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Ministry of Communications and Information Technology

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The President of Egypt  
Abdel Fatah El Sisi**

**The 4<sup>th</sup> International Annual Conference and Exhibition on  
Communications and Information Technology for People with Disabilities:  
Inclusion, Empowerment, and Participation**



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20-21 April 2015,*

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**Day 1: 20 April 2015**

<b>9:30- 10:30</b>	<b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>
<b>10:30-11:30</b>	<p><b>Documentary about the ICT for PwDs programs</b></p> <p><b>Opening Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Abeer Shakweer, Minister's Advisor for Social Responsibility &amp; Services- Ministry of Communications and Information Technology</li> <li>- Eng. Ahmed Essam, CEO - Vodafone Egypt</li> <li>- Eng. Hesham Kandeel, Secretary General - National Council for Disability Affairs</li> <li>- Mr. Houlin Zhao, Secretary General -International Telecommunication Union</li> <li>- H.E Ambassador James Moran, EU Ambassador to Egypt</li> <li>- H.E Dr. Gada Wally, Minister of social solidarity</li> <li>- H.E Eng. Khaled Negm, Minister of Communications and Information Technology</li> <li>- H.E Eng. Ibrahim Mahlab , Prime Minister</li> </ul>
<b>11:30- 11:45</b>	<b><i>Launching the Regional ICT Center for People with Special Needs</i></b>
	<b><i>Launching the Unified Educational Sign Language Digital Dictionary</i></b>
	<b><i>Signing the Inclusion and Special Schools' Teacher's Training MoU with the Ministry of Education</i></b>
<b>11:45-12:00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Awarding the winners of Tamkeen Competition for the Development of Software and Mobile Applications for PwDs- <i>In Cooperation with the Ministry of Scientific Research- Science and Technology Development Fund.</i></li> </ul> 
<b>12:00-12:45</b>	<p><b>ICDL4PwDs Certificates awarding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Awarding the ICDL certificates for representatives of the PwDs graduated from the "ICDL Grant"</li> </ul>
	<p><b>PWDs Recognition Certificates: Training for Employment Program</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Awarding recognition certificates for the PwDs employed through "The PwDs' Training for Employment Grant"</li> </ul>
<b>12:45-14:00</b>	<p><b><u>Opening of the Assistive Technologies Exhibition</u></b></p> <p>H.E Prime Minister, Eng. Ibrahim Mahlab</p>
<b>14:00-14:30</b>	<b>Break</b>



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<b>14:30-16:00</b>	<p><b>Regional ICT Center for People with Special Needs: Needs assessment</b></p> <p><b><u>Keynote speaker:</u></b> Mr. Ebrahim Al-Haddad, ITU Regional Director for the Arab Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Abeer Shakweer, Minister's Advisor for Responsibility &amp; Social Services- Ministry of ICT - Regional ICT Center for People with Special Needs</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Panel Discussion:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Moderator:</u></b> Mr. Maher Risheh, Disability &amp; rehabilitation expert-Palestine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Heba Hagra, International expert for disability's affairs</li> <li>- Mrs. Amal ELNahas, Secretary General- National Council for Disability Affairs, Jordan</li> <li>- Mr. Lotfie ElHazly, General Manager- Ministry of Social Solidarity– Tunisia</li> <li>- Mr. Abou Osama Abdallah, Secretary General- National Council for Disability Affairs – Sudan</li> <li>- Mrs. Hafsa Rashid Al Shamsi, Assistive Technology Specialist – Al Ain Initial Services Center – UAE</li> </ul>
<b>16:00-16:30</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>16:30-18:00</b>	<p><b>Tamkeen projects for the development of software and Mobile application for PWDs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eng. Mohamed Bakry, Controlling wheelchairs using mobile phones</li> <li>- Eng. Mohamed Hosny Ibrahim, Interactive educational and recreational games and programs for visually impaired</li> <li>- Eng. Amr Soliman , Addressing cognitive mental disabilities and learning difficulties through ICT</li> <li>- Eng. Alaa Eldeen Hamouda, Highly Accessible Communications for visually impaired through social networks</li> </ul>
<b>18:00-19:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>



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**Day 2: 21 April 2015**

<b>9:00-10:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>10:00-11:30</b>	<p><b>Communications and Information Technology Accessibility Policies</b></p> <p><u><b>Keynote Speaker:</b></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Gaith Fariz, Regional Director - UNESCO</li> </ul> <p><u><b>Panel Discussion:</b></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Hesham Kandeel, Secretary General- National Council for Disability Affairs</li> <li>- Ricardo Garcia - ICT Accessibility Expert, Spain</li> <li>- Eng. Tamer Anes, Hearing impairment expert</li> <li>- Dr. Shereefa Masoud, Daesn for People with Visual Disabilities</li> <li>- Mr. Abdul Fatah Abou Qayas, ICT accessibility Expert – ITU</li> </ul>
<b>11:30-12:15</b>	<p><b>Regional ICT Center for People with Special Needs: Future Vision</b></p> <p>Presentation on ICT needs assessment for PWDs</p> <p><u><b>Panel Discussion:</b></u></p> <p><u><b>Moderator:</b></u> Mr. Maher Rishah, Disability &amp; rehabilitation expert-Palestine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Eman Gad, Dean of Faculty of Education-The British University in Dubai, UNESCO Consultant for disability- U.A.E.</li> <li>- Mr. Hilal bin Mohammed Al Abri, Director General for the Persons with Disabilities Affairs –Ministry of Social Development of Oman</li> <li>- A speaker from Bahrain</li> <li>- A speaker from Kuwait</li> <li>- A speaker from the European Union</li> <li>- A speaker from SA</li> </ul>
<b>12:15-12:45</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>12:45-13:45</b>	<p><b>Assistive Technology Idea Generation Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Jill England- Educational and Assistive Technology Advisor- UAE.</li> <li>- Abdel Ghani Barakat, Researcher in Public policy, American University in Cairo- ICT accessibility for visually impaired.</li> <li>- Dr. Adel Khalifa, CEO, Al-Khalifa Group for Software for hearing impaired</li> <li>- Samsung Mobile Software-accessibility for all disabilities</li> <li>- Mr. Mohamed ElHenawy, Executive Director, Egyptian Assembly for the Development of Children with Special Needs</li> </ul>



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<b>13:45-14:15</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>14:15-15:15</b>	<b>The role of ICT in the inclusion of People with Disabilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Dr. Ahmed Adam, Special Education Advisor - Ministry of Education</li><li>- Ms. Mahira Hassan, Secretary General, Vodafone Egypt Foundation - Employment of PwDs</li><li>- PwD employee, Xceed</li><li>- Mrs. Maha ElHelaly, The Chairperson of the Assembly to Develop the Capacities of Egyptian Children with Special Needs</li></ul>
<b>15:15-15:45</b>	<b>Conclusion and Recommendations</b>
<b>15:45-17:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>