



Kathryn Ames Foundation



SHINING: Solar Program for Women

Harvesting Cross Border Cooperation Through Environmental Action

26-30.5.2024

45 participants

Time	Activity	Name	Location / Comments
Sunday 26.5			
7:00	Pick up from Jerusalem and head south	Bus captain: József Kádár, Renewable Energy and Social Innovation Expert	Olive Tree hotel
8:30	Pick up from Be'er Sheva and head to Al Furaa		University train station
9:30	Tour of Al Furaa school and off-grid wastewater treatment, solar field and home biogas systems	Fareed Mahameed, Center for Transboundary Water Management	Atid school, Al Furaa
11:30	Lunch at Al Furaa		
12:30	Bus to Ketura		
15:00	Arrival to Ketura - refreshments and check-in to the guest house	Michelle Shachar, Keren Kolot guest house	
15:30	Program logistics + get to know you games	Avigail Ben Yohanan, Director of Short Programs	Blue Room
16:00	Intro to the Arava Institute - who are we and what we do	David Lehrer, Director, Center for Applied Environmental Diplomacy	
16:45	Student panel - meet Israeli, Arab and International students living and studying together	David Lehrer & students: Jawdat, Talia, Shai	
17:30	MEPPA survey	Shaker Nairat, MEL associate	
18:30	Dinner in the dining hall		
Monday 27.5			
7:00	Breakfast in the multipurpose hall		Prepare packed lunches
8:00	Bus to Kibbutz Lotan		
8:30	Intro to solar energy & agrivoltaics	Tali Zohar, Director, Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation	
10:00	Tour and activity at the Center for Creative Ecology: Sustainable agriculture and composting	Mark Naveh, Center for Creative Ecology	
12:30	Picnic lunch		
13:30	Continue in Lotan: Green building workshop		
15:40	Bus back to Ketura		
	Free time		
17:30	Tour of Kibbutz Ketura	Bill Slott, Keren Kolot guest house	Meet at the lobby
18:30	Dinner in the dining hall		

Tuesday	28.5		
6:00	Optional: Hike up Electricity Mountain	Michelle Shachar	Meet at the lobby; Bring closed shoes, hat and water
7:30	Breakfast in the multipurpose hall		
8:30	Tour of the off-grid validation village	Omad Shakur & Mariam Abdelhay	
9:30	Coffee break		Blue room
10:00	Two lectures in parallel:		
	Mechanics of photovoltaics and solar heaters, including safety	William Weisinger	Arava Institute lab
	Introducing environmental initiatives in the community	Tal Holzman	Blue room
11:30	Switch groups		
	Two lectures in parallel		
13:00	Lunch in the Ketura dining hall		
14:00	Social aspects of energy	Elise Machline, Director, Center for Climate Change Policy and Research	Blue room
16:00	Environmental education and off-grid technologies	Tareq Abu Hamed, Director of the Arava Institute	,
17:30	Free time		
19:00	BBQ dinner including night swimming		Pool closed for the group
Wednesday	29.5		
7:30	Breakfast in the multipurpose hall		
8:30	Bus to the Ketura experimental orchards		
8:45	Tour of the Agri-photovoltaic experiment	Omad Shakur	
10:00	Bus to Shacharut		
10:30	Visit the workshop for traditional weaving	Yael Beit-Av, Artist, expert in traditional weaving	
12:00	Lunch in Shacharut		
14:00	Bus to Eilat		
15:00	Free time in Eilat		
18:00	Dinner all together in Eilat		Shuk Dagim fish restaurant
19:30	Bus back to Ketura		
20:30	Scorpion safari		Bring closed shoes
Thursday	30.5		
7:00	Breakfast in the multipurpose hall + check out		Leave bags in south area of the multipurpose hall
8:00	Water resources at the LJV and the Dead Sea	Jawad	Blue room
9:30	Coffee break	Keren Kolot	
10:00	Learn about Shamsuna	Amal Abo Alkom	
11:00	Summary session - including MEPPA survey	Avigail Ben Yohanan, Shaker Nairat	
12:00	Lunch in the Ketura dining hall		
13:00	Bus departs		
15:00	Overlook and explanation of the Ashalim solar field		
17:30	Departure to Be'er Sheva and East Jerusalem		
	Dinner on the way before Be'er Sheva		Amal's place