

A DIFFERENT SUMMER

A summer travel in Israel and Palestine

To see to understand. To understand the reality of the Israel-Palestine conflict is not easy. The information for sure is not missing.

However, often, we have the tendency to have an ideological point of view based on the prejudices.

As a consequence of that, NGOs Handala Project Bergamo and Casa per la Pace Milano are organizing this summer 2014 for the fourth time, a trip to Israel and Palestine which is especially dedicated to young people.

The experience will be based on a guided visit to the place meaningful for the conflict and meeting with local Israeli and Palestinian NGOs and their activists who are working for the human rights, the peace and the nonviolent struggle against the occupation.

We will also share some daily moments with young people from a refugee camp in Palestine. For more details have a look on the back of the leaflet.



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THE DETAILS OF THE TRIP

When: the second and the third week of August 2014 total- 14-15 days

Participants: the trip is mainly organized for the young people between 20 and 40 years old. There will be mainly Italian people. However, we decided that this year, a part of the group will be made international (mainly Czech people- 5-6 places on a group of 20-25 people)

Cost: 600€ - around 16.000kc (which includes: a constant presence of 2 leaders of the group supporting the participants and organizing the travel, food, accommodation, transport, tourist guide, meetings, pre-departure training, donation for the organization that we will visit.)

The flight ticket and the health insurance are not included.

Language of all the meetings and during the travel: English

General programme:

the journey is divided in three blocks:

First part: Israel - and the border zone - 5 days.

This part includes a detailed visit of the Jerusalem area with the difference zone of the city (old city, Arab quarters of est. Jerusalem , settlements, the wall, West Jerusalem, the museum of the Holocaust...) The accommodation will be in a hostel in the centre of the old city. In these days is included also a day-long visit of Tel Aviv and Jaffa.

Second part: the North part of the West Bank- Palestinian Territories- 5 days

We will be hosted in a hostel of Nablus. We will visit the city of Nablus and move daily to Ramallah, Jenin, Tulkarem.

Third part: the South part of the West Bank- Palestinian territories- 5 days

We will be hosted by Palestinian family inside the refugee camp of Deheishe (Bethlehem).

In this part are organized visits to Bethlehem, Hebron, Beit Jala and other refugee camps in the surroundings.

Each day there will be organized a guided visit and meeting with local people and organizations who are working for Peace in a Nonviolent way. Israeli and Palestinian one.

Pre-departure training: Every participant must do a pre-departure training, organized by one of the leader. The training will take place one day in a weekend in May or July in the Czech Republic.

Registration: The deadline to sign up will be at the end of the April.

Who is interested in the Knowledge trip is invited to contact the organizer in order to gain more information about the practicalities of it and to gain a clearer view of it.

The specificity of the country and land we are going to visit, doesn't allow to us to define all unexpected things that could happen from now on till the realization of the journey.

That's why we want to underline that the programme and all we are writing on this leaflet is just a draft programme which can be modified, depending on the real situation and possibilities there will be .

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