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AMBITUS is a European project bringing together 15 countries and international agencies that aims to fight environmental crime and targets in particular trafficking in waste, protected species and illegal logging and forest fires.

Amongst other objectives, the project aims to deepen the analysis of the EnviCrime phenomenon, thanks to an increased and accurate knowledge of threats and trends, areas and flows, links and criminal networks.

It is in this spirit that we are pleased to share the first newsletter of the project, resulting from the strategic intelligence on environmental crime.

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WASTE TRAFFICKING



The EU lacks capacity to recycle plastic packaging and is unlikely to meet its targets.

On *Actu environnement* on Oct 9, 2020

The EU lacks capacity to recycle plastic packaging and is unlikely to meet its targets. At the same time, the Basel Convention restricts the export of this waste. So many factors that could lay the groundwork for crime.

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European Court of Auditors warns of likely failure of EU plastic targets

On *Association Occitanie Europe* on Oct 12, 2020

To combat the waste problem, the EU established a plastics strategy in 2018, aiming to recycle 50% of plastic waste by 2025 and 55% by 2030. In addition, the EU has the highest overall plastic recycling rate compared to other advanced economies. However, about a third of that rate ...

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WILDLIFE CRIMES



Sea turtles: geolocated fake eggs to stop illegal trafficking

On *GEO* on Oct 6, 2020

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OPERATIONAL ACTIONS



The merciless fight of the gendarmerie against illegal waste management

On *Gendinfo.fr* on Oct 5, 2020

To apprehend the criminal networks involved in national and international trafficking of waste, to fight against illegal dumping and the abandonment of wrecks and to detect and then sanction companies and individuals who do not respect the articles of the "Territoires Propres", a large-scale operation led by the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes gendarmerie... [Read more](#)

France, illegal dumping : experts mobilized to analyze the land

On *Républicain Lorrain* on Sep 29, 2020

JUDICIAL NEWS



EU's new drinking water law is in line with latest science, health expert says

On *EurActiv.com* on Oct 14, 2020

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KEY DATES



@EU_ENV : Our forests need us, a global cooperation platform to fight deforestation

By *Eu_env* on *Twitter* on Oct 5, 2020

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