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The future of fighting against wildlife trafficking in Europe
SEPRONA's contributions to EU Action Plan. Present and future



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1. EU ACTION PLAN-TIFIES. SEPRONA,s ROLE



2. KEY ELEMENTS INTERACTION TIFIES-SEPRONA



3. SEPRONA,sCOMMITMENT AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL



4. NEXT ACTIONS TO COME.

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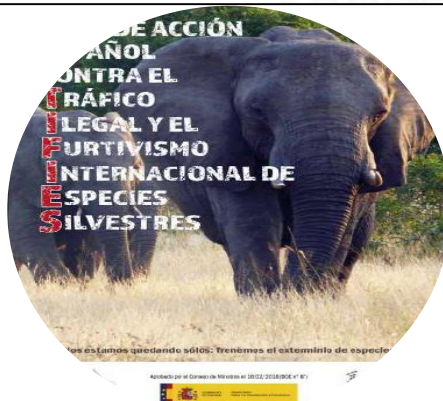
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Tackling Organised Crime



HOW WE (TIFIES-SEPRONA) JOINT EFFORTS?



Provides technical support.

Facilitates management of specimens seized.

Provides specific equipment to SEPRONA units.

Facilitates Analysis (DNA, C-14 (ivory)...) in operations.

Facilitates training to SEPRONA's agents in specific topics.

Develop more operations in terms of quantity and quality.

Report Ministry with the outcomes.

Support Ministry in management of training courses.

Request Ministry operational needs (technical reports, analysis...)



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Some figures and support expamples



29 Technical reports



23 DNA identification (reptiles)



Facilities maintenance and reintroduction into its habitat of more than 1.000kg glass eels.



Maintenance of 25 specimens of poisonous snakes, chipping and transfer to its habitat.



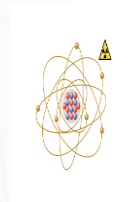
Support in management of seized specimens in operations. More than 4.000 specimens in Operations



Purchase technical equipment (IT-OSINT purposes) to detect online illicit trade.



Acquisition and training 2 specialised dogs in detection of elephant ivory and rhino horn



20 analysis of ivory samples. C-14



45 technical identification of timber seized in operations. 13.000m³ timber seized



