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2015, a pivotal year for Europe and the environment

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The year ahead will be a pivotal one for Europe and globally, both for our climate and the environment. This will be a crucial year for WWF too, together with the whole environmental, social and development movement. We will be lobbying, studying, campaigning, protesting, calling for an important shift towards a more equitable, sustainable, and safer way of living on our finite planet. And this first issue of **WWF EPO's N(EU)ws** is part of this effort.

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Try out the new WWF Eco-guide and take the January Challenge

Have a look at the **WWF Eco-guide** and find out how by making small changes to the way you travel, eat, organise your events and holidays, or heat your house, you can reduce your impact on the environment.

Start now with the January challenge, because **"If you take action, others will follow!"**



LATEST NEWS



Spain announces law to fight pirate fishing

16 January - WWF and other NGOs applauded Spain's new fisheries law, which imposes stronger penalties on in pirate fishing.

Virunga documentary receives Oscar nomination

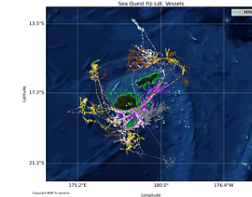


15 January - WWF extended warm congratulations to the movie Virunga that highlights the tremendous challenges to conservation in Africa's oldest and most biodiverse national park.



Parliament support for Juncker on environment eroding over attack on green legislation

15 January - The Green10 responded to the European Parliament's conclusion on the EU Commission's 2015 Work Programme.



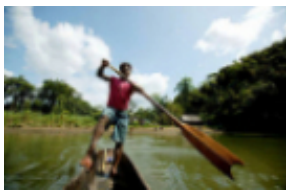
Map my track: WWF and navama show the way to transparent seas

14 January - WWF and its partner navama launched a new platform where fisheries can show where they travel and fish.



Axing of waste proposals, uncertainty about air a colossal, strategic blunder

16 December - The Green 10 condemned the Commission's plans to withdraw and retable key proposals on waste and air.



EU takes leadership position in the post-2015 sustainable development agenda

16 December - WWF commented on the EU's position on Post-2015 Development Agenda approved by EU General Affairs Ministers.

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#IUU cost approx €8 to €19 billion annually, representing 11 to 26 million tonnes of catch. #stopillegal fishing

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On our plate today: healthy, sustainable food choices

LiveWell for LIFE - the EU project to promote healthy and sustainable diets - invited renowned Eurotoques chefs to cook some LiveWell plates at the European Parliament, showing that it is possible to eat well and save the planet. Look at what they cooked.



TEDxWWF 2014, One Planet Living

Brussels played host to TEDxWWF, gathering 300 people and three live speakers to talk about on how to live sustainably within the limits of one planet. View all photos and videos.

More WWF photos and videos.

STORIES AROUND EUROPE



NO to gas project on Coto Doñana site

The Unesco and Natura 2000 site of Coto Doñana in Spain is threatened by a gas exploitation project. It could indeed be authorised by the Andalusian Government following a claim by Gas Natural-Fenosa of €358m euros for blocking the project.

More than 10,500 people signed WWF's petition to stop the project. Read more

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