Dear Railfan and Railroad Industry Professional,

You are invited to journey to Israel to experience a fascinating country that is on the leading edge of railroad technology and investment. Patterned after the very successful NRHS tour in 2011, we will be the guests of Israel Railways for a 3-day escorted tour of their expanding standard gauge system. Presently, Israel Railways operates 450 daily passenger trains with 240,000 daily passengers, 50 daily freight trains with record tonnage for 2015, and 3,071 total employees. Israel is on track to expand to 1,700 km by 2020. Highlights will include:

- New line construction, including tunneling.
- AC electrification installation
- New rolling stock maintenance facilities
- New passenger equipment, passenger and freight locomotives that are manufactured in Western Europe and new NRE diesels
- State of the art new employees training center
- Centralized traffic control center
- National railroad museum in Haifa
- Visit major shippers for a freight operations briefings
For more information on Israel Railways, go to International Railway Journal (online) and enter Israel into the search bar.

We will start our tour at the new Israel Railways Headquarters with a briefing. We will travel on double tracked and triple tracked lines – and all train travel is complimentary. In addition, we will have dinner at a fine Tel Aviv restaurant with the CEO and other executives as their guests. We will also tour separately the new Jerusalem light rail system and be escorted by the management. All briefings will be conducted in English without interpreters because most Israelis speak very good English. Our tour guide will be Harel Even, the Senior Advisor to the CEO. In any other country you merely ride and photograph trains. In Israel you interact with the top management. You are paying only for the hotels, foodservice, and four days of general tourism by an expert licensed guide.

You can’t beat our all-inclusive price. You can’t obtain our access to Israel Railways on your own. It is an action-packed tour. There is no ‘down’ time. Unlimited photography.

Israel is safe. There is very little crime. The tourism industry is of a very high standard and is supervised by the Ministry of Tourism. The hotels offer unlimited buffets of gourmet meals (breakfast and dinner) which are included in our package. USA, Canada and EU passport holders do not need visas to visit Israel.

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Our Travel Partner. The Israel Railroad Study Tour is organized by Authentic Israel, a Tel Aviv-based tour operator with three decades of experience in educational travel. Local offices are located in Washington, DC. More at www.authenticisrael.com.
PROGRAM ITINERARY

The following is our projected itinerary, which is subject to minor change and will be re-confirmed about two months prior to departure.

Friday, September 1, 2017
• Depart from America on self-booked flights

Saturday, September 2, 2017
• Arrive to Israel’s Ben Gurion Airport
  VIP greetings a transfers are included for all those arriving to Israel today
• Check-in to hotel along Tel Aviv’s coastal strip
• Welcome dinner at Maganda in the historic Yemenite Quarter of Tel Aviv
• Overnight: Basel Hotel, Tel Aviv
  Meals Included: Dinner

Sunday, September 3, 2017
Railroad Study Tour Programming Day
• Evening: Group dinner in Jaffa at the Old Man in the Sea Restaurant
• Overnight: Basel Hotel, Tel Aviv
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Monday, September 4, 2017
Railroad Study Tour Programming Day
• Evening: Group Dinner in the Tel Aviv Port
• Overnight: Basel Hotel, Tel Aviv
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Tuesday, September 5, 2017
Railroad Study Tour Programming Day
• Check-in to our accommodations in Haifa
• Dinner included at accommodations
• Overnight: Haifa Bayview Hotel
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Wednesday, September 6, 2017
• Visit the Church of Annunciation in Nazareth
• Explore the holy sites on the Sea of Galilee + cruise across the Sea of Galilee
• Ascend the Golan for a stunning view of Israel and its neighbors
• Return to accommodations – dinner included
• Overnight: Haifa Bayview Hotel
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Thursday, September 7, 2017
• Tour of Caesarea on the Mediterranean Coast
• Travel up to Jerusalem – Panoramic introduction from the Haas Promenade
• Jerusalem light rail tour (organized separately)
• Explore the Jewish Quarter of the Old City – Including the Western Wall Tunnels
• Check-in to central Jerusalem accommodations and dinner at Focaccia Restaurant
• Overnight: Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Friday, September 8, 2017
• Wake early and descend to the Judean Desert
• Tour of Masada – the desert mountain fortress (via cable cars)
• Floating time at the Dead Sea’s Ein Bokek beach
• Nature walk to the desert waterfalls at Ein Gedi
• Return to Jerusalem in the late afternoon -- Dinner included at our accommodations
• Overnight: Prima Kings Hotel, Jerusalem
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner
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Saturday, September 9, 2017
• Return to the Old City to tour the Christian Quarter and shop in the Arab Market
• Afternoon visit to the Israel Museum – Including the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit
• Closing banquet dinner in Abu Ghosh village

