

Bolivia to Hold Conference in June on "Universal Citizenship"



La Paz, March 10 (RHC-Xinhua) -- Bolivia will host a World Peoples' Conference in June to discuss "the construction of a universal citizenship with an eye towards a world without walls," the state Bolivian News Agency (ABI) said on Thursday.

At a press conference, Bolivian President Evo Morales announced that the event would be held from June 20 to 21 in Tiquipaya, in the central department of Cochabamba. The conference aims to counter "the problem" of rising hostility against migrants, ABI report said.

Since U.S. President Donald Trump came to power in January, Washington has campaigned to limit the arrival of migrants from Latin American countries as well as refugees and travelers from majority-Muslim countries.

Morales said he floated the idea of the conference at a recent gathering of member nations of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA) and it was "well received."

The conference hopes to draw some 1,300 delegates from around the world, mainly from organizations in defense of migrants, the Bolivian news agency reported.

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