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IMPEL work on environmental/waste crime

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• WasteForce Project

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• SPIDERWEB Project

Co-funded by the European Union

European Union Network for the Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law
LIFE SWEAP Project
Shipments of Waste Enforcement Actions Project

- Five year EU funded project July 2018 to June 2023
- LIFE funding
- IMPEL is the co-ordinating beneficiary
- Associated Beneficiaries:
  - Scotland (SEPA) – Katie Olley Project Leader
  - England (EA)
  - Ireland (NTFSO)
  - Northern Ireland (NIEA)
  - Slovenia (IRSOP)
  - Malta (ERA)
- 34 participating countries
To support the circular economy by disrupting the illegal waste trade by:

**LIFE SWEAP Project - Aims**

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- Increased skill set amongst inspectors and law enforcement agencies
- Intensified collaboration nationally and internationally
- New innovative tools and techniques
- EU-wide inspection data set
- Intelligence reports
Regional Customs trainings held (Estonia and Cyprus)

4 Inspector Exchanges so far in Northern-Ireland, Scotland and the Netherlands (incl. focus of ship waste, RDF and port inspections)

6 exchanges being prepared in Scotland, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and Belgium

1 Best Practice meeting held

Two recorded webinars available: on Chinese import ban and on use of GPS trackers. Third webinar scheduled on waste mixtures and contamination levels
LIFE SWEAP Project – Interim results

- Inspection Data Reporting App: test version ready in October (tested at TFS Conference)
- Online capacity building platform (launch Oct)
- Online visualisation tool Spotfire used to analyse and visualise inspection data
- Industry survey (102 responses) - Industry information package being prepared
- Joint operations with the WCO
- GPS trackers purchased
Inspections June 2018 – June 2019

• Admin inspections 2776
• Physical inspections 9658
• Waste 5412
• Admin violations 165 (6% hit rate)
• Physical violations 2248 (41.5%)
LIFE SWEAP Project – Illegal shipments to China

Count of Type of Inspection

Year | Country of Destination
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CN 2015 | CN 2016 | CN 2017 | CN 2018 | CN 2019

Waste Description
- Metal - Not Specified
- Catalysts
- Not Specified
- Green List
- Mixed
- Metal - Non Ferrous
- Batteries, ELVs & Car Parts
- Plastic
- Paper
- Industrial
- Household
- (blank)
- WEEE
Thank you!

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