Activities according to the SDG Objectives

The Edmond J. Safra Center for Brain Research in Learning Disabilities
SDG Long Research Objectives

The Edmond J. Safra Center for Brain Research in Learning Disabilities is conducting a groundbreaking longitudinal study in the field of development of reading, writing, math, emotion and cognition, which may have far-reaching effects on Israeli society in the future. The study is being conducted in the Haifa and Northern districts in two parallel and varied samples, Arab and Jewish, each numbering about 700 children and about 60 educational institutions. This study has followed the same children from preschool age and will be completed when those children reach the sixth grade.

The Safra Longitudinal Study meets the following sustainable developmental goals (SDGs):

**Goal 1: No poverty**–
- The developmental data collected over the years, enable us to validate measures and identify struggling children from diverse backgrounds.

**Goal 4: Quality education**-
- There are collaborations with the Ministry of Education regarding the research tools and the unique norms that will be derived from this study, which do not yet exist in Israel.
- We hold teacher training courses throughout the country. All the courses are based on cutting-edge research as a basis for innovative classroom practices.

**Goal 5: Gender equality**–
- There is a high representation for women among our researchers, students, and staff.

**Goal 10: Reducing inequality** –
- Our study is carried out in dozens of Jewish and Arab educational institutions from diverse backgrounds.
- This study will make a significant contribution to the ability to identify and reduce gaps between and within the various sectors in the Israeli Society.
- On a regular basis, we warmly host high school students from both Hebrew and Arabic-speaking backgrounds, from the geographic and social periphery.
Goal 12: Responsible consumption and production -

- We strive to promote a green environment by creating and disseminating computerized assessment and educational materials.

Goal 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions –

- Our study addresses diversity and involved religious and secular across Jewish, Christian, Muslim and Druze ethnic groups.
- Our center is an example of shared living, shared research and hope for a better future for all children in our country.