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EUROPE

United Kingdom, London



Bomb Alarm

Event: Foiled bomb attack in the London underground.

Summary: Police has arrested a 19-year-old man in Halloway Road. Authorities are checking eventual links with Islamic extremism.

Source: http://www.ilmessaggero.it/primopiano/esteri/bomba_metro_londra_19enne_arrestato-2040597.html

Reported: 24.10.2016

Europe

Anti-Crime Operation

Event : 314 people arrested due to drug and human trafficking.

Summary: Police and law enforcement organizations around the world cooperated in a massive operation that lead to the arrest of 314 people involved in drug and human trafficking. The law enforcement teams, supported by Interpol and Frontex, involved 52 countries.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-europol-crime-idUSKCN12J0M6?il=0>
<http://www.cbsnews.com/news/europe-police-target-human-drug-trafficking-networks-week-long-operation/>

Reported: 19.10.2016



Terrorism & Drug Dealing

Event: A study of ISCR highlighted the tied connection between jihadi terrorism and criminal circles across the continent.

Summary: The report found that the 40% of extremists plots in Europe are part-financed by crimes like drug-dealing, thefts, robberies and counterfeiting.

Source: <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/europe-criminals-converts-isis-gangster-jihad-super-gang-prisons/>
<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/isis-recruiting-violent-criminals-gang-members-drugs-europe-new-crime-terror-nexus-report-drugs-a7352271.html>
<http://europe.newsweek.com/isis-europe-connect-jihadi-criminal-circles-continent-508316?rm=eu>

Reported: 11.10.2016

Erythropoietin

Event: According to a RNCOS report the European market of Erythropoietin amounts of US \$ 1.4 billion in 2015.

Summary: Erythropoietin, one of the most active and long acting EPO drug, is also linked to treat some forms on anaemia and cancer related anaemia.

Source: <http://finance.yahoo.com/news/european-erythropoietin-market-outlook-2022-005100549.html>

Reported: 11.10.2016



Europe

Drug Use

Event: The use of cannabis among young-adults in Europe is increasing.

Summary: According to the Espad report, in 2015 current smokers accounted for the 21% of survey with the highest peak in Italy for 37%.

Source: <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-37419072>

Reported: 20.09.2016

France

Drug Use

Event : In France there has been opened the first “drug room” for addicts.

Status : The users will exchange hard drugs for substitutes, along with sterile injection kits.

Source: http://www.corriere.it/salute/cards/dalla-svizzera-parigi-come-nascono-stanze-consumo-controllato/sicurezza-prima-tutto_principale.shtml

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-37617360>

Reported: 13.10.2016

Germany

Drug-Trafficking

Event: Former football player imprisoned for drug trafficking.

Summary: The ex-footballer Marcelo Pletsch has been sentenced to nine years and two months of in prison after the arrest in Brazil due to the possession of 793 kilos of marijuana.

Source: <http://www.espnfc.com/german-bundesliga/story/2981574/ex-bundesliga-player-marcelo-pletsch-imprisoned-for-drug-trafficking> Reported: 26.10.2016

Italy

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: 53 arrests in five regions.

Summary: 53 people have been arrested in five Italian regions due to an operation of Rovigo police. The trafficking of cocaine and marijuana was run by Italians and North Africans.

Source: http://www.ansa.it/veneto/notizie/2016/10/12/droga-53-arresti-in-cinque-regioni_2dfc28bd-c088-4154-ad17-20aebd4c53af.html

Reported: 12.10.2016





Italy

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: Maxi-operation from Naples to Taranto in order to tackle drug-trafficking.

Summary: 18 people has been arrested by Carabinieri. They were trafficking and dealing many drugs like heroin, cocaine, hashish and marijuana.

Source: http://www.quotidianodipuglia.it/taranto/droga_da_scampia_a_taranto_18_arresti-2018950.html

Reported: 11.10.2016

Italy, Brindisi

Anti Drug-trafficking operation

Event: Drug courier arrested by Guardia di Finanza.

Summary: The 49 year-old man was driving a rented van containing more than 300 kilos of marijuana.

Source: <http://www.romatoday.it/cronaca/carico-330-chili-marijuana-puglia-roma.html>

Reported: 20.10.2016

Italy, Fiumicino

Drug Courier

Event : Cocaine found in the luggage of a passenger.

