



OVERVIEW OF 2017 EUTR AND FLEGT ANALYSES

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Competent Authorities

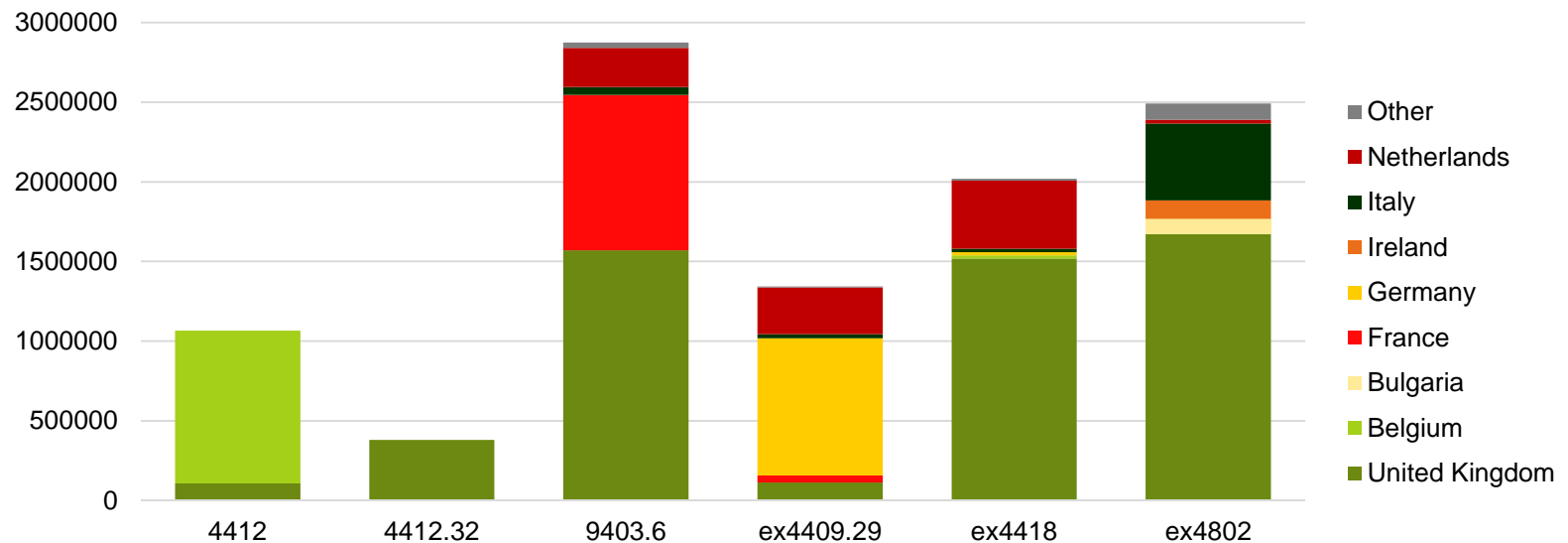
- National FLEGT CA designated in all MS
- FLEGT Competent Authorities = Customs: 7 MS
- National FLEGT or Customs legislation defines role of customs for FLEGT shipments: 25 MS
- Direct feedback from customs back to CA: 13 MS



FLEGT analysis

FLEGT licences received in 2016 – reporting period of 1.5 months

- 608 FLEGT licences received, by 16 MS
- UK, Netherlands, Germany, France and Italy main destinations
- 13 000 tonnes imported
- Main HS codes:



FLEGT analysis

Verification of shipments

- 16 MS with designated authority for additional checks/verification of FLEGT shipments
- Majority of MS consider risk of illegality and document irregularities to decide on additional checks
- 12 physical checks undertaken
- 11 MS have assistance for timber identification

FLEGT analysis

Penalties foreseen in national legislation

- No penalties imposed
- Possible financial penalties: €30 - €24 million
- Possible imprisonment sentences: 8 days - 4 years

