

LIFE NATURE GUARDIANS

Against ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

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LIFE EUROKITE

Workshop “Overview of wildlife poisoning in whole Europe”

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**Nature
GUARDIANS**
against environmental crime





Aim of the Project

To improve the effectiveness and efficiency of actions to combat environmental crime in Spain and Portugal. Especially those committed against wildlife.

Who we are?

Project coordinated by:



Beneficiary partners:



Funding by:



Arson fires



Illegal waste management



Nest destruction



Illegal killing



Illegal species trafficking



Poisoning

Why are we implementing this Project?

To preserve Nature

Duration

July 2018

July 2022

What are we doing and how?

Act - Denounce - Preserve



To whom are we addressing?

Citizens	Judges
Police	Hunters
Farmers	Fishermen
Entrepreneurs	Educators
Students	Prosecutors
Educators	Scientists
Journalists	Hikers
NGOS	Activists
Volunteers	Lawyers
Naturalists	

Objetives

Increase the exchange of experiences and best practices.

Ensure and strengthen the proper enforcement and implementation of environmental and criminal law.

Prevent environmental crime, raise public awareness and promote socio-cultural change.

Improving the conservation status of species and habitats.

Reduce impunity and increase the determination of criminal responsibility.

To increase knowledge on the dimension of environmental crime and criminal motivation.

Achivement

Study on the dissuasiveness, effectiveness and proportionality of criminal sanctions imposed in Spain and Portugal for environmental crime and their compliance with **Directive 2008/99/EC**.

European workshop on police investigation of crimes against priority bird species and habitat destruction.

Report on valuation of wildlife species and national and EU regulatory proposal.

Study on the origin and motivations of environmental criminality.



Achivement

Legal actions for a better enforcement of environmental law: **11 criminal and 6 administrative proceedings**

Creation of a **national database methodology** on unnatural wildlife mortality.

Training and awareness-raising for environmental and wildlife enforcement officers and EU police officers in environmental crime investigation. More than **1000 agents trained**

Analysis and implementation of **new techniques, technologies and practices** in law enforcement operations against environmental crime in the EU.

Specific operations under the project for wildlife crimes such as illegal trafficking (Operations FAME, FENNEC, SUZAKU and ORATRIX), illegal use of poison (Operation ANTITOX), electrocution of birdlife (Operation FULGOR), illegal water abstraction (Operation Zacallón and MIZU) or forest fires.

Creation of an Environmental Intelligence Analysis Unit in SEPRONA: **Oficina Central Nacional**

Campaign "Article 45 of the Spanish Constitution". with presence at the National Museum of Natural Sciences.



Netx steps

Manual on police investigation of wildlife crime and protocols for EU law enforcement officers.

Sentencing guidance on wildlife crime

International training of LEA



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