

ASPECTS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL OFFENCES STIPULATED IN SPECIAL LAWS

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ABSTRACT: *Any act that violates environmental law and causes major damage or risks to the environment or human health is considered an offence against the environment. Offences against the environment are a serious and growing problem, and they appear under a lot of forms. This problem is not limited to air, water and soil pollution, it also pushes commercially valuable wild species closer to extinction. Ecological crime can also include offences that accelerate climate change, the destruction of fish stocks, deforestation and the depletion of essential natural resources. Directive 2008/99 / EC on the protection of the environment through criminal law identifies a number of environmental offences that are sanctioned in all EU countries.*

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