



SudaDev (Sudan Developers Association)

It is an academic and intellectual society for Sudanese computer specialists world-wide. It is a civil, independent and non-governmental organization which is not influenced by any party, religion or tribe. Moreover, it is a non-profit organization. Any Sudanese computer specialist has the right to join the society and enjoy its facilities.

This organization was founded in July 2002 on the initiative of a number of Sudanese Computer specialists highly concerned with technical and scientific issues and means of awareness.

It is intended to mobilize their collective efforts, encourage their affiliation of all Sudanese dedicated to the concept of enlightenment and bring out a specific shift in the domain of computer in Sudan. With explicit means, the organization is intending to contribute to the preparation of enlightened Sudanese computer cadres, highly concerned and conscious of the needs of the age and well prepared to handle such issues.

Objectives:

- Academic counseling for students interested in computer studies at university levels, identifying the cross-lines between the computer specializations and introducing new ideas in the computer sphere.
- Replying to boycott campaigns adopted by computer manufacturers related to software or hardware, enlightening the Sudanese on the problems hindering the progress of Information Technology in Sudan and sorting out alternatives in this respect.
- Urging the Sudanese to participate in the regional and international contests, organizing local computer contests for the Sudanese and preparing the entries in the appropriate manner that reflect the character of the nation.
- Conducting computer studies and researches which serve Sudanese life and comes up with a strategic map on which the role of Sudan is stressed.
- Compiling and publishing researches prepared by Sudanese and encouraging scientific research in Computer domains.
- Paying attention to Computer-related accuracy of information and statistics which may be useful for Sudanese at home and abroad.
- Advising the consumers to acquire good products.
- The generalization and implementation of training programs specially for youngsters, youth, students and marginal groups with the aim of building up abilities and skills and boosting cadres for the realization of human development.
- Providing the achievements of scientific progress and Sudanese creativeness in the domain of computer by establishing two libraries for references and software beside computer courses, symposiums and lectures.
- Promoting the relations between Sudanese computer specialists inside and outside Sudan through joint coordination and cooperation as well as reformation of nets aimed at serving the community and meeting the higher interest of Sudan with denial of self giants.

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- Contributing effectively to the electronic transformation of life and the consolidation of modern concepts after being explained.

Means

- Writing and publishing across the internet page www.SudaDev.net .
- Specialized courses.
- Academic symposiums.
- Issuing magazines and periodic reports.
- Organizing computer exhibitions.
- Academic trips relating to universities and firms.
- Extending voluntary services for the development of the local community.
- A library for references.
- A library for software.

The organizational structure

The society has endorsed a simple structure from the very beginning, but it is efficient and un-bureaucratic. It depends on the internet as a mean of communication.

Beside the chairman of the society, are the members of the executive bureau who are classified as follows:-

- 1- General secretary
- 2- Financial secretary
- 3- Leader of technical and technological operations
- 4- Information secretary
- 5- Foreign relations secretary
- 6- Social affairs secretary

The society adopts self administration and each unit or specialization is vested with the tasks of implementation within its broad policies and objectives.

The society has the right to sack any member who impairs its public interest.

Membership:-

The membership is divided into two categories:

- 1- Proper membership which includes holder of graduate and post-graduate certificates in Computer Sciences.
- 2- An associate membership which includes none-specialized members who are interested in computer and have a sort of contribution to that effect.

Revenues:-

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The society is convinced that money is the only road to success, but nothing may be done without it. The society will depend, from the beginning, on the subscriptions of the members and then the revenues of publications, advertisements and services rendered by the site.

The society's site on the internet:-

www.SudaDev.net

It represents the face of the society and its center of activity on the internet.

- The site aims to identify the activity of the society and coordinate with universities, magazines and similar organizations abroad for the scientific, technical and material boosting of Sudanese developers.
- The site is the basic mean of communication between Sudanese developers all over the world.
- The site includes a forum oriented to cover all branches of technology (General use of computers, Operating Systems, Programming etc.) which are supervised by the members of the society according to their specialization of each. The forum will be a place for the exchange of knowledge and the organization of training courses and educational workshops on the internet.
- The site contains a database for Sudanese computer specialists world-wide.
- The site provides an opportunity for its members to show their applications and products and sell them via the site.
- The society offers via the site services aimed at financing itself by itself such as the design and hosting of other sites plus the offering of technical advise and short-message services.

SudaDev magazine

The society will issue a technological magazine in Arabic which presents the up-to-date news of the Computer world-wide beside lessons and educational series in various domains.

It complies with the general objective relating to the motivation of Sudanese youth to embark on this area.

International Informatics Olympiad

A Sudanese team from the Arab Academy of Sciences and Technology participated in the first Arab Information Olympiad. Mohamed Mohy EIDin, member of the team, has won a bronze medal. Anwar Fath AlRahman, head of the team, has been invited to participate as an observer in the International Olympiad hosted by Seoul, South Korea prior to the participation of the Sudanese team in the International Olympiad to be held in the U.S during the summer of 2003.

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The society will oversee the formation of this team, nominate its members (under 20) and select those who may represent Sudan in the 2003 Olympiad. The society will boost the team and equip it for the sake of an effective participation in this important event.

Head Office of the society in Sudan

The head office of the society in Sudan is considered as the basic centre for achieving our objectives at home as it hosts academic symposiums, workshops and training courses. The head office provides the following:

- A library: It provides technological books in the spheres of Computer Sciences and Information Technology for beginners and professionals to facilitate free reading and low purchase prices.
- Software library: It contains all sorts of software, freeware and open-source programs, which are not governed by copyrights laws. It will contact international companies for providing its non-free software at prices suitable to Sudanese youth.
- Educational centre: It is for the organization of academic symposiums, workshops and educational courses.
- Conference centre.
- Information centre.
- Internet café.

The U.S. Embargo against Sudan

The society will stage a campaign against the U.S. embargo against Sudan, which provides for banning the export of U.S. technological products to Sudan. The U.S. companies boycotting Sudan were joined by others concerned with the granting of academic certificates, provided by giants computer firms, like Microsoft, Oracle and Sun. Those companies like www.prometric.com and its branches world-wide have decided to suspend the admission of Sudanese to its educational courses that are considered extremely essential for joining computer firms. Hence, it will be necessary to stand against this unfair law which deprives us from our natural right of education on racial grounds. From its site on the Internet, the society will launch a campaign titled "Million E-mails against U.S. Embargo". It will also address the U.S. universities, institutions and organizations to challenge this act by staging symposiums and training courses inside Sudan. In addition to that, we will persist on shedding light on the hazards of this matter and the necessity of ending it.

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