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**Understanding the adversarial ways of protection
for culture and nature globally**

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Abstract

This explores the resolution of the adversarial ways of protection for culture and nature from the international perspectives. It highlights the Australian environmentalists' critical view of dolphin hunting and the Japanese traditional view of dolphin drive hunt as part of fishing techniques. There is a wide gap between their justices. The dolphin hunts in Japan have been criticized by Australian environmentalist as dolphins are separated from their family to be slaughtered or sent to a dolphin entertainment venue. The use of dolphins in tourist entertainment causes them harm. On the other hands, dolphin fishery in Taiji of Wakayama Prefecture has been fishermen's way of making a living. It has been part of culture of the region. People in Taiji have the custom of regularly holding a memorial service for dolphins with gratitude. Wakayama Prefecture claimed that criticizing activities of Taiji people is just imposing one-sided values on others. The discussion of this keynote speech includes contrasting professional activities to work at the sacrifices of dolphin, balancing concerns about the protection for animal's lives, and examining the different justices that both sides are seeking respectively. The last part addresses the mapping of all stakeholders of ongoing activities for dolphins including the national legislation and international judgement on whaling. The keynote speech concludes by emphasizing the need for new wisdom to mediate different justices for culture and nature.