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## Joint investigation team leads to 20 convictions in major phishing scam case in Romania and Italy



### April 2019

The Tribunal of Milan sentenced the accused to serve between two and five years in prison and to pay a combined fine of almost EUR 9 000. Various assets with a total value of up to EUR 138 000 were also confiscated. In addition, the defendants were sentenced to pay damages to the victims.



### March 2018

A joint action day, monitored from Eurojust's coordination centre and supported by mobile offices deployed by Europol in the field, resulted in 20 arrests and 24 house searches during which documents, IT devices, drugs and other materials were seized.



### 2017

A JIT was set up swiftly by the parties with support and funding from Eurojust, and three coordination meetings were organised during which Eurojust provided advice and assistance on how to prevent conflicts of jurisdiction, arrange exchange of evidence and prepare judicial measures. Europol provided tailored intelligence analysis.



### 2016

The Romanian and Italian authorities detected an OCG using spear phishing e-mails that impersonated correspondence from tax authorities that allowed them to steal online banking credentials from hundreds of victims. They then transferred more than EUR 1 million in total from the victims' accounts and withdrew the money from cash points.

The highly organised OCG used an encrypted chat application and was also suspected of money laundering, aggravated violence, drug and human trafficking, prostitution and participation in a criminal organisation.

