CONFRONTING 2020 IN A COVID WORLD

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Eng. Onsi Sawiris has contributed to building and establishing the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development (SFSD), since its inception in 2001. He was the advisor of the Foundation’s Board of Trustees, and launched one of its first and most important scholarship programs, the Onsi Sawiris Scholarship Program, which supported and funded 90 distinguished Egyptian students to pursue Bachelors and Masters degrees at the most renowned universities in the USA. He also strongly believed in the provision of quality technical and vocational education, and thus established a scholarship to help outstanding Egyptian students attain technical diplomas from the Don Bosco Institute, in addition to supporting various initiatives that promote and develop technical schools.

In 1967, Engineer Sawiris founded ORASCOM, one of Egypt’s top private sector enterprises working in contracting and project execution. His business grew and diversified with the assistance of his sons, later establishing three major companies: Orascom Telecom, Media & Technology Holding, Orascom Development Holdings, and further growing Orascom Construction.

Eng. Sawiris was the chairman of Orascom Construction, Egyptian Cement, Orascom Trading Co., and Orascom Technology Solutions. He was also the honorary chairman of Mobinil Telecom, and a member of the Board of Directors of Orascom Telecom Holding Company and Orascom Hotels Group.

He was the chairman of the board of directors of Chartis Egypt Insurance Co, the Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA) in Cairo, and the Egyptian-Scandinavian Businessmen Association.
MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRWOMAN

Dear friends and partners,

The year 2020 was an exceptional one, not only for Egypt, but for the whole world. The pandemic posed numerous challenges: health challenges but most certainly economic and social ones as well, especially in developing and poor countries. What this has meant for Sawiris Foundation is a profound sense of duty towards all the Egyptian people that we serve and an even stronger sense of responsibility to continue forging the path that we started two decades ago.

As COVID-19 increased in Egypt in March 2020, we intensified our efforts to support the most marginalized Egyptian communities: informal workers, refugees, the elderly, children and impoverished families. The Board of Trustees swiftly decided to reallocate a significant portion of SFSO’s budget to address the pandemic and support the government’s efforts to curb its implications.

With our partners in development, from the public and private sectors and civil society organizations, we provided the necessary support to more than 192 thousand beneficiaries severely affected by the crisis.

Throughout 2020, the Foundation managed to fulfill its steadfast mission and shift to humanitarian relief work focused on COVID-19 response. We also continued our efforts to back the implementation of the ongoing projects and initiatives that tackle critical social and economic issues and that work on the provision of quality education, especially in rural Egypt. Over 19 years, SFSO’s history has reflected a long track record of achievements, reinforced by our firm partnerships with the private and public sectors as well as local, regional and international organizations. We have worked to empower hundreds of thousands of Egyptian citizens economically and socially, particularly in the most marginalized areas.

We have also provided thousands of high-quality education opportunities, from preschool to higher education. Through the Onsi Sawiris Scholarship Program launched in 2001, we have supported 90 outstanding Egyptian students to obtain their bachelors and masters degrees at the most renowned universities in the USA.

Over the years, we have also launched several scholarship programs to support talented Egyptian artists and have helped students with disabilities to study in the best Egyptian and international universities. Focusing on the provision of high-quality technical and vocational education has also been a high-priority item on our Agenda. Through the Gouna Technical Nursing Institute (GTNI), we have supported the health system through graduating more than 200 distinguished nursing cadres, as well as providing job opportunities for them in Egypt’s largest hospitals, such as 57357 Hospital and the Magdi Yacoub Heart Foundation. This is in addition to the German Hotel School El Gouna (GHS), which was founded in 2002 for hospitality industry training on a professional dual-education basis.

The Foundation is committed to continue its endeavors towards sustainable and inclusive development and continues its focus on the exchange of the best development practices, couples with rigorous assessment of its ongoing projects and programs.

Many of the foundation’s achievements would not have been possible without the advice and support of my life partner, Onsi Sawiris, the patriarch of the family and the founder of and advisor to the Foundation’s board of trustees, who left us in 2021, leaving behind a great legacy and indelible impact. We give all the credit to him and we also pledge that our foundation will continue on its path of supporting development and humanitarian work in Egypt and exert all possible efforts to empower the Egyptian people.

2020 was challenging, by all standards, but we have proved with our partners that we are more resilient in the face of challenges and are able to continue having meaningful impact in spite of the circumstances. We are proud of what we achieved in 2020 and we look forward to furthering our mission in the years to come.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all partners and members of the board of trustees, who believe in the mission and significant role of our Foundation, and without whom we would not have achieved our goals. I also thank the Foundation’s team for their single and dedication that have contributed to this significant impact at such challenging times.

Mrs. Yousriya Loza-Sawiris
Chairwoman

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Partners and Friends,

First, allow me start my letter by remembering the late Eng. Onsi Sawiris, Founder of the Orascom Group, and Advisor to the Board of Trustees of the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development.

Eng. Sawiris had a great influence on my life personally, when he provided me with the opportunity to study in the United States through the “Onsi Sawiris Scholarship”— an opportunity that changed my life through world-class education. I returned home twelve years later to work at the Sawiris Foundation, where I had yet another opportunity to continue learning from Eng. Sawiris and to continue to be inspired by his humility, resilience, intelligence, passion and significant philanthropic contributions.

I am pleased to share with you the annual report of SFSO, which highlights our achievements in 2020, a year that is profoundly marked by the COVID-19 pandemic. We have all experienced first-hand the negative ramifications of the pandemic, but it has hit those already vulnerable even harder.

At the moments when the world felt that time had stopped, we concentrated all our efforts on supporting the most affected and vulnerable groups through allocating EGP 109 million to support the interventions directed at alleviating the severity of the pandemic on the Egyptian people.

Our interventions prioritized:

- Filling the shortage of preventive medical supplies and equipping isolation hospitals.
- Supporting informal workers, the communities which were mostly affected by the suspension of economic activities.
- Dispatching support convoys and relief initiatives to families in the most remote areas.
- Providing extensive technical and financial support to our existing projects to ensure their continuity at such a challenging time.
- All sectors of the Sawiris Foundation continued to provide their services throughout the year despite the then imposed curfew and closure circumstances. SFSO has since adopted an interactive action plan that is being updated monthly until today.

In 2020, SFSO’s budget reached EGP 285 Egyptian million, achieving a growth rate of 63% compared to 2019. The “Sawiris Initiative to Support the Fight against Covid-19” received the largest share of funding, followed by the education and scholarships sector that launched four new projects within the pre-primary education programs, all aligned with the Ministry of Education’s “Strategy 2.0,” to emphasize the principle of integration and unification of efforts through successful partnerships.

