

Michael Cohen Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you a man who has dedicated his career to environmentalism...

He is a respected leader, who is a founding faculty member and Director of community relations at The Arava Institute for Environmental Studies, the premier environmental teaching and research program in the Middle East ...

He is an acclaimed journalist, who has written extensively on both the environment and the Middle East peace process, and whose writing has been featured in Haaretz, the Jerusalem Post, The Palestine Times, The Jordan Times, the Christian Science Monitor, and the Huffington Post. He is a recipient of the Eliav Sartawi Award for Middle East Journalism from Search for Common Ground and is the author of Einstein's Rabbi: A Tale of Science and the Soul...

And he is a passionate environmentalist, who is co-founder of the Green Zionist Alliance, the first environmental Zionist party to run in the World Zionist Congress elections, and is co-founder of the Arava Power Company, which is working to make solar power the main energy source for southern Israel.

Ladies and gentlemen please welcome Director of community relations at The Arava Institute for Environmental Studies, Rabbi Michael Cohen.