



Proceedings of the Second European Workshop

“Urban Heat Island and Heat Resilience: Networking for Future Strategy”

14 October 2020



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Introduction

LIFE ASTI Second European Workshop “*Urban Heat Island and Heat Resilience: Networking for Future Strategy*” was hosted online on 14th October 2020, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The Workshop aimed to bring LIFE ASTI’s network together, exchange knowledge and expertise, and continue to build-up constructive synergies. In addition, the Workshop was relevant with the replicability, transferability and integration perspectives of technologies, tools and good practices developed within LIFE ASTI and other related projects.

More than 170 participants from 10 countries, representing Universities, research centers, stakeholders and policy-making authorities, attended the three Sessions that composed the Workshop.

After brief addresses from local, regional and national authorities, Session I of Invited talks followed, with dedicated presentations from invited speakers.

Session II was devoted to LIFE ASTI project, with special focus on how to achieve weather-ready communities. Session III included presentations from LIFE projects that belong to LIFE ASTI network and the networking among them was favored.

Overall, the Second European Workshop brought stakeholders and LIFE projects together and the necessity of such collaboration was highlighted, in order to provide services that improve living conditions in modern cities.

LIFE ASTI organizing committee

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| 08:45-09:00 Registrations | | |
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| 09:00-09:40 Welcome addresses | | |
| 09:00-09:05 | Prof. Haralambos Feidas, Vice Rector for Finance, Planning & Development | Aristotle University of Thessaloniki |
| 09:05-09:10 | Bernd Decker, Senior Project Adviser LIFE Climate Action | EASME, European Commission |
| 09:10-09:15 | Mrs. Karina Angelieva, Deputy Minister | Ministry of Education and Science, Republic of Bulgaria |
| 09:15-09:20 | Mr. Konstantinos Gioutikas, Deputy Regional Governor for Development and Environment | Region of Central Macedonia |
| 09:20-09:25 | Mr. Sokratis Dimitriadis, Deputy Mayor for Environment | Municipality of Thessaloniki |
| 09:25-09:30 | Mr. Michail Koupkas, Deputy Mayor for Financial Issues | Municipality of Thessaloniki |
| 09:30-09:35 | Mr. Sakis Lazaridis, Deputy Mayor for Environment | Municipality of Pavlos Melas |
| 09:35-09:40 | Dr. Kleanthis Nicolaidis, Director | Department of Meteorology, Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment, Cyprus |
| 09:40-10:55 Session I: Invited talks | | |
| 09:40-09:55 | Dr. Amanatidis Georgios, Parliamentary Research Administrator, European Parliament, Policy Department for | "The European Green Deal: reaching climate neutrality by 2050" |

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| | Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies | |
| 09:55-10:10 | Dr. Tomáš Halenka, Charles University, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, Department of Atmospheric Physics | "Urbanization of Weather Forecast, Air-Quality Prediction and Climate Scenarios - Project URBI PRAGENSI" |
| 10:10-10:25 | Prof. Nikos Mihalopoulos, Institute for Environmental Research and Sustainable Development of National Observatory of Athens | "CLIMPACT: The Greek Initiative for studying the Climate change and its impacts" |
| 10:25-10:40 | Prof. Kostadin Ganev, National Institute of Geophysics, Geodesy and Geography, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences | "Numerical simulations of the summer bio climatic indices for the city of Sofia" |
| 10:40-10:55 | Dr. Panos Hadjinicolaou, Climate and Atmosphere Research Centre, Cyprus Institute | "Heat extremes in the eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East" |
| 10:55-11:25 | Break | |
| 11:25-12:40 | Session II: The LIFE ASTI project/ Making community weather-ready | |
| 11:25-11:40 | Prof. Dimitris Melas, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki | "LIFE ASTI general presentation" |
| 11:40-11:55 | Dr. Giampietro Casasanta, Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, National Research Center | "A citizen science network to make cities weather ready" |
| 11:55-12:10 | Serafeim Kontos, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki | "Modeling the Urban Heat Island effect: Operational UHI forecasting system" |
| 12:10-12:25 | Dr. Panos Symeonidis, Geospatial Enabling Technologies | "Monitoring the Urban Heat Island effect with the LIFE ASTI application platform" |
| 12:25-12:40 | Dr. Francesca de'Donato, Department of Epidemiology of the Regional Health Service – Lazio | "Heat health warning systems in Rome and Thessaloniki" |
| 12:40-13:40 | Break | |
| 13:40-15:10 | Session III: Other LIFE projects. Networking with partners | |
| 13:40-13:50 | Aggelos Sotiropoulos, LIFE-IP AdaptInGR | "LIFE-IP AdaptInGR - Boosting the |

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| | | implementation of adaptation policy across Greece" |
| 13:50 -14:00 | Majana Heidenreich, LIFE LOCAL ADAPT | "Improving climate resilience of small and medium-sized communities by the project LIFE LOCAL ADAPT" |
| 14:00 -14:10 | Mihaela Mircea, LIFE VEG-GAP | "Vegetation impact on meteorology and air quality in the cities-preliminary results from Life VEG-GAP Project" |
| 14:10 -14:20 | Francisco Miguel Moral Moreno, LIFE HEATLAND | "Cool pavements for future cities. Results from LIFE HEATLAND project (Spain)" |
| 14:20 -14:30 | Dr. Elena Francioni, LIFE Metro Adapt | "LIFE METRO ADAPT: - enhancing climate change adaptation strategies and measures in the Metropolitan City of Milan" |
| 14:30 -14:40 | Sagnik Bhattacharjee, ECOTEN Urban Comfort | "Urban Heat Vulnerability Assessment: Applications for Smart Mobility and Smart Border" |
| 14:40 -14:50 | Marjorie Breyton, LIFE DERRIS | "The LIFE DERRIS project – Public-private partnership to increase SMEs' resilience to climate change" |
| 14:50 -15:00 | Rafael Ataz Gómez, LIFE Adaptate | "Latest developments of Life Adaptate project: fostering adaptation of municipalities to CC" |
| 15:00 -15:10 | Spiros Nikolopoulos, H2020 CUTLER | "Coastal Urban Development through the Lenses of Resilience" |

Session I: Invited talks



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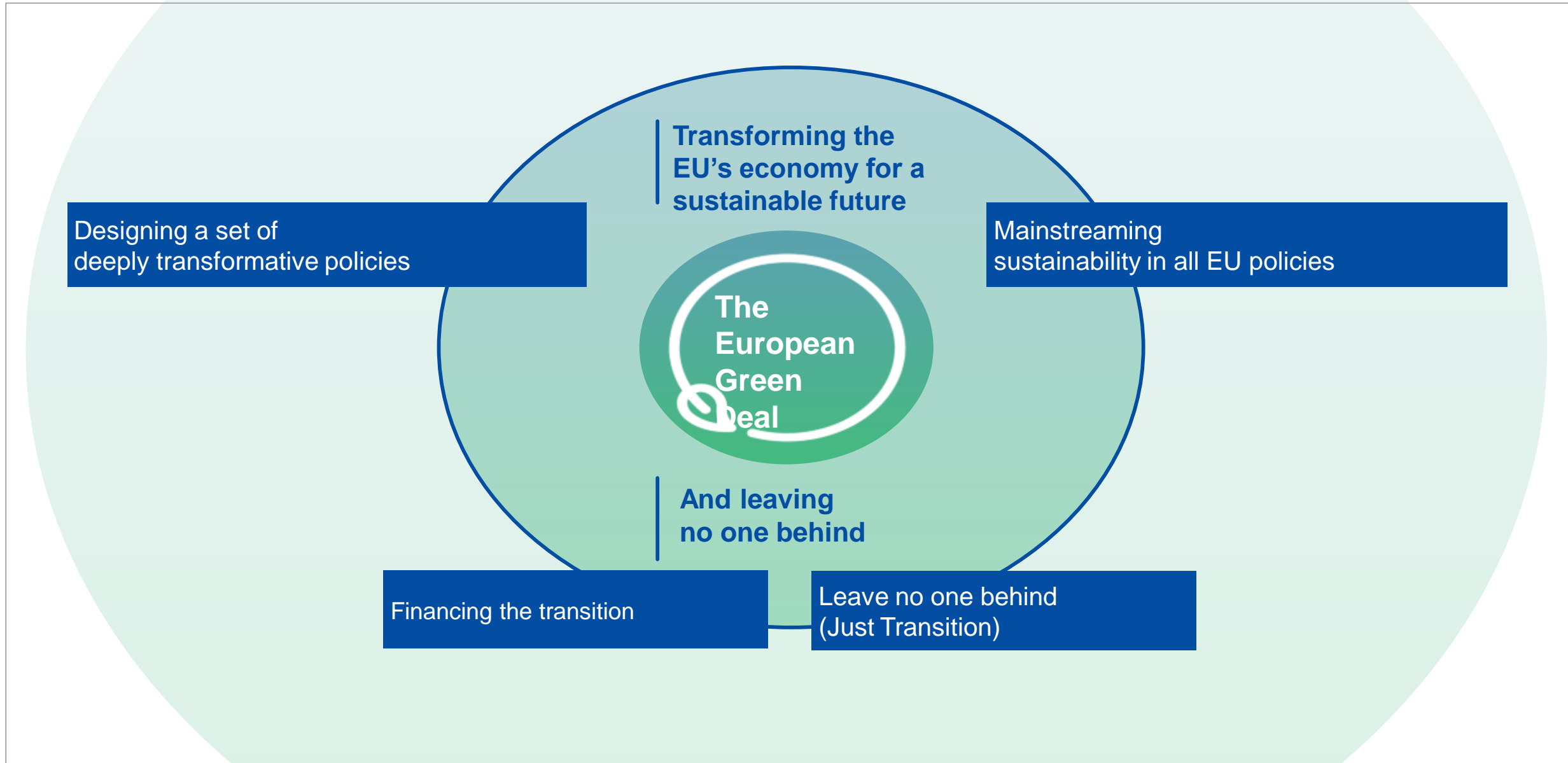
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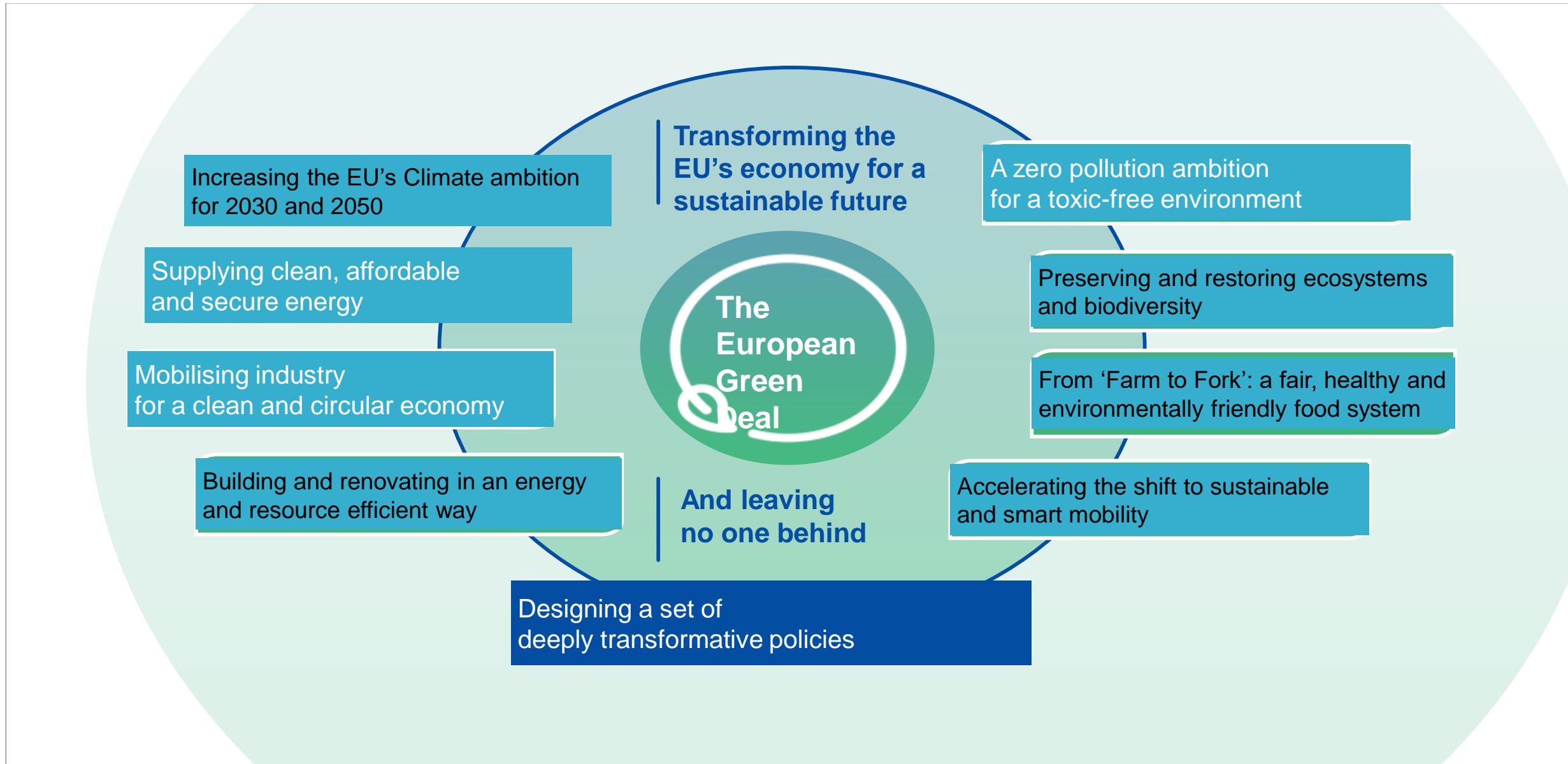
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Increasing the EU's Climate ambition for 2030 and 2050