The Foundation also launched the first scholarship of its kind to support outstanding high school students with scholarships to study at quality Egyptian universities. In addition, two new scholarships were also launched under the Executive Education Program, one providing the opportunity for students to obtain an executive master’s degree from the London School of Economics, and one focused on further building the capabilities of public sector officials, in cooperation with the Ministry of Planning and Economic Development.

This year, 64 students received scholarships that allowed them to obtain a bachelor’s or a master’s degree from the best local and international universities in a variety of fields.

Eng. Noura Selim
Executive Director

The economic empowerment and social empowerment sectors continued to lead the way for the foundation to ensure that we are addressing the economic, health and social crises inflicted by the pandemic through launching a host of initiatives and programs at supporting informal workers, craftsmen, women and marginalized children.

While we are proud of what we achieved in an exceptionally challenging year, what we are most proud of is that we did not achieve it alone. We are grateful to work with all our partners, who enabled us to extend our support to over half a million beneficiaries by the end of 2020. In 2020, we had the chance and privilege to partner with other national and international organizations from civil society and the private and public sectors to further our impact.

The learning and strategy sector at the foundation also played a critical role in providing support to the technical sectors of the foundation, offering training and guidance to our implementing partners from the Non-Governmental Organizations. The sector’s role in our mission to be an evidence-based, learning organization, prioritizing and relying on rigorous evidence in the design of our programs, and continuously measuring and reporting our results, with the goal to learn and improve so that we can have more significant and more sustainable impact.

As we embark on 20 years of development work in Egypt by Sawiris Foundation, I would like to extend my gratitude to all the Sawiris family for their generous annual support. I also thank the foundation’s Board of Trustees for their invaluable contributions and guidance. Additionally, I would like to thank all of the foundation’s teams who worked tirelessly and with great passion, and are truly driven by making a real difference.

I would like to conclude by emphasizing that we will continue—steadfast—to advance our mission that focuses on the alleviation of multi-dimensional poverty in Egypt. We will continue to lead and implement our programs with determination, perseverance, transparency and a focus on truly changing lives, in the most effective and sustainable ways possible.

Eng. Noura Selim
Executive Director
The Sawiris Foundation for Social Development (SFSD) was established in 2001 with an endowment from the Sawiris Family, as one of the first national donor foundations in Egypt. Since its establishment, SFSD has been working to address the most pressing issues facing the Egyptian society, through creating opportunities, driving change, and achieving sustainable development that is based on knowledge and exchange of experiences and best development practices.

Over the past 19 years, SFSD has succeeded in solidifying the sustainable development work approach instead of the charity work approach. This is done by adopting pioneering initiatives and ideas, and transforming them into projects that secure decent living for the most disadvantaged and marginalized communities. Through these projects, the foundation was able to create thousands of job opportunities for youth, female household heads, and people with disabilities.

The foundation also succeeded in providing high-quality education opportunities and scholarships to thousands of outstanding Egyptian students, and in supporting vocational and technical education through leading educational institutions; El Gouna Technical Nursing Institute (GTNI), and the German Hotel School in Gouna (GHS). The foundation also supported a variety of impactful programs targeting the provisions of healthcare services, infrastructure development, and the empowerment of women and children.

During our journey in sustainable development, SFSD has created a palpable impact on the lives of more than 500,000 Egyptians, across 24 governorates, with a focus on Upper Egypt. This was achieved through many economic, social and educational initiatives, with a total fund of EGP 1.7 billion.
VISION

As a partner in development in Egypt, we seek to present a pioneering model for the role of civil society organizations, through promoting and supporting innovative solutions targeting comprehensive and sustainable development.

MISSION

Our mission is to support sustainable development solutions in order to alleviate poverty and social and economic exclusion. We aim at providing equitable educational opportunities for the most marginalized groups in Egypt. This is done through cooperation with civil society, and the private and governmental sectors.

OBJECTIVES

Our primary objective is to support developmental projects, programs and initiatives in all Egyptian governorates. This is achieved through the following:

INCREASING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY EDUCATION
- Providing scholarships for distinguished Egyptian students to pursue their studies in Egypt and abroad
- Establishing specialized higher education institutions capable of meeting the urgent needs of society
- Supporting and financing education programs at all levels: pre-primary, Basic, technical and vocational education, as well as higher education

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT
- Financing training programs that lead to employment
- Encouraging the development of small and microenterprises by providing technical, administrative and financial assistance through grants and loans
- Supporting and financing agricultural development programs

SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT
- Improving access to healthcare services (fighting Hepatitis C, liver transplants, improving maternal and child health)
- Providing homeless and marginalized children with the needed protection and support
- Improving the living conditions of the most impoverished families
- Empowering women: Rehabilitating of the most socially and psychologically marginalized women to enable them to enjoy their right to education, identity and dignity

ENCOURAGING ARTISTIC AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
- The Annual Competition “Sawiris Cultural Award”
- Sawiris Arts and Culture Scholarship Program

CORE VALUES

We are committed to the fundamental values that boost our mission and objectives, including accountability, transparency, equity, justice, and integrity. Our work seeks to promote the best developmental practices and to effectively respond to the needs of the Egyptian people.

HOW WE WORK

The SFSD adopts a specially tailored approach based on five pillars

- Building effective partnerships with civil society, as well as the governmental and private sectors.
- Adopting a market-driven training and employment model, in which market needs are comprehensively assessed prior to the design and provision of training in order to maximize job potential for trainees.
- Promoting the spirit of honorable competition and celebrating excellence among beneficiaries. This is achieved through annual competitions, scholarships and Job Creation Competitions.
- Boosting the best practices in the design and management of development project through impact measurement, follow-up, evaluation and capacity-building of partner NGOs.
- Scaling-up successful initiatives to maximize impact and ensure sustainability of results.

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE

The Outstanding Egyptian Students were awarded scholarships to pursue their education in the best international universities in Germany, USA, United Kingdom and Switzerland.

Locally
- 24 Governorates
- 86% of the support is directed towards Upper Egypt villages

Globally
- The Outstanding Egyptian Students were awarded scholarships to pursue their education in the best international universities in:
  - Germany
  - USA
  - United Kingdom
  - Switzerland
PORTFOLIO OF SFSD’S PROJECTS
2001 - 2020

1.7 EGP BILLION Funding in total

+555,000 Beneficiaries in total
**Economic Empowerment Sector**

- **Training and employment program**
  - +48,000 Beneficiaries trained and employed, with a total budget exceeding 153 EGP MILLION.

