

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual *Financial Disclosure Statement*. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5,

Please *do not* file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

1. Name of Traveler: Ritchie Torres
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_  None  
b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: 10/30/22 Return: 11/4/22  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_  None
4. Departure City: New York, NY Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return City: New York, NY
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc.
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary): We visited multiple cultural institutions, local hospitals, received security briefings and visited the border by the Gaza strip, visited Yad Vashem, temple Mount in Jerusalem, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Peres Peace Center, local schools, and met heads of several NGOs and business leaders
7. Attached to this form are  of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:*
- a.  a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b.  the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor *prior* to the trip, *with* attachments *and* the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the Member or officer;
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a.  I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*  
b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: X Rita

Date: 5/7/2024

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## SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip *within 10 days of their return*. You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

- Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc
- Travel Destination(s): Israel
- Date of Departure: October 31, 2022 Date of Return: November 4, 2022
- Name(s) of Traveler(s): see attachment for full list.

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

- Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$2243.93	\$1723.80	\$799.00	\$1936.00 venues, program, meetings, sports
Accompanying Family Member				

- All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: May 3, 2024

Name: Norman Gilboord Title: CEO

Organization: Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 520 8th Ave, Suite 1400

Telephone: 917-456-7638 Email: gilboordn@jrcny.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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## TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).

**Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date.** Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Rep. Ritchie Torres

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Ritchie Torres

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address: 317 Cannon House Office Building Washington DC 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-4361

Email Address of Contact Person: Angel.Vazquez@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

**KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM.** Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).



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## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Rep. Ritchie Torres
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:  
Jewish Community Relations Council
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Israel
4. a. Date of Departure: 10/30/22 Date of Return: 11/4/22  
b. Yes  No  Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  
If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Yes  No  Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**  
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Yes  No  Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:
6. a. Yes  No  Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?  
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes  No  *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

*NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.*

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**  
Rep. Ritchie Torres is deeply engaged in the policy surrounding the American/Israeli relationship. Rep Torres will be chairing a hearing on the recent rise of anti-semitic attacks in the tri-state area as the Vice Chair of the Homeland Security Committee. The member was invited to join this Israel Study Tour with local community groups representing diverse constituencies and local leaders to further engage in dialogue surrounding the Jewish community, geopolitics, LGBTQ issues, as reflected in the itinerary.

9. Yes  No  **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member Ritchie Torres Date 10/20/22



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**PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM**

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website ([ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE:** Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc.

2.  I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. Signify that the statement is true by checking box.

3. Check only one. I represent that:

a.  The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: OR

b.  The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: OR

c.  The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:

4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):

(1) Rep. Ritchie Torres, (2) Angel Vazquez, Chief of Staff. See attached for explanation.

5. Yes  No  Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of departure: Sunday, October 30th, 2022 Date of return: Friday, November 4th, 2022

7. a. City of departure: New York City, NY, USA

b. Destination(s): Tel Aviv, Israel

c. City of return: New York City, NY, USA

8. Check only one. I represent that:

a.  The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: OR

b.  The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: OR

c.  The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. Check only one of the following:

a.  I checked 8(a) or (b) above; OR

b.  I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; OR

c.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; OR

d.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:



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10.  Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
11. *Check only one of the following:*
- a.  I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box;* OR
- b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:  
Please see attached document for the full answer.
13. *Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:*
- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
14.  I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*
15. *Check only one.* I represent that either:
- a.  The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; OR
- b.  The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.
- If "b" is checked:
- 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):
- 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- Hotel Name: Intercontinental Hotel City: Tel Aviv Cost Per Night: \$420  
Reason(s) for Selecting: Security at higher level, important for this delegation, and strategic location to avoid traffic
- Hotel Name: David Citadel City: Jerusalem Cost Per Night: \$434.60  
Reason(s) for Selecting: Security at higher level, important for this delegation, and strategic location to avoid traffic
- Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_  
Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_
17.  I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*



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### 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$2243.93	1723.80	\$799
For each Accompanying Family Member			

  

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$1936	Programing, meetings, speakers, venues
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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### 19. Check only one:

- a.  I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; OR
- b.  Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

### 20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Norman Gilboord Digitally signed by Norman Gilboord  
DN: cn=Norman Gilboord, o=Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, Inc.  
ou=Chief Operating Officer, email=ngilboord@jcrny.org, c=US  
Date: 2022.09.16 17:33:00 -0400 Date: 09/16/2022

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

Willful or knowing misrepresentation on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

For questions, please contact the Committee on Ethics at:

1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

[ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov](mailto:ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov) | 202-225-7103  
More information and forms available at [ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)



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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Washington, DC 20515

October 24, 2022

The Honorable Ritchie Torres  
U.S. House of Representatives  
317 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel,<sup>1</sup> scheduled for October 30 to November 4, 2022, sponsored by Jewish Community Relations Council of New York.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$415 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$415] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

