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Europe's top rabbis have congratulated Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu for receiving one of Germany's highest honours.

Ehrentreu, the head of the European Beth Din, was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany in recognition of his contribution to the German Jewish community, which has flourished in recent years.

Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sigmar Gabriel, will award Ehrentreu in a formal ceremony in March at the Foreign Office in Berlin, acknowledging the "crucial" role he has played in rebuilding traditional Jewish life in the country.

"I want to extend my congratulations to Dayan Ehrentreu for this tremendous award," said Chief Rabbi Pinchas Goldschmidt of the Conference of European Rabbis.

"His contribution to the Germany Jewish community, and indeed European Jewry in general, is outstanding and I wish him well for his continued service."





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German award for Dayan Ehrentreu

Chief Rabbi Pinchas Goldschmidt has congratulated Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu, Head of the European Beth Din, upon being awarded Germany's only federal decoration, the Federal Cross of Merit. The award recognises the crucial role that Dayan Ehrentreu has played in rebuilding traditional Jewish life in Germany in his role as Director of the Berlin Rabbinical Seminary.

The President of the Conference of European Rabbis, said: "I want to extend my congratulations to Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu for this tremendous award. His contribution to the Germany Jewish community, and indeed European Jewry in general, is outstanding and I wish him well for his continued service."

Germany's Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sigmar Gabriel, will award Dayan Ehrentreu the Federal Cross of Merit in a formal ceremony next month at the Foreign Office in Berlin.

The Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, created by the first President of the Federal Republic of Germany, Theodor Huss, in September 1951, is the only federal decoration of Germany. It has



been awarded to over 200,000 individuals, including both German citizens and internationals.