- **Micro - Credit Program**
  - +63,000 Beneficiaries received micro and small loans, with a total budget exceeding 138 EGP MILLION.

- **Agricultural Development Program**
  - +6,000 Beneficiaries received technical support and funding, with a total budget exceeding 54 EGP MILLION.

**Social Empowerment Sector**

- **Care for Marginalized Children Program**
  - +38,000 Children received a range of integrated services including rehabilitation, integration, shelter and healthcare, with a total budget exceeding 126 EGP MILLION.

- **Healthcare program**
  - +125,000 Beneficiaries received healthcare services including hepatitis C testing and treatment, and liver transplant operations, with a total budget of 178 EGP MILLION.

- **Sawiris Cultural Award**
  - 215 Egyptian writers and authors won awards with a total budget exceeding 25.5 EGP MILLION.

**Partnership Sector**

- **Basic Services Program**
  - +60 EGP MILLION have been allocated to improve the living conditions of the most impoverished families in Upper Egypt.

- **Women Empowerment Program**
  - +15 EGP MILLION have been allocated to support and empower more than 5000 Egyptian Women.
The outbreak and spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) was an unprecedented humanitarian catastrophe. Not only did the pandemic create an impact on the global economy, but also it led to the deterioration of health and social conditions within many communities. It has severely affected poor and marginalized groups in particular due to their dependence on unstable sources of income.

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, SFSD worked due an interactive action plan that fits the complex nature of the crisis and which assures inclusion and equality within the targeted communities, and helps build the capacities of beneficiaries in the face of future crises.

Sawiris Foundation has been able to make numerous achievements through the immediate relief plan, and also maintain the progressing in its 2020 work plan.
REDIRECTING FUNDS

Sawiris initiative to support the fight against Covid-19

Ongoing and new project of action plan 2020

INCREASED BY OVER 2019’S BUDGET

63%

285 EGP MILLION
TOTAL BUDGET

103 EGP MILLION
WAS DISTRIBUTED TO TWO MAIN AXES

44%
OF THE TOTAL BUDGET

56%
OF THE TOTAL BUDGET

192,000 Beneficiaries in total

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+113,000

15 Entities were supported

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11 Programs

78 Projects

15 Entities were supported

11 NGOs

PARTICIPATING IN THE MOST IMPORTANT LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS:

- Chairing the Board of Trustees of Arab Foundations Forum
- Active membership in Global Network of Foundations Working for Development
- Membership in the C20 - International Advisory Committee
- Participation in the G20 - International Advisory Committee
- Participation in the African Philanthropy Forum
- Participation in the Change the World Forum
- Participation in the League of Arab States on confronting violence against girls and women during the Covid-19 crisis
The initiative contributed to supporting families that were severely affected by the coronavirus crisis. The ways and forms of support provided to families have been varied, whether through provision of cash or in-kind food aid and protective supplies, in addition to psychological support and awareness campaigns, as well as providing job opportunities for female household heads. The initiative has succeeded in reaching the communities in the most impoverished areas across all Egyptian governorates.

**SAWIRIS INITIATIVE TO SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19**

**192,000 Beneficiaries**

- Meeting of the Board of Trustees and decision to redirect 109 EGP MILLION from the Foundation’s budget towards confronting the coronavirus crisis
- Establishing an internal bureau for crisis management
- Identifying the target groups and implementing NGOs
- Coordinating between the concerned parties: (Beneficiaries - Implementing NGOs - Partners - Governmental Entities)
- The affiliated NGOs launch support convoys to deliver nutrition to the impacted areas
- The arrival of support convoys to most of Egypt’s governorates, especially the border and remote areas
- Sterilizing and equipping isolation hospitals and providing medical and protective supplies
ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE INITIATIVE

**INITIATIVE Supporting Informal Workers is a Responsibility**

- **THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND POPULATION**
  - **20 EGP MILLION**
  - To provide isolation hospitals with protective equipment and supplies.

- **TAHFA MEGH FUND**
  - **15 EGP MILLION**
  - To support precautionary government efforts and help the informal workers survive surviving Covid-19.

- **MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SOVEREIGNITY**
  - **6 EGP MILLION**
  - To support informal workers affected by the crisis and to pay 50% of the debts of female household heads.

**INITIATIVE People to Each Other**

- **THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS**
  - **10.5 EGP MILLION**
  - To equip dialysis booths for patients infected with the coronavirus.

- **EGYPTIAN FOOD BANK**
  - Delivering 500,000 boxes of food to 60,000 eligible families, in five governorates, with a total budget of EGP 11.6 Million.

- **LIFE MAKERS FOUNDATION**
  - Providing a package of direct interventions for 10,000 families preventive and social support to 1,350 physicians, with a total budget of EGP 12 Million.

- **SONAA AL-KHAIR FOUNDATION**
  - Distribution of food boxes and personal protective supplies to 16,000 families, with a total budget of EGP 10 Million. The support conveys reached remote and border areas.

**INITIATIVE Protection**

- **AHM MASE FOUNDATION**
  - Protecting and securing 3,500 health care service providers working in university hospitals all over the country, and providing them with 11,000 medical isolation coveralls, with a total funding of EGP 4 Million.

- **PROJECT Our Product**
  - Providing vocational training for 190 women from North Sinai governorate, on the production of medical supplies, to support them economically during the crisis period, with a total budget of EGP 3 Million.

- **EGYPTIAN RED CRESCENT**
  - Purchasing relief vehicles, sterilization and disinfection for vital facilities, psychological and in-kind support with a total budget of EGP 11 Million.

- **EGYPTIAN FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY DEVELOPMENT**
  - **2.1 EGP MILLION**
  - To support NGOs implementing SFSD’s ongoing projects to ensure the sustainability of their interventions within the coronavirus crisis.

- **WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME**
  - **2.2 EGP MILLION**
  - Providing technical support and follow-up to some initiatives.

**PROJECT Aman Ahl Masr**

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Throughout the year 2020, the different sectors of the Foundation faced many challenges caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The crisis aggravated social problems such as marginalization, unemployment, poverty, violence against women and children, and malnutrition. This situation prompted the Foundation to direct its support towards relief interventions related to the pandemic. On the other hand, SFSD’s sectors took emergency decisions to direct an increased support to civil society partners in order to assure the sustainability of their ongoing projects. In some cases, respecting social distancing, SFSD had to suspend some activities and to adjust some other interventions to keep pace with the new challenges. The foundation also launched new programs that aim at confronting the crisis through a package of various interventions.
Education and Scholarship Sector

- Pre-Primary Education Program
- Basic Education Program
- Technical and Vocational Education Program
- Higher and Education Program

4 PROGRAMS
55 EGP MILLION
30 PROJECTS
14 GOVERNORATES
In order to ensure the quality education for children, building the capacities of staff in the nurseries operating under the umbrella of Ministry of Social Solidarity is an urgent necessity. Hoda joined the training program of “My nursery is my Future” project benefiting from knowledge on the child’s psychology and stages of development. She also joined other educational and awareness-raising trainings.

