

A PHOTO, A FACT, AN EMOTION



"Cows and rivers are sacred in Hindu culture. Here in a river in Kathmandu, Nepal, a cow is washed in a holy river that runs north towards the mountains where the gods live. Traditionally, left over food was thrown in the river as a tribute to the gods but with the rise of plastic, a ritual that was once beneficial for nature is now suffocating the very places that Nepali people hold sacred."

"SACRED WASTE"

Kathmandu, Nepal

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This photo had been selected to participate in the first edition of Waste to Photo in 2015, the photo contest connected to the Sardinia Symposium, International Waste Management and Landfill Symposium organised by IWWG.

The most significant shots were used to set up a photographic exhibition to illustrate the differences, the contradictions, the difficulties and progresses encountered by this complicated issue in a series of contexts throughout the world, ranging from the developing countries to the more industrialized nations.

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