Our planet’s wildlife is being decimated

The global trafficking of wildlife continues relentlessly, driving many species towards extinction and threatening global security and public health. Massive efforts to raise awareness and reduce demand aren’t slowing one of the world’s most lucrative forms of transnational organised crime, fuelled by big profits and low risk.

Time is running out and we won’t get a second chance.

Who we are


We work to disrupt and help dismantle the criminal networks that profit from the trafficking of wildlife, timber and fish. We do this by collecting evidence and turning it into accountability.

What we do

1. Intelligence-led, law enforcement-oriented investigations

Investigations conducted by our law enforcement experts and undercover investigators focus on:

- Tackling the supply chain of ivory, rhino horn and pangolin scales from Africa to Asia.
- Saving species from the illegal pet trade, focusing on endangered primates, birds, big cat cubs and reptiles.
- Addressing the trafficking of big cats with a focus into the role of captive tiger breeding facilities.
- Taking on criminal networks plundering vulnerable marine species such as sharks.

2. Bridging the Intelligence Gap: The Intelligence Development Unit

We support international law enforcement cooperation by developing intelligence on transnational criminality and sharing it with national law enforcement agencies, helping to build the intelligence picture beyond their borders.

Our all-women Intelligence Development Unit is the largest intelligence analysis team of a non-profit focusing solely on transnational wildlife crime and is the cornerstone of our work.

The Unit produces valuable intelligence reports on wildlife and fisheries crime by analysing current, on-the-ground information. The Unit provides analytical support to several law enforcement agencies.

3. Building sustainable solutions: Training and mentoring

In many countries, inadequate technical and human resources and capacity are major factors preventing effective law enforcement action on wildlife crime.

To remedy this, we support the capacity development of police units in several Asian and African countries.

4. Urging governments to act and Policy work

Making the fight against transnational wildlife crime a priority – at every level – is crucial to save species from extinction and to curb threats to public health and global security. We work in partnership with a range of institutions and inform governments about wildlife crime dynamics for them to take action with the speed that the scale of these crimes demand and hold them accountable if they fail to do so.
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Global impact

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Arrests 156
Criminal networks dismantled 36
Intelligence reports disseminated +300
Shipments analysed 5000
Organisations profiled 1500
Locations identified 5200
Social media accounts profiled 3500
Tonnes of ivory 3.9
Tonnes of pangolin scales 7.9
Rhino horns 214
Live reptiles 8000
Training delivered to countries 6
Operational support to countries 11
Publications 13
High-level events and webinars +50

Finances

Where our funding comes from

- Government grants 2%
- Income from individual donors 6%
- Income from lotteries 24%
- Income from other non-profit organisations 68%

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How we spend the funding

- Charitable activities 81%
- Fundraising 8%
- Management & Administration 11%

Charitable status:

All donations made to the Wildlife Justice Commission are tax-deductible in the European Union. Donations to Friends of Wildlife Justice Commission are tax-deductible in the United States.

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Join us!

With your support, we can continue fighting the global trafficking of wildlife, a task now more urgent than ever.

We want to hear from you!

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