“I am a nursery teacher and have been working with children for a long time, which made me have a sufficient experience in dealing with them. Capacity building training that I received within the ‘My nursery is my future’ project was my first experience with the specialized trainings in the field of childhood. I expected that the curriculum would focus on educational aspect only, but I was surprised to find that it tackled both educational and pedagogical components. Having completed the training, I feel a big difference. For example, it helped me in dealing with a very active child in the classroom. He would not sit still and I was constantly complaining to his mother. After the training I got acquainted with the patterns of children and the difficulties they face in learning. I was able to find out that his hyperactivity can be conquered by using certain types of games and educational methods. I started to show him games and cubes that he would assemble and disassemble, and soon he got preoccupied with them; he started focusing on completing the formation of letters and shapes for instance. Equally, the mother started understanding the importance of directing the boy to games that would keep him busy and which would support his learning process.”

“HODA BAKRI
TEACHER OF AL-AMAL KINDERGARTEN OF
THE ASWAN QEFTIYA ASSOCIATION

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The project aims to provide 1,500 children aged 2-6 years with appropriate educational opportunities that comply with local and international quality standards. The project is being implemented within 75 nurseries belonging to NGOs in the governorates of Giza, Aswan, and Sohag.

The initiative was launched in 2013, with the aim of providing high-quality education opportunities to children who are deprived of educational services in the underprivileged and remote villages in Upper Egypt.
The project aims to provide primary school students with basic reading and mathematics skills through the implementation of the "Teaching at the Right Level" (TaRL) approach, which was pioneered by the Indian non-governmental organization Pratham. TaRL tackles the learning crisis from its roots by sorting children, in grades 4-6 of primary school, into groups that match their learning level rather than their ages. The implementation of the project started in May 2020 in partnership with the Ministry of Education and the Educate Me Foundation.

The implementation of the School Transformation Journey (STJ) project started in November 2020, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and the Educate Me Foundation. The project provides an integrated professional development program designed for 680 school teachers and staff members in 20 primary public schools in the governorates of Beni Suef and Sohag. Through the STJ, a series of remote trainings were implemented to support teachers, parents and students to deal with the challenges of the psychological and social repercussions, resulting from the spread of the coronavirus. The academic part of the project aims to support the new ministerial policies related to the current situation.

The program aims to provide the opportunity for 40 high-potential students from Upper Egypt to qualify for and pursue undergraduate studies in the top ranked universities in the United States of America. This is implemented through a series of capacity-building initiatives over a period of three years.
Executive Education Programs

CHICAGO BOOTH EXECUTIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM IN EL GOUNA

In 2019, SFSD launched the first of its kind Executive Business Administration Program in cooperation with the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. The program is funded with a grant of USD 6 million provided by Eng. Nassef Sawiris. The scholarship aims to empower public and private sectors employees and train them on topics including financial technology, artificial intelligence, leadership, innovation, negotiation and decision-making, and its impact on the working environment within government institutions and private sector.

LSE- SAWIRIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The LSE Executive MSc in Cities is an 18 months program designed for qualified professionals to “Study While Working” and gain insights into how cities can be better managed, governed, planned, and designed whilst learning to understand and deliver these vital changes. The program consists of five one-week residential sessions in London, spread over the academic year including more than 150 hours of face-to-face contact time with the faculty of LSE academics and visiting global fellows. The program brings together experts from across LSE and its wider global network to train the urban leaders of tomorrow.

Scholarships Program

Higher Education Programs

ONSÍ SAWIRIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (OSSP)

The Onsí Sawiris Program is one of the first programs which was launched together with the establishment of the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development, in 2001. The program is sponsored by Orascom Construction and aims of providing fully-funded scholarships to Egyptian students in the fields of engineering, economics, finance, political science, business administration and construction, allowing them to pursue their studies at one of the most prestigious universities in the United States of America.

DOHA TANTAWI

Doha is one of the Onsí Sawiris Scholarship graduates. She obtained her MBA degree from Harvard University in the United States of America. She returned to Egypt with a dream of creating a real change in Egypt’s health care sector.

The Onsí Sawiris Scholarship program provided the means to a spectacular experience that will forever change how my future looks. Over the course of my studies, I’ve built a network of mentors, professors and friends that I know will be of immense help whenever I need professional assistance. It was truly the key to all my professional questions.

This program has truly given me a one-time chance to expand my horizons, and change my future.”
SAWIRIS ARTS AND CULTURE SCHOLARSHIP (SACS)

The scholarship aims to support talented Egyptian students and provide them with the opportunity to obtain distinguished educational opportunities (Bachelor, Master, Residency and Apprenticeships) to enrich their talents in various fields of performing arts, visual arts and cinema studies.

“Prior to being granted the Sawiris Arts and Culture Scholarship (SACS), I already had 13 years of experience in film production. However, my experience was based mainly on production of advertisements while I had a dream of moving gradually into cinema and drama. SACS has given me the opportunity to advance my career; it has also helped me achieve the most important dream of my life, which is obtaining a Master’s degree in international cinematography from the London Film Academy. This whole experience was a tremendous change for me as it made me realize that experience is not enough and education is the key to a successful career. I was not aware of many aspects of the film industry prior to enrolling at this path of studies and the professors helped me understand many key aspects of the industry and shape my career accordingly. By giving me an opportunity to work with British and international filmmakers, the scholarship helped me expand my professional network. Throughout the way, those filmmakers became my friends and colleagues. I am confident that my career is moving towards the right direction now. I have produced two short films in London, and I am currently in the process of developing my first feature production. I have also written my first short film.”

YOUSRIYA LOZA-SAWIRIS SCHOLARSHIP (YLSS)

Master's degree in Development Practice from the University of Minnesota, USA

Being awarded the Yousriya Loza-Sawiris Scholarship was a turning point in both my professional and personal life. It gave me an opportunity to earn a master’s degree in development from one of the top 10 business schools in the United States. I went through a two-year journey of intense learning and growth, on a personal and educational level. I started this scholarship thinking that development is only about the relationship between different donors and executives, yet as I graduated I now understand that development is much more than that. It’s about being humble and listening to the people you’re trying to help while giving them the space to identify their needs and concerns.

