

# THAT LIGHT



**The target**  
 The reason we are making this magazine translated in English and later in many languages around our region ;like Arabic ,Russians, Turkish, Albanian ,Bulgarian Romanian etc It is to try to transfer through....  
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## PHILOSOPHY... THAT UNITES



### Thales of Miletus

was born in the in 624 BC in the Miletus of Asia minor, today turkey, he was considered as one of the seven sages of Greece. Aristotle regarded him as the first philosopher in the Greek tradition.

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### All-Kindi

in Latin Alkindus was born in city of Kufa in 801 a.c in today's Iraq by a well-of family which had been immigrated by N. Yemen. There in Kufa he had done his primary studies before going to pursue further studies in Baghdad

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## THE SCIENCE... THAT UNITES

### AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL IN PLATO'S NEIGHBORHOOD, IT IS TIME TO CHANGE USE.

It is a state university, which was established while this neighborhood was a district not very far from Athens, and it was important for this school to exist here for the development of agriculture at that time. Today (nearly after 100 years) I think that, since the place appears to be more like a museum, it should be moved in a district of central Greece, where there are vast areas and experts to transfer directly the school knowledge through experiments into the productive land, as well as stu-



dents, who will try new practices and ideas supported by the farmers. So, what should we do in this holy land that will remain, that is over 100 acres as far as the Plato's parks is concerned and large amounts of land, like 120 acres of the Agricultural School on the right side of Iera Odos street, and quite as much from the other side, that is a total of 340 acres of public land.

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## UNDERSTANDING AMONG RELIGIOUS... THAT UNITES

### INTERFAITH CENTER OF NEW YORK

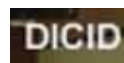
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Secular educational no profit organization under the king Abdulah



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T O G E T H E R W E C A N D O B E T T E R

## **THE TARGET**(continues from page 1)

the citizens who are living in our country, a new voice which could reach for their country through them, like a message for a future unity vision in our region.

The idea and initiative belongs to Panos Palokostas, who has done -fifteen years ago- a public confession/ proposition to the municipality of Ano Liosia and after the pressure he had as to express himself left a picture of "metaphysical" influence to his mind, as it is exactly obvious in the trade mark of this magazine. Details can be found in his book "THAT LIGHT"

A worker already from his thirteen years up to eighteen immediately after he serviced the Greek Army, became a medium class craftsman. As he has retired today, he found out that, in many countries like USA ,Doha and Canada , people more and more create centers where they try to understand various different religions. We are promoting here 3 of them, New York, Doha and Kings' of Saud Arabia, Abdulah. In the biggest -maybe- cultural city of the world, that is Athens, such a center described above could be created. A huge university area, including classical studies as well as modern economic sciences. At the same time a congress center would help in order to downgrade religious dogmatism and promote philosophy and science, which bring people together.

Thank God in our country all three branches of our monotheistic faith co-exist through official clubs, and a dialogue to this direction could start. Through this magazine we will try to promote and spread the ancient thought,

which started here, suggesting the ancient Hellenic language as the biggest carrier of civilization. Maybe a 'dead' language today, nevertheless it could stand as second official instead of English, in the wider intermediary region, which is dominated by our monotheistic faith. Thus, we have to downgrade it into a common cultural background and try to unite all the intermediary area.

If we succeed a regular circulation, we will present in every issue texts of a great Ionic philosopher of today's Turkey, as they chronologically appeared in our wider area and left behind written texts, so as to reach the Athens golden era of today's Greece, which have been created later influenced by the Ionians.

This great civilization, despised by the Christian-Byzantine domination, found affection and has been translated from great Muslim philosophers of the era 820 ac and later. We will start to promote them in parallel.. It is something important, because, except common Alexandrian era, there was a hot chain, between classic Greeks and Muslim philosophers, who transferred classic civilization in Europe, in the era of Christian darkness, through translations and their new studies. As a third target would be to suggest to the communist parties of the region to search out -through intelligentsia- a new thought, by using some positive elements of capitalism, relative to productivity, and especially to cover the big gap of normal and fast changing succession in power, in order to create a new experiment in the science of sociology, as the great Marx inaugurated .

In the framework (of this experiment) the

old religious institutions will be transformed into a collective civil instrument, and they will offer their services to the citizens, without caring about their religion, and the citizens will be concentrated in their everyday life and problems, instead of thinking of their dogmatic differences and the miracles of the saints.

Through this experiment also, the free working businessman will return the property they have done, up to the time they will retire, to the society, so to be entrusted to someone who has more abilities than their natural heir. In this transformation, the economic institutions of our planet (banks) could serve in a more modern and popular way today.