- European '**Climate Law**' enshrining the 2050 climate neutrality objective in legislation – 4 March 2020
- Stepping up Europe's 2030 climate ambition: increase the **EU's climate target for 2030 to at least 55%** compared to 1990 – 17 September 2020
- Review and revise where needed all **relevant legislative measures to deliver on this increased ambition** by June 2021
- Proposal for a **revision of the Energy Taxation Directive** by June 2021
- **Carbon border adjustment mechanism** for selected sectors by 2021
- A new EU **Strategy on Adaptation** in 2021

Designing a set of deeply transformative policies

The **European Green Deal**: Reaching climate neutrality by 2050

Supplying clean, affordable
and secure energy

Building and renovating in an energy
and resource efficient way

Designing a set of
deeply transformative policies

- Assess the ambition of the final **National Energy and Climate Plans**
- Strategy for **smart sector integration**
- **Renovation wave** for the building sector - doubling the renovation rate
- Review and revise where needed the **Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Directive** by June 2021
- **Offshore wind** initiative
- Review the **TEN-E Regulation** for trans-European energy infrastructure

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Mobilising industry
for a clean and circular economy

- **EU Industrial Strategy** – 10 March 2020
- A new **circular economy action plan** – 11 March 2020 - including a **sustainable products policy**
- **Clean Steel breakthrough**: to support zero carbon steel-making processes by 2030.
- Legislation in support of the **Strategic Action Plan on Batteries** and the circular economy
- Propose legislative reforms **tackling waste**

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- Strategy for **sustainable and smart mobility**
- Revise the **CO2 emissions performance legislation** for light duty vehicles by June 2021
- **Extend EU emissions trading** to the maritime sector, and to reduce free allowances for airlines
- Support **public charging points: 1 million by 2025**
- Boost the production and supply of **sustainable alternative fuels** for the different transport modes
- Review the **Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Directive** and the TEN-T Regulation in 2021
- More **stringent air pollutant emissions standards** for combustion engine vehicles

Accelerating the shift to sustainable and smart mobility

deeply transformative policies

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- **Farm to Fork Strategy** – 20 May 2020
- Measures, including legislative, to significantly **reduce** the use of **chemical pesticides, fertilizers and antibiotics**
- Examination of the **draft national strategic plans**, to meet the ambitions of the European Green Deal and the Farm to Fork Strategy

From 'Farm to Fork': a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system

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- **EU Biodiversity Strategy** for 2030 – 20 May 2020
- Follow up with concrete measures in 2021 to **address the main drivers of biodiversity loss**
- A new **EU Forest Strategy**
- Measures to support **deforestation-free value chains** from 2020

Preserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity

Designing a set of deeply transformative policies

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- **Zero pollution action plan** for air, water and soil Address **industrial pollution** from large industrial installations
- **Chemicals strategy for sustainability** – Fall 2020

A zero pollution ambition
for a toxic-free environment

The
European
Green
Deal

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Pursuing
green finance and investment
and ensuring a just transition

- Meeting the **additional investment needs**
- **Sustainable Europe Investment Plan** and a **Just Transition Fund** – 27 May 2020
- **Climate mainstreaming target** across all EU programmes within Next Generation EU and revised MFF 2021-2027
- Proposed **new revenue streams** (“Own resources”)
- Mobilisation of **InvestEU** in support of the Green Deal objectives
- Work with the **EIB group** and other financial institutions
- **Taxonomy**, the regulation on the establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investment

no one behind

Mainstreaming sustainability in all EU policies

Financing the transition

Leave no one behind
(Just Transition)

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Mobilising research and
Fostering innovation

Transforming the
EU's economy for a

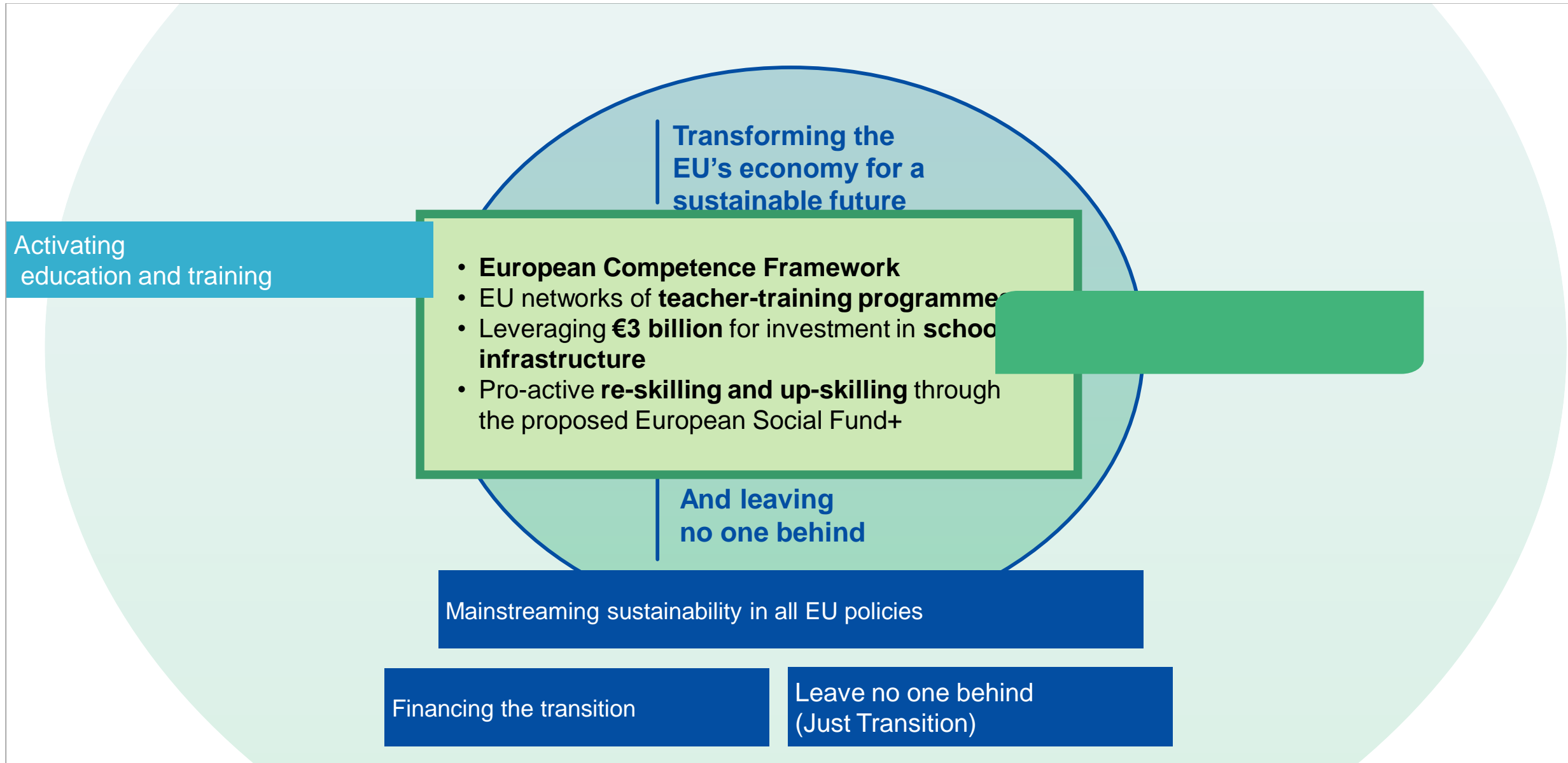
- **Horizon Europe: at least 35% funding** for climate-friendly solutions
- Four "**Green Deal missions**" (related to climate change, oceans, cities and soil)
- **Partnerships** with industry and Member States
- Role of **European Institute of Innovation and Technology**
- Role of **European Innovation Council**
- **Data and digital infrastructure** in support of ecological transition

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Transforming the
EU's economy for a
sustainable future

- **Align all new Commission initiatives** with European Green Deal objectives
- Use of **better regulation tools**
- **Invitation of stakeholders** to use available platforms to **simplify legislation and identify problematic cases**
- **Improve better regulation guidelines** and supporting tools to **address sustainability** and innovation issues

A green oath: 'do no harm'

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- EU to continue to **lead the international climate and biodiversity negotiations**, further strengthening the international policy framework
- Strengthen the EU's **Green Deal Diplomacy** in cooperation with Member States
- Proposal to make the **respect of the Paris Agreement an essential element** for all future comprehensive trade agreements

EU as a global leader

The **European Green Deal**: Reaching climate neutrality by 2050

Thank you for your attention!

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URBANIZATION OF WEATHER FORECAST, AIR-QUALITY PREDICTION AND CLIMATE SCENARIOS

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PROJECT URBI PRAGENSI

Tomáš Halenka, and URBI PRAGENSI team (CUNI, ICS, CHMI)



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Motivation

World:

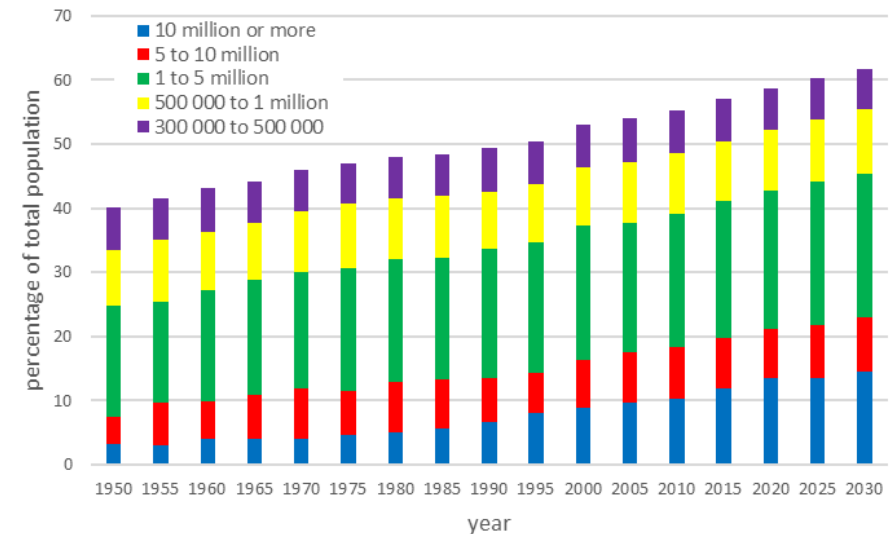
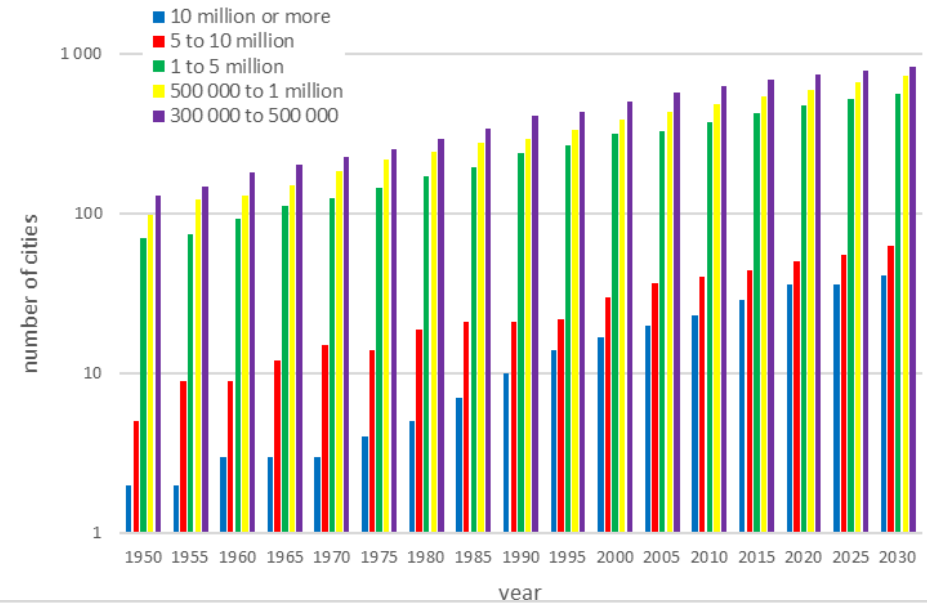
- From 2009 - more than 50% of the world's population living in cities (UN, 2009)
- Adaptation committee UN FCCC – \$1.8 trillion investment in 2020-2030 benefit of \$7.1 trillion, cities one of critical issues

Europe:

- 2008 - 73% of the population in cities
- mid 21th century - 84%, representing a rise from 531 to 582 millions (UN, 2008)
- in the Czech Republic, a similar change from 73.5% to 83% is projected by the Czech Statistical Office.

Clearly:

- Quite many atmospheric effects on population through the urban environment
- Especially thermal extreme weather effects like heat wave and air-quality threshold exceedances

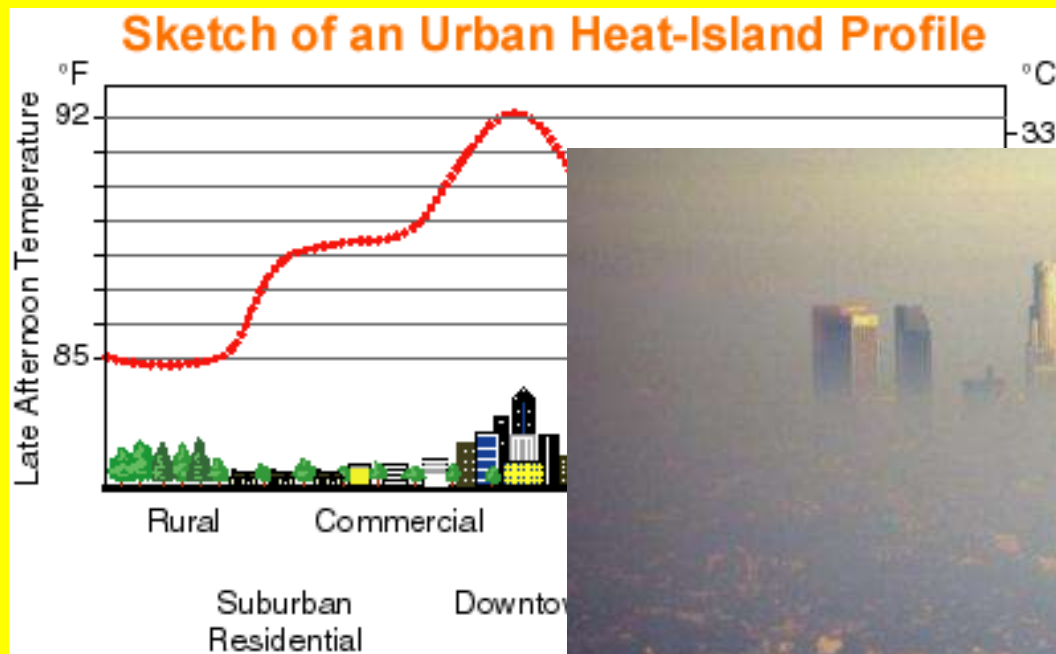


Recent challenges in modeling of urban heat

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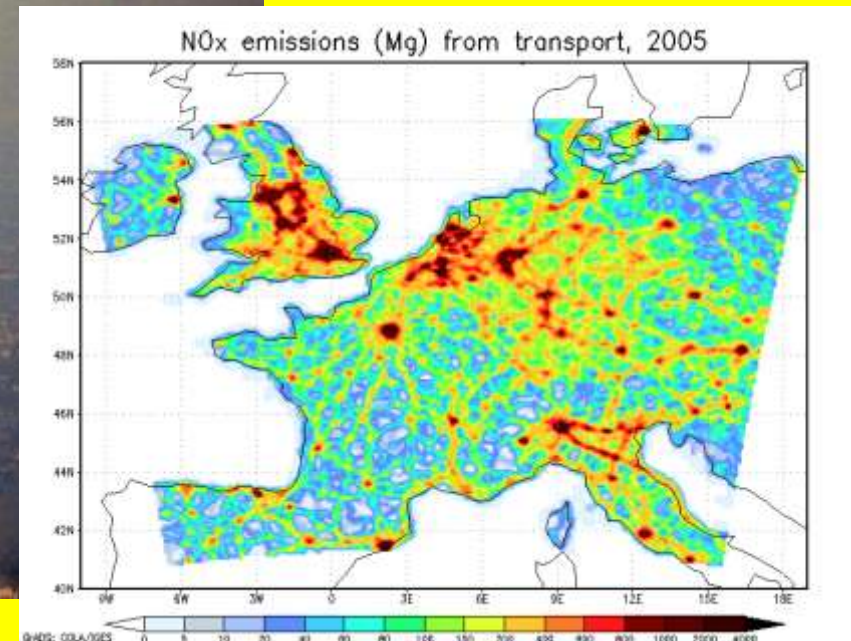
What we are talking about ...



Solecki et al., 2004



Los Angeles smog and California climate change policy



MEGAPOLI TNO NO_x emissions [Mg], 2005 from transport (S7)

UHI Project - Development and Application of Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies and Measures for Counteracting the Global Urban Heat Island Phenomenon

Within framework of EC
Operation Programme
Central Europe
(3CE292P3)
18 partners, coordinated
by ARPA, Italy (Paolo
Lauriola)



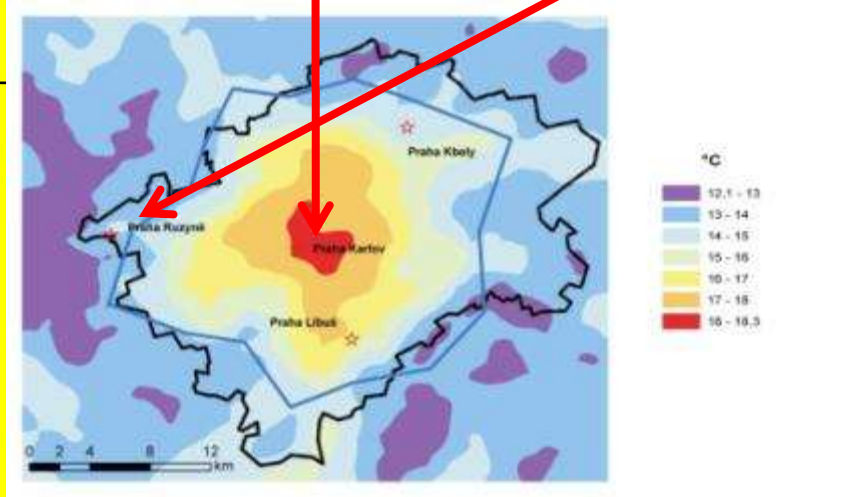
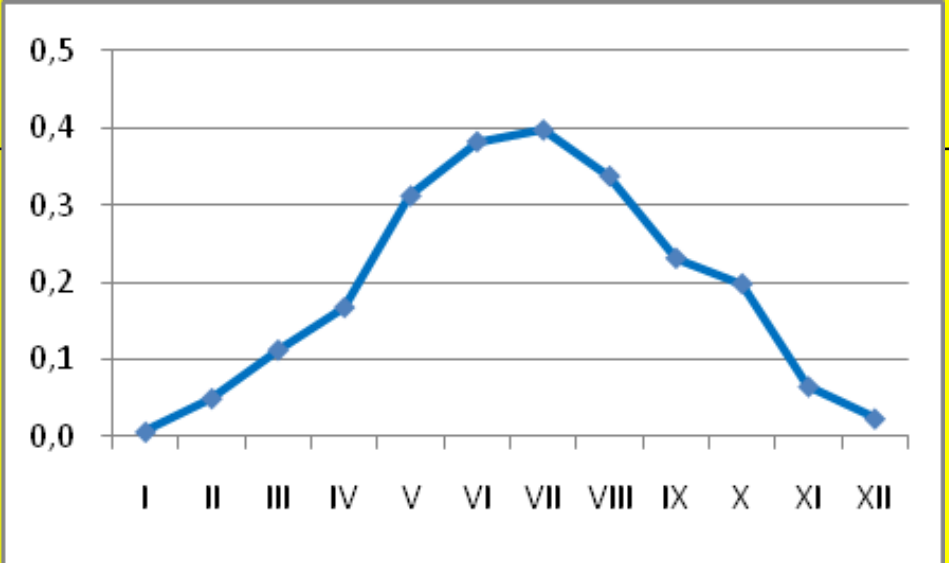
8 of the most relevant
metropolitan areas and
Metropolitan European
Growth Areas (MEGAs) of
CE area



Prague heat island

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Klementinum vs. Ruzyně



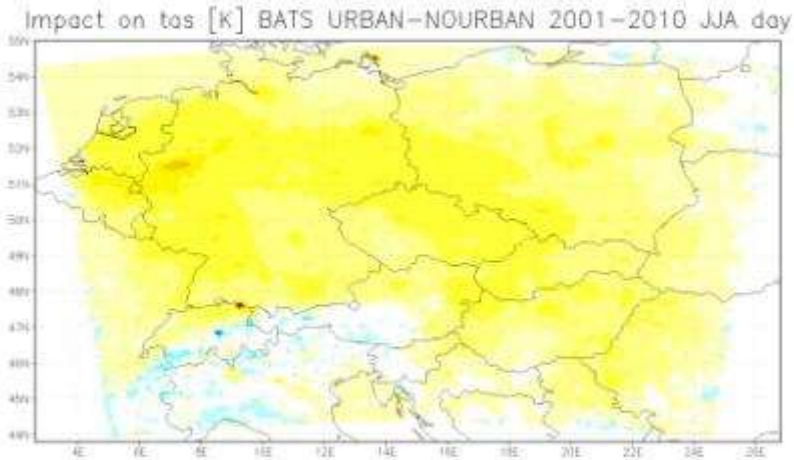
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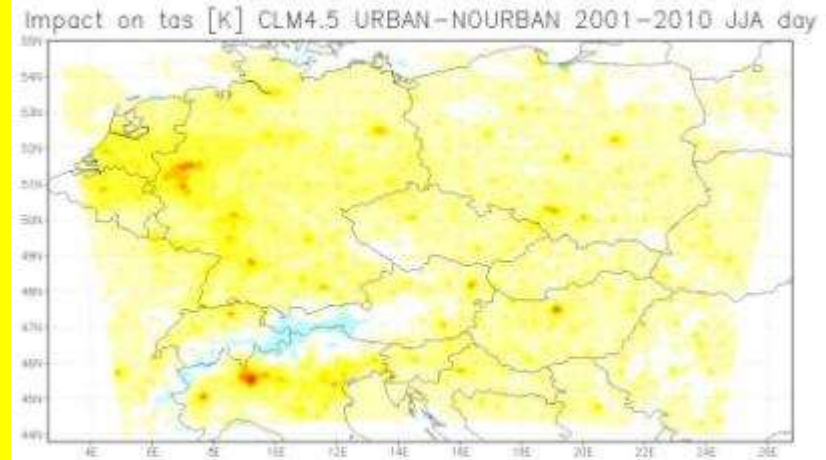
Near surface temperature RegCM4