Summary: A Brazilian drug courier has been stopped and arrested by Guardia di Finanza and the Customs Officers of Fiumicino Airport. In his luggage they have found some pairs of shoes containing cocaine.

Source: http://www.repubblica.it/cronaca/2016/10/29/news/fiumicino_scarpe_alla_coca_arrestato_corriere_con_sette_chili_di_droga_nelle_suole-150832854/
<http://www.secoloditalia.it/2016/10/coca-liquida-nelle-scarpe-gdf-arresta-fiumicino-corriere-droga-brasiliano/>

Reported: 29.10.2016

Italy, Lecce

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event : A boat full of marijuana blocked by Guardia di Finanza.

Summary: The Guardia di Finanza, at the end of a long and difficult chase, has stopped a boat containing more 730 kilograms of marijuana. The two smugglers on board have been arrested.

Source: http://www.quotidianodipuglia.it/lecce/torre_chianca_gommone_droga_arrestati_scafisti-2019281.html

Reported: 11.10.2016

Italy, Milan

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: 36 people arrested in Milan due to Shaboo trafficking.

Summary: Carabinieri have stopped an International drug traffic from Poland. They have arrested 36 people, including Chinese, Filipinos and Romanians. The value of the Shaboo drug seized is about € 2 million.

Source: <http://www.ilgiorno.it/milano/cronaca/droga-shaboo-arresti-1.2588693>

Reported: 13.10.2016





Italy, Rimini

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event : Guardia di Finanza has stopped a drug trafficking through the Adriatic Sea.

Summary: They have seized more than 2000 kilos of drugs (especially marijuana, heroin and cocaine) and arrested 16 people. The commercial value of the drug seized is about € 5 million.

Source: <http://www.ilrestodelcarlino.it/rimini/cronaca/droga-finanza-cocaina-1.2565655>
http://www.corriereadriatico.it/attualita/sgominata_banda_scafisti_sequestrati_piu_2mila_kg_droga-2005084.html

Reported: 04.10.2016

Italy, Rome

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: 14 people arrested due to International Drug Trafficking.

Summary: Guardia di Finanza have been arrested 14 people involved in an International Drug Trafficking that interested also important links with 'Ndrangheta.

Source: <http://www.cn24tv.it/news/142549/operazione-promotor-fidei-roma-traffico-di-coca-dal-sud-america-per-rifornire-la-ndrangheta.html>

Reported: 13.10.2016

Italy, Rome

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: Seven people arrested in the area of Prima Porta.

Summary: The drug market has been set in close to the Prima Porta cemetery, with drugs hidden near the tombs and in the green area surrounding.

Source: http://www.ilmessaggero.it/roma/cronaca/droga_prima_porta_spaccio_cimiteri-2016954.html

Reported: 10.10.2016

Italy, Venice

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event: An operation of Carabinieri lead to the seizure of many kilos of drugs.

Summary: Carabinieri have also arrested three Colombian people, involved in the international trafficking of drugs.

Source: <http://www.veneziatoday.it/cronaca/droga-sud-america-bassa-padovana-chioggia-arresti-colombiani-italiano-12-ottobre-2016.html>

Reported: 12.10.2016

Spain

Anti-Drug Trafficking Operation

Event : Spain police has seized 20 tons of hashish directed to Libya.

Summary: The global operation has the aim to target and stop the financing of armed groups in North Africa.

Source: <https://www.thelocal.es/20161012/spain-seizes-drugs-shipment-to-libya-in-global-operation>

Reported: 12.10.2016





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United Kingdom



Guns and Drugs trafficking on the net

Event: Guns and Drugs sold on Facebook.

Summary: Due to an error on the filter procedures, it has been possible for a few hours to sell on Marketplace illicit goods and services like guns and drugs. The situation returned quickly to normal with the apologies of the Facebook staff. Marketplace, at the moment, is active in United States, New Zealand and United Kingdom.

Source: http://www.ansa.it/sito/notizie/tecnologia/software_app/2016/10/05/armi-e-droga-sul-marketplace-di-facebook_eae61ea5-21ba-4811-8ce4-9ec34840de6d.html

Reported: 05.10.2016