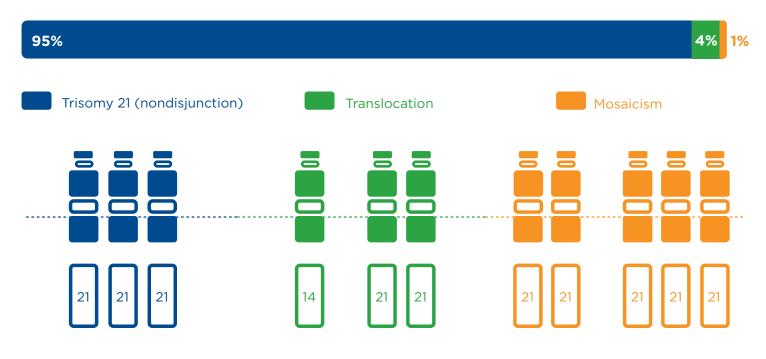


Down syndrome is a genetic condition that occurs in approximately 1 of every 691 births. It is the most frequently occurring chromosomal condition and is found in people of all races and economic levels.

## **Types of Down Syndrome**



Baby is born with an extra copy of chromosome 21, meaning there are three copies of chromosome 21 instead of the usual two. Part of chromosome 21 breaks off during cell division and attaches to another chromosome. There is a mixture of two types of cells - some containing the usual 46 chromosomes and others containing 47.



# More than 25,000 individuals with Down syndrome in Saudi Arabia do not receive any schooling.\*

\*based on a study conducted by McKinsey & Company in 2009



### Who We Are

Saut: The Voice of Down Syndrome Society is a non profit society based in Riyadh, KSA. We own and operate specialized schools offering world-class educational and vocational services to individuals with Down syndrome from birth to employment. Our state of the art curriculum employs effective, well-researched techniques and we incorporate best practices in the field of Down syndrome education in order to empower our graduates to live to their full potential.



#### Recipient of the 2015 Princess Seetah bint Abdulaziz Award for Excellence in Social Work

The Reading Program implemented at the Mohammed bin Naif bin Abdulaziz Schools for Down Syndrome received the prestigious Princess Seetah bint Abdulaziz Award for Excellence in Social Work for effectively developing the reading abilities of students with Down syndrome.



#### Recipient of the 2014 King Khalid Award for Nonprofit Management Excellence

After just 4 short years of being an independent society, we were singled out by one of the most discerning foundations in the Kingdom for our service to individuals with Down syndrome and their families. We are proud to be recognized by KKF - a leader in the fields of philanthropy and social development in Saudi Arabia.



#### Winner of the 2010 Down Syndrome Research and Education Award

We received the Down Syndrome Research and Education Award for outstanding work in the field of Down syndrome in the Middle East from the World Health Organisation's Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office in 2010. This award cements our role as a leader in this field on both a local and regional level.

## **Honorary President**



HRH Prince Mohammed bin Naif bin Abdulaziz Al Saud Crown Prince, First Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Interior

### **Board Members**

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**Board Member** 

Dr. Huda Abdullah Abbas Kattan

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**Our vision** is a future where people with Down syndrome can live to their **full potential** as productive, valued members of their communities.

**Our mission** is to **empower** individuals with Down syndrome in Saudi Arabia through **worldclass** education, training, research and awareness.



## **Our Values**

#### **Dedication**

We are committed to providing quality, specialized education and services to create opportunities for individuals with Down syndrome to become productive, valued members of their communities.

#### **Sustainability**

We aim to leave a legacy that can stand the test of time by focusing on sustainable solutions.

### **Creativity**

We embrace change and look for opportunities to use technology and partnerships to benefit individuals with Down syndrome.

#### **Transparency**

We take responsibility for investing our financial resources efficiently, measuring our performance, and being accountable to our donors, partners and most of all, our students.

#### **Trustworthiness**

We hold ourselves to the highest standards of ethics and integrity in our dealings and always act in the best interest of the individuals we serve.



## What We Do

#### **Education**

We run uniquely specialized schools that offer world class educational and vocational services to people with Down syndrome from birth to employment. Our schools incorporate best practices in the field of Down syndrome education and aim to empower our graduates to live to their full potential as productive, valued members of their communities.

#### **Academic Research**

We carry out research into Down syndrome and methods of caring for those with the syndrome, in order to improve the educational offering of the our and publish findings for society at large.

#### **Teacher Training**

We train specialists in educational methods relating to Down syndrome in order to ensure the highest quality of teachers in our schools and elsewhere in KSA and abroad. We pride ourselves on developing and executing an excellent training program for special education professionals that meets the high standards of the internationally renowned consultants we work with.

#### **Awareness**

We work to raise awareness in society about the nature of Down syndrome, the need for supporting those with Down syndrome and their families, and the ability of those with Down syndrome to lead productive and fulfilling lives. Our efforts center around disseminating information through traditional and online channels and holding public events and lectures.

## **Our Impact**





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TEACHERS HAVE BEEN
TRAINED ON OUR PREMISES





450
LECTURERS AND WORKSHOPS
HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO CAREGIVERS &
SPECIALISTS



## From Being the Exception to Being the Solution



Our strategy is to go from a single school in Riyadh today to a **network of schools** across Saudi Arabia.

By 2030, we intend to reach 45% of Saudi children with Down syndrome in KSA.

## **Donate**

Your support will help us transform the lives of children with Down syndrome in Saudi Arabia.



#### **Via SMS**

Send a blank SMS to 5053 from any mobile carrier in KSA and make a one-time donation of 10 riyals.

Or join our monthly giving program by sending 1 to 5053. For as little as 12 riyals a month, you can make an impact!!



#### **Via Cheque**

We accept cheques on our premises or via mail. Send your cheque to:

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