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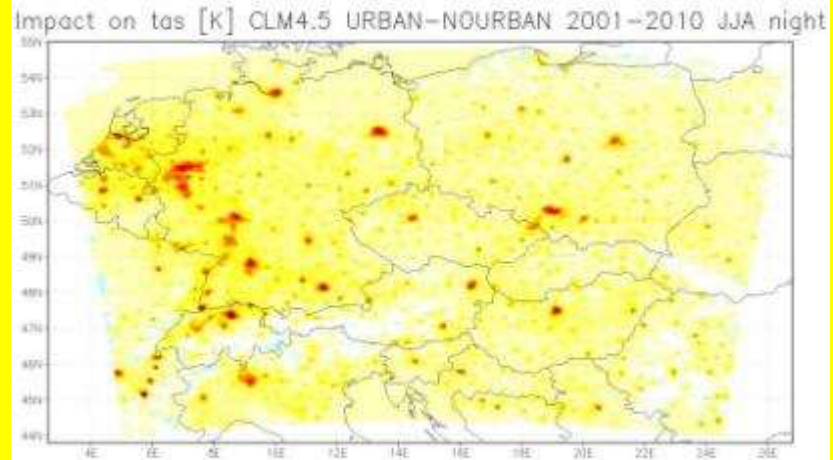
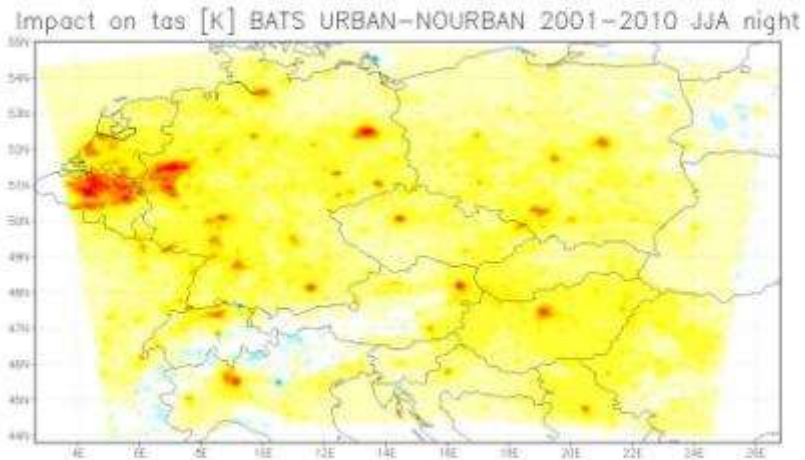


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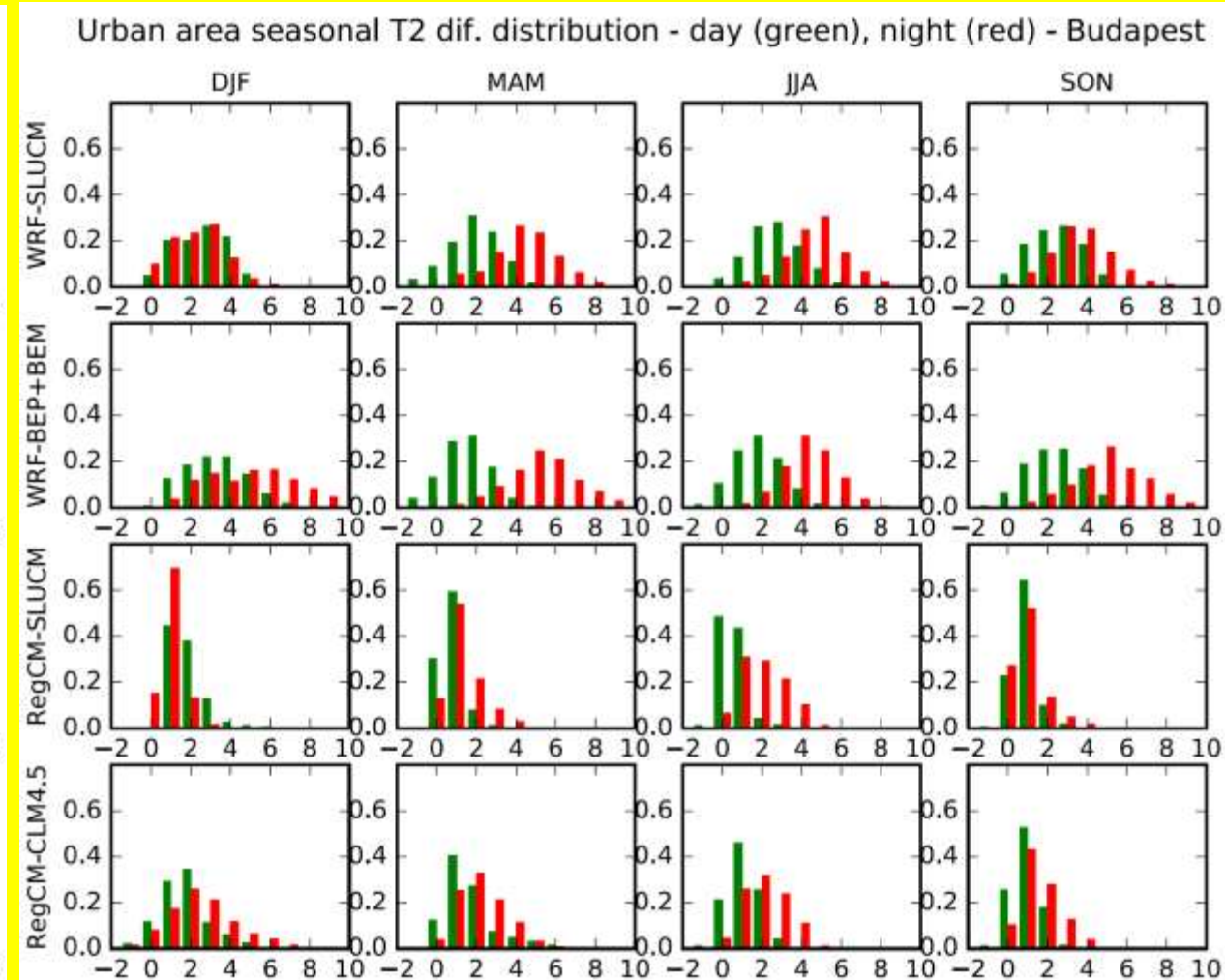
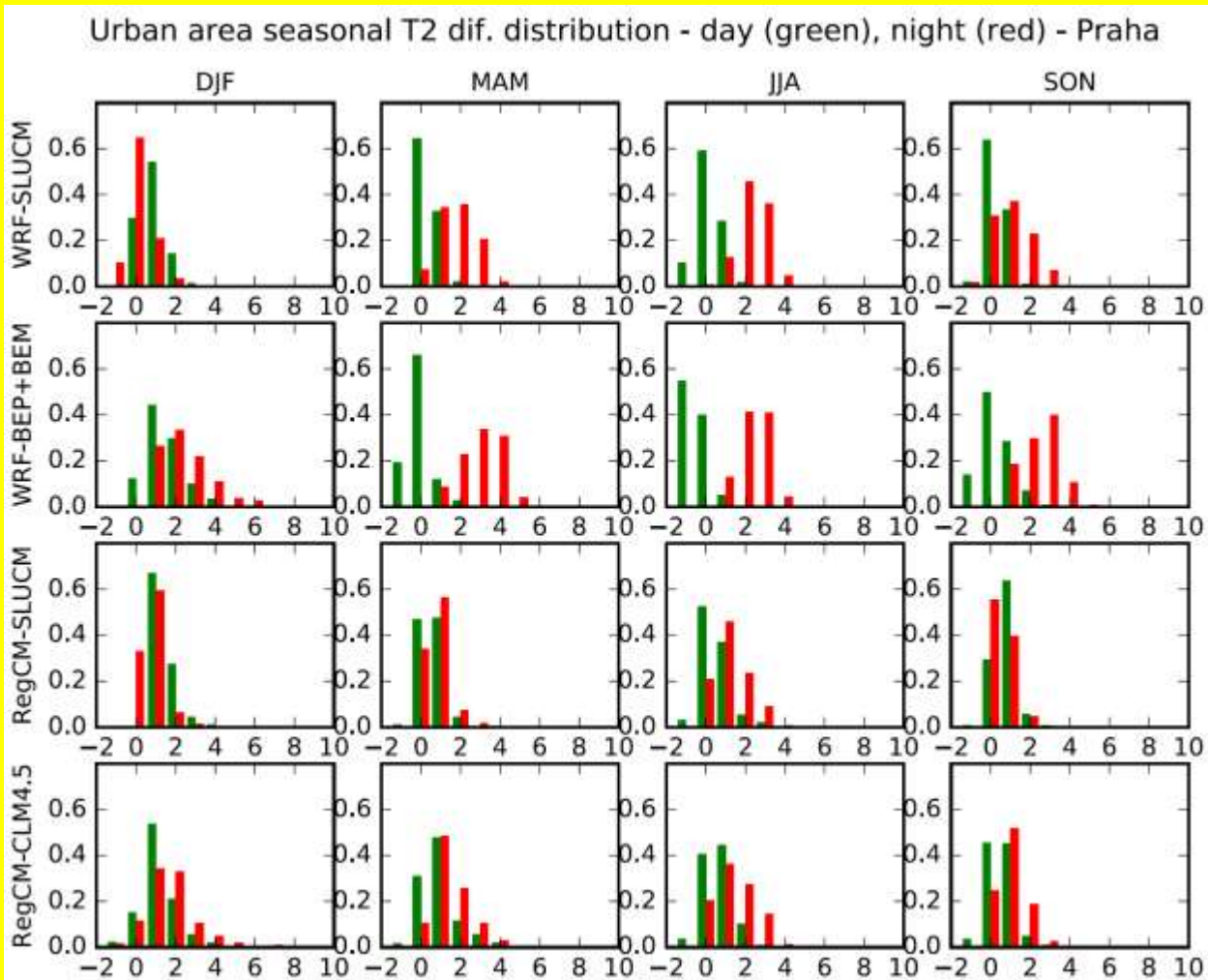
CLM4.5/CLMU

