



## Main administrator of iSpooof website sentenced to 13 years



**August 2021 - August 2022** - Around 10 million fraudulent calls are made globally via iSpooof, a website that allows criminals to impersonate trusted corporations to scam victims for financial gain. The website has 59,000 registered users when it is shut down.

**October 2021** - The case is opened at Eurojust at the request of the UK authorities. National authorities from 10 countries, including European Union Member States and third countries, support the investigation.

**November 2021, September 2022** - Two coordination meetings are hosted by Eurojust to coordinate the national investigations and prepare for the joint action.

**6 November 2022** - The main administrator of the website is arrested. He is believed to have made a profit of between GBP 1.7 million and GBP 1.9 million (over EUR 2 million) from running the iSpooof website.

**8 November 2022** - In an international coordinated action led by the UK and supported by Eurojust and Europol, 142 users and administrators are arrested across the world. Judicial and law enforcement authorities in Europe, Australia, the United States, Ukraine and Canada support the operation. The website is taken offline and the servers are seized by US and Ukrainian authorities.

**May 2023 – JUSTICE DONE:** The main administrator of the website is sentenced to 13 years and 4 months of imprisonment by Southwark Crown Court in the United Kingdom.