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<sup>1</sup> Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or [ohsstaff@mail.house.gov](mailto:ohsstaff@mail.house.gov). House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Susan Wild  
Acting Chairwoman



Michael Guest  
Acting Ranking Member

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# WORKING PROGRAM

## BRONX COMMUNITY LEADERS STUDY TOUR

CLIENTS: JCRC NY

DATES: OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 3, 2022

**Day 1: Monday, October 31, 2022**

### **WELCOME - TEL AVIV DAY**

- **10:30 am.** Arrival at Israel's **Ben Gurion international airport**. Upon arrival, you will be met by our VIP representative, assisted through all border and customs formalities, and escorted to your awaiting transportation.
- Meet your tour scholar and depart to Tel Aviv - Jaffa.
- **12:00 pm. Ethnic Tasting Tour:** Eat, drink, and learn at the **Levinsky Market**, where we'll sample food and sweets from all over the Mediterranean and the Middle East and try to figure out what is Israeli about Israeli food. This **multi-cultural tasting tour** will double up as a delicious lunch.
- **1:30 pm. Peace AND Prosperity?** The **Peres Peace Center** was created by the late Shimon Peres, former Prime Minister and President of Israel, to develop peacebuilding programs based on innovation and optimism. Meet Nadav Tamir, Senior Advisor for Governmental and International Affairs at the Peres Center.
- **3:30 pm. A Community of Immigrants:** Explore the reality of the **foreign worker** in Tel Aviv as you walk through the streets of South Tel Aviv and visit the **Bialik-Rogozin School**; the school's goal is to provide students from underprivileged and low socio-economic backgrounds - including Israelis, children of immigrants and refugees - with the best opportunities to develop their true potential. Meet with the school's **Principal, Jelal Tochi**, and learn about the challenges and successes in this unique institution of education. This school was featured in the Oscar winner for best documentary movie 2010 - "**No longer stranger.**"
- **5:00 pm. The Changing Architecture and Culture of Tel Aviv:** As we make our way along **Rothschild Boulevard**, we'll see the diversity of Tel Aviv's architecture and find out how this reflects the culture of a city that refuses to stay the same. Examine the "eclectic" early architecture and the Bauhaus buildings from the 1930s that gave Tel Aviv the nickname of the "**White City**" and recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage site. We'll also see Tel Aviv's 21st century skyscrapers and ask what they reveal about modern Israel.
- **6:00 pm.** Check into the hotel and freshen up.
- **8:00 pm.** Dinner with **LGBTQ activists** including **Hen Arieli**, Deputy Mayor of Tel Aviv, **Zehorit Soerk-** Activist, representatives of **Beit Dror**, the **Aguda** and others. (Pending confirmation)

Overnight: David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv



Day 2: Tuesday, November 1, 2022

## SOUTH DAY

- **8:00 am. Breakfast** at the hotel with **Ambassador Dan Shapiro**, former American ambassador to Israel.
- **9:15 am.** Checkout of the hotel.
- **9:30 am.** Visit **Battae**, an interactive first-of-its-kind Ethiopian Israeli Heritage Center. The **Battae center** serves as a place for guests to explore and appreciate the story of **Ethiopian Jews** in Israel. Visitors learn about traditional Ethiopian heritage through food, photography, art, music, dancing, and most importantly from hearing our stories.
- Drive to **Lod**, a multi religious city in the center of Israel. It's an ancient city, today Lod is home to Muslims, Christians, and Jews. The fragile relationship was shattered in May 2021, when riots between Jews and Arabs were flamed.
- **11:15 am.** The **Lod foundation** was established to restore Lod's past glory and help it fulfill its untapped potential as a multi-ethnic city. The Foundation's vision is for Lod to serve as a model for coexistence within both Israel and for the entire Middle East. Meet with **Mr. Yarom Ariav, Chairperson (Jewish), Faten El-Zinati (Muslim) and Avi Rokach (Orthodox Jew)** for a dialogue and a tour of the city.
- **1:00 pm.** **Lunch** will be served by **Nashim Mevashlot Shalom Belod** (Women cooking Peace in Lod). A joint venture of Jewish, Muslim, and Christian women.
- **3:00 pm.** Set out for a **security tour** of the **Gaza Perimeter** with a **local security expert TBD**, as well as visit an **Iron Dome battery**.
- **4:00 pm. Living on the Edge:** Proceed to **Moshav Netiv Ha'asarah**, located on Israel's border with the Gaza Strip, meet a resident and discuss the security implications of Israel's withdrawal from Gaza. End the visit with the famous **Peace Wall**.
- **6:00 pm.** Drive to Jerusalem and check into the hotel.
- **8:30 pm.** Dinner **Erel Margalit**. Mr. Margalit, former MK and entrepreneur. In 2002, founded the social organization **Bakehila** ("In the Community" in Hebrew) as a means of reducing the socio-economic gap affecting disadvantaged children in Jerusalem. **Bakehila** runs educational programs in lower socioeconomic neighborhoods of Jerusalem with the goal of raising the students' academic achievements and promoting the children's personal and interpersonal growth. Thousands of students from Jerusalem have attended the program during its first eight years. In 2012, Bakehila opened an educational enrichment center in the Arab neighborhood of Beit Safafa. In 2018, Bakehila began working in underprivileged neighborhoods in **Kiryat Shmona**

