مجتمع بلا إعاقة "It's about ability, not disability."





#### **About Helm**

Founded in September 2014

Helm promotes the **full participation of Persons with Disabilities** in all aspects of life.

Helm focuses on **breaking** social and physical barriers, and **empowering** persons with disabilities.

Jay Cardinally, Walt Disney Parks Global Accessibility Manager said during Helm's Conference in Egypt, 2016

## The Market Value of Persons with Disabilities

"When a family goes on vacation; If grandma does not go, no one goes!"

— Jay Cardinally, Walt Disney Parks
Global Accessibility Manager

There are **One Billion persons with disabilities** around the world and around **15% of Egyptians (WHO)**.

The market extends to family and friends of Persons with Disabilities, elderly, mothers with strollers, and people with temporary injuries.

#### 360 Solution: An Inclusive Workplace

Any company that has 50+ employees must employ a 5% quota. We ensure that companies inclusive efforts are successful! Helm provides as series of solutions that bridge the gap between persons with disabilities and the employer to ensure successful recruitment and retention of PWDs:

- Outreach to PWD, Filtering and selection
- Conduct Essential Work Skills Training.
- Prepare the workplace to become receptive to PWD by removing social barriers and physical barriers.
- Shortlisting candidates for employment.



# 1500+ PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES EMPOWERED

Helm provides different training and development programs, such as the "Essential Work Skills" program, to enable persons with disabilities to lead an independent lifestyle and obtain the knowledge and skills needed to better compete in the job market.



#### HELM AMBASSADORS 2016

This program aims to foster and develop the skills and talents of persons with disabilities through encouraging them to explore various opportunities in different fields; such as: sports, arts, cultures, training, ...etc.

Helm Ambassadors serve as **models** of perseverance, persistence, achievement, and determination to **inspire others** and bring them around one big cause.



#### **Case Study**





Working with Companies to help develop persons with disabilities hired "on-paper" and unemployed.

#### PepsiCo and Helm Partnership:

- Total No. of Participants: 42
- Reallocated to suitable Jobs: 57.1%
- To be reallocated after further development: 9.5%

#### CHANGING PERCEPTIONS TOWARDS PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Through a number of **Inclusive Activities**, Helm aims to build an inclusive culture that is receptive towards persons with disabilities through raising awareness towards the challenges they face in their daily lives; thus, leading to changing perspectives towards persons with disabilities and breaking social and emotional boundaries.



Hang Out in the Dark



Sitting Volleyball



Braille Encoding



Wheelchair Challenge



Sign Language



Art Expression



Mega Bingo

#### **Disability Equality Training**





Disability equality training (DET) is a dynamic, focused, highly participatory group work approach to changing attitudes and practices towards the greater inclusion of people with disabilities in mainstream employment, services and activities.

#### **An Everyday Problem...**





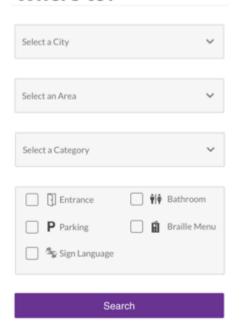


Persons with disabilities face endless mobility challenges in terms of **moving around independently** due to inaccessible sidewalks, public spaces, shops as well as different physical environments. "I think a million times before I leave my house. Wherever I go, I find barriers everywhere." Mahmoud Youssef, Helm Ambassador



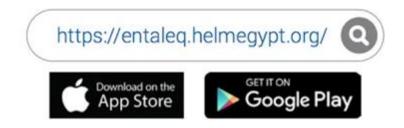
Maximizing independence and choice!

#### Where to?



"Entaleq" App enables Persons with Disabilities to navigate places they want to go to through accessibility features that best fit their specific needs.

This project is in partnership with **Vodafone Egypt Foundation** and **Microsoft** as a technology partner.



#### **Entaleq Verified Places**





Each place has a profile that includes detailed information about the level of accessibility and pictures of the place to help **persons with disabilities** if they would go. If the information is verified by **Entaleq team**, it will be marked blue.

