



How the EU fights environmental crime



Seizures in 2022:

€15 million

seized in police operations

401

people arrested



Top 4 categories seized in 2022:



334 620 tonnes of waste



639 980 kg of fluorinated gases



1 255 kg of glass eels



**1 023 endangered species of wild
fauna and flora**

New EU rules would bring:

New types of offences:

- by doubling the types of conduct, including **timber trafficking** that will be prohibited under criminal law



Tougher penalties:

- individuals could face prison terms ranging from **3-5 years**, or **10 years** for serious offences
- legal persons or entities could face fines from **€24 million** & up to **€40 million** depending on the gravity of the offence