Overnight: David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem



**Day 3: Wednesday, November 2, 2022**  
**JERUSALEM DAY 1 - GEOPOLITICS**

- **8:00 am. Breakfast** at the hotel with **Fleur Hassan-Nahoum**, Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem, feminist Israel Advocate and Co-Founder of the UAE-Israel Business Council.
- **9:15 am. One City or Two?** Go beyond the headlines as we explore the geopolitics of Jerusalem with site visits and discussions on key issues. Learn more about the complex relationship between predominantly Arab East Jerusalem and the city's mostly Jewish western part. We'll encounter the Security Barrier and discuss its effects. The briefing will be led by **Col. (Ret.) Miri Eisin**, former advisor to the Prime Minister on foreign media.
- **10:45 am. Life in Palestine, 2022:** Tour the streets of Jerusalem with **Rami Nazzal**, an internationally published Palestinian journalist. He will provide an authentic, even-handed but raw, account of Palestinian life, politics, and aspirations.
- **12:00 pm. Building a Shared Future for Israeli Jewish and Arab Citizens:** Dialogue with **Mohammed Darawshe**, Director of Planning, Equality & Shared Society at the **Givat Haviva Center**.
- **Lunch on route.**
- **2:00 pm.** Visit the **Augusta Victoria hospital** in East Jerusalem. President Joe Biden made a commitment for an ongoing funding to this hospital.
- Meet with members and volunteers of **Project Rozana**. Project Rozana seeks to build bridges to better understanding between Israelis and Palestinians through health. They will also speak about the coexistence between Jews and Arab practitioners in the Israeli hospitals.
- Drive to **Efrat**.
- **4:00 pm. My Home in Gush Etzion:** Dialogue with **Oded Ravivi**, Mayor of Efrat.
- **6:30 pm.** Return to Jerusalem.
- Enjoy a night on own in Jerusalem.

Overnight: David Citadel Hotel, Jerusalem

**Day 4: Thursday, November 2, 2022**  
**JERUSALEM DAY 2 - DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVNESS**

- **Breakfast** at the hotel, possibly with a Knesset member (TBD)
- **Drive to the Old City.**
- **8:30 pm.** Visit the **Temple Mount**, the site of the First and Second Temples, and today the location of the **Dome of the Rock** and the **Al-Aqsa Mosque**, the third holiest in Islam.
- No visit to Israel is complete without experiencing the **Kotel (Western Wall)**, widely considered Judaism's holiest site. Each year, over one million notes containing prayers and wishes are placed in the cracks of the wall. We'll discuss the wall's historical and contemporary importance and experience its unique atmosphere.
- At the end of the **Via Dolorosa** is the **Church of the Holy Sepulcher**, the place where Jesus is believed to have been crucified. This church is one of Christianity's great pilgrimage sites and a testament to the remarkable diversity of the Christian world. It includes an empty tomb where it is said that Jesus was buried and resurrected.
- **Lunch in the Old City.**
- **1:00 pm. Innovation for Inclusion:** The innovation lab at the **ALYN Pediatric Hospital** is researching and producing new technologies to improve the lives of **children with special needs**. We'll talk with medical entrepreneurs about their work and its impact and visit their state-of-the-art laboratory.



- **3:00 pm.** Visit **Yad Vashem**, the national memorial to the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust, an essential emotional and educational experience. Your guided tour will include:
  - **The Avenue of the Righteous**, where trees symbolic of the renewal of life have been planted along with plaques honoring brave non-Jews who saved Jews during the Shoah.
  - **The Historical Museum**, a state-of-the-art interactive display reflecting decades of research and educational expertise. The story of the Holocaust, with an emphasis on individual victims, is told through survivor testimonies, original artifacts, and personal possessions saved from the ghettos and camps.
  - **The Children's Memorial**, commemorating the 1.5 million children lost during the Holocaust.
- Return to the hotel for a **late checkout**.
- **5:30 pm.** **Farewell dinner** with representatives from the **Parents' Circle Families Forum (PCFF)**, a grassroots organization of bereaved Palestinians and Israelis.
- **8:00 pm.** Drive to **Ben Gurion International Airport** and depart flight to the USA including airport assistance.

Overnight: Flight