## **PHILOSOPHY... THAT UNITES**

### **Thales of Miletus**

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According to Bertrand Russell, western, philosophy begins with Thales." Thales attempted to explain natural phenomena without reference to mythology, and was tremendously influential in this respect. Almost all of the other pre-Socratic philosophers follow him in attempting to provide an explanation of ultimate substance, change, and the existence of the world—without reference to mythology. Those philosophers were also influential, and eventually Thales' rejection of mythological explanations became an essential idea for the scientific revolution. He was also the first to define general principles and set forth hypotheses, and as a result has been dubbed the "Father of Science", though it is argued that Democritus was actually more deserving of this title. In mathematics, Thales used geometry to solve problems such as calculating the height of pyramids, and the distance of ships from the shore. He is credited with the first use of deductive reasoning applied to geometry, by deriving four corollaries to Thales Theorem. As a result, he has been hailed as the first true mathematician and is the first known individual to whom a mathematical discovery

has been attributed. Also, Thales was the first person known to have studied electricity. Thales, however, aimed to explain natural phenomena via a rational explanation that referenced natural processes themselves. For example, Thales attempted to explain earthquakes by hypothesizing that the Earth floats on water, and that earthquakes occur when the Earth is rocked by waves, Heraclitus Homericus states that Thales drew his conclusion from seeing moist substance turn into air, slime and earth. It seems likely that Thales viewed the Earth as solidifying from the water on which it floated and which surrounded Ocean. According to Herodotus, Thales once predicted a solar eclipse which has been determined by modern methods to have been on May 28, 585 BC. Thales involved himself in many activities, taking the role of an innovator. Some say that he left no writings, others that he wrote "On the Solstice" and "On the Equinox". Neither has survived. About his personal life Diogenes Laertius reports two other stories, one that he married and had a son, The second is that he never married, telling his mother as a young man that it was too early to marry, and as an older man that it was too late. A much earlier source -Plutarch tells the following story: Solon when he visited Thales asked him the reason which kept him single.

Thales answered that he did not like the idea of having to worry about children. Nevertheless, several years later Thales, anxious for family, adopted his nephew The dates of Thales' life are not known exactly. Diogenes Laertius quotes that he died at 78 in the Olympiad (548–545), and Sosicrates that he was 90 at his death.

### **Ancient Militos**



## All-Kindi (continues from page 1)

In Baghdad at that time was working the house of wisdom which was inaugurated the Caliph Xaroum –al-Rasid ,and was completed by his son Al-Ma'moun who governed the Caliphate from 813 up to 833. The house of wisdom was an example of library where were translated many texts from different cultures like ,Chinese, Persian ,Indian and mostly Ancient Greeks, to the Arabic language .Also organized conference between scientists to exchange ideas ,and classify the books by scientist. From the Greek side were translated ,Pythagoras, Plato, Aristotle, Hippocrates and Euclid .The All-Kindi as a prominent personality in the house, was suggested by the Caliphs to control the translators in texts of the Greeks mostly, as well as ,Chinese Persian and Indian ones to the Arabic language . His touch with the classic thinking drove him to write hundreds of texts in his own studies, in matters as metaphysic, ethic ,logic, psychology, pharmacology,

mathematics, astronomy, astrology, meteorology, zoology, Philosophy, geometry..Also in mathematics he transfers and improved the Indian arithmetic system, that in the final form dominated the word as Arabic numeral. The Geralomo kartano an Italian thinker of renaissance, has consider him as one of the twelve bigger minds of the middle ages. He has written at least 160 books, from which 32 for Geometry, twelve for physic. A lot of his books have been lost and in the few survived, are and some translated in the Latin language by the Gerard of Cremona, and some in Arabic language. Also 24 of his lost books were founded in the middle of 12th century in a Turkish library. After the death of Caliph all-ma'moun in 833 his successor brother al-Mu'tasim improved his prestige and undertook the education of his son. Unfortunately with the successor of Al –Mu'tatasim al-Kindi's star waned. There was rivalries with new scholars, he was accused as unorthodox Muslim, his library temporally confiscated, and he was beaten

too. He died alone and forgotten in 873 in Bagdad, this gifted personality, who is considered today as the father of Muslim philosophy, the first who organized translations of the greatest Greek thinkers, and the pioneer of the greater coming Muslim philosophers ,in the coming time .More than three centuries in the cold era, of the Islamic civilization.