night



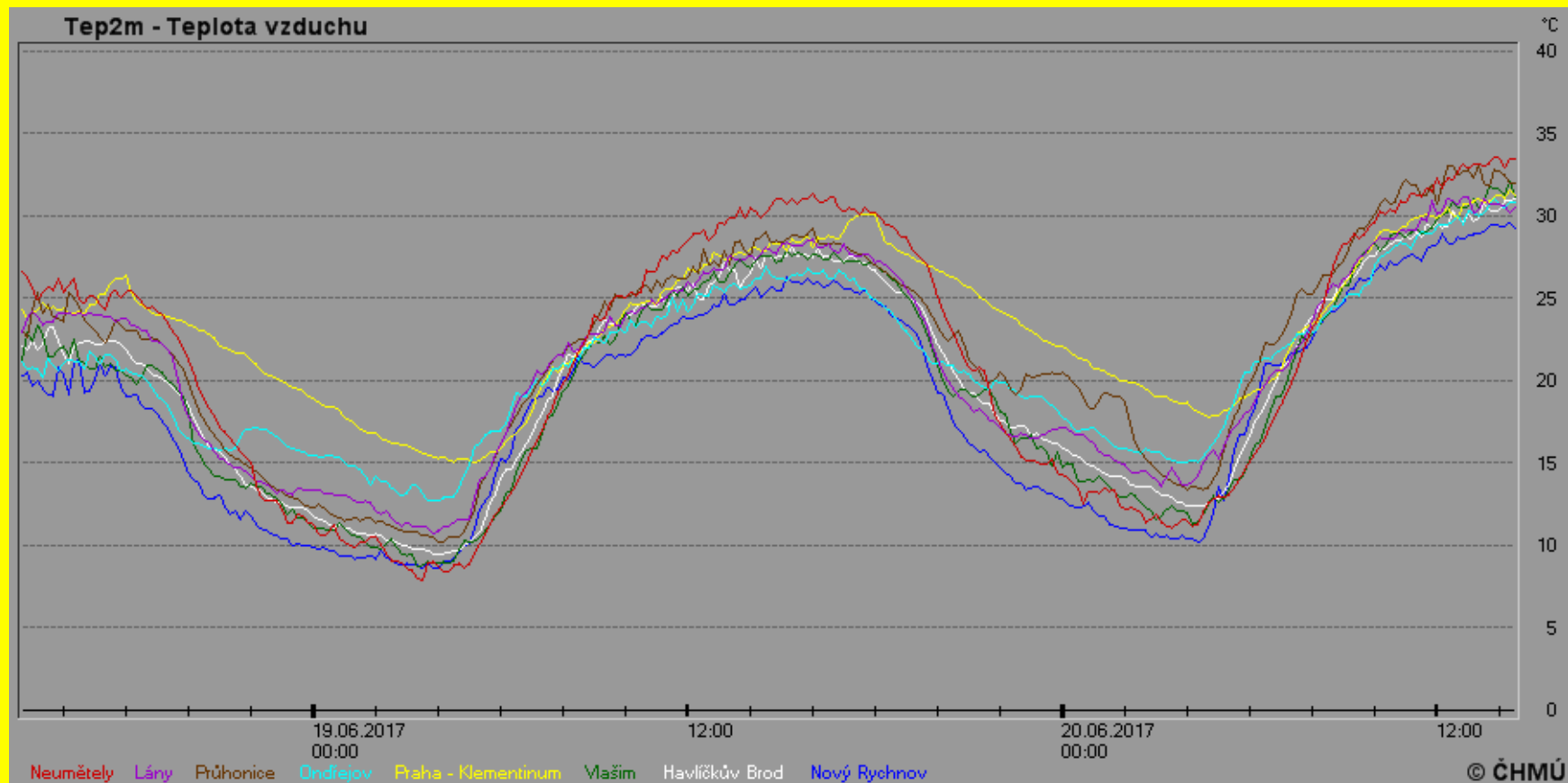
Huszar et al. (ACP,

UHI intensity for Prague and Budapest (day vs. night)



Karlícky et al. (ACP, 2018), you can see our poster here as well (Halenka et al., A21L-2878, this morning)

Example June 18-21, 2017



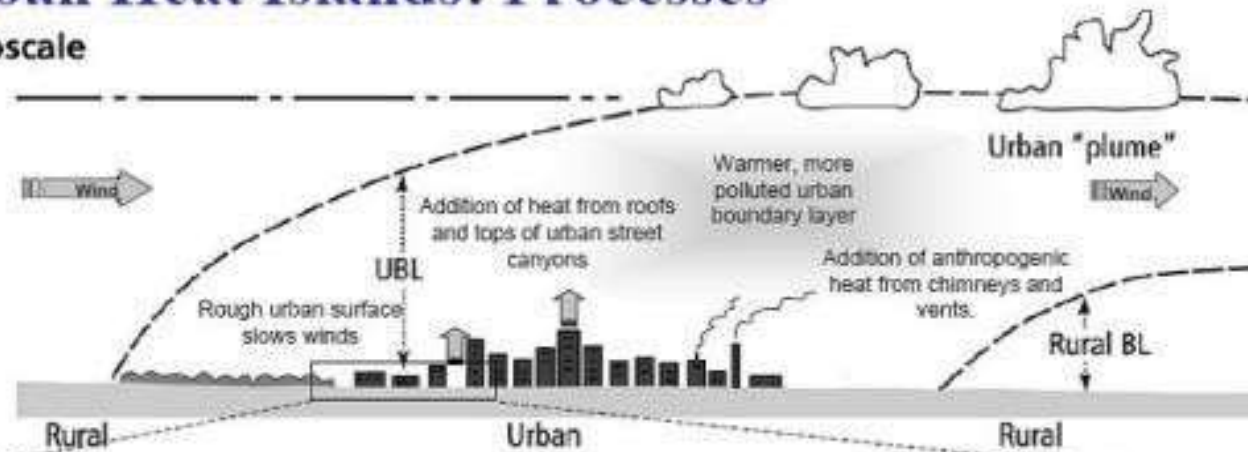
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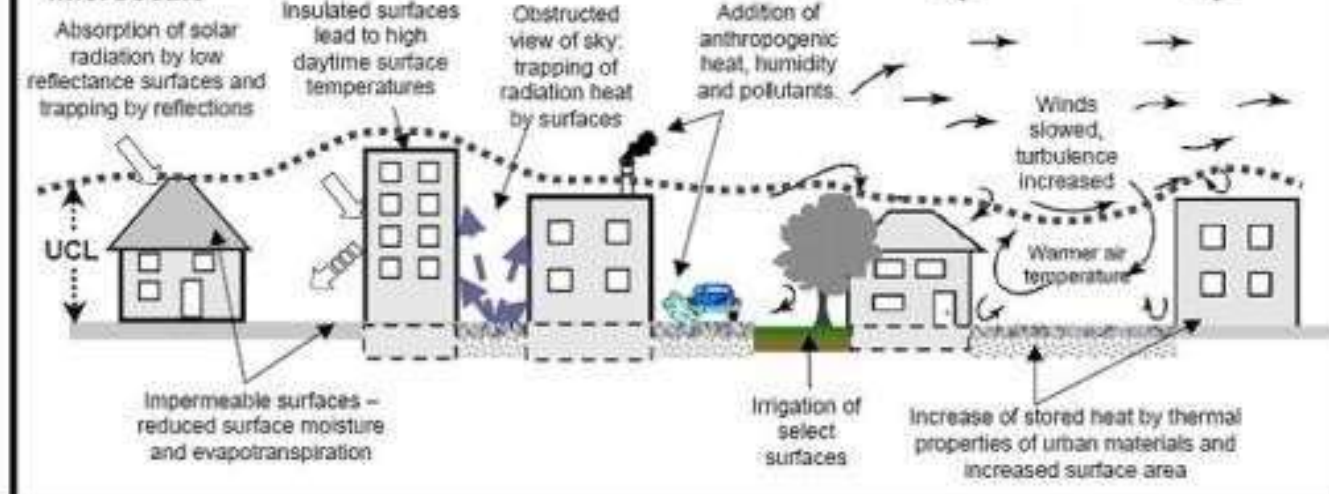
Atmospheric processes in urban canopy layer

Urban Heat Islands: Processes

Mesoscale



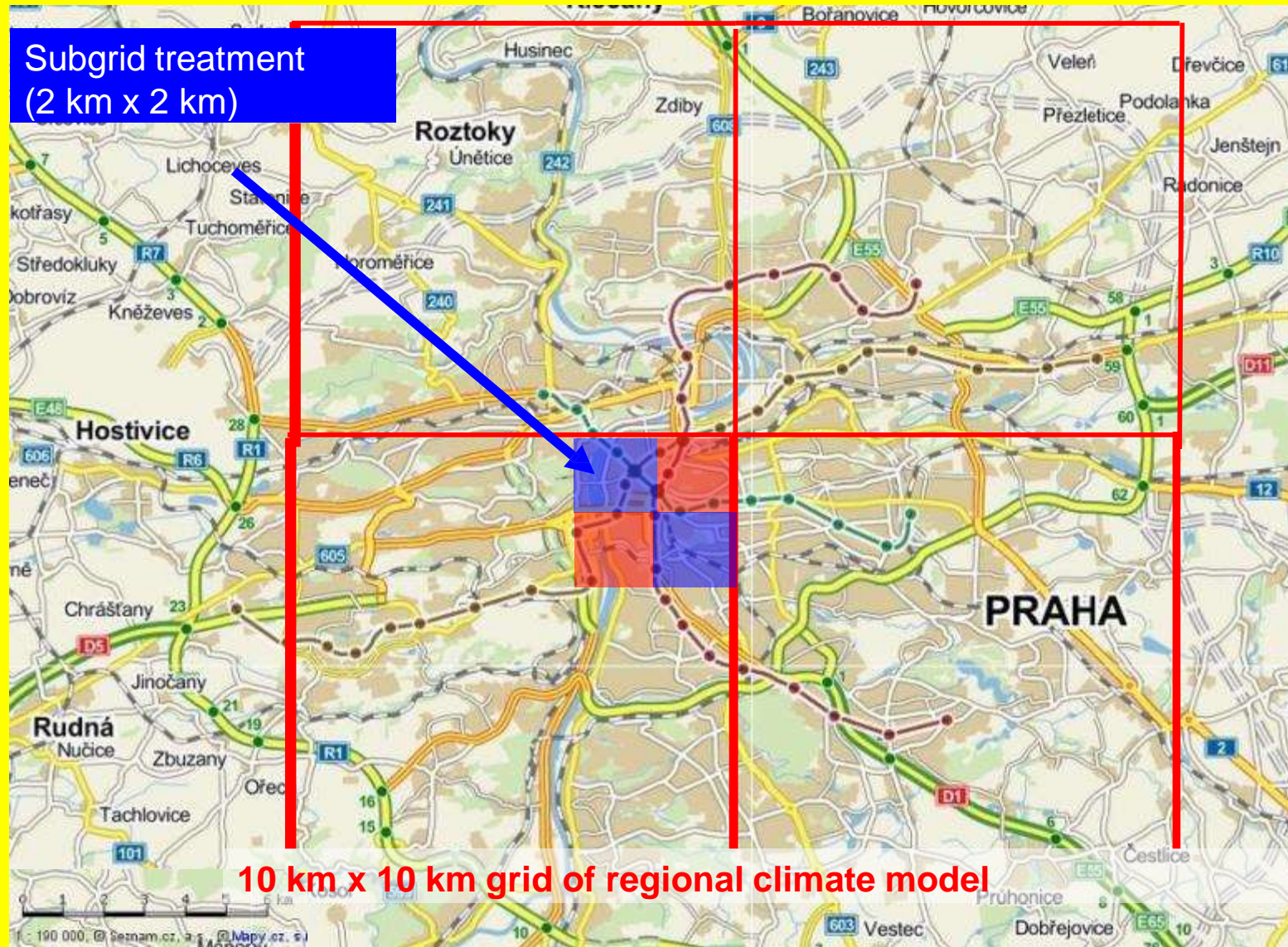
Microscale



Why urban parameterizations



Even further in very high-resolution



1 km resolution
for weather and
air quality
forecast in URBI
PRAGENSI

Project URBI PRAGENSI



- Urbanization of weather forecast
- Urbanization of air-quality forecast (connected to the above)
- Urbanization of climate change scenarios, the tool for efficiency assessment of adaptation or mitigation measures in strategic development plans
- Hot-spots simulations



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Urbanization of weather forecast



- urbanized weather prediction based on very high resolution simulations (WRF, 1 km) with localised urban parameters for individual parts of the city
- to provide more detailed information for warnings, planning of the activities of population, planning of the services to adapt and mitigate the effects of urban heat island
- to provide the tool for the assessment of the potential of measures for adaptation and mitigation adopted in Strategic City Development Plan in selected case studies

