

Itinerary and timetable for the CRAES mission to Israel

Day	Time	Activities	Details	Accommodation
Day 1, Wednesday Dec 26, 2018	Ca. 08:00 11:00 – 14:00 15:00 15:30-17:30	Arrival at International airport BGU main campus Arrival at Sede Boqer Campus Visiting campus	Transportation to BGU main campus Beer-Sheva Lunch, meetings and signing of BGU-CRAES cooperation agreement Sightseeing and visiting research facilities	Beit Hamburg, Sede Boqer Campus (booked by BGU)
Day 2, Thursday Dec 27, 2018	9:00-12:30	Meetings between CRAES delegation and BIDR faculty members - Visiting research facilities	Possible topics: i) Introduction to CRAES (Zhang MH). ii) Introduction to BIDR (Noam Weisbrod) iii) Potential fields of cooperation iv) Potential modes of cooperation (e.g. mutual projects, graduate students) v) Financial aspects vi) Miscellaneous - Visiting ecology labs and research facilities	Beit Hamburg, Sede Boqer Campus (booked by BGU)
	14:00-18:00	Mini-workshop on selected topics with high potential for CRAES-BGU cooperation	15 min presentations on selected topics, e.g.- - Nature conservation and water research in China and Israel - Biodiversity at various scales - Implications of scaling up	
Day 3, Friday Dec 28, 2018		Visiting desert Nature reserves	07:00-09:30 Zin Nature Reserve (guide: Ariel Novoplansky) 09:30-10:00 Breakfast 10:00-11:30 Sede Boqer to Ein Gedi 11:30-12:00 Lunch @ Ein Gedi 12:00-15:00 Ein Gedi Nature Reserve (guide: Ron Efrat) 15:30-18:00 Ein Gedi to Tiberius	Tiberius (hotel, to be booked by CRAES)
Day 4, Saturday Dec 29, 2018		Visiting Mediterranean Nature Reserves	Golan Heights and Galilee (guide: Dr. Deedee Kaplan)	Haifa (hotel, to be booked by CRAES)
Day 5, Sunday Dec 30, 2018		Meetings at the Technion, Haifa Excursion to Nature reserve and forest at the Carmel Departure to Beijing	Exploring possibilities for CRAES-Technion cooperation Field excursion (Guides: Yochay Carmel's lab members).	
Day 6, Monday Dec 31, 2018		Arrival at Beijing		

