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**2023 ASSEMBLY SPEAKERS, SENATE PRESIDENTS AND
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Program June 24 – July 1, 2023

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Saturday, June 24, 2023

4:30 PM Depart US United 84

Sunday, June 25, 2023

9:55 AM Arrival in Israel

- Welcome by Daniella Rilov, Executive Director and Tali Koren, Delegations Coordinator, AIFL Israel Office

12:00 PM Tour of Tel Aviv

2:00-3:30 PM **Tour of [Asif](#) with lunch**

- Asif Café is a culinary center in Tel Aviv dedicated to cultivating and nurturing Israel's diverse and creative food culture, a joint venture of the New York City-based Jewish Food Society and Tel Aviv's Start-Up Nation Central.

4:00-5:30 PM **Visit [DI-D](#) in Tel Aviv**

- The Israeli company that digitally de-identifies faces in videos and still images: [DI-D](#)

Check in: [Herods Hotel](#), Tel Aviv

- Rest and refresh.

7:00 PM **Welcome Dinner with Professor Yossi Shain**

- Professor Shain is a Romulo Betancourt Professor of Political Science at Tel Aviv University, the Head of the Aba Eben Program of Diplomacy and Co-Chair of the MA Program in Political Leadership, Professor of Comparative Government and Diaspora Politics at Georgetown University, the Founding Director of the Program for Jewish Civilization, and a former Member of the Knesset .

Overnight: [Herods Hotel](#), Tel Aviv

Monday, June 26, 2023

9:00 AM **Meeting with IDF Colonel Roni Katzir, Head International Law Department, Military Advocate Generals Corps**

- Colonel Katzir has served in the MAG Corps since 2001. During his service, he has held several positions, including Senior Legal Advisor in the Legislation and Legal Advice Department, Senior Aide to the Military Advocate General, Head of the Operational Law Branch and later Head of the International Affairs Branch in the International Law Department.

11:45 AM **Visit at [IsraAID](#) with CEO Yotam Politzer**

- IsraAID is an Israel-based non-governmental organization that responds to emergencies all over the world with targeted humanitarian help.

1:00 PM **Lunch with Amb. Dan Gillerman**

- AIFL Israel Chairman of the Board, Dan Gillerman, was Israel's 13th Permanent Representative to the United Nations. He was appointed in July 2002 and assumed his post on January 1, 2003, serving through 2008.

3:30 PM Visit the Peres Center for Peace and Innovation

- The Peres Center for Peace and Innovation, founded in 1996 by the late President of Israel, Shimon Peres, develops and implements impactful and meaningful programs with a focus on promoting a prosperous Israel, nurturing and highlighting Israeli innovation, and paving the way for shared living between all of Israel's citizens and lasting peace between Israel and its neighbors.

7:00 PM Dinner with Mehereta Baruch-Ron

- Former Deputy Mayor of Tel Aviv, Mehereta Baruch-Ron is the first Ethiopian to be elected to serve on the Tel Aviv-Yafo city council, and the first to serve as Deputy Mayor.

Overnight: Herods Hotel, Tel Aviv

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

8:00 AM Departure to Northern Israel

11:00 AM Overview on Syrian border accompanied by member of Alma Research and Education Center

- The Alma Research and Education Center is a non-profit and bipartisan organization with the mission of making in-depth geopolitical knowledge about the Middle East and Israel's security challenges on the Northern Border.

1:30 PM Lunch and visit at Dalton Winery

- The Dalton Winery was founded in 1995 by members of the Haruni family who moved to Israel from England.

3:30 PM Visit the Holy Sites on the Sea of Galilee Tour of the Northern Border of Israel

Overnight: Hotel Magdala

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

8:00 AM **Depart for Jerusalem.**

1:00 PM **Meeting at the Knesset (*Israeli Parliament*) with Speaker of the Knesset, Amir Ohana**

- Speaker Ohana an Israeli lawyer, former Shin Bet official and politician who has served as the Speaker of the Knesset since 2022, and as a member of the Knesset for Likud. He previously held the posts of Minister of Justice, Minister of Public Security, and Head of the Law and Justice Committee of the Knesset.
- Meetings with other public officials TBC
- Tour of the Knesset

Check in: Leonardo Plaza Hotel, Jerusalem

6:30 PM **Webinar with Natan Sharansky**

- Natan Sharansky is the former Chairman of the Jewish Agency, one of the most famous former Soviet refuseniks and an Israeli politician, author and human rights activist.

8:00 PM **Dinner Location TBD**

Overnight: Leonardo Plaza Hotel

Thursday, June 29, 2023

8:30 AM **Tour of the Old City Holy Sites**

10:45 AM **Arrival at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

11:00 AM **Briefing with Mr. Aviv Ezra, Deputy Head of MASHAV**

- MASHAV is Israel's agency for International Development Cooperation.

11:45 AM **Briefing with Mr. Uri Rothman, Head of Bureau, Middle East and Peace Process Division**

12:40 PM **Briefing with Ambassador David Roet Deputy Director General, North America Division**

1:20 PM **Lunch at the Foreign Ministry**

3:00 PM **Visit Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial**

5:30 PM **Tour of Western Wall Tunnels**

Dinner on your own

Overnight: Leonardo Plaza Hotel

Friday, June 30, 2023

8:00 AM **Departure for Masada and the Dead Sea**

- Tour of Masada (*King Herod's palace-fortress and the last refuge of Jewish rebels against Rome a century later*)

6:30 PM **Farewell with AIFL Staff**

7:45 PM **Shabbat Dinner hosted by Rabbi Ian and Rachel Pear** (*daughter of Bob Abrams, former Attorney General of New York*) and their children Gavriela, Michaela, Darya, Eliyahu and Benjamin Jacob)

Overnight: **Leonardo Hotel**

Saturday, July 1, 2023

9:00 AM **Departure to the Airport**

12:00 PM **Depart Israel UA 85**