## THE SCIENCE ... THAT UNITES

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I think a very good idea was that of a former Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs, who suggested to complimentary build schools of democracy, for young children of the Arab world, especially those of the Arab spring, who are seeking democracy knowledge. Therefore, what would be most suitable if not the city and the specific area, where the first school and democracy on earth started? I believe that this should be done with new, modern, governing structures for the school,

which could be suggested by Greek specialists from abroad and countries where the results of success for Education and Administration sectors respectively are very high. Greek Philosophy, which started from Plato and other classics of our past, while it was persecuted by the Byzantines, found love and was also translated by the great Sunni Philosophers, and I consider that it has to be taught both in ancient Greek and Arabic. The history of Religions (should be taught) from Egypt era to Israel years, from Christianity and Islam and from the Greek Twelve Gods to Roman or any other deities. The history of Democracy could be taught as the most up to date governing system, at least so far, both in Ancient Greek and English language.

Economics should be embraced by the most practical and bright minds, thus to create a chain of technocrats, who will serve and evolve the most productive institutions, the financial ones. The Arabs and Russian billionaires should invest and create money markets in Athens, as well investors' services, with a view to develop and connect the intermediate space.

During the last years in the same place, the Greek Stock Market is already running, in favor of the wealthy Arabs (kings or not) and Russians to keep their power, making here their "wall street" of an intermediate and hopefully united place, that is a common country.





## UNDERSTANDING AMONG RELIGIOUS... THAT UNITES

### **INTERFAITH CENTER OF NEW YORK**

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Secular educational no profit organization located in Riverside Dr. Suite 540 New York, NY 10015 .

Founded by Rev James Parks Morgan , Executive Director Rev. Chloe Breyer .

They are serving in the metropolitan area of N.Y and Educational Programs and Community Activities Connecting Faith With Society The (ICNY) is founded in 1997 by the Very Reverend James Parks Morton. ICNY programs work to connect religious leaders and their communities with civil organizations and each other.

The founder was born in January 7, 1930 after his retirement from 25 years as Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. According to its Certificate of Incorporation, ICNY was organized "for the purpose of promoting interfaith dialogue and harmony among all of the world's religions and the prevention and resolution of conflicts arising there from."

The idea to found the center arose out of the increasing religious diversity Rev. Morton saw in New York City, and his desire to utilize the network of religious leaders he had cultivated during his tenure at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine.



Programs



Education Programs focus on increasing knowledge and understanding about the religious diversity present in New York. Programs include workshops, panel discussions, and forums for teachers and students in various educational settings. The National Endowment for the Humanities sponsors a summer institute for K-12 teachers called Religious Worlds of New York

Domestic Violence Training Programs work with religious leaders to educate and train them about domestic violence resources. Domestic violence programs are co-sponsored by CONNECT

### **INTERFAITH CENTER OF DOHA**

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Doha International Center for Interfaith Dialogue was established as a result of a recommendation of the Fifth Doha Interfaith Conference on May 2007 in Doha. The center was opened officially in May 2008.

The main role of the centre will primarily be to spread the culture of dialogue, the peaceful coexistence of humanity and the acceptance of others.

The chairman of the center Ibrahim Saleh K. AL-NAIMI

Dr. Al-Naimi is a Professor of Chemistry in Qatar University. His research and doctoral studies were conducted at the University of Southern California (1984) and he continues to be very active in his field. He has served as President of Qatar University (1994-1999) and as the founding President of CHN-Qatar University from (2000-2005).

#### BY THEIR DESCRIPTION

##### MISSION

We strive for constructive dialogue between followers of different faiths towards better understanding and harnessing of distinct religious principles and teachings to the benefit of all humanity, on the basis of mutual respect and acknowledgement of differences, and through cooperation with related individuals and organizations.

##### VISION

To be a leading model in achieving peaceful coexistence between followers of different faiths and an international reference for interfaith dialogue.



#### GOALS

The Doha International Center for Interfaith Dialogue aims to achieve the following:

1. Become a center for advocating peaceful tolerance and acceptance of others.
2. Activate religious values in finding solutions to problems and issues that concern humanity.
3. Broaden the scope of dialogue to include aspects of life that interact with religion.

4. Increase the network of those involved in dialogue to include researchers, academics and those who are concerned with the relationship between religious values and real life issues.
5. Become an authority that provides academic, educational and training information in the field.

## INTERFAITH CENTER OF SAUDI ARABIA

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Maybe the most valuable effort comes from this King in the picture, whose country has the holy city of Mecca, where the last prophet created the newest monotheistic religious ISLAM.

And from -His ideas- we can see a leader philosopher, and if we follow these ideas we have the opportunity to make reality the God's will <<to be all together>> .