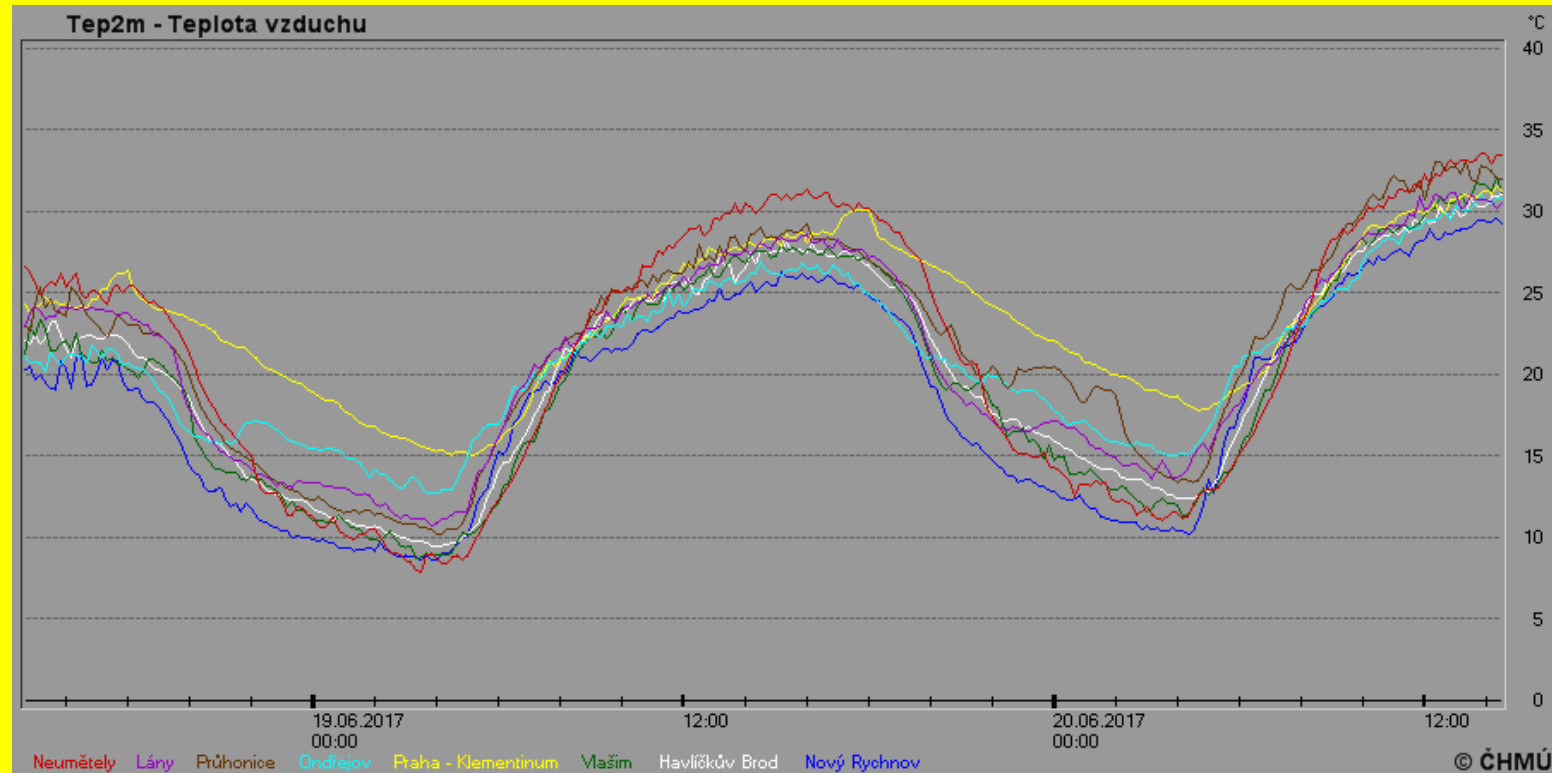
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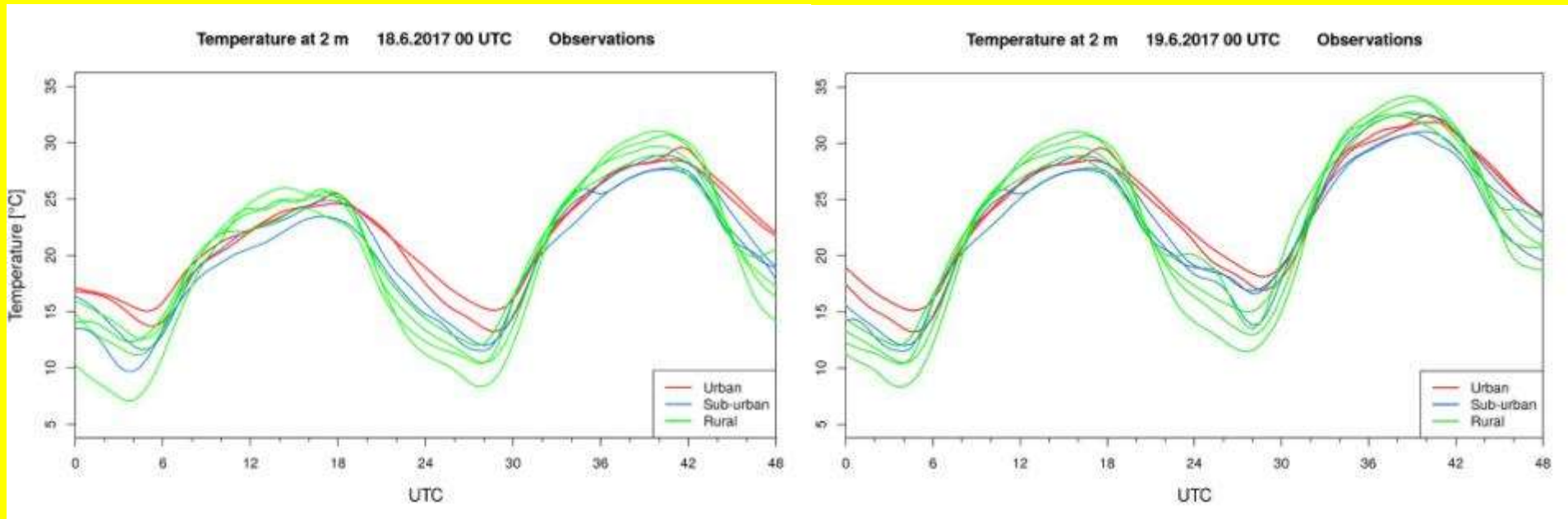
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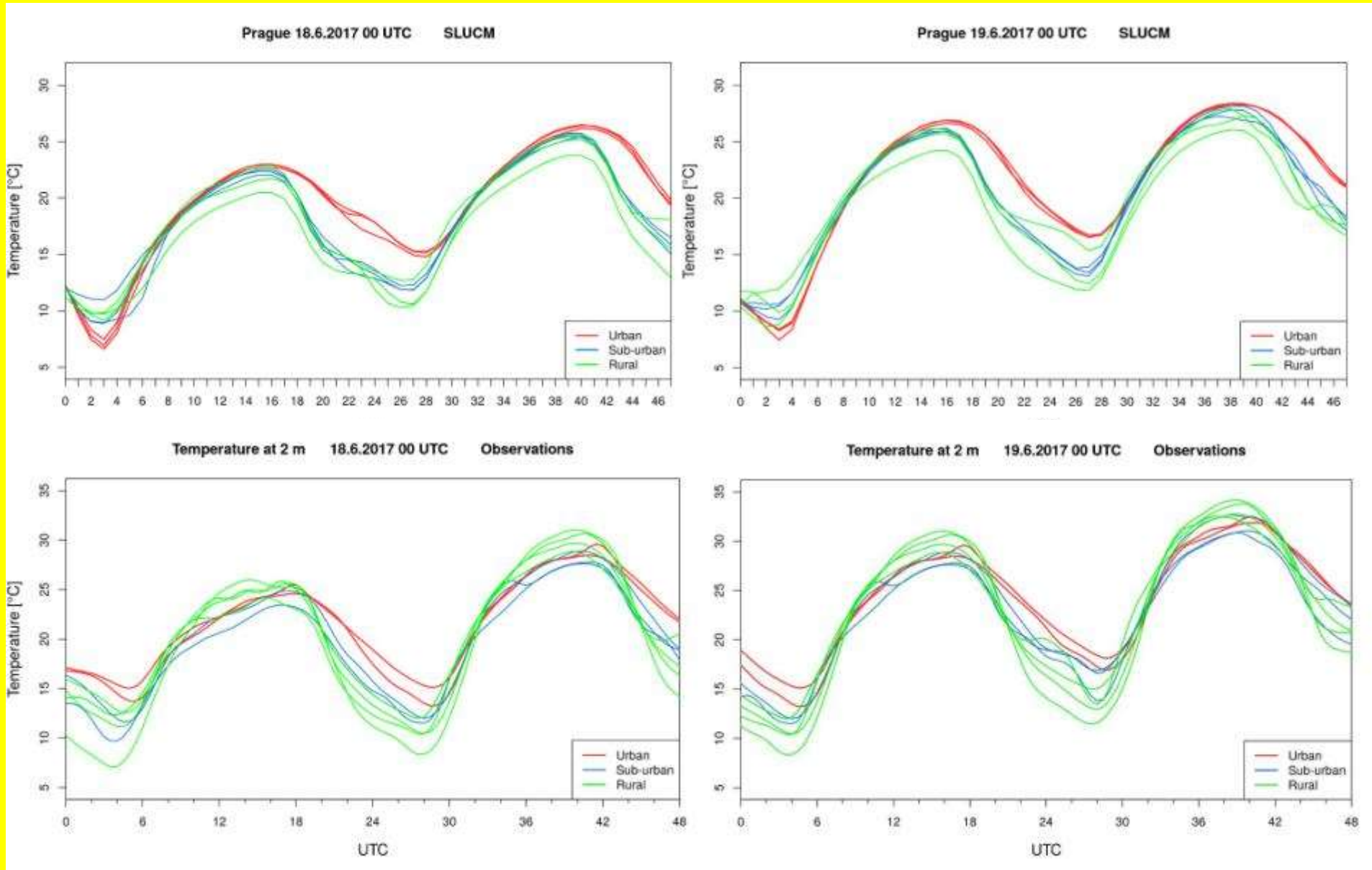
WRF forecast mode with SLUCM (3km)



WRF forecast mode with SLUCM (3km)



WRF forecast mode with SLUCM (3km)



Urbanization of air-quality forecast



- air quality prediction based on urbanized weather forecast (role of mixing layer height, wind velocity, temperature, etc) using coupled simulations of WRF and CTM in very high resolution simulations of 1 km with localised urban emissions
- to provide more detailed information for warnings, planning of the activities of population, planning of the services to adapt and mitigate the effects of urban environment
- to provide quasi-operationally the tool for the assessment of the potential of regulatory measures, esp. for transportation, for mitigation of concentration exceedances



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Urbanization of climate change scenarios



- urbanization of climate change scenarios results from CMIP and EuroCORDEX available simulations
- urbanized simulations for dynamical downscaling of selected climate change scenarios simulations in very high resolution simulations (3 km) with localised urban parameters for individual parts of the city
- to provide the tool for the assessment of the potential of measures for adaptation and mitigation adopted in Strategic City Development Plan in long term perspective, together with air-quality issues



