

New Israel Fund of Canada

הקרן החדשה לישראל

Israel at 70 / NIF at 40: Building a Just and Democratic Israel

Study Tour

May 20th – May 27th, 2019

Draft Itinerary - subject to change

Monday, May 20th Welcome and Orientation

Arrival and check-in at Hotel in Jerusalem

12:00 PM

NIF Orientation and Introductions over Lunch

Introduction to the New Israel Fund

with **Talia Sasson**, Chair of the International Council and Board Member,
Shira Ben Sasson, Associate Director, NIF Israel, and
Esther Sivan, Director, Shatil

Out and About in the City

Guided Tour in Jerusalem

Welcome Dinner

Overnight at ibis Jerusalem City Center, 4 Elisar St.

Tuesday, May 21st

Breakfast in the Hotel

Safeguarding Civil Rights

Conversation with **Sharon Abraham-Weiss**, Executive Director, ACRI and **Rachel Liel**, Chair, ACRI Board and former Executive Director, NIF Israel

Religion and State Challenges, Opportunity and Current Trends

Visit to the Knesset with the Jewish Pluralism Watch and meeting MKs

Lunch

Strengthening Moderate Voices in the Orthodox Community

Panel Discussion with **Shmuel Shattah**, Executive Director of Ne'emanai Tora V'Avoda, **Maor Albek**, Mavoi Satum and **Orthodox Activist**, the New Haredim movement

Israel at 70: Overview of Current Trends in Israeli Politics and Society

Discussion with **Naomi Chazan**, former NIF President and current NIF Board Member

Confronting the Occupation

Conversation and dinner with **Hagai Elad**, Executive Director, B'tselem

Overnight at ibis Jerusalem City Center, 4 Elisar St.

Wednesday, May 22nd

Breakfast in the Hotel

Tour of Qalandia Checkpoint with Machsom Watch

Panel Discussion with Human Rights Activists and former Civil liberties law fellows (over lunch)

Tour of East Jerusalem with **Eran Tzidkiyahu**, Ir Amim and the Forum for Regional Thinking

Free evening and dinner on own

Overnight at ibis Jerusalem City Center, 4 Elisar St.

Thursday, May 23rd

Breakfast and Check out of hotel

Wadi Arah: Jews and Arabs Working Together

Visit to The Center for a Shared Society at Givat Haviva and meeting with **Mohammad Darawshe**, Director, Center for Equality & Shared Society Givat Haviva

Traditional Lunch at a local home

Land and Planning Issues in the Arab Community in the North

Urban tour in Baqa El Gharbiyah with **Dr. Hanna Swaid**, Director, Arab Center for Alternative Planning (ACAP)

Drive to Tel Aviv and check in at the hotel

Media as a Shared space

Discussion with **Edan Ring**, head of Sikkuy's Media Project and **Amjad Shbita**, coordinator for Arabic language media outreach

Free evening

Overnight at Artplus Hotel, 35 Ben Yehuda St, Tel Aviv

Friday, May 24th

Breakfast in the hotel

The Asylum Seekers' Crisis and Civil Society's Response

Tour of South Tel Aviv with the **Hotline for Refugees**

Free time in Nachalat Binyamin Art & Crafts Fair

Beit Tefila Israeli: Musical Kabbalat Shabbat

Shabbat Group Dinner

Overnight at Artplus Hotel, 35 Ben Yehuda St, Tel Aviv

Saturday, May 25th

Breakfast in the hotel

Optional: Guided Tour of Jaffa and lunch on own

Beach time

Israel at a Crossroads: Democracy and Israel's Future

Conversation with Israeli journalist

Havdalah

Free evening and dinner on own

Overnight at Artplus Hotel, 35 Ben Yehuda St, Tel Aviv

Sunday, May 26th

Breakfast in the Hotel

Researching Equality and Social Justice in Israel

Meeting with Adva Center

Women Leading Change in Public Housing

Visit to Public Housing site and meeting with activists from Shatil's Forum for Public Housing

Lunch

Advancing Social Justice and Equality in Israel

Visit to the Social Economic Academy and meeting with **Rami Hod**, Executive Director and fellows

Young Movements Rallying for Social Change

Discussion with **Alon-Lee Green**, Standing Together

Dinner

Overnight at Artplus Hotel, 35 Ben Yehuda St, Tel Aviv

Monday, May 27th

Breakfast in the Hotel

Looking Towards the Future- Israel's Next Generation of Activists

Panel Discussion with Young Activists

NIF at 40

Closing discussion with **Mickey Gitzin**, Executive Director, NIF Israel

Culinary tour of Lewinski market

Free time

Final Wrap Up

Farewell Dinner