



DOCUMENTARY

IVORY – A CRIME STORY

The film, shot in 30 countries in a 3-year-production, is a journey seeking the causes and consequences of the unprecedented extermination of African elephants. Every 15 minutes one elephant is killed by a poacher in Africa; within 10 years, elephants could be completely wiped out from the wild. Where does the source of the “genocide” lay?

Sergey Yastrzhembskiy, a former Russian politician, press secretary to Boris Yeltsin and aide to Vladimir Putin, gives a frank answer to that question in his new devastating documentary investigation. The film received somewhat controversial reviews at international festivals, primarily due to its rawness and shocking revelations. The filmmaker does not comply with any principles of political correctness, exposing some shocking real images of the killing of elephants, while on the other hand showing those luxury shops, which sell ivory to willing customers. All of that is shown within a set of interviews with passionate elephant advocates, fighting a war to save the elephants.

Festivals

Golden Eagle Award for Best Documentary by National Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences of Russia

New York City International Film Festival 2016 – Best Documentary

Vues du Monde Festival de Montreal 2016 – Best Director, Jury Special Award?

COUNTRY	France, Kenya, Russia
PRODUCTION YEAR	2016
RUNNING TIME	87' min.
AVAILABLE IN	Full HD
LANGUAGE	English
DIRECTED BY	Sergey Yastrzhembskiy
PRODUCED BY	Yastreb Film