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Hot-spots simulations



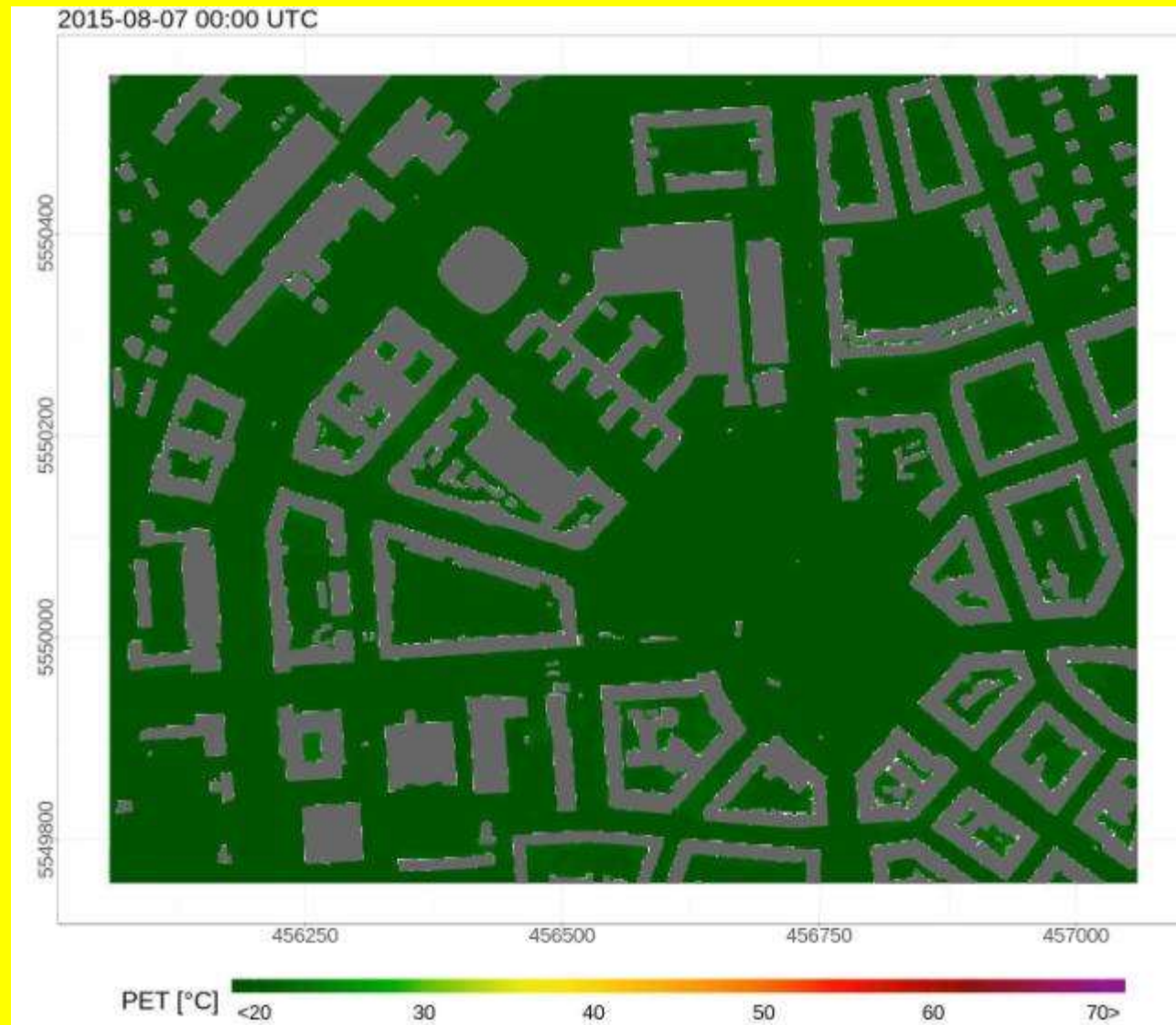
- LES tools for more detailed assessment of selected hot-spots in the city (PALM), at scale of individual streets, blocks, ...
- connected with air-pollution transport, option to run quasi-operationally connected to urbanized weather and/or air-quality prediction
- to provide the tool for the assessment of the potential of measures for adaptation and mitigation the harmful effects at selected locations



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PET – PALM simulation



Conclusions



- Urban surfaces have significant impact on the meteorological conditions and climate in Central Europe, with increasing effects on population and up-to-date science can capture it
- Urban heat island effect clearly identified in simulations as well, mainly during summer and nighttime, especially significant under extreme weather like heat wave
- High-resolution achieved the city's scale, no excuse to neglect it, localized simulations, weather prediction for cities, with extreme events for adaptation or mitigation options can be done
- Higher complexity parameterization necessary to capture the effects fully, which might be important e.g. for air-quality issues

Proof of concept and further more detailed assessment within the project URBI PRAGENSI, topic taken to CORDEX activity platform – planning FPS



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University of Crete



The Economist

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Obama, Bibi and peace
Huntsman blows his horn
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The costly war on cancer
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Welcome to the Anthropocene



Geology's new age



CO2

BUILDING BRIDGES

Long-standing disputes can be fixed — in theory

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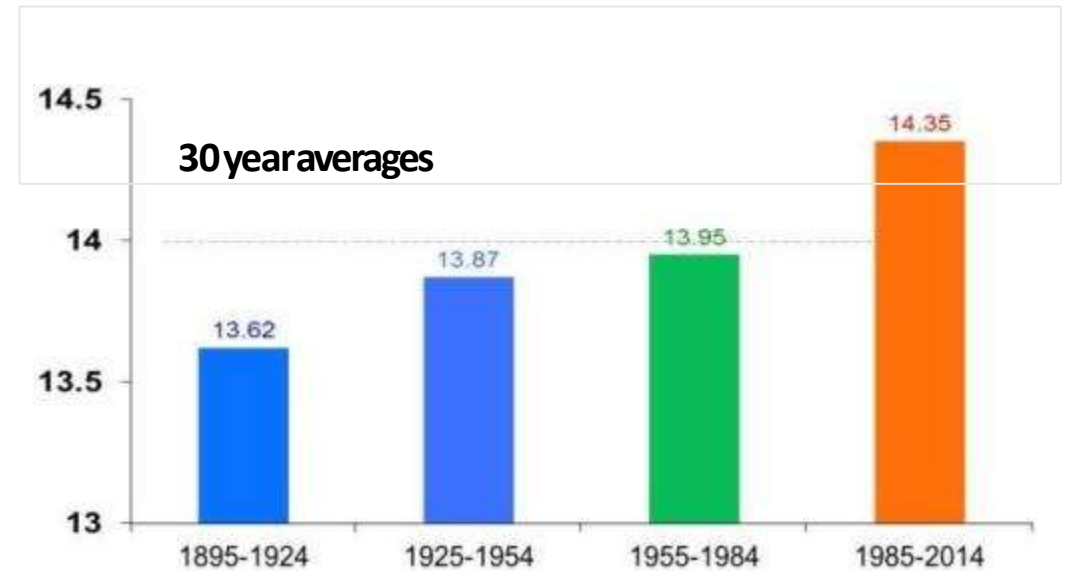
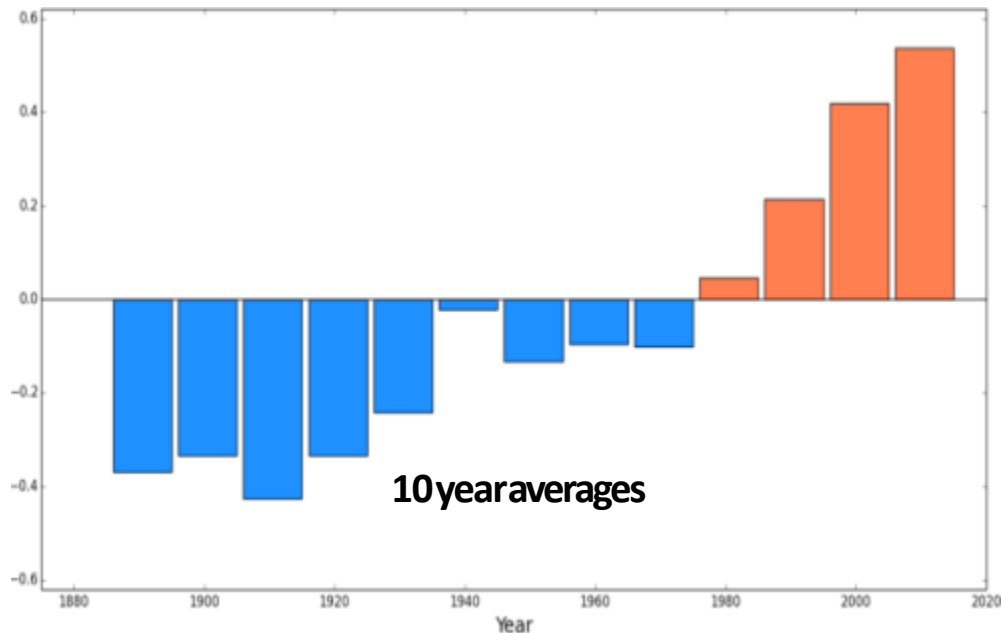
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The **Anthropocene** is proposed as the new geological epoch where **human-influence will dominate the fossil records**. There is overwhelming global evidence that atmospheric, geologic, hydrologic, biospheric and other Earth system processes are now modified by human activity.

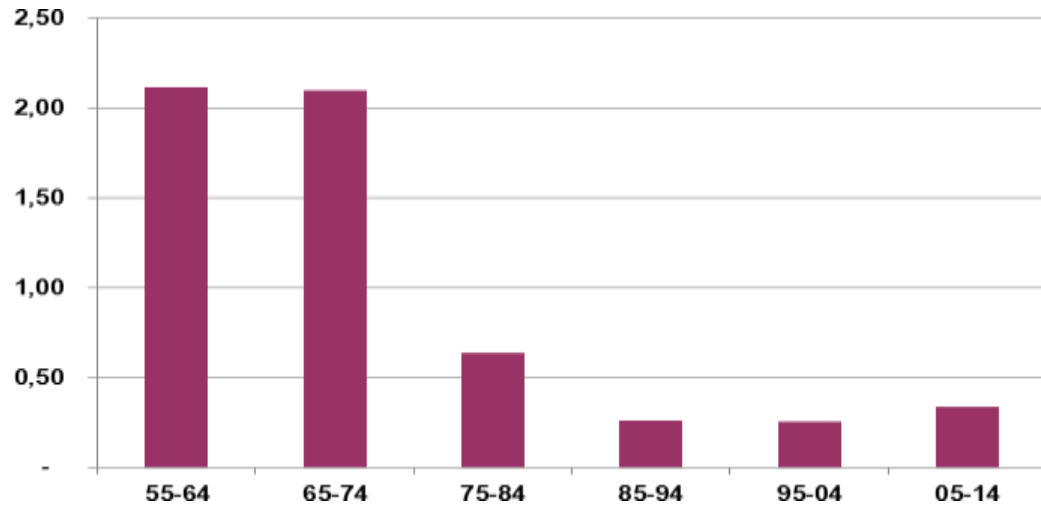
- IPCC: “warming of climate system is unequivocal”.
- “Human influence on the climate system is clear”

Global surface temperature anomalies 1880-2015

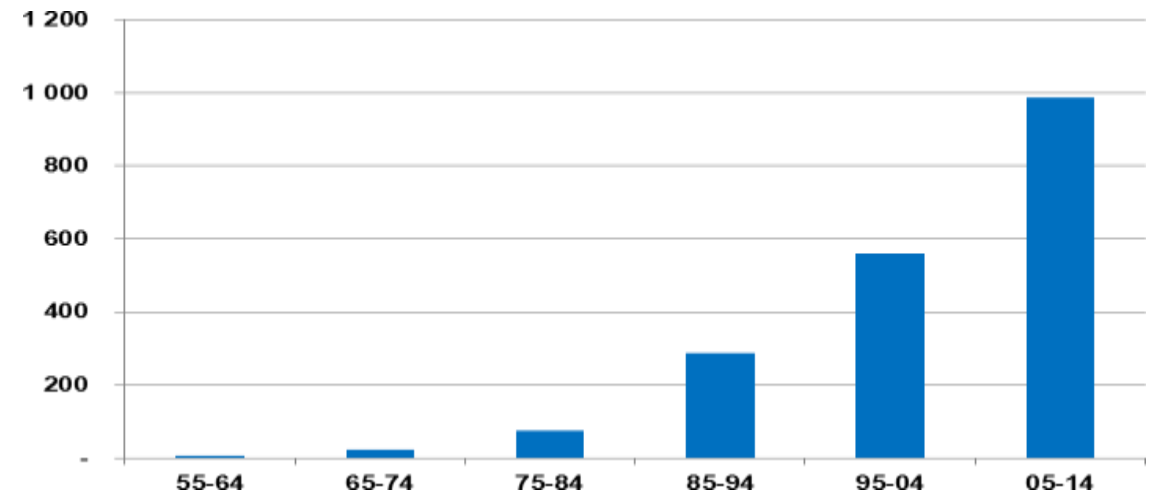


21st Century: The context

Weather and climate disasters



Deaths per decade (millions)



Economic losses per decade (Billion US\$)

