Conference

Latvian Values and Islamic Values

I am very pleased wholeheartedly, to send my best greetings to your conference. I represent one of the now small, old-Baltic-Aryan-Tocharian nations – Latvians. 800 years of Judeo-Christianity has tried to destroy us, but we are still alive, although our immediate visible history extends more than 20, 000 years ago, when we Balts, Iranians, Aryans, and Tocharians were still a friendly family of nations and inhabited a wide range of land. It doesn’t matter that we may look different, but *our hearts beat as one rhythm* and I am pleased to have this opportunity to express a few thoughts.

We Latvians, in general, do not have true priest institutions – so I cannot call myself a priest, but consider myself a man who tries to bring Light and be a Spiritual Guide and like Roadmap, who tries to lead the people away from neoliberalism, morass of greed and strange values matrix. I agree with Taoists that the natural Path is important, but I’m trying to find God’s natural prescribed way and to push my people toward this Goal, which should be – **to live as per God's advice.**

We all know that Muslims have 10 Commandments to be followed in life, be we, as a civilization of Baltic-Aryans, have emerged from thousands of years of values, which I have tried to combine in to the Latvian Code of Virtue, which also mirrors all values of Baltic-Aryans. It is comprised of 19 virtues. Given virtues are not seen as kaleidoscopic, but as a mosaic or a single system. As the first and main virtue, is **HONOUR GOD.** That means **–** to live by God’s advice, try to learn about God's wisdom, to develop their God-given talent, to observe the God-given calendar rites and sacred days. **To honour of God, of course, goes hand in hand with reverence and respect for our Creator.** I don’t want to come with my songbook to another Temple, but I’ll just mention the other 18 virtues of the Baltic civilization: first, 9 self-virtues **–**  **WISDOM and INGENUITY, which is** wisdom, not slyness, but cleverness, **WORK virtue – love of work (free labour, not slave labour), BEAUTY, MIRTH (only not to be confused with hedonism), GOODNESS, MERCY with CHARITY, SYMPATHY and COMPASSION, HONOUR and SELF-ESTEEM, COURAGE and FEARLESSNESS.** The next nine are personal virtues **– LOVE, COMPATIBILITY** or, in more recent times, called **FRIENDSHIP, HONESTY and KEEPING ONES WORD, mutual RESPECT, REVERENCE, HOSPITALITY, GENEROSITY and mutual ASSISTANCE, FAIRNESS or SIMILAR LIKENESS, SOUNDNESS** or **REPUTATION.** This is our thousand-year-old system of values. As a Baltic civilisation and as Latvians we do not have our own religion, but rather what we call our own Latvian lifestyle, which we call – Latvianism. Muslims have their own system of values, which are included in their holy book, the Koran. I would like to emphasise – for Islam’s Muslims, just like Latvianism, is not just a religion, but also a lifestyle. And that perhaps is the main thing that unites us. Maybe I am mistaken here and there, but almost all of my listed values I also find in the Islamic value system. I have not tried to find that which divides us, that which varies within us, but, on the contrary, I tried to find common areas where our beliefs are common, finding directions in which we can work together and jointly strive to put God's world in order, as God has determined, to try to understand his wisdom and organise life on our planet according to it.

The more I delve into the work of more Muslim philosophers and theologians, the more I see opportunities for working together. I discovered that sort of joint work list, which we can address together, making this world brighter: to make this world a better place and people happier.

* **About war and peace. Friendship between nations.** We are for the criminalisation of war, if you only you are on the defence, then you must fight. We, in our own land, and in all of Central Europe, feel that what is happening is a real discrediting and defamation of Islam.Many, I would call them pseudo-scientists, proclaim the almost clash of civilisations. I want to say – Do not deceive the World; the efforts of several Predictors to lord over the World are taking place, which are only for various civilisations and their own selfish interest-led inciting of various clashes, provocations, terrorism and defamation campaigns. People as folk against other folk never fought in history: the Koran states – “Oh, people! We created you as nations and tribes, so that you would learn about each other...” Are those not Golden words! This is stated also in our virtues of the people – nations with nations must live like **Similar Likeness and with Friendship between Nations.**
* **Man and Woman.** The Koran states: “We have created you as male and female...” I hope that Islamic philosophers will agree with me, that that means that there cannot be competition between men and women, but only cooperation, because God has given each a task in life. In Baltic civilisation, there was never a legal difference between men and women; female discrimination was brought by the conquerors. But in the Near and Middle East, with the emergence of Islam, freedom was brought to women, whose position had been that of less than a slave.
* **Violent Religions**. Latvianism must be instilled, as Latvians say; with force, one does not become loved – same in Islam, those against Christianity did not turn to **violence** in their faith. The Northern Crusades were waged against the Latvians, to Christianise the Baltic people; it was a bloody Christianisation, in which 1:5 Baltic nations were destroyed, leaving every fifth one alive.
* **JUSTICE.** Islam, similar to Latvianism, aims to create a just society, whose supervisor is God, we are against pauperisation of people, a special impoverishment.
* **Science.** For me, as a scientist, attention must be focused on Science – **in Islam, it is valued. In Latvia**,this is currently a catastrophic situation; it is getting destroyed, as a result of a few state oligopolies, only those inventions are promoted which bring in wealth and not better the welfare of the people. Academic knowledge to them is not even needed. Enlightenment was intercepted by illuminati and they carried out a revolution, that is, the stopped the development and channelled it another way, creating a New World Order structure, a wave of pauperising and urbanisation and massive modern slavery with robot people at a conveyor belt.
* **About Human Slavery**. In the Arab world, along with the coming of Islam, slavery was outlawed; with us, it was the opposite. For thousands of years, we did not know what slavery was, but with the coming of the crusaders who brought Judeo-Christianity, it appeared; similarly with the communist occupation, in 1940, when we became communist slaves, but from 1990, along with the overlapping veil of neoliberalism, “modern slavery” appeared. But, along with the specially created economic crisis in the world and in Latvia, in 2008, we additionally became financial slaves of foreign banks.

Latvian debt bondage was specially created, similarly, in Latvia, conditions have been created specially to drive people to seek employment in other countries. It is a targeted and specially created situation and politics!

* **About bank interest percentages and usury**. We, just like Islam, are against this satanic invention, to become rich at another’s expense without work. Exactly the loan interests are those which destroy the balanced national economy, any national economy, any natural market is turned into an oligopoly, not to mention inflation and unemployment. It is a specially artificial situation created in order to manage parts of the world.
* **About state slavery.** I am among those who created and headed the Latvian Popular Front, so that we could get rid of the Soviet Union to regain independence. We won, we became free, and we had a country without debt, only occupying powers owed and still owe us for the damage during the occupation. I can assure you of that, as I myself was a member of the parliamentary Budget Committee. At present, our country, under the auspices of the Brussels administration, has already become a financial hostage in the amount of billions. We are hostage to global syndicate of financiers.
* **These were just some of my proposals for cooperation in the field, this spectrum has already been made much wider. I hope that we will find like-minded persons and jointly build a brighter world for all of us.**

**May God be with us! Let it be!**

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