Fees charged for processing of FLEGT licences

- 5 MS charge fees: €11 - €390

Other MS feedback

- MS highlighted issues with differences in FLEGT/shipment documents

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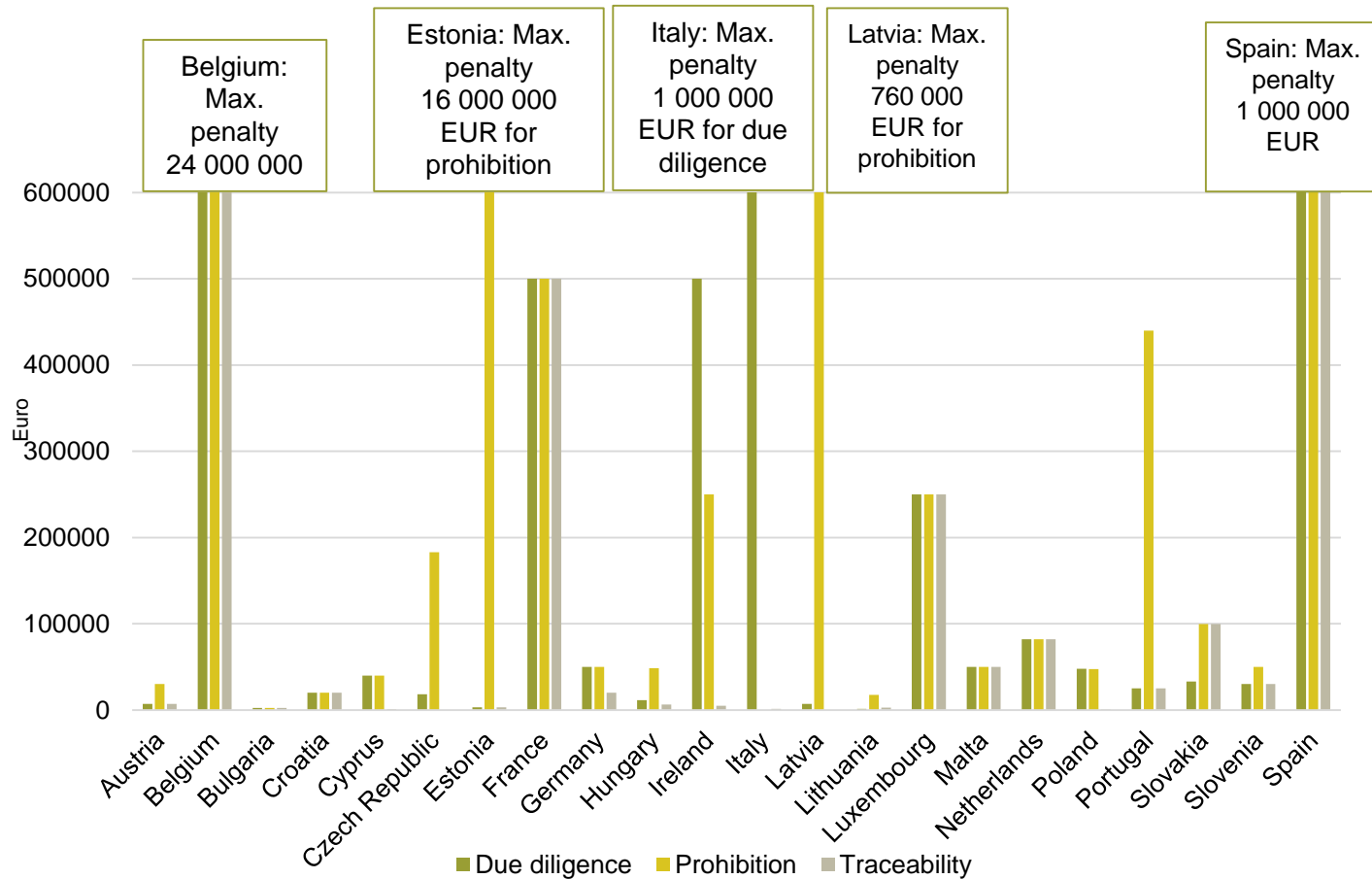
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National legislation implementing EUTR

- Considerable variation in possible penalties across countries
- Fines are most common penalty: 21 countries
- Fines highest for infringement of *prohibitions* which result in placing illegally harvested timber/products on the market
- Seizure of timber/timber products: 19 countries
- Imprisonment: 14 countries
- Suspension of authority to trade: 8 countries

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National legislation implementing EUTR



EUTR analysis

Implementation and enforcement

- Assessment of customs data and risk criteria
- 20 countries performed nearly all or more of the planned checks
- Enforcement measures taken following checks:

	Imported timber		Domestic timber	
	DDS	Prohibition	DDS	Prohibition
Notice of remedial action	500	20	600	200
Penalties	100	30	300	600
Court cases	6		1	20

EUTR analysis

Implementation and enforcement

- Considerable variation in number of checks on traders:

Country	No. of checks
Austria, Denmark, France, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden	1-10
Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia	101-500
Germany, Greece, Hungary, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain	11-100
Cyprus, Romania	501-1000
Lithuania, Slovakia	>1000

EUTR analysis

Cooperation on implementation and enforcement

- 26 countries collaborated with other government institutions nationally
- Most countries collaborated with other CAs
- Collaboration mainly aimed at exchange of information

Resources

- Human resources: 0.125 FT – 2400 staff
- Financial resources: no budget allocated (??) – no limit (??)

Technical assistance and capacity development

- 22 countries provided assistance/training to operators, particularly small and medium sized enterprises (SME)

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Thank you