

Evaluation study on the implementation of Directive 2008/99/EC on the protection of the environment through criminal law by member states

- **Final report**
- **Belgian reports (federal state and Flemish, Brussels and Walloon Regions)**

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This research project is a classical implementation study regarding the so-called Eco-crime Directive but it also brings together information aiming at policy development, such as information on the relative importance of the administrative sanctioning track and its articulation with the criminal sanctioning track. All 27 then-while Member States were screened. An implementation study regarding Croatia was added later, bringing the scope of the analysis up to 28 countries.

DG Justice has not yet published the Final Report (March 2013) of this very important implementation study, a report comparing sanctions and sanction levels in all Member States and analyzing the wider sanctioning process for environmental crime. The national reports for 21 out of 28 Member States can be found on DG Justice's website. They hold a treasure of comparative law information and, insofar available, data regarding practice. The national reports of 7 Member States still await publication. See http://ec.europa.eu/justice/criminal/criminal-law-policy/environmental-protection/index_en.htm