a better life. The Foundation encouraged her passion for photography by assigning her to document all their important events in order to develop her skills and reach a more professional level in photography. She then began to take part in photography exhibitions and won numerous awards in local photography competitions. After gaining confidence in her talent and experience, she participated in an exhibition organized by Eklego Design, which purchased 28 of her distinctive images. This success has been a turning point in her life. She finally managed to buy her own camera and join a professional photography workshop. She did not forget her colleagues at the foundation, and is always keen to spread her experience and help them. The dream of our girl is still unfolding, she wants to have her own studio in the future to establish a formal career in photography.



2.5

Supporting the Cultural Movement in Egypt

Sawiris Cultural Award Ceremony, Cairo Opera House, January 2018



Sawiris Cultural Award Edition 13

19 winners were recognized and received cash prizes through the Sawiris Cultural Award 2017, which witnessed a wide participation from Egyptian writers & authors from various fields and age groups. In its 13th Edition, the competition received 608 literary works, which were evaluated by 6 independent judging committees consisting of well-known writers and literary experts. The award ceremony took place at the Main Hall of Cairo Opera House, attracting prominent writers and celebrities. The 13th Edition dedicated to the late Ms. Shams Al-Etribi, founder and member of the Board of Trustees of the Award, where she was honored by presenting a documentary about her life and her contribution to the revival of cultural heritage, in the presence of her family, friends and many Egyptian artists, public figures and intellectuals.

The Sawiris Cultural Award is one of the most important roles of SFSD in supporting and enriching the cultural enlightenment efforts in Egypt. The Award was initiated in 2005 to recognize and encourage excellence in the literary works of Egyptian emerging and established writers in the fields of novels, short stories, screenplays, playwritings and literature critique.

 **13**
Editions

 **158**
Winners

 **15**
Million
Total Awards

The Cultural Award Board of Trustees:

Dr. Gaber Asfour
Dr. Hoda Elsadda
Dr. Ismail Serageldin
Dr. Mohammad Aboulghar
Mrs. Mona Zulficar
Dr. Zahi Hawass



Sawiris Cultural Award Ceremony, Cairo Opera House, January 2018



2.6

Promoting Effective & Professional Philanthropy and Sharing Best Practices

"Arab Foundation Forum (AFF), Annual General Assembly" Meeting, Beirut.

We strive to be a thought leader in effective, professional and sustainable philanthropy. We also strive to be fully transparent as an organization, from the impact of our programs to our financials, and to share our data and knowledge openly. To that end, we have been founding members of the Arab Foundations Forum (AFF), set up to support and promote regional philanthropy and have been elected to chair its Board of Directors as of Q3 2017. Additionally, we support events and forums that aim to create and disseminate knowledge that supports and improves giving in the Arab region.

Our financial statements are also published annually.



2017 Key Events

April

SFSD Is an Official Sponsor of the 3rd CSR Annual Conference & the 1st Matchmaking CSR Forum

Under the title of “The Impact of CSR Initiatives on Improving Egypt’s Economic Competitiveness”, SFSD participated as the official sponsor of the conference that organized by the International Labor Organization – ILO and the Federation of Egyptian Industries. The conference witnessed unprecedented attendance from more than 700 leading companies, 20 international organizations and 300 NGOs. On the sidelines of the conference, a new partnership agreement was signed between the SFSD, ALEXBANK, ILO and the Professional Development Foundation (PDF), to launch the Tamkeen project, which aims to empower youth and women and build the capacities of NGOs within 4 governorates in Upper Egypt.

During the first day of the conference, SFSD participated in a round table entitled “Child Labor and Sustainable Development”,



where our Executive Director, Eng. Noura Selim, highlighted the efforts of the SFSD in combating child labor and presented the different initiatives and actions which we support. In order to end this phenomenon. On the second day, the 1st CSR Matchmaking Forum was organized to facilitate the establishment of new partnerships among different CSR stakeholders.

