The Egyptian Forum for People with Disabilities

- A social entity of associations for the disabled in Egypt.
- Founded by the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services (CEOSS) in 2014.

Organizational Structure

1. The General Assembly
   - include all member organizations and individuals of the Forum, regardless of their membership type (active / affiliated / advisory).

2. Grade Committees and its scope of work
   - Thirdly: Plan and Activities Committee
     - Works on:
       - Setting the activities proposal to be implemented and the executive framework and the budget to be submitted to the Coordination Committee and the General Assembly.

3. Coordination Committee
   - Facilitating and coordinating the works between Grade Committees.
   - Secondly: Monitoring Committee
     - Works for:
       - Monitoring all laws, decisions and procedures
       - Monitoring violations
       - Participating in conducting research and studies
       - Documenting all work and initiatives of the Forum since its establishment.

First: Membership Development and Capacity Building Committee
- Expanding the grass roots of the Forum in new governorates.
- Capacity building for associations and Forum members.

Best Achievements

- Participating in the Ministry of Social Solidarity discussions about developing the Ministry’s strategy to empower and rehabilitate people with disabilities.
- Participating in the discussions of the law for the rights of persons with disabilities in the Egyptian parliament.
- Participating in the Egyptian Constitution discussions 2014, specifically in the wording of Article 81 of the Constitution on protecting the persons with disabilities rights in the constitution.
## Objectives

- **Dissemination of concepts**
  Establishing the proper concept associated with disability in Egyptian society.

- **Influencing general policies and strategies in Egypt**
  Activating the people with disability rights according to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

- **Community observation**
  Monitoring of violations against the disabled, or how to obtain their rights under the Convention, the Constitution, and domestic legislation.

- **Empowering**
  Involving people with disabilities in managing their own affairs by supporting their community regulations and establishing their own organization (DPO).

## Membership

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