

Special Needs Support Center Officially Launches Its Newly Organized Resource Room

Special Needs Support Center of Addis Ababa University is one of the beneficiaries of AAU-Sida Agreement of 07 July 2018 (2018-2023 Project). The Special Needs Resource Room fully financed by Sida/Sweden was officially inaugurated on the 25th of March 2021 at Digital Library Building of the College of Natural and Computational Sciences at Arat Kilo campus.



Right: Dr. Addisalem Abathun, Dean, College of Natural and Computational Sciences, Middle: Dr. Per Sevastik, Councillor, Embassy of Sweden, Addis Ababa, opining the resource room, and Left: one of the Students getting support from Special Needs Support Center.

The service given by the center was limited to the main campus at Sidist Kilo for years, five kilometers north of Arat Kilo Campus. This new resource room will minimize problems faced by students with disabilities to get the services provided by the Special need Support Center five kilometers away. During the 2019/2020 AAU-Sida budget year computers, the associated software and networking services were purchased for the newly opened resource room. However, it could not be launched back then due to COVID-19 breakout.



Partial view of the new opened resource room at Arat kilo Campus

The event was attended by university officials, delegates from the Embassy of Sweden in Addis Ababa and students supported by Special Needs Support Center.



Left to right: Professor Brook Lemma, Sida Projects' Coordinator, AAU, Dr. Per Sevastik, Councillor, Embassy of Sweden, Addis Ababa, Dr. Addisalem Abathun, Dean, College of Natural and Computational Sciences with blue Dress and other attendants of the event.



Dr. Yirgashewa Bekele, Director of Special Needs Support Center of AAU presenting a gift to Dr. Per Sevastik Councillor, Embassy of Sweden, Addis Ababa