May

Honoring Sawiris Foundation at the corporate social Responsibility Conference organized by Al-Alam Alyoum newspaper

Sawiris Foundation received an invitation to participate in the first conference on corporate social Responsibility organized by Al-Alam Alyoum newspaper entitled “Together, For a better future,” in May 2017, with the presence of a large number of leaders in banking sector, private sector and civil society institutions.

The Conference included several discussion sessions on the concept of corporate social responsibility, its impact on sustainable development, and the role of banks along with the private sector in supporting society. Eng. Nora Salim, executive director of the Sawiris Foundation, participated in a discussion session entitled “The role of NGOs in social participation”, Sawiris foundation was honored by the Chairman of the journal Board for its overall contribution within seventeen years to development of society and support of the neediest groups.

June

ALEXBANK and SFSD Iftar Celebration with 600 Homeless Children

A major celebration for Iftar Ramadan was organized by SFSD, ALEXBANK & Samu-Social Egypt, to which about 600 homeless children were invited to enjoy a wide scope of entertainment activities and games in an atmosphere of joy and fun. During the celebration, SFSD signed a strategic cooperation protocol with ALEXBANK to implement tangible initiatives to support homeless children in Egypt. The protocol is part of a long – term partnership, and effective for 3 years, with a total investment of EGP 15 Million, contributed by ALEXBANK and SFSD. The planned activities are carried out in collaboration with several NGOs comprising of Abnaa El-Ghad Foundation “Banati”, I the Egyptian Foundation “Ana El Masry” and Samusocial Egypt.



A New Partnership with the French Government to Strengthen the Capacity of NGOs & Support Development Projects in Egypt

In Paris, SFSD and Agence Française de Développement (AFD) signed a Joint Declaration in order to work together to provide technical and financial support to strengthen the capacity of NGOs and assist them in the implementation of projects for the socio-economic empowerment of women and youth through two main areas: Job creation by strengthening the employability of young people from disadvantaged neighborhoods in Egypt and giving them access to decent jobs through vocational and technical trainings; and women empowerment by promoting standards and good practices on issues of gender, inclusion and equal opportunities for women from disadvantaged backgrounds.

September

SFSD Elected as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Arab Foundations Forum

In its Annual General Assembly, the Arab Foundations Forum Board of Directors elected Sawiris Foundation for Social Development, represented by Executive Director Noura Selim, to be the Chairman of the AFF Board. SFSD previously served as Treasurer of the Board from 2015-2017. The Arab Foundations Forum (AFF) provides a platform for dialogue among various foundations in the region as well as the rest of the world. Its initiatives also include bringing philanthropists together to share information, learn from, and support one another to reinforce social development through mobilizing private capital for public benefit.

SFSD is a Key Partner at the 6th Annual Takaful Conference

Under the title “Philanthropy in Transition: Exploring the Paths to SDGs”, SFSD participated in the Takaful sixth annual Conference that was organized by the John D. Gerhart Center for Philanthropy, at The American University in Cairo (AUC). Mrs. Yosriya Louza-Sawiris, Secretary General of the board of trustees of SFSD, was the keynote speaker on the opening ceremony. The conference also featured a number

of founders and members of education and social development foundations from Egypt, the region and the world, besides Egyptian governmental officials and university professors. During the first day of the conference, SFSD organized the 2nd thematic panel of Takaful 2017, under the title “Measuring Impact: How much good is philanthropy actually doing?” Eng. Noura Selim, Executive Director of SFSD was the moderator of this panel that brought together Dr. Ragui Asaad, Professor at Humphery School of Public Affairs, Mr. Abdelrahman Nagy, J-PAL Senior policy and research manager, Dr. Aliaa El Mahdy, economic professor at Cairo University, Dr Hania El Sholkamy, associate research professor, AUC. The SFSD’s Executive Director also participated in the Practitioner Panel “How Can Philanthropy use the SDGs to Promote Better Governance and Accountability?” that held on the second day of the conference.



