HRH Princess Lamia Al Saud is the Secretary General and member of the Board of Trustees at Alwaleed Philanthropies.

She was appointed Secretary General on 1 April 2016, having previously served as Executive Manager of Media & Communication at the foundation.

Announcements

For over 35 years, Alwaleed Philanthropies has supported and initiated projects in over 120 countries regardless of gender, race, or religion. The foundation collaborates with a range of philanthropic, government, and educational organizations to combat poverty, empower women and youth, develop communities, provide disaster relief and create cultural understanding through education. Working with its partners, Alwaleed Philanthropies seeks to build bridges for a more compassionate, tolerant, and accepting world.

Announcement:

The humanitarian system is being challenged to do more, for more people, and at a greater cost than ever before.

Our success in helping those who are most vulnerable requires the full commitment and dedication of everyone involved, operating – above all else – in partnership with each other.

Partnership has been at the heart of the work of Alwaleed Philanthropies.

Over the last 35 years, we have collaborated with a wide range of organizations in over 120 countries.

Together we have worked to provide disaster relief, reduce poverty, empower women and youth, develop communities and forge cultural understanding through education.

It is in this spirit that I am pleased to announce that Alwaleed Philanthropies has pledged £20 million towards its partnership with Save the Children to develop ten rapid-response centers across the world in the next five years.

These centers will equip the next generation of front line humanitarian staff with the latest expert knowledge and technology, building the skills of approximately 100,000 humanitarians and non-traditional humanitarians.

The aim is to prepare aid workers and volunteers in 50 countries so they can respond quicker and more effectively to humanitarian disasters within their own borders.

It is a truly global collaboration between the private sector, governments, academia and NGOs.

The scale of the humanitarian challenge today may seem overwhelming, but by working together – bringing to the table our different resources, skills and perspectives – we can have a powerful impact. Thank you.