International collaborative work against pharmaceutical crimes

Fake antimalarials: Start with the facts - Geneva, 28th May 2015
INTERPOL Pharmaceutical Crime Programme

**SUPPORT TO INVESTIGATION**
- Assistance to Member Countries
- Information Exchange - 606 cases recorded in ICIS related to Pharma Crime
- Notices: RED (suspects); ORANGE (danger); PURPLE (modus operandi)

**OPERATIONS**
- Operational: Link charts and analytical reports
- Strategic: Compiling statistics
  Database checks:

**CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT**
- Training courses on investigations related to Pharma Crime
- E-learning modules

**AWARENESS RAISING AND COLLABORATION**
- Regional Seminars and Global Conference on Pharmaceutical Crime
- Media and raising awareness actions
- Partnership development
Cases and International Arrest Warrants

Cases and International Arrest Warrants - Cumulative Data Per Year

- International Arrest Warrants
- Cases


Data trends over the years.
More than 60 million units seized
Estimated Value: USD 65 million

Illicit online pharmacies and adverts shut down: 36,500

More than 500 suspects arrested

Trained officers: 237

Operations 2014
143 countries
**Planning meeting:** Cotonou, Benin 4-5 March 2014: Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte-d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinée, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Togo and Senegal

**Multisectoral Trainings:**
- Cotonou, Bénin, 6-7 March
- Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 17-18 March
- Bamako, Mali, 29-30 April
- Niamey, Niger, 14-15 May

In Total: 185 participants trained

**Operation Porcupine, 27-29 May 2015**

Ghana
2014 - 2015 Cases in Middle East and North Africa

Jordan > 5,000 counterfeit pills of ED*

Raids at warehouses and seizures of counterfeit medicines

Circa 22.5 tonnes of illegal medicines seized

Kuwait - PURPLE NOTICE Tramadol case

Smuggling of medicines from Algeria

Arrests and seizures of counterfeit medicines

Dubai - 506,000 Tramadol pills seized (worth about 1,350,000 USD)

4,122 counterfeit medical devices seized

* ED: Erectile dysfunction
Criminal activities and trends in the region

Operation Pangea VII and Middle East and Northe Africa Region
13-20 May 2014

Packages seized by region

Middle East - Main Therapeutic Categories

- ANTI-INFECTIVE AGENTS
- DERMATOLOGICAL AGENTS
- METABOLIC AGENTS
- NERVOUS SYSTEM AGENTS
- UNKNOWN AGENTS
- UROGENITAL AGENTS

Middle East 37%
Europe 39%
North America 7%
Oceania 1%
Central America 0%
Africa 0%
Asia 6%
South America 10%
Collaboration and partnership

• First Global Conference on Pharmaceutical Crime, Dublin, Ireland, November 2014

• Map on pharmaceutical legislations
Thank you for your attention!