

# **The Gulf's New Vision**

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- **Immediate Past President of the Global Alliance on Accessible Technology and Environments.**
- **GATES Member of Board of Directors and Member of Council of trustees.**
- **Experts on Universal Design and Universal Accessibility and Member of the ISO TC59/SC16.**





## Purpose of the Presentation

**1**

**A brief interdictory  
about the Speaker's  
organizational  
Background.**

**2**

**Review some of the  
major Universal  
Accessibility Projects  
in the region.**

**3**

**Present the some of  
the resulted impacts of  
the projects.**



## **GAATES/ Almodon**

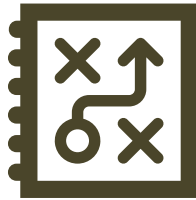
- **AlModon Engineering Consultancy** it is the first office specializing in universal accessibility in the Arabian Gulf and The Arab world.
- **Almodon** leaded by Arch. Mukhtar Alshibani is a Founding member of a world leading Global alliance in Universal Accessibility which is **The Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments (GAATES)**.
- **GAATES** is a leading international organization dedicated to the promotion of accessible environments.



# Dubai Universal Accessibility Strategy and Action Plan (DUASAP) Project “Successfully closed”



**Gap Analysis  
Study**



**Developing  
Strategy**



**Developing  
Universal  
Accessibility  
Code**



**Conducting  
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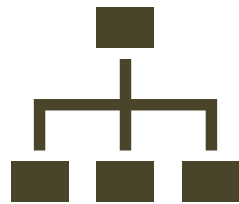
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# Kingdom Of Saudi Arabia Universal Accessibility Project Case-Study for 2030 Vision Project “Successfully closed”



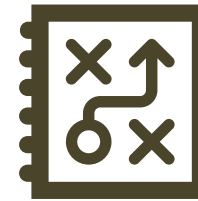
**Why UA matters**



**UA impact areas  
and  
opportunities**



**Governing body  
of the UA  
strategy**



**Initial strategy  
draft and  
implementation  
plan**



**Quick wins**



# Health Environment Universal Accessibility Project for Saudi Ministry of Health “final stage of approval”



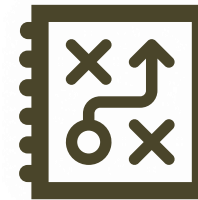
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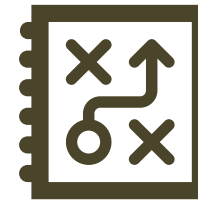
# Smart Cities for All - KSA Vision 2030 Project for Saudi Ministry of Communications and Information Technology



**Develop A Saudi  
Specific toolkit**



**Conducting  
Training  
Programs**



**Develop UA  
strategy For  
MICT**





# Transportation Environment Universal Accessibility Project for Saudi Ministry of Transportation “under negotiation”



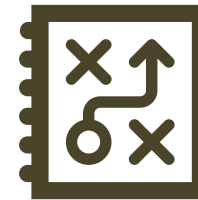
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## The Positive Shift Impact of The Mentioned Projects

**1**

**Government Complete  
Commitment to The  
Cause**

**2**

**Decision-Makers  
Positive Response**

**3**

**More Public  
Awareness**