

# A COMMUNITY STRATEGY TO PROTECT THE EURO IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

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## 1. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (I)

### 1. Legal aspect

#### Criminal Code. Article 386

1. Alter or produce counterfeit currency
2. Import or export counterfeit or altered currency
3. Distribute, pass or transport counterfeit currency in collusion with the counterfeiter



- Punished with imprisonment from 8 to 12 years
- Ten times apparent value fine

1. Deliver to another, when the deliverer knows that it is counterfeit, but it was received as genuine



- Punished with imprisonment not exceeding 24 months

## 1. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (II)

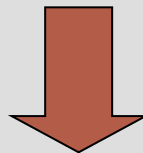
## 2. Policy aspect

### European level

- International Convention for the Suppression of Counterfeiting Currency, Geneva 20 April 1929

### National level

- Decree-law, 27 December 1934
- Ministerial Order, 20 September 2001



**NCO**

**Monetary Offences Investigation Brigade (BIBE)**

## 1. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK (III)

## 3. Statistical & technical aspect

### European level

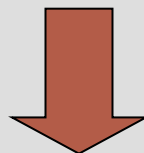
- Council Regulation (CE) 1338/2001, 28 June 2001 (Articles 3, 4 and 5)

### National level

- Law 24/2001, 27 December 2001

### Banco de España

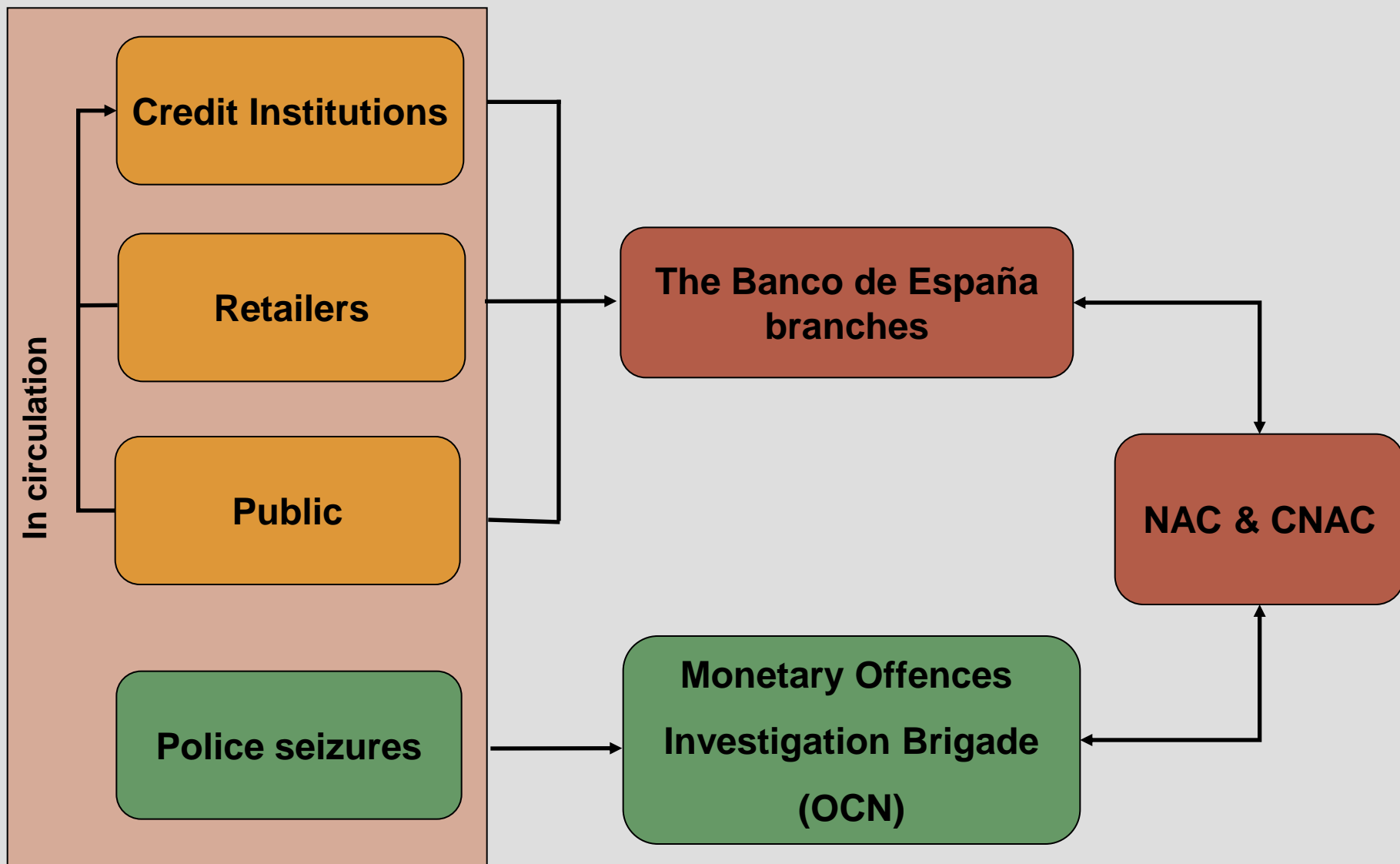
- Executive Board Agreement, 11 April 2002



