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WHAT: COME JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THIS DIVERSITY, AT EVENT SPONSORED BY THE ORGANIZATION [www. NOAHIDE.ORG](http://www.NOAHIDE.ORG).

WHERE: Feb 17, 2013 2 PM – St George Landmark Hotel 6 Amr Ibn Al Aás st. Jerusalem

SPEAKER: Rabbi Yakov Cohen of New York, Founder and Director of Noahide.org

WHY: Because Creation was an act of making borders. From unity came multiplicity. Ours is a world of divisions: body and soul, male and female; as well as the divisions of nations, families and individuals.

HOW: The 7 Laws of Noah are a means to bring peace and harmony for all people in the Divine Will in creation.

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Why did G-d create multiplicity? Doesn't that go against the oneness of G-d? No, it doesn't. Because the deepest unity is unity found within diversity. If we are all the same, then unity is no big deal. So G-d gave us all particular souls, each with its unique and diverse characteristics. When each individual as an individual, and each nation from within its own culture and perspective, recognizes the same G-d, that is real unity.

In other words, a unity that is challenged by diversity yet emerges from that very diversity is an invincible unity. That is something G-d "couldn't" have without a world like ours. To blur the boundaries between nations, genders and individuals is to avoid facing the challenge which lies at the very heart of G-d's purpose in creation – to find unity in our differences.

For the unity of humankind we need one G-d; but for G-d's unity to be complete we need human diversity.

Jews should be Jews, non-Jews should be non-Jews, men should be men and women should be women. And every individual has to be himself. Only then can we learn from each other the wisdom that we ourselves lack. The majesty of G-d is revealed when each individual and community connects with Him from his/her/their unique vantage point. There is a contribution that only you can make to G-d's master plan.

G-d created a symphony, with many different instruments contributing to the Divine harmony. We just need to find the peculiar talent and contribution of each instrument obliterating the differences defeats the point. We have to learn from differences and use them the way G-d intended them. Each of G-d's creations – with their differences – has a unique role in our march toward meaning.

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The Institute of Noahide event on Diversity is an opportunity to unite the world by re-echoing the belief of God as the creator of all human beings and the belief that we are all equal which is the true meaning of harnessing diversity amongst different cultures. This is a foundation for our organizations goal which to work alongside the United Nations (UN) and other partner organizations with hopes of promoting human rights development and protecting freedom of religion. We are also seeking to focus on the 7 universal Laws of Noah to promote ethical standards provide and the opportunity for all mankind to gain parity and value peace.

The event on Diversity takes place in Jerusalem and the host Rabbi Cohen of the Noahide Institute is experienced in developing an international presence on the issue of world peace and freedom of religion. During this event, the audience will be drawn in to learn about diversity based on a pious approach Chabad Chasidus philosophy and the key notes is based on the belief that G-d almighty has created all of mankind differently and we as believers are to unite as means to uphold diversity and peace.

The foundation for this presentation is based on giving hope to our communities and to encourage youth survival. Noahide Institute is an active organization that mobilizes youth through encouraging dialogue and the organization's mission is to educate and share values through the One people-One World subdivision and to promote the 7 Laws of Noah for the sake of world peace and diversity.