

Press Release

Orascom Development Brings Kent College, one of the top 10 UK schools, to open its first Egyptian campus in O West

Cairo, 16 February 2020 – As part of our efforts to continuously bring and provide the best level of services offered to O West’s growing community; Orascom Development Egypt (ODE) is pleased to announce that O West has signed a School Development Agreement with a private investor to develop a K-12 international school. The School will be managed and operated by Kent College, a UK based school operator and one of the top 10 UK schools with 130 years of history, operating only Kent College in Canterbury (established in 1885) and Kent College in Dubai (established in 2016). This marks Kent Colleges’ first entry into the Egyptian and the African educational market.

Total investment cost of the school will be up to EGP 500 million. The school is expected to start operation in Q3 2022, a year before the delivery of the first real estate units in O West.

The school will accommodate 1,500 students with high quality education, supported by around 400 members of staff. The school will encompass a total of 70 classrooms excluding laboratories, libraries, performing arts spaces, sports spaces and student collaboration areas. Kent College O West will implement the STEAM education system and tutored by British certified teachers. The national UK curriculum will be implemented followed by IGCSE, and the IB curriculum will be optional in senior years.

Commenting on the signing Ashraf Nessim, ODE’s Co-CEO: “We are very pleased with our strategic cooperation with one of the top schools in the UK, KENT College. We are different in what we do and in what we call town development in all our destinations and we will always try to bring the best-in-class service providers to our communities across our destinations. “We will always pay great attention to the town’s educational hub, to complement our role in providing high quality education for all students and create a wholesome community.”

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