

Objective

Wildlife trafficking and illegal logging are faced as a global problem with significant negative economic, environmental and social impact. By addressing the issues that may be relevant for administrative or criminal judges as well as prosecutors, this two-and-a-half day workshop will provide the participants with an overview of EU legislation on illegal timber trade and wildlife trafficking affecting biodiversity with the aim of facilitating the handling of future national court procedures in this field.

Key elements of the workshop

- Introduction to economic, environmental and social impact of illegal wildlife trafficking
- Aims and features of EU legislation (CITES, FLEGT Regulation and Timber Regulation)
- Various case studies on the role of the judge and prosecutor in this matter
- Role of international organizations in tackling wildlife trafficking

Who should attend?

Administrative and criminal law judges and prosecutors from all EU Member States who are interested in environmental law.

Speakers & training managers

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HOW TO ENFORCE EU LEGISLATION ON BIODIVERSITY AND WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING

WORKSHOP FOR NATIONAL JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS

Trier, 24-26 February 2016

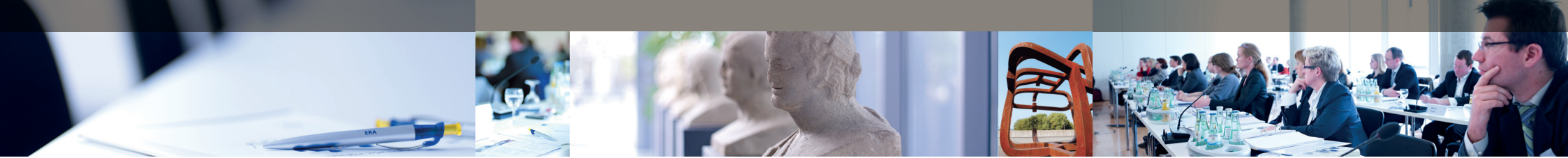
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First Day, 24 February 2016

I. INTRODUCTION

- 09:30 Arrival and registration of participants
- 10:00 **Welcome and introduction**
Jean-Philippe Rageade, ERA Deputy Director
- 10:30 **Scene setting: what are the environmental, economic, social, and criminal impacts of wildlife trafficking and illegal logging?**
European Commission
- 11:30 Coffee break
- 12:00 **How does the EU counter wildlife trafficking, illegal logging and trade in timber? A general introduction**
European Commission
- 13:00 Lunch break
- ### II. WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING
- 14:00 **EU legal framework on wildlife trafficking**
TBC (Traffic.org)
- 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:30 **Case study on wildlife trafficking:**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Working groups
 - Plenary discussion of the results
TBC (Traffic.org)
- 17:00 End of the first workshop day

Second Day, 25 February 2016

III. ILLEGAL LOGGING AND TIMBER TRADE

- 09:00 **EU Legal Framework on logging and trade in timber: the FLEGT and timber trade Regulations**
TBC (European Forest Institute)
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 **Case study on FLEGT and Timber Trade Regulations**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Working groups
 - Plenary discussion of the results
TBC (European Forest Institute)
- 12:30 Lunch break
- 13:30 **Role of a judge / prosecutor when enforcing EU instruments on wildlife trafficking and illegal logging and trade of timber – administrative v. criminal procedures**
Matthias Keller and Matthias Quarch
- 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:30 **Case study: the role of a judge/prosecutor when dealing with files on wildlife trafficking and illegal logging and trade of timber:**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Working groups
 - Plenary discussion of the results
Matthias Keller and Matthias Quarch
- 17:00 End of the second workshop day

Third Day, 26 February 2016

IV. PRACTICALITIES OF ENFORCEMENT: ACTORS AND INSTRUMENTS

- 09:00 **Mapping of actors and instruments for cooperation in enforcing wildlife trafficking**
TBC
- 10:00 **Investigation and prosecution of wildlife crime**
John M. Sellar
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 **Case study on evidence gathering and sanctions on environmental crime in wildlife trafficking and illegal logging and trade in timber:**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Working groups
 - Plenary discussion of the results
John M. Sellar
- 13:00 **Evaluation of the workshop**
- 13:30 End of the workshop