

# ILLEGAL HFCs TRAFFICKING

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The image shows a large, dark blue sign with the word "EUROPOL" in white, stylized capital letters. The sign is mounted on a building facade. The letters are bold and modern, with a slight shadow effect. The background of the sign is dark blue, and the building behind it is a light-colored brick or concrete structure with many windows. The sky is a clear, pale blue.



# EUROPOL'S Envi Crime threat assessment



- <https://www.europol.europa.eu/publications-events/publications/environmental-crime-in-age-of-climate-change-2022-threat-assessment#downloads>
- Pages: 19-20 - Illegal trade of fluorinated gases (F-gases) and hydrofluorocarbons (HFC)



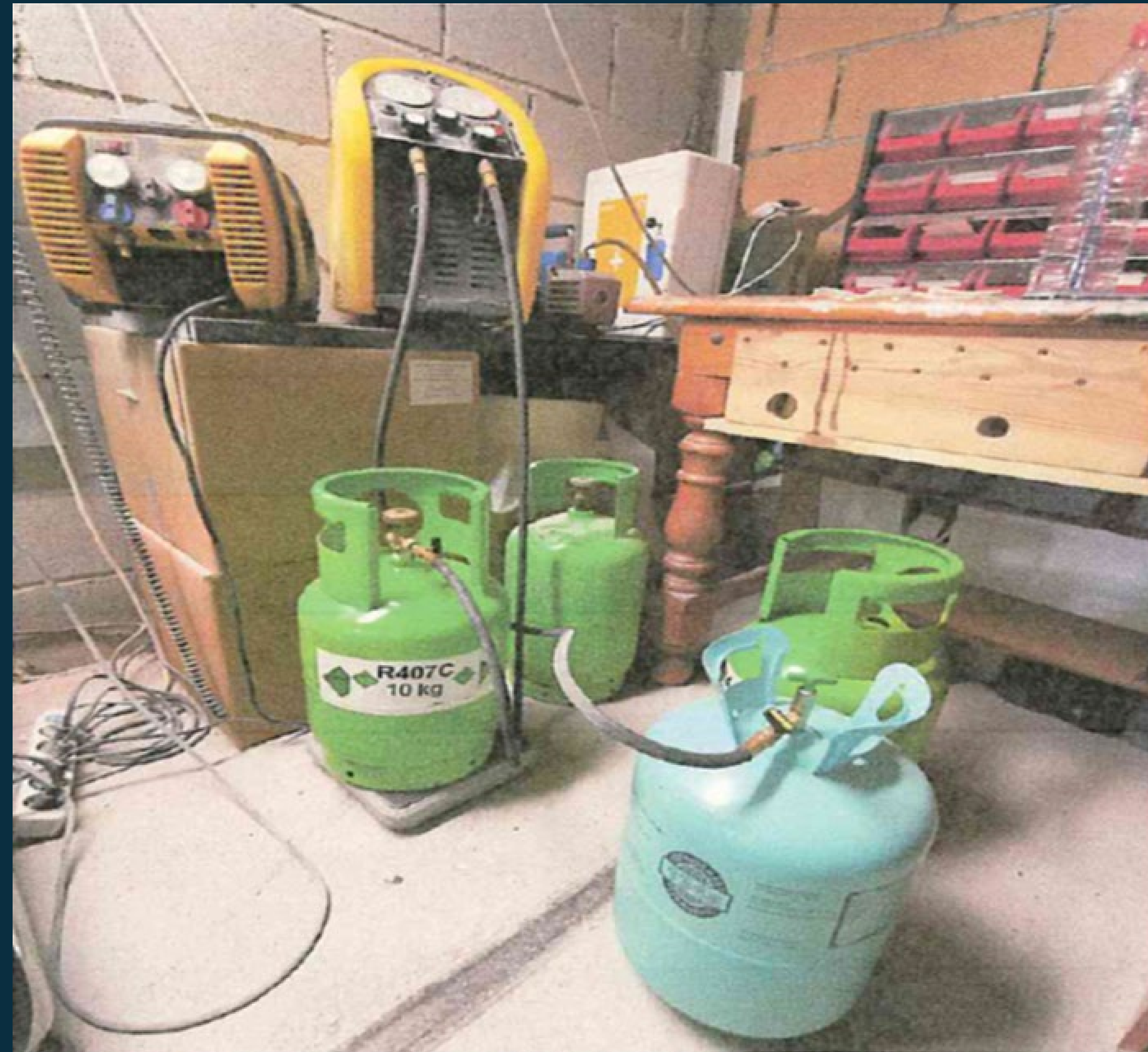
# Trafficking routes



# Illegal HFCs detection



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# EUROPOL coordinates and supports MS investigations





## OTF “CLOSED DOORS”

- OTF: Operational Task Force. Temporary group to fight against HVT (High Value Targets)
- SP, PT, NL and EUROPOL
- 13 criminal investigations
- Op. “MARUM”: 27 arrests + 5,350,000 euro F-gas seized

# Op. “MARUM”





Thank you for your  
attention

Any questions?

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