SAWIRIS UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The program offers scholarships to students with disabilities who have recently graduated from high schools in various governorates of Egypt. The scholarship allows the students to obtain a bachelor’s degree from one of the most prestigious universities in Egypt.

In 2020, 8 students with visual, motor, and hearing disabilities and cerebral palsy received the grant, becoming first beneficiaries of the fund targeting students with disabilities.

MINA NADI SERBANA
RECIPIENT OF THE SAWIRIS SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES 2020, AT THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO

“By offering me an opportunity to study at one of the most prestigious universities in Egypt, the Sawiris Foundation for Social Development has greatly influenced my personal and academic life. The Sawiris Scholarship for Students with Disabilities allowed me to study at a university that supports liberal education. I benefited from the studies course as well as I had an opportunity to raise many interesting discussions besides the major I chose. This fact advances the culture and awareness of the students. Through virtual seminars and the ongoing support that I receive from the personnel in charge of those grants, the Foundation has enhanced my personal life with leadership skills while boosting my confidence.”

SFSD-DAAD SCHOLARSHIP

The program was launched in 2005 and targets German schools graduates to complete their studies and obtain a bachelor’s degree, and then master’s degree or an equivalent degree from a German university. The program’s scope includes fields such as economics, engineering, science, international development, business administration, literature and music.

Since the launch of this program, 31 students have been awarded this scholarship to study at 13 universities in Germany.
SFSD EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

GOUNA TECHNICAL NURSING INSTITUTE (GTNI)

The GTNI was established in 2002, in collaboration with Lawrence Memorial / Regis College in the USA, and under the supervision of the Ministry of Health and Population, and Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research. The institute was built on an area of 6,000 square meters. It is equipped with laboratories providing the latest educational methods, a specialized digital library and a computer lab connected to the educational database, allowing the students to develop their scientific and practical skills.

GTNI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

SFSD offers full scholarships to students who hold a high school diploma. The studies with duration of two years and a half include theoretical and practical components. This period of time is followed by a three-month practical training in a hospital, as a condition for obtaining a nursing diploma accredited by the Health Science Education / Health Technology department of the Ministry of Health and Population, Department of National Equivalency Administration, in addition to obtaining the license to practice the profession of nursing. Those components give a 100% guarantee of the graduate’s employment.

GERMAN HOTEL SCHOOL EL 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.

(GHS) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The scholarship aims to finance students who have completed their preparatory education, from Upper Egypt and the bordering governorates.

It covers in full the expenditures including accommodation and living expenses during three academic years. At the end of the program, students earn a diploma accredited from the German Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Leipzig (IHK) as well as the Egyptian Ministry of Education. Additionally, it allows the graduates to get job opportunities in top hotels and resorts in the country.
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Economic Empowerment Sector

- Training for Employment Program
- Micro – Credit Program
- Agricultural Development Program

3 Programs
23 EGP Million
18 Projects
23 Governorates
Meet “SAHAR EID”
ONE OF THE BENEFICIARIES OF BAB AMAL PROGRAM

“I learned a lot from the program especially about life skills. Having gained awareness about early marriages, I decided to wait with my daughter’s marriage until she attains the legal age. The trainings on preventive measures during Covid-19 pandemic helped me protect myself and my family. I also shared this knowledge with my neighbors, so we all managed to minimize the risk of getting infected with coronavirus.”

Sahar, a mother of five children lives with her family in harsh conditions in a remote village, far from the facilities’ center of Sohag Governorate. Her husband’s work does not suffice to elevate the family from extreme poverty. Searching for support, Sahar decided to join the Bab Amal program believing that it would provide her with useful productive assets, financial resources and technical support.

Through the training offered by Bab Amal program, Sahar learned concepts of saving, financial planning and long-term investment. To improve the family’s wellbeing, the program’s facilitators also paid visits to Sahar’s home and worked with her on life skills and positive behavior.

The integrated interventions of Bab Al Amal (Door of Hope) program and its adaptive nature ensured the continuity of small projects. This was especially crucial after the Covid-19 crisis, which has severely affected the economic conditions in marginalized and disadvantaged areas.

During the months of pandemic, the program provided Sahar with a set of personally tailored interventions that responded to her conditions and helped reassess her situation. While the program offered financial support that covered her basic needs – including necessary nutrition - for a period of two months, Sahar was able to fully benefit from the training. Bab Al Amal’s facilitators worked also on raising her awareness of the preventive measures she should follow to minimize the risk of being infected with coronavirus.

The program offered a financial support to Sahar which for a period of two months covered her family’s daily needs and necessary nutrition. She also received a training in preventive measures that should be taken to minimize the risk of being infected with Covid-19.

“Now that I have the money, I am able to secure basic needs to my children, and stop asking people for support. Due to the program, I also managed to save EGP 1000 which, among other obligations, helped me to enroll my son at school.”
Projects Motored as Response to COVID-19

FORSA PROJECT
IN COOPERATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SOLIDARITY
MICROCREDIT PROGRAM

The project aims to improve the social and economic situation of poor and low-income families by providing them with sustainable job opportunities that help increase their income. This is done through the establishment of specialized business incubators which offer technical support, training, and raise awareness of financial inclusion and of creation of local and international marketing outlets. The project also empowers the beneficiaries within their communities through capitalizing on positive social values and eliminating practices that could have a negative impact on them.

"THE ROAD" PROJECT – PHASE 2
Better Health, Better Future

The project provides social and economic services to the target groups in Siwa Oasis, including:

- Equipping laboratories to conduct medical tests of children in order to detect cases of sickle cell disease and provide treatment for affected children.
- Purification of drinking water through the establishment of water treatment and sterilization units.
- Incorporating 475 young men and women into the labor market through training and providing jobs that are in-demand within the Siwa’s community.

"START WITH YOURSELF" initiative

The initiative aims to address health and economic needs of 12 thousand families living in Luxor and Aswan governorates. The beneficiaries are families of nonstandard workers who live in the areas with the highest risk of Covid-19 infections and whose lives are paralyzed due to the measures imposed on them during the pandemic outbreak.

The initiative is implemented in cooperation with the Armed Forces Southern Military Region, the Egyptian Family Development Foundation (FEDA), Ministry of Social Solidarity (MoSS) district offices, and governors’ general offices of Luxor and Aswan.

INITIATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

- Delivery 7000 Bags of personal protective supplies
- Delivery 5000 Food Boxes
- Providing disinfection and sterilization services to 55 SITES in Aswan and Luxor
- Raising awareness for families living in areas with high risk of the coronavirus infection

"SUPPORTING EGYPTIAN ARTISANS"
Initiative to alleviate the impact of Covid-19

In Partnership with

The initiative aims to support the creative economy sector and Egyptian artisans through the use of e-commerce system in promoting and marketing Egyptian handicrafts. The project also empowers the artisans who have been strongly affected by the pandemic.

- Beneficiaries +3700 EGYPTIAN ARTISANS
- More than 1800 PRODUCTS WERE SOLD with an amount of 300,000 EGP
- Micro – Credit Program

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LAUNCHING BRAND STORE

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SAWIRIS FOUNDATION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2020
“BAB AMAL”
Targeting the Ultra-Poor (TUP) Program

2400
FAMILIES
Total of beneficiaries

55
EGP MILLION
Funding in total

35
VILLAGES
in Assiut and Sohag governorates

the Bab Amal program aims to create a sustainable road plan that helps the beneficiaries to graduate from extreme poverty to a more sustainable livelihood.

The program spans over three years and offers a full range of interventions that are based on four pillars:

- Social protection, which includes subsidizing and inclusion of the beneficiaries into a social safety networks.
- Providing the beneficiaries with productive assets and training on the necessary technical skills to help them secure a sustainable income.
- Financial inclusion that embraces the beneficiaries’ financial literacy and boosts their resilience through encouragement of saving and financial planning.
- Social empowerment, which includes a long-term investment by providing the beneficiaries with life skills that support positive behavior and facilitate social inclusion.

Since the pandemic outbreak, the project budget covers the following:

- Reassessment of the targeted families’ economic situation while taking the necessary measures to ensure their projects’ sustainability.
- Directing EGP 500,000 to support small projects which are at risk of being affected by the restrictions imposed by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The project is a multilateral partnership between SFSD, ALEXBANK and the Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency. The project provides training in carpet weaving to beneficiaries in Dowelina village of Abu Teeg center, in Assiut governorate.

“HAND-MADE CARPETS MANUFACTURE DEVELOPMENT”
Project in Abu Teeg

400 m² of carpets produced in the production training units were sold at a value of EGP 640,000. The profit was invested in purchasing 75 new carpet looms, and handed over to the beneficiaries.
Social Empowerment Sector

- Health-Care Program
- Care for Marginalized Children
- Basic Services Program
- Women Empowerment Program

4 PROGRAMS

48 EGP MILLION

19 PROJECTS

15 GOVERNORATES
Meet

“HAJJ HUSSEIN ABDEL-WADUD
ONE OF THE BENEFICIARIES OF SAKAN KAREEM ‘DECENT HOUSING’ INITIATIVE

“we would like to thank all people who worked hard in the project to provide us with decent and safe houses.”

Hajj Hussein is the head of a family living in Rawafi’ Al-Isawiya village in Sohag Governorate. The harsh and insecure circumstances surrounding the family result from the village’s deteriorating living conditions and lack of basic services.

Hajj Hussein’s home was among the beneficiary houses selected by the ‘Decent Housing’ initiative launched by the Ministry of Social Solidarity. Through the project’s implementation, Hajj Hussein’s house was restored and the infrastructure was improved. Today, his home includes the proper sanitation facilities and potable water connections.

“My only dream is for my family to live a normal life, one that other people enjoy… My dream is to have clean bathroom, a roof above our heads to protect us from rain and proper walls… I dream of a normal life.”
Projects Which Interventions Were Redirected in Response to COVID-19

**HEALTH-CARE PROGRAM**

The project aims to raise health awareness for mothers during the first 1000 days of child's life - about the negative impacts of malnutrition focusing on anaemia, obesity, heart disease and diabetes.

**PROJECT “ONE DREAM”**

In partnership with

The project is being implemented in the informal areas of Manshiet Nasser and Tora.

**THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF TWO MAIN COMPONENTS:**

**HEALTH COMPONENT**

Aims at assuring early detection and provide treatment for people with eye diseases, malnutrition, anaemia, kidney diseases, and breast tumors.

Since the pandemic outbreak, the project budget has been directed to include:

- Providing financial assistance to the mothers and their children under 2 years to help them fulfill the nutritional needs during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Distributing monthly cash support to beneficiaries through Egyptian post offices, for a period of three months.
- Implementation of awareness campaigns on social media platforms and through radio programs that emphasize the importance of healthy nutrition during the pandemic.

**EDUCATION COMPONENT**

Aims at raising the level of education and develop life skills of children aged 4-16, enrolled in the primary and preparatory schools. It also works towards the empowerment and integration of students with disability.

Since the pandemic outbreak, the project budget has been directed to include:

- “Supporting Irregular Workers” initiative which provides the nutritional and preventive support to the groups most affected by the crisis.
- Launching awareness campaigns which shed light on the importance of prevention and social distancing, and provide guidelines about home isolation.

**THE PROGRAM INCLUDES THREE PROJECTS:**

- **“SUPPORT AND EMPOWERMENT OF CHILDREN AT RISK” PROJECT**
  - This project is implemented through the Ana El Masry Foundation, with the aim of providing a decent life for children without shelter while ensuring their healthy mental and physical growth through discovering and refining their skills to help them in the path of integration into community.

- **“SUPPORTING MARGINALIZED CHILDREN PROGRAM”**
  - The program aims to provide numerous interventions which ensure that children in street conditions can access safe housing and benefit from an appropriate health and psychological care. In parallel, the program stresses on the rehabilitation and reintegration of children into their families and communities, while the capacity building trainings help them to develop healthy life patterns.

- **“REINTEGRATION OF CHILDREN IN THE COMMUNITY” PROJECT**
  - The project provides medical and psychological services to 1,600 children living in the street conditions, through the night tours undertaken by mobile units, and visits to children residing in permanent shelters such as Banati and Ana El Masry “I the Egyptian” Foundation, in addition to other government shelters. Through the well-designed awareness campaigns which have been attended by more than 200 thousand people, the project also works on erasing the society’s negative view on children without shelter.

**IN THE COMMUNITY” PROJECT**

Launched in 2018, the ‘Decent Housing’ initiative addresses and improves the infrastructure of the homes belonging to extremely poor families that live in the villages of Sohag Governorate. The initiative gives priority to families headed by women or by people with disabilities.