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## 2. COUNTERFEIT BANKNOTE DETECTION



### 3. NAC's TASKS

## Analyze and process data on counterfeit banknotes and coins

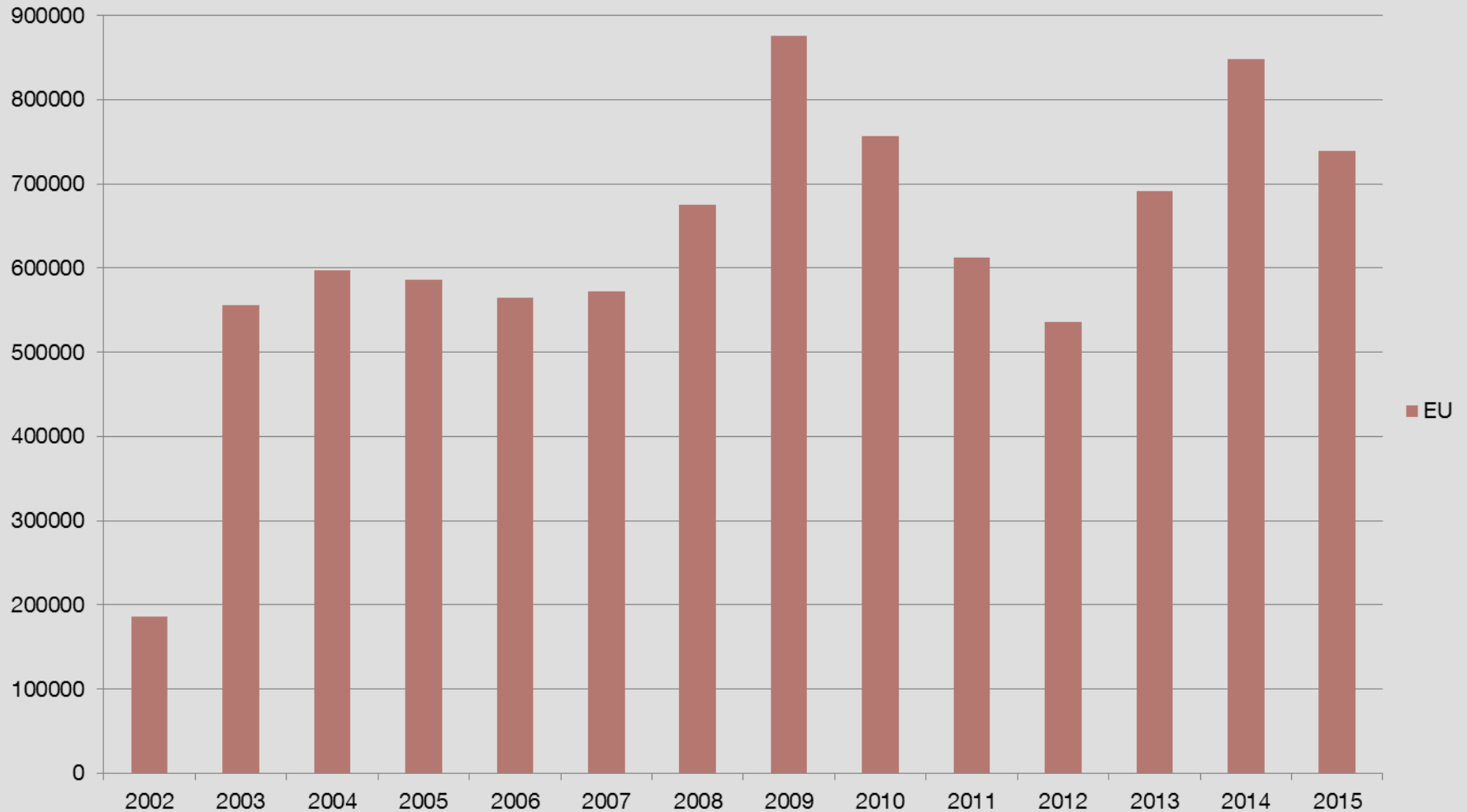
1. Gather all banknotes supposed to be counterfeit
2. Determine whether it is genuine or counterfeit
3. Classify the counterfeit banknotes
4. Store technical and statistical data and put them at ESCB and Police's disposal



