

# *Conservationist Says Migratory Species Teach Us that the World is One*

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Quito, November 6 (RHC-PL) -- The migratory species whose lives revolve around crossing borders, teach us that beyond territorial limits the world is one and we must be united, said environmentalist Philippe Cousteau in Quito Wednesday.

The son of Philippe Cousteau and grandson of Jacques Yves Cousteau is a participant in the Eleventh United Nations Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS), which takes place this week in Quito attended by representatives of 120 countries.

"In order to protect the migratory species, states should work, for example, to keep the water clean and the air pure, and both water and air cross borders," he said.

The co-founder of the International Earth Echo organization added that such actions not only care for the animals, but with better water and better air "we are protecting ourselves."

At a time when the environment is seriously threatened, and with it the human race, people have a responsibility to demand that politicians invest in protecting nature, emphasized Cousteau.

But most important is not the words on paper, he said, but what is done with that and how to make it part of life and daily effort. Praising the example of Ecuador in this regard, he highlighted: "the Quito government recognizes that the only way to develop a country is to do so in harmony with nature." For Cousteau "to destroy the environment to build economy is a false promise that will only affect nature and the future of the human species."

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