European Network of Prosecutors for the Environment

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Introduction to ENPE

- Numerous calls for a network for environmental prosecutors
- Founded in September 2012
- Membership of environmental prosecutors from across Europe (EU28 and beyond)
- Board of 5, representing: Belgium, France, Ireland, Sweden and England.





Our Mission

- Promote the prosecution of environmental crime by supporting the operative work of environmental prosecutors
 - Strengthening trans-national ties
 - Exchanging information and experience
 - Delivering training
 - Providing guidance on best practice
 - Data collection and analysis concerning environmental law and its criminal enforcement
 - → 'Completing the chain': IMPEL, Eurojust and EUFJE



5 Year Workplan

- Ambitious programme of work for 2015-2020
- Funded through the European Union LIFE programme
- Partnership between the Environment Agency (England), Environmental Protection Agency (Ireland), Aklagarmyndigheten (Sweden), Openbaar Ministerie (Netherlands) and the European Union Forum of Judges for the Environment (EUFJE)











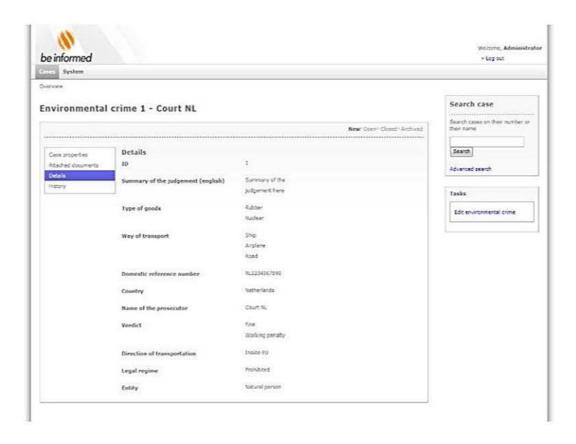


5 Year Workplan cont.

- A strengthened secretariat for ENPE and EUFJE
- Study into non-compliance with environmental law, barriers to prosecution and measures to address these
- Annual programmes of events, conferences and seminars
- Training packages
- Best practice guides
- Website and newsletters
- Database of national judgments

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5 Year Workplan cont.

Working groups on 4 areas of trans-national environmental crime:



Waste crime



Wildlife crime



Chemical pollution



Prosecution and sanctioning practice



Getting involved

- ENPE Membership
- Visit our website www.environmentalprosecutors.eu/
- ♦ Conference May 2016
- Subscribe to our newsletter
- Working Groups from Autumn 2016
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