**1000+ Verified Places** are already added to Entaleq through building **500+ Partnerships**.



#### 133 Places are more accessible in Cairo!

Throughout 2016-2017, **133 Places** made accessibly changes through Helm. Examples of changes are **building ramps**, **installing lifts and accessible bathrooms**.





Before After

International Labor Organization, Cairo, Egypt

#### **Governmental Support**

Minister of Social Solidarity and Minister of Communication and Information Technology presenting Awards to the 30 organizations who made accessibility changes through Entaleq project in 2016.



#### **#Accessibility\_Matters reached 10 Million People!**



Watch Helm's Latest Campaign and take a closer look at some of their daily struggles!





#### Signing the Protocol with Giza Governorate

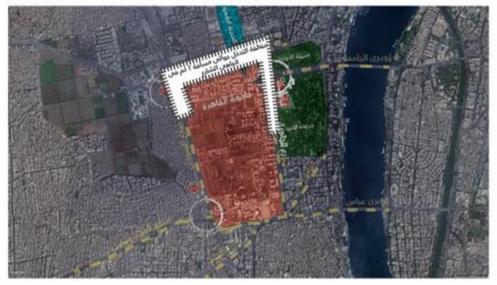
During Helm's Conference "Cairo 2016: A City for All", a protocol was signed with H.E. General Mohamed Kamal El Daly, Giza Governor and Helm to make a model of a pavement accessible for Persons with Disabilities.







Cairo 2016: A City for All Conference. 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2017



Area of Intervention – Surrounding Area Around Cairo University (One KM)



#### First Tactile Blocks for the Visually Impaired

- Made in Egypt -









Helm is proud to have designed and manufactured the mold and tiles of the first Tactile Blocks according to Japanese Standards.

There are 2 different types of blocks, that are used to guide persons with visual impairments.



#### **Cairo University Street: Pavement Accessibility**

Accommodations for persons with physical impairments



Installed tactile blocks for persons with visual impairments around Cairo University.





After

Designing and implementing ramps and curb cuts according to international accessibility standards.

#### **HELM IN JAPAN**



Helm Founders, Amena El-Saie and Ramez Maher, were selected by the Japanese Cooperation Agency (JICA) to represent Egypt by attending a one-month training program in Japan under the title "Improvement of Accessibility for Social Inclusion - Barrier Free Environment for All".





#### Ministry of Social Solidarity Models: Rehabilitation Offices

#### **Before**

After









#### **Case-study:**

#### Manshaet Nasser Social Rehabilitation Office:

- Installed a curb ramp at the route to the entrance of the office.
- Adjusting the route to stable, firm and slipresistant
- Implemented a ramp at the entrance.
- Installed a wider door at the entrance.

### Youth Centers Models

 Manufacturing and provide accessible tables for wheelchair users according to international accessibility standards at 3 Youth Centers in Cairo.

#### **Before**



Inaccessible table for wheelchair user.

#### **After**



Accessible table for wheelchair user.

**HELM GOES GLOBAL** LEARNING PARTNERS INITED STATES OF AMERICA 14.United Arab Emirates 1.Egypt 2. United States of America 15.Lebanon 3.United Kingdom 16.lraq 4.Greece 17.Tunis 5.ltaly 18.Colombia 6.Spain 19.Indonesia 20.Jamaica 7.Germany 8.Brazil 21.Sweden 22.Swaziland 9.Japan 10. Papua New Guinea 23.Kenya 11.Uruguay 24.Jordan 12.Saudi Arabia 25.Palestine 13.India 26.Morocco

#### **Helm Global Awards and Certifications**



Selected as one of 67 Global Innovative Practices - Zero Project, United Nations, Austria, 2017.



Certified by JICA, Japan in Barrier-Free Environments Program, 2016.



Awarded Rise Egypt Fellowship at Harvard University, USA, 2015 – 2016.



First Place Winner in the Negma Social Entrepreneurship Competition in MIT, USA, 2013.

#### We Walk-the-Talk: Helm is an inclusive team!



"Nothing about us without us." - Our team is **inclusive** - both includes person with and without disabilities whether employees, consultants or volunteers.

The team consists of around **15 employees and 500+ volunteers**.

#### **Helm Foundation Partners**















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