RABBI MICHAEL COHEN

An Intro to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Wednesday, November 3, 2010 | 7:00 pm | Tishman Lecture Hall

Rabbi Michael Cohen will present an overview of the history, forces, and ideologies of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and examine the conflict through the lens of the double narrative developed by Dr. Sami Adwan of Bethlehem University and Dr. Mordechai Bar-On of Ben-Gurion University.

The Environment as a Bridge to Peace in the Middle East

Wednesday, November 17, 2010 | 7:00 pm | Tishman Lecture Hall

Using the work of the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies (www.arava.org) as a case study, Rabbi Cohen will speak about developing peace in the Middle East through engagement of environmental issues.

Rabbi Michael Cohen was a founding faculty member of The Arava Institute for Environmental Studies (www.arava.org) located on Kibbutz Ketura on the Israeli-Jordanian border and currently serves as the director of development for the Friends of the Arava Institute. The Arava Institute is the premier environmental teaching and research program in the Middle East, preparing future Arab and Jewish leaders to cooperatively solve the region's environmental challenges.