October

The round table “Effective and Sustainable Strategies for Poverty Reduction”

As part of its interest in new studies and successful practices in the field of development, and in its effort to create a space for dialogue to develop and update its intervention strategies, SFSD has invited a number of development partners in Egypt to participate in the round table “Effective and Sustainable Strategies for Poverty Reduction” in order to showcase a range of innovative and successful development experience in the field of comprehensive development and economic empowerment, which have been implemented in Egypt or a developing country. The most important implementation mechanisms, elements of success and challenges, possible partners

who could contribute to achieve integration through linking financial and non-financial services, and how to develop effective & sustainable strategies for poverty reduction, were among the topics that have been discussed throughout the round table.

SFSD is the Gold Sponsor for the XXIX BPW International Congress

Organized under the patronage of President Abdel Fattah Al Sisi, SFSD participated in this conference, which included a number of seminars, workshops and panel discussions, and attended by more than 700 women from more than 70 countries. Noura Salim, Executive Director of the SFSD, participated as a panelist in the 2nd high level Panel entitled “Economic Empowerment of Women”, during which she highlighted some of SFSD’s most important initiatives and projects that aim to support and empower Egyptian women economically and socially.

“Strong Woman”, An interactive seminar in Damanhur with the first woman governor in Egypt

Within the week of “Germany in Nile Delta” festival 2017, Eng. Nora Salim, executive director of the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development, participated in a forum entitled “Power. Influence. Success. Femininity. pictures of a woman from Egypt and Germany”, which was organized at Damanhur Opera House under the patronage of Ms. Nadia Abdo, the governor of Behiera governorate, the first Egyptian woman governor, and His Excellency the German ambassador in Cairo, Julius Georg Luy. Dr. Elke Kühle, director of Goethe Institute, and Dr. Yasmin Ageeb, vice-president of “Life Sciences” Research Center at Dr. Magdy Yaaqoub Cardiology Center in Aswan, where they talked about their successful career journey in Egypt and abroad. The forum was moderated by Mrs. Thoraya Bahgat, women’s and children’s rights activist and human resources expert.



December

SFSD and Ford Foundation Round-table “Scholarships and Fellowships: Mapping the landscape in Egypt”

This round table was organized to share experiences and contribute to the introduction of pilot models that fill gaps and explore potential opportunities for Egyptian youth. The Round Table was attended by a number of the representatives of the most prominent Foundations in the field including Al Alfi Foundation, AMIDEAST, British Council, DAAD, Qalaa Holdings, Institut français d’Égypte, Binational Fulbright Commission in Egypt, Embassy of the Netherlands in Egypt, institute of international Education, Agha

Khan Foundation, and the U.S. Agency for international development. The attendees discussed the survey of scholarship programs in Egypt and the philosophy of designing these programs. The roundtable included an important discussion between Ms. Hilary Bennington, Vice President of Education, Creativity and Freedom of Expression at the Ford Foundation, and Ms. Yousriya Loza-Sawiris, about the scholarship programs that the foundation offers and their impact on bringing about a real change in the lives of those who received the Scholarships and in the Egyptian society as a whole.

Active participation of Sawiris Foundation in “Experiences of Egypt and Chile on women’s Rights institutionalization” conference

