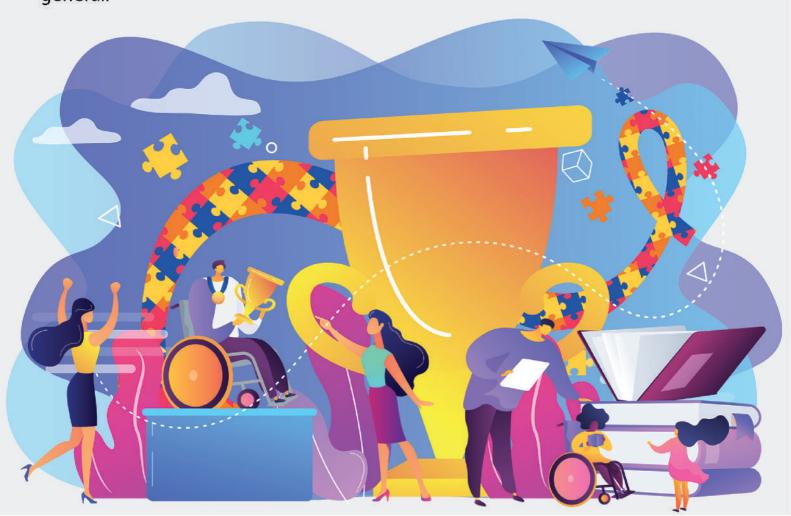


## **Special Needs Programs Unit**

The Special Needs Programs Unit is one of the specialized libraries at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina. It provides various services to all categories of people with special needs of simple cases; mental, auditory, kinesthetic, short stature, autism spectrum disorder, communication disorders, ADHD, learning difficulties, mental and emotional disorders, and multiple disabilities.

## **Unit Objectives**

The unit aims to provide advanced service programs and assistive technology means to remove obstacles facing people with special needs in an attempt to integrate them into society, and enable them to use their capabilities efficiently in their lives in general.



### Services and programs provided by the Special Needs Programs Unit

- Programs and activities for skill development or behavior modification.
- Speech therapy sessions.
- · Workshops and artistic activities.
- · Preliminary diagnosis of dyslexia in English.
- A set of special devices, such as touch screens, trackballs and a dedicated keyboard to facilitate training on using computers.
- Training courses and guidance for parents.
- · Training courses and seminars for specialists and staff in the field.
- International celebrations for people with special needs, such as the International Day of People with Special Needs and World Autism Spectrum Awareness Day, in addition to various events for people with special needs to show their latent abilities and talents.

#### **Admission**

The admission to the unit is based on some factors:

- A recent test (recent diagnostic report).
- The disability must be simple.
- The applicant with a disability must pass the unit's capability test.

# For more information, please contact the Special Needs Programs Unit:

+(203) 4839999 Ext.: 1588

Lib.SpecialNeeds@bibalex.org

## Attendance needs prior appointment.

