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ROAD SCHOLAR LAUNCHES NEW EDUCATIONAL ADVENTURES IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA AND EASTERN EUROPE FOR THE TRULY ADVENTUROUS

BOSTON (April 28, 2015) – For 40 years, Road Scholar, the not-for-profit leader in lifelong learning, has offered adults the ability to experience remote, off-the-beaten-path destinations not normally accessible to ordinary travelers. Last year, the organization offered adventures to Iran, and for the past few years has enabled thousands of Americans opportunities to visit Cuba, a country that has been off-limits for close to 50 years.

This year, Road Scholar expanded its offerings to unique locations and launched several new educational adventures in Israel, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia, Ethiopia and Rwanda. In Israel, participants explore the best sections of the Israel National Trail, a 600-mile trail inspired by the Appalachian Trail that explores the Holy Land as well as the wilderness of Israel. In Ethiopia and Rwanda—two East African countries that many travelers find difficult to navigate on their own—participants learn more about the extraordinary human and natural history as well as visit UNESCO sites in search of wildlife. In Azerbaijan, Georgia and Armenia, participants will explore the musical history of Azerbaijan and in Armenia visit the home to what some say is a piece from Noah’s Ark.

“We provide extraordinary learning adventures – more than 5,500 in 150 countries around the world,” says James Moses, President and CEO of Road Scholar. “We offer highly academic experiences for curious people looking to learn about and deepen their understanding of the world through learning and travel.”

To enroll in one of the educational adventures featured here, please visit www.roadscholar.org or call (800) 454-5768.

Hiking the Israel Trail: Ancient History & Wild Landscapes

Participants hike along the Israel Trail and experience fascinating sites from antiquity and beyond, including the City of David in Jerusalem.

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Visit Bale Mountains National Park, home to more endemic species than any terrestrial habitat in the world.

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The Natural Jewels of Lake Victoria: Rwanda, Uganda, Kenya & Tanzania

Participants trek into Volcanoes National Park, Bigodi Swamp and the Serengeti in search of Mountain Gorillas and other exotic wildlife.

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Delve into the wildly diverse cultures and landscapes of the South Caucasus.

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About Road Scholar

Not-for-profit Road Scholar's mission is to inspire adults to learn, discover and travel. Our learning adventures engage expert instructors, provide extraordinary access, and stimulate discourse and friendship among people for whom learning is the journey of a lifetime. Since inception, more than 5 million people have enrolled in our 5,500 iconic educational adventures offered annually in 50 states and 150 countries around the world.

Road Scholar educational adventures are created by Elderhostel, the not-for-profit world leader in lifelong learning since 1975. To learn more, please visit our website at www.road scholar.org/press.

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