Main results of the 12th Law Enforcement Working Party (Customs) Action Plan 2024-2025

FIGHT AGAINST MONEY LAUNDERING

€9,836,137.6 seized in undeclared cash at EU entry/exit points

CANNABIS/CANNABIS PRODUCTS SMUGGLING

13,124.48 kg seized. **499 seizures**. 19 arrests
2 marijuana **plantations dismantled**
3 successful controlled deliveries

COCAINE SMUGGLING

134,486 kg seized
17,878 inspections in total

CIGARETTES SMUGGLING

18,000,000+ cigarettes seized
Smuggling routes disrupted

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR) RISK ANALYSIS

101 potential **IPR infringement cases identified**
By sharing and using risk information, Member States could have proactively flagged 11,272 customs declarations for control

UNDERVALUATION

Identified the need for:

- **a harmonised approach across Member States** (i.e. guidelines, procedures and recommendations)
- enhanced **cooperation** within the **EU and with key third countries**
- advanced **data analysis** tools
- continuous **capacity building**

E-COMMERCE CONTROL

Highlighted the need for:

- greater involvement of **logistics/economic operators**
- **shared responsibility** for modern, non-intrusive control technologies
- **harmonised EU regulations** to strengthen enforcement.

STRATEGIC TRADE ENFORCEMENT FORUM (STENFOR)

STENFOR Target Group established in Customs Risk Management System. **168 STENFOR Risk Information Files published**, strengthening cooperation and information exchange on strategic trade control and sanctions evasion

CUSTOMS - EPPO COOPERATION

Structured **cooperation framework with EPPO** enhancing **detection, investigation**, and **prosecution** of customs fraud with:

- **specialised teams**
- **improved reporting** and **interoperable IT systems**
- **joint training and coordinated investigations**

CUSTOMS CONTRIBUTION TO THE EU'S INTERNAL SECURITY

Development of an **evaluation mechanism** to assess the implementation of the customs cooperation strategy