## 4. STATISTICS



### Quantity chart evolution EU/ES

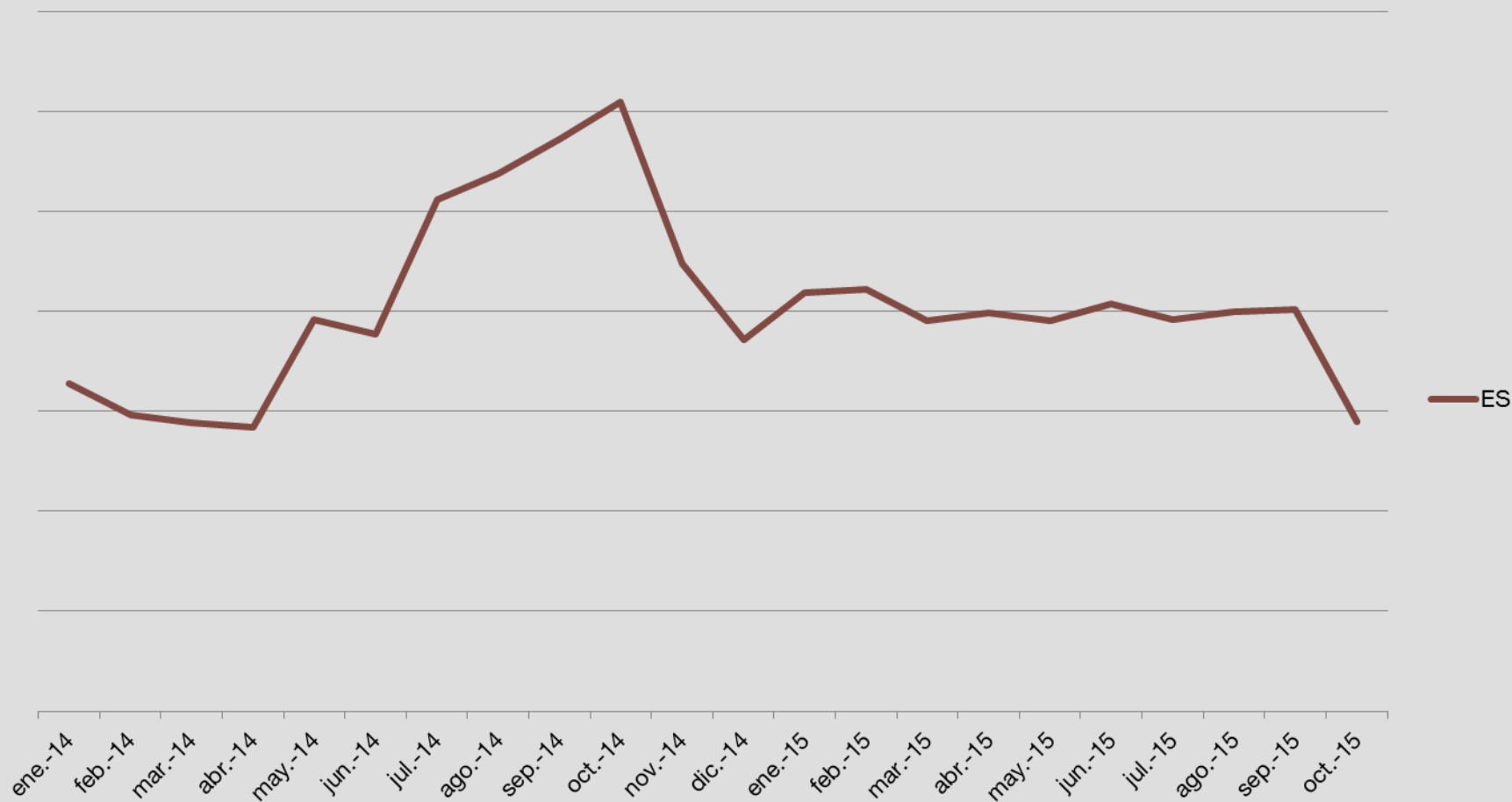




## 4. STATISTICS



### Quantity evolution ES 2014-15



## 5. OTHER TASKS AT SPANISH NAC (I)



### Collaboration with Court

- ✓ To elaborate expert reports on banknotes detected in police investigations

- ✓ Attendance to Court hearings – More than 60 per year

### Analyze pesetas counterfeit banknotes

- ✓ Around 1.200 banknotes/2014

### Analyze damaged banknotes

- ✓ Around 17.000 banknotes/2014

## 5. OTHER TASKS AT SPANISH NAC (II)



### Testing banknote handling machine & authentication devices(for banknotes and for coins)

✓ 63 test/2014

### Training

- ✓ Professional cash handlers (commercial banks & CiTs)
- ✓ NCBs and Police from Latin-American and some east European countries (1 or 2 per year)
- ✓ Develop a e-learning tool for banknotes and coins

### Newsletters about euro counterfeit classes

- ✓ BdE Branches, BIBE and professional cash handlers (commercial banks & CiTs)



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