

Global demand for small wildlife on the increase

JOHANNESBURG - All creatures great and small.

That's from a well-known hymn.

But when it comes to wildlife trafficking, we tend to focus on the big and overlook the small.

The global demand for small wildlife, including ants, spiders and scorpions, is increasing.

Just this week, a group of Belgians and Vietnamese were sentenced for smuggling ants out of Kenya.

Dr Caswell Munyai, a myrmecologist from UKZN has more on this.