

# José Sarukhán is selected to receive the Tyler Prize, the highest environmental award in the US

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*The Tyler Prize is awarded to Dr. José Sarukhán for his scientific contributions to the fields of [#Biodiversity](#) <https://t.co/aMHRahlSo> [pic.twitter.com/Fs5iSF59Dg](https://pic.twitter.com/Fs5iSF59Dg)*

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Mexico City, February 21 (SinEmbargo) .- Mexican biologist and ecologist José Sarukhán was selected to receive the Tyler Environmental Achievement Award in 2017.

This award is given by the Tyler Foundation in conjunction with the University of Southern California (USC) and is the maximum distinction that can receive a scientist of the biology of the planet in the United States.

This February 21st. The committee shall make the election of the Mexican doctor official; Consider that among the most important things that Sarukhán has done was the creation of the National Commission for Knowledge and Use for Biodiversity (Conabio), which currently serves as its national coordinator.

The former President of the United States, Barack Obama, recalled in his opinion the judges of the prize, said that Conabio de México is an example for the United States.

*"At one point when the rainforests were in critical danger due to extensive deforestation, then Mexican President Carlos Salinas turned to Sarukhán for advice on how to show the global community that the country valued its natural resources. In response, Sarukhán devised a federal government institution focused exclusively on biodiversity. It was known as the Conabio and was one of the first of its kind in the world, "details the argumentation of award assignment.*

The Tyler Prize was created in 1973; The past editions were won by Jane Goodal and Edward Osborne Wilson, a

primate expert and the biologist expert in the communication of ants through pheromones.

On May 4, in Washington, the distinction will be given to the Mexican.

## **PEÑA HAPPENS TO SARUKHÁN**

The President of Mexico, Enrique Peña Nieto, today congratulated Dr. José Sarukhán for receiving the Tyler Prize.

Peña Nieto said through his Twitter account that recognition of the doctor "is a well-deserved recognition of his tireless work in favor of biodiversity and his commitment to institutional strengthening."

*I congratulate Dr. José Sarukhán, founder and current National Coordinator of [@Conabio](#), for receiving the Tyler Award for Environmental Achievement 2017.*

*- Enrique Peña Nieto (@EPN) [February 21, 2017](#)*

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