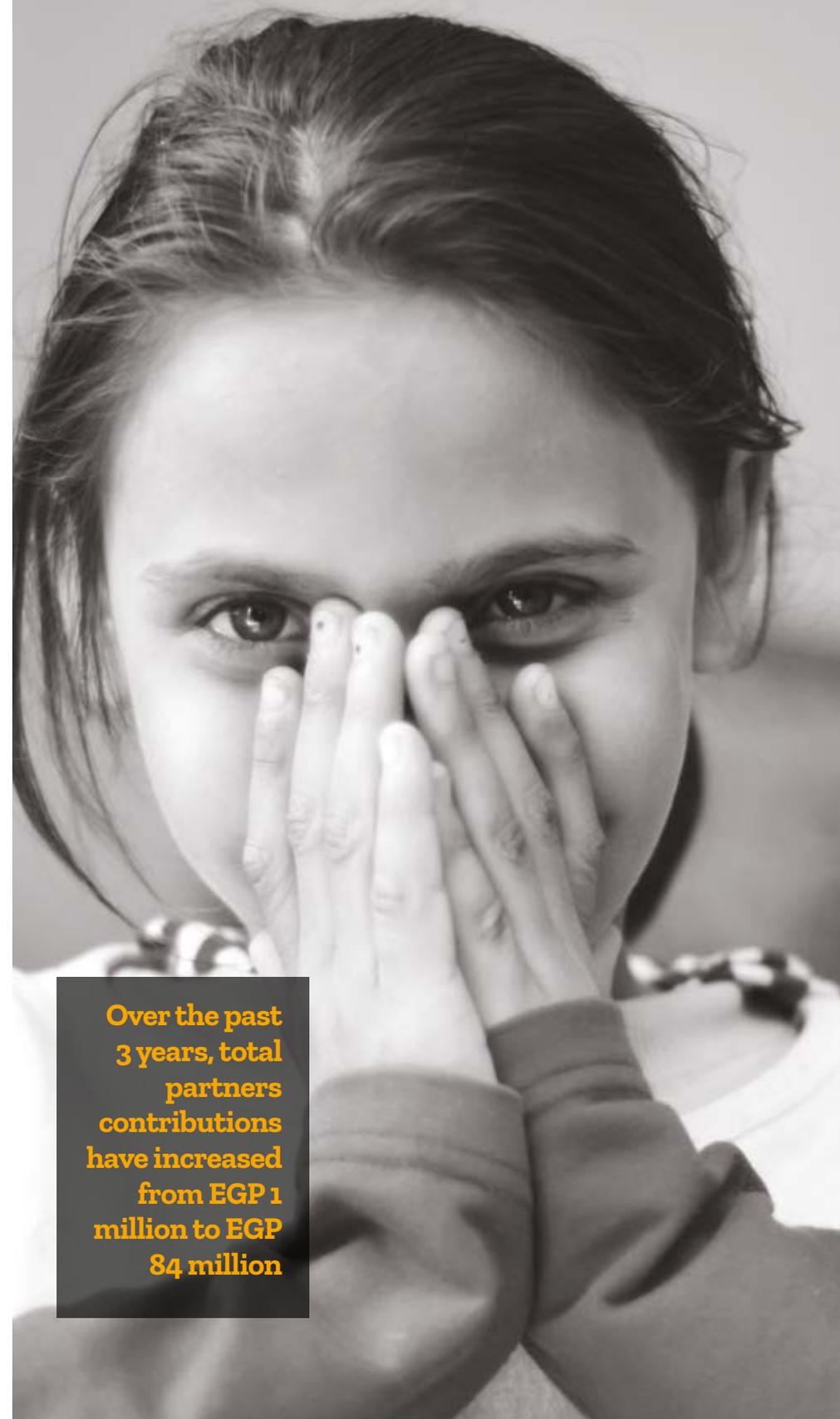
Eng. Nora Salim, executive director of Sawiris Foundation for Social Development has participated at a conference organized by the Chilean Embassy in Cairo, entitled “Experiences of Egypt and Chile on women’s rights internationalization” honoring the visit of Mrs. Carmen Andrade, former minister of Women’s Affairs of Chile, in the presence of Mr. Fernando Zalaquett, Chilean state ambassador, and Dr. Maya Morsy, president of the Egyptian National Council for Women. During the conference, Eng. Nora Salim introduced the most important programmes of Sawiris foundation that aiming at supporting and empowering Egyptian women in economic, social and educational aspects.



