###### GENERAL INFORMATION

 **Language**

The official language of the Workshop is English.

**Climate & Clothing**

The weather in Ein-Gedi in February is sunny and warm during the day and cool at night. Temperatures range from 7°C - 19°C (45°F - 66°F). Occasional rain. Informal dress code, head cover and comfortable shoes are recommended for touring, swimsuit is a must.

**Currency**

Current rate of exchange (July 14, 2014):

1 EUR = 4.50 NIS (New Israeli Shekel)

1 USD = 3.90 NIS (New Israeli Shekel)

**Visas**

Participants from most EU countries and the US do not need visas to Israel. For participants from other countries we suggest you check with your local Israeli embassy or consulate. Invitation letters will be issued upon request.

**Insurance**

Participants are advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance coverage. The Workshop Organizing Committee and/or Diesenhaus-Unitours Incoming Tourism Ltd., shall not be liable for any loss or damage to property that belongs to Workshop participants nor for personal injuries sustained during or as a result of the Workshop, or during tours.

**Distances**Ben-Gurion International Airport – Ein-Gedi: 129km / 81 miles
Tel-Aviv – Ein-Gedi: 143km / 89 miles

Jerusalem – Ein-Gedi: 83km / 52 miles

Tel-Aviv – Ben-Gurion International Airport: 20km / 12.5 miles
Jerusalem – Ben-Gurion International Airport: 52km / 32.5 miles

## Workshop TransportationWorkshop Transportation to Ein-Gedi (updated)Sunday, February 15

Free transportation to Ein-Gedi will be provided for participants who have reserved seats on the Registration & Accommodation Form.
- 07:45 From Tel-Aviv: Metropolitan Hotel
- 08:15 From Tel Aviv University Train Station – parking lot
- 08:45 From Rehovot – Weizmann Institute (Lopatie Conference Centre parking lot) N E W
- 09:45 From Jerusalem: Ramada Hotel lobby
- 09:45 From Ben-Gurion University – Life Sciences parking lot
***Cancelled****: From Tel Aviv University - Gate #2.*

Pre-reservation of this service is required prior to the Workshop. Please register for it on the Registration Form.

**Workshop Transportation from Ein-Gedi** (updated)
**Wednesday, February 18**

Free transportation from Ein-Gedi will be provided for participants who have reserved seats on the Registration & Accommodation Form.
Departure: After Workshop adjourns. Final time will be announced on site.

Drop off:

- To Tel Aviv University Train Station
- To Rehovot - Weizmann Institute N E W
- To Jerusalem: Dan Boutique Hotel
- To Jerusalem: Central Bus Station
- To Ben-Gurion University – Life Sciences parking lot
- To Ben-Gurion Airport (only for flights departing after 19:30 on Feb.18) N E W

***Cancelled****: To Tel Aviv University - Gate #2.*

**Individual Airport Transportation**

The following transportation services should be reserved on the Registration & Accommodation Form or by email to conven4@diesenhaus.com, by February 9, 2015.

**Airport Arrival/Departure Transfers to/from Ein Gedi***Offered to overseas participants whose arrival/departure time does not enable them to use the Workshop’s free transportation*
A shared airport transfer service to/from Ein-Gedi is available at NIS 180 per person.
Waiting time on arrival - up to two hours. The transfer should be reserved in advance. Please approach the "SESHIR JC SERVICE" counter at Ben-Gurion Airport after going through customs, located at the Arrivals Hall, 1st floor (near the rent-a-car counters).
Travel time: Approx. 2.5 hours. Flight details must be provided in advance.

 **Airport Arrival Transfers to Tel-Aviv (pre-workshop)**

A shared airport transfer service from the airport from/to your hotel in Tel-Aviv is offered to Workshop participants at NIS 90. Possible wait - up to 1 hour.  A Diesenhaus-Unitours representative will meet you upon arrival inside the Arrivals Hall, after you go through passport control. He will be holding a sign "MITO 2015".

**Workshop Jerusalem Tour – Thursday, February 19**

Participants are invited to participate in the walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. The tour will depart at 09:00 from the lobby of the Dan Boutique Hotel in Jerusalem. Accommodation in this Hotel can be reserved on the registration form.

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