**IMPLEMENTATION OF QUALITY AND PROTECTION STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN WITHOUT SHELTER THROUGH ACCOMMODATION AND RECEPTION CENTERS.**

The project is being implemented by Banati Foundation, co-financed by SFSD and ALEXBANK, with the aim of rehabilitating and integrating the children into their families and communities through providing them with the psychological, social and health support services. So far, the project has addressed 2,190 children and families through the mobile units, the reception center, and two permanent and temporary accommodation centers.
“A HOUSE TO PROTECT ME” Initiative

Beit Yehminy “A House to Protect Me” initiative was launched according to SFSD plan 2020, despite the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic. The initiative’s nature assures its continuity and commitment to supporting families that live in insecure housing and which, in those specific months, have been greatly affected by the Covid-19 crisis.

The initiative is carried out in cooperation with:

The initiative provides an array of services to ensure adequate living conditions to impoverished families who are residing in unsafe conditions in five Upper Egypt governorates: Beni Suef, Assiut, Sohag, Aswan, and New Valley. The project also carries out Wa’ay awareness campaigns to enhance the beneficiaries knowledge, and organizes medical convoys in different field to respond to the needs of the Beit Yehemeni villages.

INITIATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS DURING YEAR 2020

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“HEALTHY LIFE FOR BETTER FUTURE” Project

The project is the first to be co-funded with Carrefour Foundation in France with the aim of providing 3200 children and youth in street conditions with nutritional and sports services as tools of investing in a better future for the children as healthy and productive citizens in the society once reintegrated. The project also aims to build the capacity of centers’ professionals and staff on nutrition, as well as improve the infrastructure and capabilities of 7 care centers.

“REHABILITATION OF YOUTH ORPHANS: BOOSTING SELF-DEPENDENCE” Project

This three-year project is implemented in cooperation with Wataneya for the Development of Orphanages, and in partnership with ALEXBANK and the Drosos Foundation. It aims to rehabilitate young people residing in institutional shelters through providing a supportive environment that assures their independence and helps them to integrate into society.

“EDUCATION MAKES YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE” Project

The two year project is considered the first implemented project since women empowerment program has been launched in 2020. It aims to reduce the two-year project aims at reducing the illiteracy rate among 1,600 of the poorest women, who are affiliated with the national Takful wa Karama Program.

The illiteracy is addressed through specialized classes and trainings that focus on social, psychological and economic skills. In parallel, other trainings are provided to the leaders of grassroot organizations in the targeted villages, as a measure to ensure the project’s sustainability.
Partnerships Sector

40 EGP Million Total Funding from Partners

11 New Partners

22 New Partnerships

17 Existing Partners
The Carrefour-Sawiris Foundation For Social Development partnership started in 2018. Over the 4 years, Carrefour developed a unique partnership with Sawiris Foundation For Social Development that grew into a long term commitment from both entities. Sawiris Foundation for Social Development have been a dedicated and committed partner throughout our partnerships. Carrefour appreciates their dedication and hard work and their commitment to all facets of society. Through SFSD’s on-ground activations and online initiatives, Carrefour were able to support to some of Egypt’s vulnerable individuals. Carrefour is proud of this successful partnership and is committed to more fruitful initiatives in the future.

JEAN LUC GRAZIATO
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER
CARREFOUR EGYPT

“At AFD, we greatly value the partnership with SFSD. It builds upon the shared commitment to continue ensuring the implementation of impactful programs for the sustainable and inclusive development of underprivileged communities in Egypt. We are proud of the success of our joint initiatives, which have resulted in enhancing children’s healthcare services, promoting socioeconomic empowerment of women and supporting small business development.”

FABIO GRAZI, PHD
DIRECTOR
AFD COUNTRY OFFICE FOR EGYPT

“There is a great collaborative and complementary strength in our long standing and strategic partnership with Sawiris Foundation. Over the past five years of partnership, we continued to explore projects which enhance access to health, education, and economic opportunities through supporting less fortunate communities, with a special focus on women and children. Seeing this impact and setting a strong sustainable foundation for various communities gives us the push we need to keep on taking more empowering initiatives in the future.”

LAILA HOSNI
HEAD OF CSR & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ALEXBANK

PARTNERS’ TESTIMONIALS
OUTSTANDING PARTNERSHIPS IN 2020

The partnership between the two parties is witnessing an expansion in the scope of development interventions which now include the fields of education and economic empowerment. This is done through providing training and employment opportunities to the most marginalized groups and helping them finance small projects. The support also includes empowering women, protection of children without shelter, health-care and infrastructure projects.

SFSD began negotiations with the Embassy of Japan in Egypt in November 2018. This resulted in an agreement between both parties to provide financial supports to farmers. Center for Egyptian Family Development was selected to implement a project aiming at improving the income of 300 smallholders working in the field of dried tomatoes (including 90 women) and their families.

The Embassy of Japan obtained official approval for the project proposal, and in 2020, a contract was signed between the embassy and the Egyptian Family Development Foundation, in the presence of the delegates from the Sawiris Foundation. The necessary approvals for the project’s implementation are now being obtained.

The project aims to develop the capacities of 30 teachers in 15 Schools, which are affiliated with the Sawiris Foundation.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE EMBASSY OF SWITZERLAND IN EGYPT

First of its kind, this new partnership aims to support children in street conditions and provide them with healthy nutrition from Carrefour at a subsidized price. In addition, the project provides job opportunities to economically empower young people. The first phase of the project is being implemented with a total budget of EUR 150,000.

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE EMBASSY OF JAPAN IN EGYPT

The partnership aims to provide monthly cash grants to the refugee families living in Egypt and who lost their source of livelihood amid the COVID-19 outbreak. Eng. Samih Sawiris made a donation of USD 900,000 to UNHCR with the aim of supporting more than 2,600 most affected refugee families while the Foundation also provided technical support and follow-up to the initiative during its implementation phase.

SAWIRIS FOUNDATION CABANA

The Cabana provided artisans under the Ebda3 men Mars initiative the opportunity to display and sell their products. Over the week of the festival, more than EGP 60,000 worth of products were sold supporting artisans in times of economic distress.

RECEPTION AND SIGNING OF A MOU

In partnership with El Gouna Film Festival, SFSD and the UNHCR held a high-level networking event to celebrate their 2020 collaboration and confirm their 2021-2022 commitment to support refugee and marginalized children in Egypt. The event was attended by Mr. Karim Atassi—UNHCR Representative to the Arab Republic of Egypt, Mrs. Yousriya Loza-Sawiris—Founder and Chairwoman of the Board of Trustees of the Sawiris Foundation, Eng. Naguib Sawiris—Founder and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Sawiris Foundation, and Eng. Samih Sawiris—Founder and Board Member of SFSD, and a number of artists and renowned figures from the community.