**3.
Our Partners in
Development**

Partnerships play a critical role in realizing the SDGs, creating opportunities and improving living conditions in local communities. Therefore, SFSD established a new department for partnerships, which in just two years has become a pioneering model in creating partnerships with local & international organizations and the private sector, under the umbrella of, and in collaboration with, relevant government agencies and ministries. Through these partnerships, larger and more impactful projects are being implemented in the different fields of SFSD's activities. Partners' funding has increased from EGP 1 million in 2015 to EGP 84.4 million in 2017. The Foundation has provided a unique model for strategic partnerships, which is based on sharing experiences and best practices in the field of development with organizations and companies that have the sufficient knowledge and professionalism to plan and implement innovative projects and programs with a real developmental impact. In 2017, we mobilized our strengths and expertise to support initiatives that are being implemented with existing and new partners to address the most pressing issues such as poverty reduction, job creation, support for homeless children as well as the improvement of education, infrastructure and health care services.

Over the past 3 years, total partners contributions have increased from EGP 1 million to EGP 84 million



International Partners



National NGOs



Private Sector



Governmental Sector

The Ministry of Social Solidarity

The Ministry of Higher Education

The Ministry of Education

The Ministry of Communications and Information Technology
MCIT

The Ministry of International Cooperation



4. Our Financials

We are annually audited by KPMG – Hazem Hassan as well as the Ministry of Social Solidarity. Our auditors' reports and full financial statements can be reviewed on: www.sawirisfoundation.org

Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2017

Balance Sheet

	31/12/2017	31/12/2016
	EGP	EGP
Assets		
Cash at banks	23 154 930	17 753 843
Long term investments (endowment)	54 277 885	23 500 000
Debtors & other debit balances	2 726 938	241 973
Loans to small & micro projects (net)	9 145 000	6 953 034
Property, plant & equipment (net)	7 875 008	7 822 245
TOTAL ASSETS	97 179 761	56 271 095
Liabilities & Surplus		
Liabilities		
Creditors and other credit balances	666 668	575 632
Claim provision	76 600	76 600
Total liabilities	743 268	652 232
Surplus		
Surplus carried forward	55 618 863	78 254 659
Surplus /(excess of expenses over revenues)	40 817 630	(22 635 796)
Total surplus	96 436 493	55 618 863
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS	97 179 761	56 271 095

Revenues and Expenses Statement

	The financial year ended 31/12/2017	The financial year ended 31/12/2016
	EGP	EGP
REVENUES		
Donations from founders - restricted	33 621 391	78 132 362
Donations from founders - unrestricted	126 813 693	30 770 560
Surplus refunded from projects	421 423	883 747
Interest income from long term investments (endowment)	4 103 381	2 861 465
Interest income from time deposits - restricted	380 218	389 980
Interest income from time deposits & current accounts - unrestricted	2 257 416	218 047
Interest income from loans to small & micro projects	690 433	-
Foreign currency exchange gain	387 452	5 698 325
Revenue from sale of property, plant & equipment	1 460	4 225
Other revenues	-	12 000
TOTAL REVENUES	168 676 867	118 970 711
Expenses		
Projects and grants expenses-restricted	29 788 818	79 549 778
Projects and grants expenses-unrestricted	85 648 620	53 110 385
Job creation competition expenses	1 176 530	1 243 728
General & administrative expenses	5 499 072	3 698 790
Other expenses for projects and grants	5 108 414	3 425 050
Claim provision	-	76 600
Depreciation of property, plant & equipment	637 783	502 176
Total expenses	127 859 237	141 606 507
SURPLUS / (EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUES)	40 817 630	(22 635 796)

