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Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael – Jewish National Fund
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Our actions demonstrate the enormous impact of KKL-JNF on the development of the modern State of Israel, as partners of the People of Israel and the Jewish People. KKL-JNF will continue to fulfill its mission to develop, settle, build, protect and create - as the caretaker and guardian of the Land of Israel for Jewish People everywhere. For additional information: kkl.org.il/kkl/kklmain_blue.aspx

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- To advance achievement and academic excellence in the 21st Century
- To create equal opportunities for all Israeli children
- To preserve and revitalize Jewish & Israeli intellectual and cultural treasures and to promote democratic values in the information era

CET develops state-of-the-art printed and digital curriculum based content, establishes rich websites and data banks by using top-of-the-line technologies, introduces innovative digital ICT-based environments for teaching, learning and evaluation, paves new ways in professional development for teachers and creates advanced tools for assessment and evaluation in education.

The use of innovative technology and up-to-date pedagogy, coupled with our guiding values of professionalism, innovation, social responsibility and a service oriented outlook, combine to make CET the major comprehensive resource for ICT-based educational materials and innovation in the State of Israel.

For additional information: www.cet.ac.il/english

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For additional information: www.maionline.org

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For additional information: www.ihcv.com

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The Rashi Foundation

The Rashi Foundation was established in 1984 by Mr. Gustave Leven, a French Jew who was among the pioneers of the Serge-Levin, Poju Zabludowicz, and the grandson of Narcisse Leven, one of the founders of the Alliance Israelite Universelle school network. The Foundation is based on the vision that a strong, stable society in which each member can reach his potential is the best way of ensuring Israel’s resilience. Rashi therefore works to close economic gaps by creating good quality infrastructures and opportunities for personal advancement in the periphery.

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Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., a global company headquartered in Israel, is the world’s largest generic pharmaceutical company and, among the top 15 pharmaceutical companies worldwide. Teva, with over 35,000 employees across the globe, specializes in the development, production and marketing of generic and branded medicines and active pharmaceutical ingredients (API). The company has production and research facilities, marketing offices and distribution operations across North America, Europe, Latin America, Asia and Israel.

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Raytheon
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