

# EUROPEAN CLIMATE LEADERSHIP REQUIRES **STRONG ENFORCEMENT**

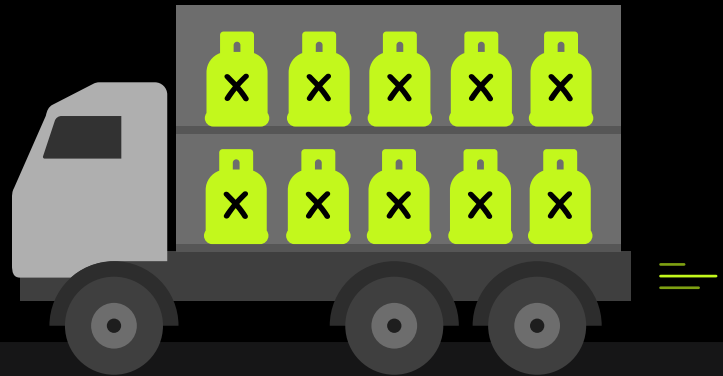


The EU's credibility as a global climate champion is **under threat**.

Good legislation is in place – the F-Gas regulation, (EU) 517/2014, aims to reduce HFCs emissions in the EU by 79% by 2030 through a gradual phase down with interim targets – but enforcement across the EU is **uneven** and often **weak**.

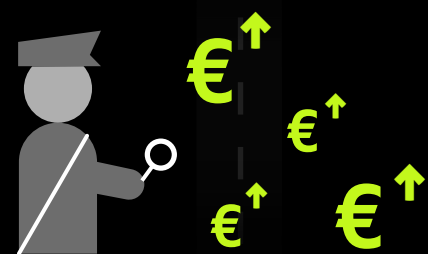
## THE RESULT – A THRIVING BLACK MARKET FOR ILLEGALLY IMPORTED HFCs

There could be as much as **34 million tonnes** of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent in the EU in 2018. As a comparison, this equates to...



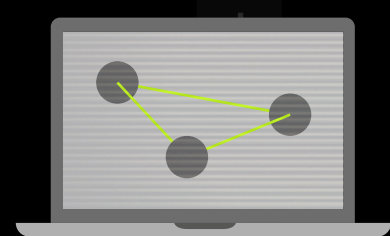
By undertaking the following actions, we can **eradicate** the black market for illegally imported HFCs

### TIGHTEN ENFORCEMENT



#### INCREASE FUNDING & DETERRANTS

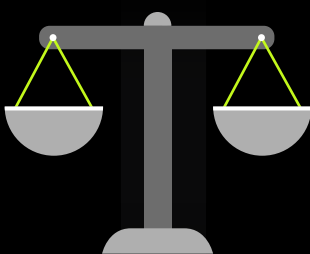
- More border control resources
- Guaranteed enforcement on the ground
- Prosecute criminals
- Set higher fines



#### CONNECT DATABASES TO SUPPORT CUSTOMS

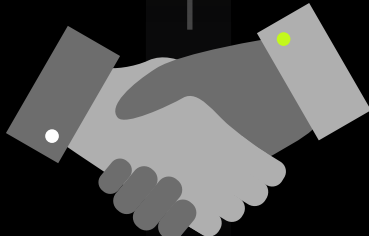
- Ensure real-time information from the quota registry is available to customs, to allow adequate checks at the border

### HARMONISE & COLLABORATE



#### HARMONISE IMPLEMENTATION ACROSS EU MEMBER STATES

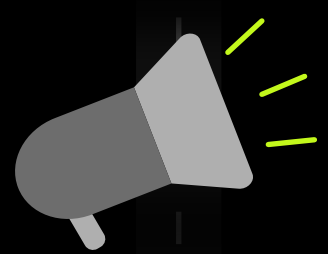
- Address imbalances between Member States
- Introduce uniform penalties across Europe
- Encourage best practice sharing



#### ENCOURAGE STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION

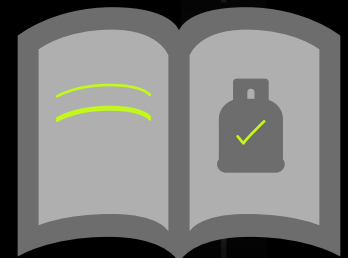
- Connect decision-makers and customs enforcers with the full value chain
- Provide a platform for customs best practice sharing

### RAISE AWARENESS



#### COMMUNICATE ISSUES AND CONSEQUENCES TO:

- Criminals
- Law enforcement and customs
- Value chains



#### BUILD KNOWLEDGE ON ILLEGAL HFCs

- Gather evidence: EFCTC collaborates with investigative agency Kroll and data analytics agency Oxera
- Explain how to avoid illegal HFC canisters



**STOP SMUGGLING.  
START TRACING.**