### FIRST EFORT.

Saudi King Abdullah Commences Interfaith Dialogue Conference in Madrid, Spain

July 17, 2008

Kings Calls on Representatives of Major Faiths To Find Common Ground

[Madrid, Spain] -- Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Abdullah, along with his host King Juan Carlos of Spain, has opened the World Conference on Dialogue by calling on the true believers of the world's leading faiths to defeat extremist viewpoints, find common cause and foster a spirit of peace. King Abdullah stated that major divisions among the faiths of the world were not caused by individual beliefs in God but by deviant viewpoints and misinterpretation.

"We all believe in one God, who sent messengers for the good of humanity in this world and the hereafter," said King Abdullah. "God's will, praise be to Him, was that people should differ in their faiths. If the Almighty had so desired, all mankind would have shared the same religion. We are meeting today to affirm that the religions that God Almighty desired for the happiness of man, should be a means to ensure that happiness.

The World Conference on Dialogue, which is taking place in Madrid, Spain, brings together representatives of Islam, Judaism, Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism and Confucianism to reinforce the common values shared by their respective faiths.

This conference follows a dialogue among Islamic scholars that took place in Makkah, Saudi Arabia in June. Last year, King Abdullah met with Pope Benedict XVI, in the first meeting between a Saudi King and the leader of the Catholic Church.



Saudi Ambassador to the United States, Adel Al-Jubeir, said: "The idea stemmed from King Abdullah's view that there are universal values that are common to all faiths, and that if we focus on those universal values we will see that there is a lot more that binds us as human beings, than divides us."

The conference is focusing on four major themes:

1. The importance of dialogue in human society
2. The foundations of religious and civilizational dialogue
3. The common human aspects in dialogue
4. The evaluation and promotion of dialogue

King Abdullah concluded: "If we wish this historic meeting to succeed, we must focus on the common denominators that unite us, namely, deep faith in God, noble principles, and lofty moral values, which constitute the essence of religion."

A second Trial has been started from 13/10/20011 in Vienna







A trial of translation from Greek language  
by the writer a poem of the book  
"THAT LIGHT"

### THE FLAGS

was blowing an easy win when was heard a holly rustle  
I was in Athens monastiraki I returned immediately to see  
the rustle.

In a deep plastic pail were standing some flags  
and the little air waved them with a meaning

And as my view stayed waiting the green light  
the shiver brought me emotions, uplift, and memories  
I saw the Greek one simple, an other with a big cross  
returned to me memories of the Greek primary school and I  
shed tears.

Close to this the European one, blue with little stars  
here is my new country I thought  
That became bigger ,and the Greek flag of Italian war  
went close to Mussolini with one star near the other

I stayed here enjoying it, like a beautiful dream  
that founds a way to make to me brother an old enemy  
I liked this flag and I felt more proud and bigger  
and the emotion drove me up

Around to them the American one, red and white  
with stars in a blue glade  
This country had touched me years ago  
and brought to me emotions as well

It gave me a different affection , and I stayed there with  
respect for a while : But then I drew back the memories  
maybe they will think that I am a traitor I considered  
and the emotion became fear and secret freeze in my  
blood

Then around there I saw a yellow with the two heads eagle  
different byzantine countries  
Came to me memories with churches and oil labs  
and psalms for the support of Mary (Jesus mother)

Which is my flag I thought,  
all touch me  
and give colors and proud  
to my soul

Near to them passed a trader black young student  
stumbled there in the base of the pail and the flags lied down  
I thought to run and to hit the enemy , who threw down the  
flags  
cynically, like impoverished ,cheap ,poor prostitutes

I opened the door of my car with impetus but I saw the  
student to pick them up first , and to leave his merchandises  
for later.

And immediately I considered ;  
What emotions are bringing him the flags

Why this man to be an enemy ; why the Turk to be an enemy  
As small as is our earth why so many flags and enemies  
Why the people are so stupid !  
We need enemy, we need enemies end to work for hate and  
weapons

Where is Jesus who don't like seeing us living with enemies  
He wants the little stars of planed embracing each other  
like the Italian now close to the Greek  
and the African and the Turk and Englishman

He wants one language and compassion for the poor and  
suffering African  
He wants to leave the weapons and with one flag to look at  
the sky  
and to search for the tree of universe  
from which a little root as a bristle stayed up here

And is waiting with affection the little ants ,  
to be logical and to embrace each other  
in order to be able to go higher from the fire of hate and fear  
a little bit higher ,up to the tree of God

Somebody pressed the horn of his car and started sounding  
Wake up jerk, what happens to you mad man  
where are you living in your one word  
what are you crying about?.. Crazy man!

And I got together there in Athinas street  
and I felt inside a pain  
up to the time I arrived in the corner store with the stairs.  
Where I was selling my poor products



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