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CHASING THE DRAGON

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“Devoid of moralism but with an enormous will to document, with words and photographs, the many faces of the relationship between humanity and drugs” (XL La Repubblica)

“A work of extraordinary value, which gathers together the stories and images of the many men and women that in different ways and for different reasons are a link in the chain that binds the planet, that is narcotraffic” (il manifesto)

An open journey built thorough image sequences that – as in a film that can be reassembled by the reader – takes us to the four corners of the planet on the trails of illicit drugs. A series of face to face encounters with farmers, policemen, traffickers, scientists, mercenaries, corpses, doctors and addicts blended to create a visual atlas of drug trafficking. A portrait of 10 years of missions and encounters chasing the dragon.

Alessandro Scotti, journalist and photographer. He has worked from more than 30 different countries of the world for major magazines and newspapers. In recognition of his research on narcotraffic he was appointed Goodwill Ambassador of the United Nations. He won “Premio Amilcare Ponchielli” award for the best Italian photojournalistic project, the prestigious “Henri Nannen Prize” in Germany and the “3PPP” award in France.