• Evening: Return to Ben Gurion Airport for overnight flights back to North America
  Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner

Sunday, September 10, 2017
• Arrive back to North America in the morning

WHAT’S INCLUDED

- VIP greeting & transfer to Tel Aviv for all arriving to Ben Gurion Airport on September 2nd
- Licensed Israeli guide throughout the program
- Luxury air-conditioned touring bus with dedicated Israeli driver daily
- Hotel accommodations per the itinerary
- Israeli breakfast daily and additional group meals as noted in the itinerary
- Activity cost and program fees per the itinerary

Not Included:

- International flights to/from Israel
- Guide & driver gratuities at $100-$150/person
- Meals not specified as included
- Hotel incidentals
- Travel and medical insurance (optional)

NOTE: We expect all Railroad Study Tour programming to be fully complimentary

TRAVEL TO ISRAEL | Plan to arrive no later than 4:00pm on Saturday, September 2nd for the start of the program. A complimentary pick-up will be provided for anyone arriving on September 2nd only. At the end of the program, participants are escorted back to Ben Gurion Airport on Saturday, September 9th in the evening for flights departing shortly before or after midnight. Participants on return flights outside of this window can be accommodated by special arrangement, and additional fees will apply.
COSTS & TERMS

The cost of the program, based on double room hotel occupancy, will be set according to the confirmed number of participants as of July 1, 2017 according to the following rates:

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Single Room Supplement: $480/p

TERMS & CONDITIONS | A $250 refundable deposit is required to reserve your place on the tour. The balance of payment is due by no later than July 1, 2017. The deposit becomes non-refundable within 120 days of the program start date and no payments are refundable within 60 days of the program start date. Cancellations must be submitted in writing via email or fax. We encourage you to obtain travel insurance at www.grouptravelinsuranceisrael.com prior to making the balance payment.

- Payment is by check or bank transfer. If you wish to pay by credit card, an additional 3.5% processing fee applies (credit card fees are not refundable)
- This program is most suitable for travelers comfortable touring ~eight to ten hours in a day.
- Participants are encouraged not to booking individual ticketing until the group minimum participation has been reached.

GET REGISTERED

Participant #1 (Primary Contact)

First Name*: _________________________ Last Name: ___________________________    DOB: ____________

Email: _______________________________Tel (Cell): ___________________ Tel (Other): __________________

Participant #2 (if applicable)

First Name*: _________________________ Last Name: ___________________________    DOB: ____________

Email: _______________________________Tel (Cell): ___________________ Tel (Other): __________________

Mailing Address:
__________________________________________________________________________

*Please enter your name as it appears on your passport. Please note that according to Israeli customs regulations, your passport must be valid for at least six months after your travel.

Rooming Notes: ____________________________________________________________
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Medical & Dietary Notes: ________________________________________________________________

Emergency Contact:
Full Name: ______________________________   Relation: ___________________
Email: ___________________________________   Tel (Cell): ___________________   Tel (Other): _____________________

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Deposit Due with Registration ($250/Person): $____________

Payment Method (choose one): Check __________         Visa / Mastercard / AmEx __________
An additional 3.5% processing fee applies if paying by credit card

Credit Card #: ___________________________   Security Code: _______   Exp. Date: ______________
Name on Card: ______________________   Billing Address: ___________________________________

Name: ___________________________   Signature: ___________________________   Date: __________

Payment Notes: _______________________________________________________________________

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY | Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, Authentic Israel and the National Railway Historical Society assume no liability or responsibility for any injuries, inconvenience, illness, theft, property damage, irregularity, or incidental damages occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the tour operator or by any person or reason whatsoever including but not limited to events such as strikes, revolts, wars, natural disasters, closures of airports and/or hotels, default or omission of any common or private carrier or the default, negligence or omission of and by any third party providing services or facilities to or included in this tour or any part thereof.

Any and all disputes between the parties arising out of or relating to this agreement, whether grounded in contract, tort or statutory law, shall be resolved exclusively by arbitration in Washington, DC. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Rules of JAMS. The prevailing party in the arbitration shall be entitled to its attorneys’ fees and costs plus any fees and costs incurred in connection with confirming the arbitrator’s award. Enrollment in and payment for the tour constitute your acceptance of the program conditions and this Statement of Responsibility.

