

Vision 2030: making education inclusive, quality and equitable for all by 2030

Education shapes the future of every child by teaching them to independently and prepare for employment socialization. Even though education is a fundamental right for all human beings, the barriers hindering people with disabilities are not given enough attention. The scale of discrimination against children with disabilities is not only a social injustice but a human rights travesty (a distorted representation of person with disability). An ILO study on the price of economic exclusion of persons with disabilities indicates that countries lose 3-7% of their annual GDP because of their failure to include persons with disabilities in the workforce. To reach the goal of quality education for all, there has to be an investment in assistive technology for children with special needs. An all inclusive educational system that provides children including those with special needs a supportive learning environment that promotes social, academic, health and economic growth is necessary to reduce inequalities in societies.

Key Facts

- 15% of the global population (1 billion people) live with disabilities. 1 in 20 children globally, live with a disability.
- 5–15% of children who need assistive technology only have access to them.
- Only 1 percent of learning materials are made available to persons with disabilities.
- 32.5 million children with disabilities are found in low- and middle-income countries who are are still out of school

Technologies Supporting Quality Education for All

- Assistive technology in the classroom is re-imagining the future of education. Check out how these technologies are making an impact in education for children with special needs.
 - Kurweil 3000 (Learn More)
 - Tactplus Braille printer (<u>Learn More</u>)
 - Tech Era Ghana (<u>Learn More</u>)
 - Seeing Al in new languages (Learn More)
 - When I walk (<u>Learn More</u>)
- Inclusive education: The story of Yassine (<u>Watch now</u>)
- Making our cities smarter and more accessible. This <u>podcast</u> is centered on how emerging workplace technology trends are impacting people with disabilities. (<u>Listen Now</u>)