Support for 24 specialised training courses, attended by 564 agents

Some outcomes of this synergies



974 Minor
offences
reported



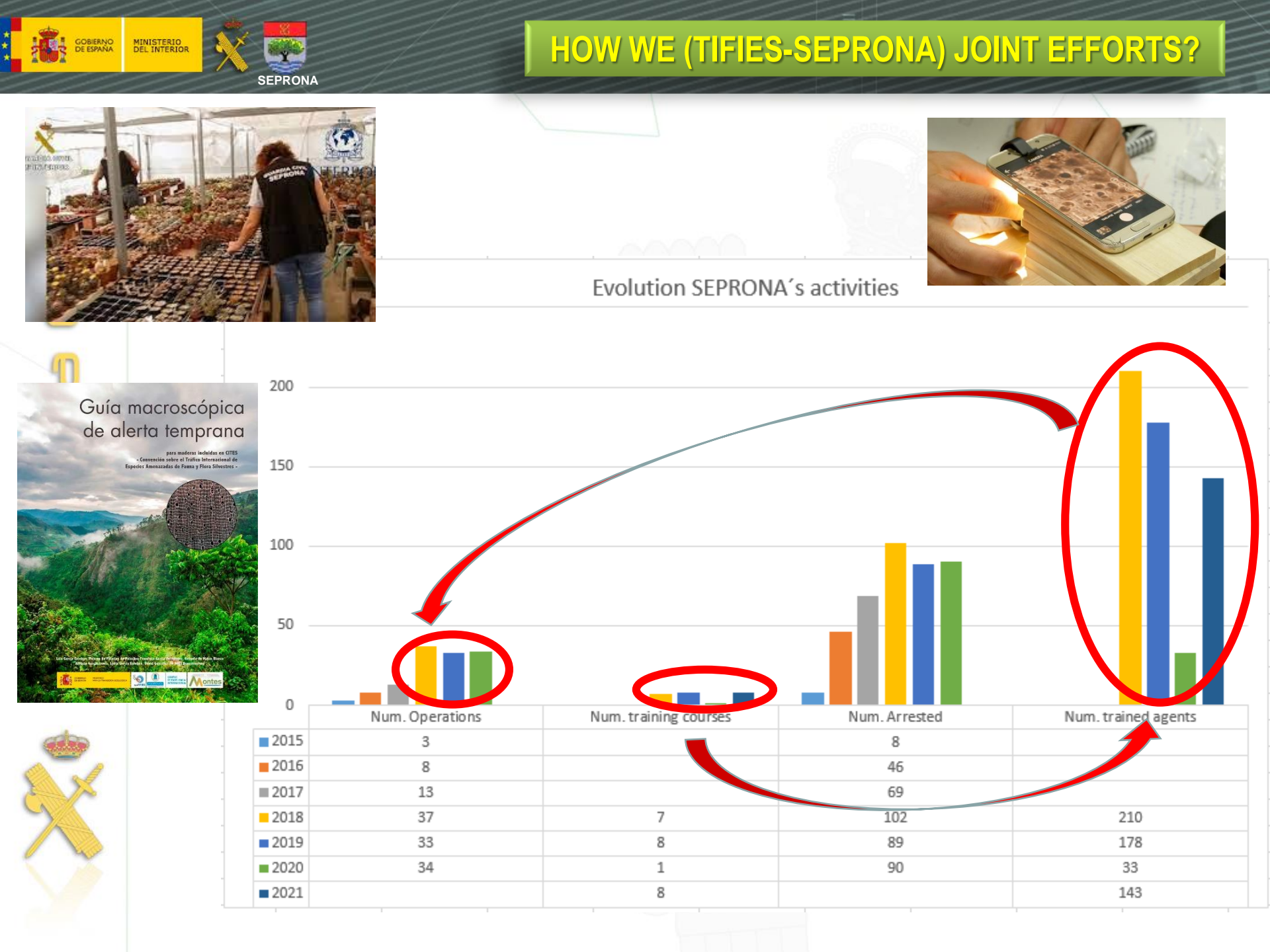
224
Crimes
detected



336
criminals
arrested

General figures since TIFIES came into force







SEPRONA,s contribution to Europol

Wildlife cases leaded by Spain since 2017



OTHER COMPLEMENTARY INITIATIVES FROM SEPRONA?



EnviCrimeNet
GC-SEPRONA
Chair the Network



Jaguar Network
EU-Latinamerica
GC-SEPRONA
Chair the Network



EMPACT
Envicrime
18-21. Co-driver
22-23 Co-driver
24-25 Driver



Life+ Programme
SEPRONA
Technical Director
of LIFE+ SATEC

Enhancing capacities
at Strategic level



International
Coordination of
Operations



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At national level:

- **Reinforce** the **interaction** between **Ministry Ecologic** Transition and Guardia **Civil-SEPRONA** (training, investigative tools,...).
- Improve capacities **Ministry Ecologic Transition-SEPRONA-Ministry of Justice**.
Protocol management of specimens seized at disposal to the Judges.



At international level:

- SEPRONA will provide **support** to several **initiatives at EU level** (EMPACT, EnviCrimeNet, interaction with other Networks...)
- SEPRONA will reinforce our common interaction with **Latin America** Region through Jaguar Network, together with EL PAcCTO Programme.
- For **next EU Action Plan** we consider relevant (according to our experience):
 - To reinforce the participation and **link** between competent **Authorities at EU level with Criminal Investigation** Agencies at this level
 - Mainly look for a closer interaction between **DG-ENVI-Europol-EU agencies** in this field.
 - To this end, from EC request MS to **reinforce capacities in specialised Units** (human resources, training, technical equipment, ...), taking advantage of the new Directive.





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