Cashflow Statement

	The financial year ended 31/12/2017 EGP	The financial year ended 31/12/2016 EGP
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Donations from founders - restricted	33 621 391	78 132 362
Donations from founders - unrestricted	126 813 693	30 770 560
Interest income from long term investments (endowment)	3 285 226	2 862 753
Interest income from time deposits & current accounts (restricted - unrestricted)	2 743 748	626 507
Foreign currency exchange gain	386 301	5 698 325
Other revenues	-	12 000
Surplus refunded from projects	421 423	883 747
Allocated proceeds - Al Ahram projects	-	14 589
Allocated proceeds - TUB Partners	1 622 769	1 273 057
Projects and grants expenses - restricted	(29 788 818)	(79 549 778)
Projects and grants expenses - unrestricted	(85 612 872)	(53 110 385)
Other expenses for projects and grants	(5 108 414)	(3 425 050)
Job creation competition expenses (JPAL)	(1 248 684)	(1 143 728)
General & administrative expenses	(5 502 263)	(3 671 388)
Allocated payments - Springboard	(221)	(220)
Allocated payments - Al Ahram projects	(98 340)	(531 517)
Allocated payments - TUB Partners	(1 367 769)	(1 273 057)
Payments - debit balances	(1 524 754)	-
NET CASH FLOWS RESULTED FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	38 642 416	(22 431 223)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Payments for purchasing property, plant & equipment	(690 546)	(186 905)
proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipmen	1 460	4 225
Payments - loans to small & micro projects	(3 945 000)	(5 245 000)
Proceeds - loans to small & micro projects	2 170 642	1 896 933
Increase/ decrease in long term investments (endowments)	(30 777 885)	16 500 000
Net cash flows (used in) resulted from investing activities	(33 241 329)	12 969 253
Net change in cash & cash equivalents	5 401 087	(9 461 970)
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	17 753 843	27 215 813
CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR	23 154 930	17 753 843





5. Our Governance

SFSD upholds best practices in its governance structure with our board of trustees comprising eleven members, four of whom are Sawiris family members, plus seven independent board members who are world-class experts in a diverse set of fields. Our board regularly meets at least four times a year in addition to outstanding meetings held by our Executive Committee.

"Eradaty" Project to empower people with disabilities, Fayoum governorate

Who We Are?

SFSD Board Of Trustees



Mr. Onsi Sawiris

Advisor to the Board & Founder of Orascom Group



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Mr. Nassef Sawiris
Board Member

Honorary Chairman - Orascom Construction Limited.
Chief Executive Officer - OCI NV.



Eng. Osama Bishai
Board Member

Chief Executive Officer of Orascom Construction Limited



Eng. Samih Sawiris
Board Member

Chairman, Orascom Development Holding (ODH)

Our Team

Noura Selim – Executive Director

Rania Ramses, Office Manager to the SFSD Executive Director

The Partnerships Department:

Rosa Abdel Malek, Partnerships Manager

Nadine Reda Foty, Partnerships Assistant

Mohamed Lotfy, Partnerships Assistant

Training & Employment Projects Department:

Nahed Yousry, Projects Manager

Thaira Shalan, Principal Projects Officer

Randa Khalifa, Senior Projects Officer

Maryam Khalil, Senior Projects Officer

Miral El Masry, Projects Officer

Nora Ghobrial, Projects Assistant

The Micro-Credit Department:

Mohamed Barakat, Micro-Credit Department Manager

Samy Abd Al Rahim, Principal Micro-Credit Projects

Ahmed Abd-El salam, Principal Micro-Credit Projects

Hossam Ali , Micro-Credit Projects Officer

The Education & Scholarships Department:

Hadeer Mohamed, Programs Officer

Yara Elkorety, Programs Officer

The Projects Financial Auditors:

Mohamed Sayed, Senior Financial Auditor

Osama William, Senior Financial Auditor

Belal Yassin, Financial Auditor

The Financial Department:

George Fekry, Financial Manager

Bahaa Wagih, Senior Accountant

The Administration Department:

Riham Sadek, Human Resources and Administration Manager

Nermeen Rashed, Human Resources and Administration Specialist

Wesam Ragab, Senior Media & Communications Officer

Mena Nabil, Senior Network Administrator

Khaled Salah, Admin Assistant

The Supportive Team:

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