

## **World Migratory Bird Day 2013 – “Networking for migratory birds”**

### **Statement from Kuki Gallmann Ambassador to the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS)**



*Time- like birds- has flown.*

*It is already seven years ago, when we stood, one dry April morning, on the edge of the Great Rift Valley of Kenya, in Ol ari Nyiro- on the Flyways, to celebrate the first World Migratory Bird Day.*

*It was a time where migratory birds were unjustly accused of spreading the avian flu, and it was poignant and significant to bring attention instead to their beauty, freedom and mystery.*

*I am proud to be part of the history of this meaningful event, once again in 2013 celebrated in the Great Rift Valley of Kenya."*

**Kuki Gallmann  
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