

Country Reports - International





Travel and Tourism - Palestinian Territory, Occupied

"It could be the lure of Bethlehem's Banksy hotel offering 'the worst view in the world' that is attracting tourists in their thousands to the West Bank, but whatever has propelled Palestine to the top of the list of 2017's fastest-growing tourist destinations is helping bring the world's attention to ...

Travel and Tourism - Bahrain

"Bahrain has a state-of-the-art international seaport, the Khalifa Bin Salman Port, which is surrounded by a diverse, dynamic manufacturing and logistics cluster. The Bahrain International Airport is just ten minutes away and offers unparalleled connectivity across the Middle East region as well as beyond."

- Dr Jarmo Kotilaine, chief ...

Travel and Tourism - Israel

"The all-time record number of tourists visiting Israel this year is no accident. It is the result of clear policy. We have implemented several significant initiatives including reaching out to new and focused markets, building sub-brands and launching new campaigns, collaborations with large online travel agents, giving financial incentives to ...

Travel and Tourism - Qatar

"Primarily known as a world-class business tourism destination, the tiny, safe, oil- and gas-rich state of Qatar is also a fast-growing cruise-tourism destination. A blockade by key Arab nations in mid-2017 has fast-tracked a diversification of tourism source markets, as it gears up to host the FIFA World Cup in ...

Travel and Tourism - Cyprus

"The country's maritime sector continues to be an important contributor to growth, as Cyprus is considered one of the most important international hubs for ship owning and management services, and Cyprus' international ship register ranks third in the EU and is the tenth largest in the world. Tourism is also ...

Travel and Tourism - Iran, Islamic Republic of

"Voted by Bloomberg as 'one of the best 20 places to visit in 2017' and by Forbes as 'one of the coolest places to go in 2017', Iran is receiving increasing international recognition for its extraordinary cultural treasures that include 21 UNESCO World Heritage sites, outstanding hospitality and friendly locals ...