

## INTERNATIONAL PHOTO COMPETITION 2025 CELEBRATED BY THE BAMBOO AND RATTAN ORGANIZATION

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[The International Bamboo and Rattan Organization INBAR opens the submissions for the 2025 International Photo Competition.](#)

The edition 2025 focuses on the theme *Celebrating the Global Presence of Bamboo and Rattan*. This year INBAR is inviting participants from around the world to showcase how bamboo and rattan contribute to sustainable development and provide green alternatives to plastics.

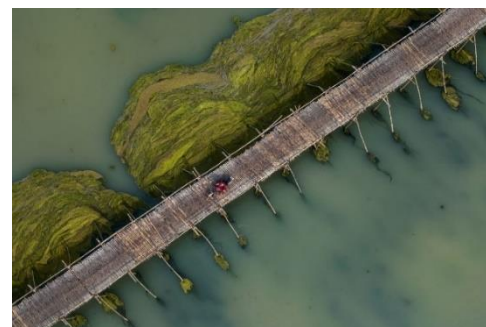
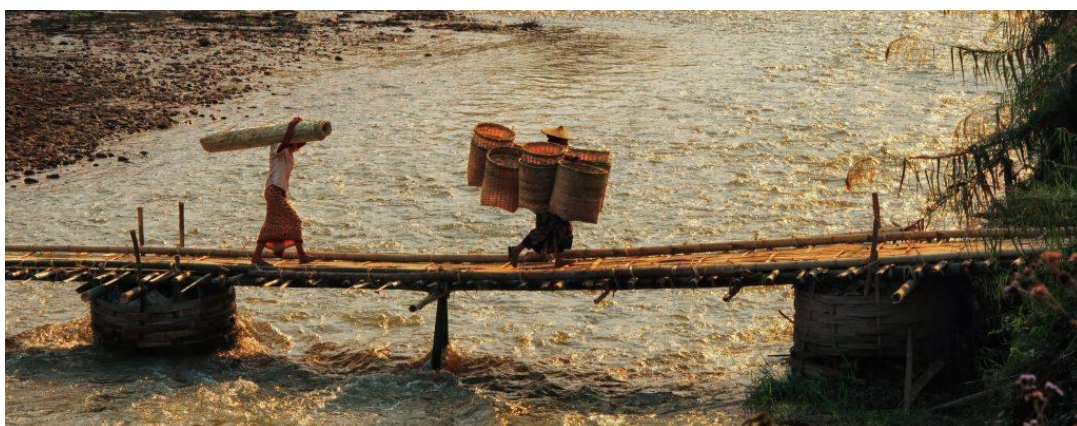
This year's edition introduces a *People's Choice* award alongside the *Best Photo* prize. The *Best Photo* will be selected by expert photographers, while the *People's Choice* will be voted on by the public through social media.

The Photo Competition 2025 is looking for diverse perspectives that highlight the [environmental, social and economic benefits](#) of bamboo and rattan across different regions. Examples include their use in eco-friendly construction, furniture and crafts, as well as their cultural and traditional significance. The competition is also interested in innovative applications in design, architecture and industries working to reduce plastic use. Additionally, participants can showcase how bamboo and rattan support conservation efforts, local economies and sustainable practices in agriculture and community development. These examples are just a starting point. They ultimately encourage all creative submissions that demonstrate the role of bamboo and rattan in creating a greener, more sustainable future.

Photographs highlighting the use of bamboo and rattan in sustainable development and/or offering alternatives to plastics, along with overall composition and quality, will be considered during the judging process. A panel of professional photographers and INBAR's team will select the Best Photo winners. The People's Choice winners will be determined through public voting on INBAR's social media channels, with more instructions provided closer to the submission date.

This competition is open to everyone, regardless of nationality, and you do not need to be from the same country where the photo was taken. Participants must be 18 years or older. Each participant can submit up to 3 photos, but only one application is allowed.

Submissions must be received by 15 September 2025, 23:59 GMT+8. To participate, submit your photograph along with a description through the online form by the deadline. Each photograph should be submitted with the photographer's name and the title of the photo (e.g., Name Title of the Photo). Participation is free of charge.



With this new edition of the Photo Competition INBAR is calling all bamboo and rattan enthusiasts, architects, artisans, photographers, and others to showcase these natural wonders. Bamboo, the fast-growing grass plant, and rattan, the spiky climbing palm, can be important nature-based solutions to a number of pressing global challenges, for poverty alleviation, green trade, climate change mitigation and adaptation, resilient construction and environmental protection.

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