Complete forms can be faxed to 202-315-3269, emailed to bonnie@authenticisrael.com or mailed to: Authentic Israel / 5185 MacArthur Blvd NW, #640 / Washington, DC 20016
PRE-TRIP PREPARATION

More detailed pre-trip preparation material and program luggage tags are distributed approximately three months prior to arrival.

Passport & Visa Rules

Please check to make sure that you know where your passport is and that it is not expired or about to expire. Your passport must be valid for at least six months from the date you arrive in Israel. If your passport expires within this period, please start the renewal process today. Many airlines will deny you boarding if your passport is not valid according to this policy. If you are traveling to Israel on a USA, Canadian, or European Union member country passport, a visa is not needed to enter Israel. If you are traveling on a passport from another country, you may need a visa to enter Israel. Our office is able to provide you with an official ticket confirmation if needed.

Local Health Insurance

Separate from travel insurance (see above), Authentic Israel offers local health insurance in Israel that covers treatment and medication for non pre-existing conditions. The policy carries no deductible or co-pay, and there are no claims to submit. Even if your home insurance extends abroad, you would need to pay out of pocket in Israel and file a claim with your insurance when you return home. This local Israeli policy is a very easy way to receive medical care in Israel without any paperwork or reimbursement process. Detailed policy information is available upon request. The cost of the policy is according to the following age groupings:

- Up to age 59 – $2.50/Day
- Ages 60-69 – $6.50/Day
- Ages 70-79 – $7.50/Day
- Ages 80-85 – $9.50/Day

To include a local medical insurance policy as part of your travels, contact Authentic Israel at least two weeks in advance of your arrival date.

Staff Gratuities

It is customary in Israel to tip the Israeli guide and driver at the end of the program. As a rule of thumb, $100 - $150 per adult traveler is appropriate – or in the shekel equivalent. We recommend splitting that amount – 1/3 for the driver and 2/3 for the guide. Staff Gratuities can be included upon request before the tour. Gratuities for hotel staff and wait staff at group meals are already included in the cost of the program.
**TRAVEL INSURANCE**

Authentic Israel has partnered with Travel Insured International to provide an optional travel insurance package as follows:

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<td>Kids under 18 traveling with parent(s) are covered:</td>
<td>FREE!</td>
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*Please consider the follow supplemental benefits and special terms:*

1. **Covered Reasons** include personal illness/death, family illness/death, acts of terrorism and other reasons – see policy for details. Note – Terrorism is defined by the US State Department in a city on your travel itinerary within 30 days of departure – does not cover unrest, instability or war.

2. **Cancel For Any Reason.** This supplemental coverage can be selected if purchased within 21 days of the initial trip deposit or airfare payment and the premium paid covers all trip costs (land and air). Cancellation must be made at least two days or more prior to scheduled departure date.

3. **Interrupt For Any Reason Supplement.** This supplemental coverage can be selected if purchased within 21 days of initial trip deposit or airfare payment and the appropriate additional premium is paid. Trip must be interrupted at least three days or more after actual departure date.

4. **Option: Primary Baggage + Medical Coverage at $25 per person.** Waives excess insurance limitation on Baggage & Personal effects and Accident & Sickness Medical Expense.

5. **Option: Increase Benefit Limits at $35 per person**
   - Additional $1,000 Travel Delay
   - Additional $300 Baggage Delay
Insurance premiums are calculated as a function of total trip costs as follows:

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<th>Age</th>
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- **18-34**
  - $117
  - $136
  - $157
  - $174
  - $194

- **35-58**
  - $144
  - $160
  - $185
  - $198
  - $237

- **59-65**
  - $166
  - $206
  - $251
  - $307
  - $343

- **66-70**
  - $189
  - $231
  - $276
  - $322
  - $361

- **71-80**
  - $356
  - $396
  - $440
  - $468
  - $504

- **81-85**
  - $415
  - $476
  - $590
  - $631
  - $712

- **86+**
  - $498
  - $596
  - $655
  - $715
  - $792

Children under the age of 18 traveling with parent(s) are covered for FREE.

For trips over 30 days add $5/day/traveler.

Learn more, view additional trip cost options and order online at [WorldwideTripProtector.com](http://WorldwideTripProtector.com).

Children under the age of 18 traveling with parent(s) are covered for a fee of $20 each.

For trips over 30 days add $8/day/traveler.

Learn more, view additional trip cost options and order online at [WorldwideTripProtectorPlus.com](http://WorldwideTripProtectorPlus.com).

*All trip costs must be included with coverage, including flight costs not booked via Authentic Israel.*

All benefits subject to plan exclusions. See full policy for details – can be found in links above.

Questions? Contact info@travelinsuranceisrael.com or 1-888-747-3773.