LAUNCH OF “CHILDREN MATTER: A BETTER TODAY FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW”

The panel discussion was moderated by Raya Abirached, with the participation of Mr. Karim Atassi—UNHCR representative, Dr. Hafsa Abu Ghazaleh—Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the Social Affairs Sector of the League of the Arab States, Noura Selim—Executive Director of the Sawiris Foundation, and Syrian actress Kinda Alloush. The Panel concluded with the virtual participation of the Lebanese director Nadine Labaki.

DESIGN AND PRODUCTION OF THE GIVEAWAY BAGS FOR EL GOUNA FILM FESTIVAL 2020

For the second year in a row, and in cooperation with the Association for the Protection of the Environment (APE), 2,000 handmade bags were designed and crafted by 250 women representing the informal garbage collectors and recycling community in Manshiyet Nasser neighborhood in Cairo.
On 4 February 2020, a meeting was held between SFSD and H.E. Saeed Mohammad Al Eter, Director General of the Public Diplomacy Office and of the Executive Office of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the leading humanitarian development organization in the Arab region. Accordingly, SFSD presented three concept papers focusing on the most pressing development issues in Egypt. Following that, on 20 February 2020, during the Arab Hope Makers Ceremony, a MoU was signed between the two parties to launch a new strategic partnership aiming at the establishment of a mechanism for cooperation in all areas that serve the goals and visions of both parties to support social development issues.

**PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ISLAMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP**

The MoU signed between SFSD and the Islamic Development Bank Group aims to define a framework of the partnership between the two parties and identifying areas of cooperation. New Horizon Association for Social Development, was selected to implement the first project which aims to provide jobs opportunities through the green economy in the New Valley governorate. A Letter of No Objection (LNO) was obtained from the Ministry of Planning, in addition to all final approvals necessary for the project implementation in 2021.

**PARTNERSHIP WITH ALEXBANK TO SUPPORT THE CREATIVE ECONOMY AND HANDICRAFTS**

SFSD joined the ALEXBANK’s “Ebda3 Men Masr” initiative which aims at supporting Egyptian craftsmen affected by the coronavirus pandemic through marketing their products on Jumia’s online platform.

**ACHIEVEMENTS ON THE LEVEL OF SECTORS AND PROGRAMS DURING 2020**

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OUR PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT

GOVERNMENTAL PARTNERS
The Learning and Strategies Sector is in charge of ensuring the quality of project design and implementation. While remaining accountable to the Foundation’s Board of Trustees, the Sector provides solid evidence on the efficiency of resource, and studies the optimal ways to improve the impact of development projects and interventions.
LEARNING AND STRATEGIES SECTOR

Throughout the year 2020, the Sector played an important role in re-evaluating the ongoing projects and adapting them to cope with the Covid-19 crisis. One of the most important projects that have undergone a mid-term evaluation is the Bab Al Amal (A Door of Hope) Program, which was evaluated in partnership with BRAC and the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL).

THE MOST IMPORTANT ACHIEVEMENTS OF LEARNING AND STRATEGIES SECTOR IN YEAR 2020

1 DEVELOPING ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

During the year 2020, the Learning and Strategies Sector started working the first phase of implementing the electronic information system which operates as a bridge between the technical sectors on the one hand and the financial and administrative systems on the other hand. The data related to different projects is being entered to the electronic information system while the staff from three technical sectors and the auditing sector is offered trainings on the digital technology and how to use it.

2 ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW PROCEDURES TO ENSURE THE QUALITY OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

- Changing the process of acquiring new projects

The procedure monitors projects from the submission to the implementation stages. The process of obtaining new projects has been changed to below model:

1. Designing the project’s idea by the technical sectors
2. Structuring a frame of reference for receiving proposals from the Learning and Strategies sector
3. Receiving suggestions
4. Review of proposals by the technical sector in coordination with the Learning and Strategies sector
5. Implementation of final evaluations / mid-term process evaluation
6. With impartiality being among our core values, prior to establishment of the committee that evaluates the proposals, the Foundation sets the selection of the advisory bodies consisting of 5 persons
7. Supervising and following up on the consultants while putting them on the project’s right track
8. Continuous projects’ reviewal so they can be adapted to new developments
9. Receiving recommendations and reports, starting work and implementation

- Development of monitoring and evaluation system

The workflow of the partner NGOs has been changed from the activity-based to the results-based planning system. This was implemented through adding the “Results Framework” form to the project proposal annexes.

In parallel, the Foundation provided technical support which aimed at building the capacities of partner associations and training them in project planning. According to the new amendments, each partner association is required to submit three plans (the follow-up and evaluation plan - the sustainability plan - the detailed plan) during the preparatory phase of their projects.

- Continuous evaluation of projects

To ensure impartiality, sustainability and efficiency, the Learning and Strategies Unit has established clear steps for conducting process evaluation projects on an ongoing basis. This procedure is implemented as follows:
The Sawiris Cultural Award (SCA) was launched in 2005 with the aim of encouraging artistic creativity, shedding light on promising new talents, and honoring established writers for their creative work in the fields of novel, short story, screenplays, playwriting and literary criticism. Since its inception, the award has created a solid base that enriches the cultural scene in Egypt by bringing together and shedding light on many creative experiences. Throughout the 16 years, the SCA has carved itself a prominent place among the regional and local cultural awards.

In July 2020 and following the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic, SFSD announced the call for online application for the Sawiris Cultural Award, to provide the Egyptian writers with the opportunity to apply for the 16th edition while taking all precautionary to ensure the safety of everyone.

In the interest of developing the Sawiris Cultural Award and supporting young Egyptian writers, this year Sawiris Foundation announced a new translation award which aims to promote contemporary literary excellence and introduce young creative writers to readers outside the borders of the Arab region. In addition to the literary award’s cash prize, the first-place winning novel for emerging writers will be translated to English language.

With the annual award ceremony cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic, the SCA revealed the winners through an official announcement issued in May 2021. This year, 12 young and established writers received awards for their distinguished work in the fields of the novel, short story, screenplay, playwriting, and literary criticism. In order to encourage young writers, financial rewards are also granted for shortlisted nominated works.

This Edition is considered the largest in the history of the award in terms of the number of submitted works: total of 1263 literary works submitted to various fields of the award. The works were evaluated by six independent jury committees consisting of renowned writers, filmmakers, critics and professors of drama in Egypt.
## Financial Statements

### Financial Reports and Statements

**SAWIRIS FOUNDATION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

(Established According To Law No. 84 Year 2002 and Adjustment)

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

as at December 31, 2020

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