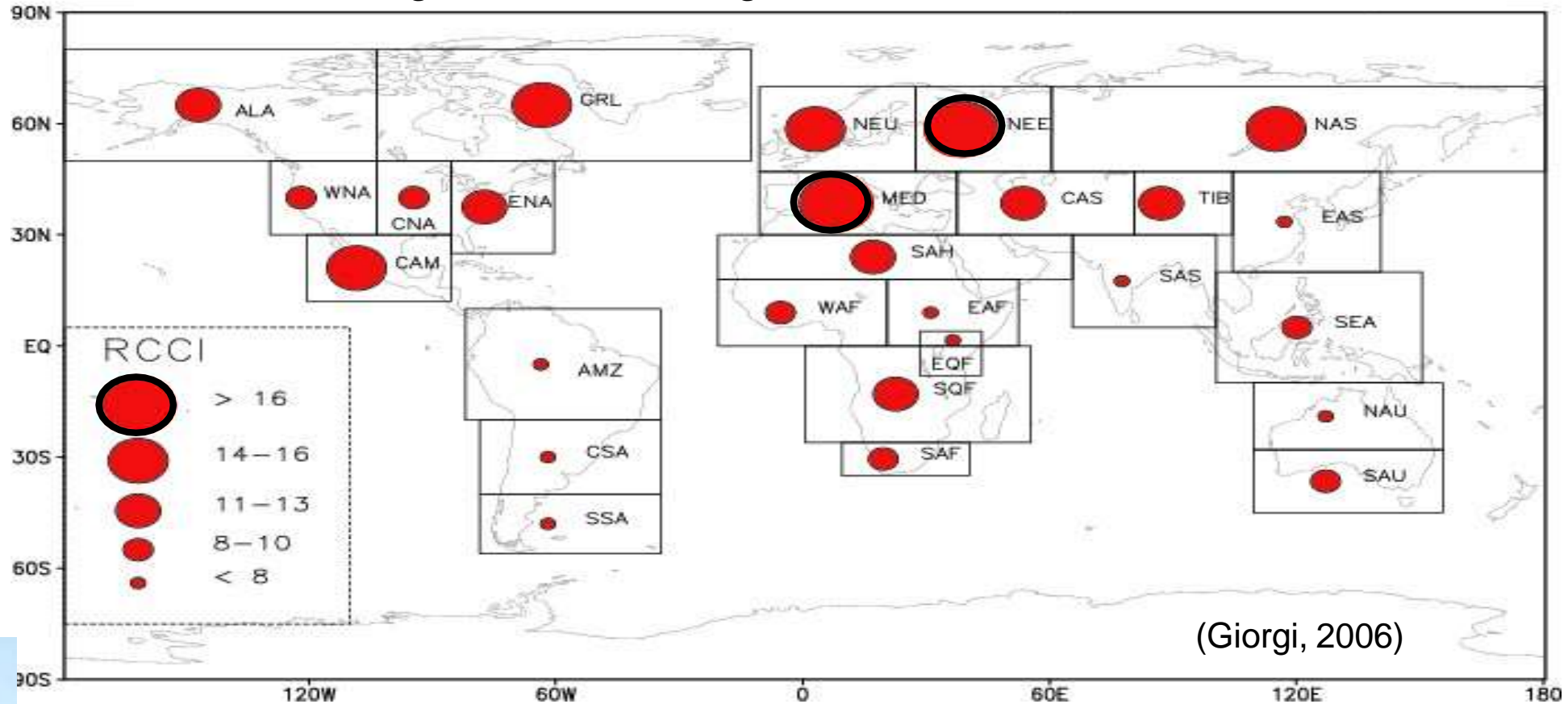
Developing countries affected much more, relative to their economic size

Source: WHO

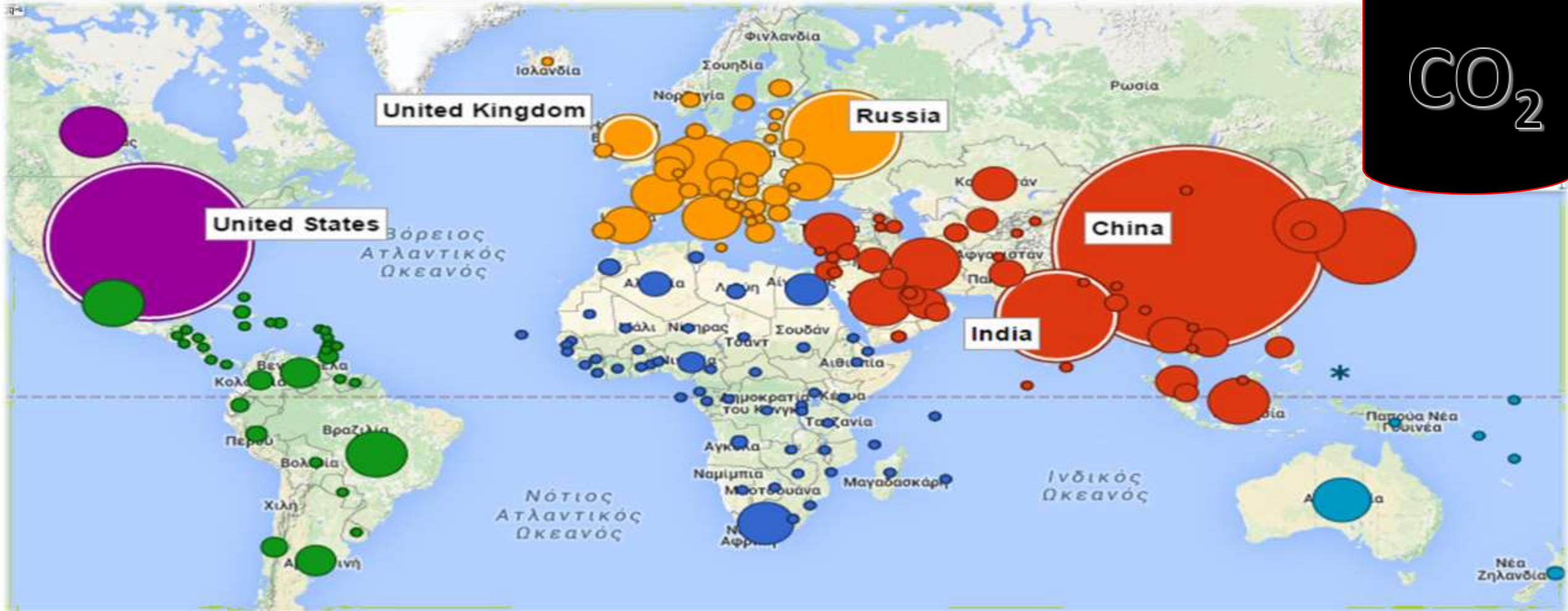
Air pollution & Climate Change in the Mediterranean

The Mediterranean: A major climate Hot Spot region

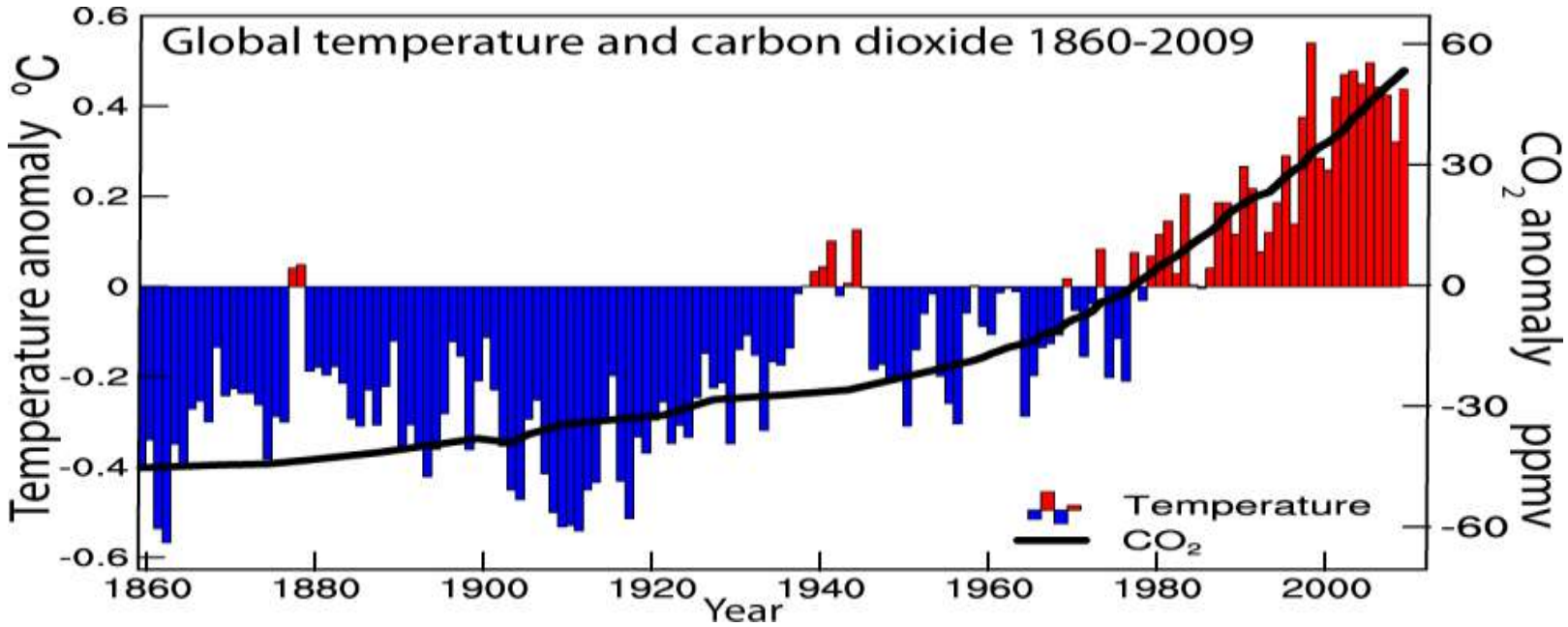
Regional Climate Change Index, 20 models, 3 scenarios



CO₂



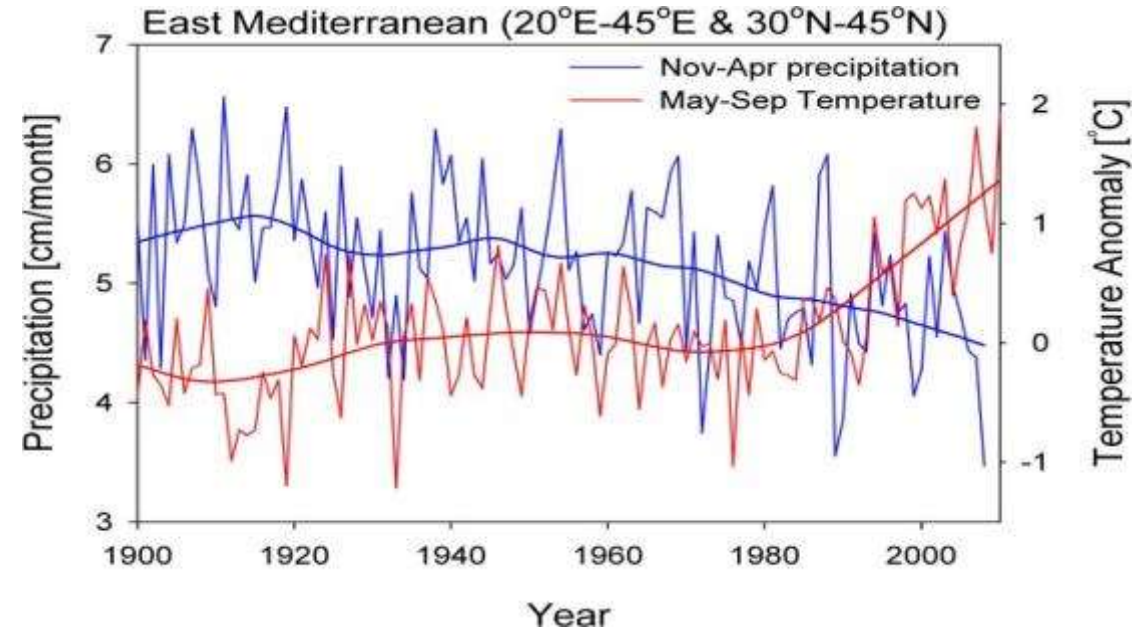
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Climate Change between 1980-2010

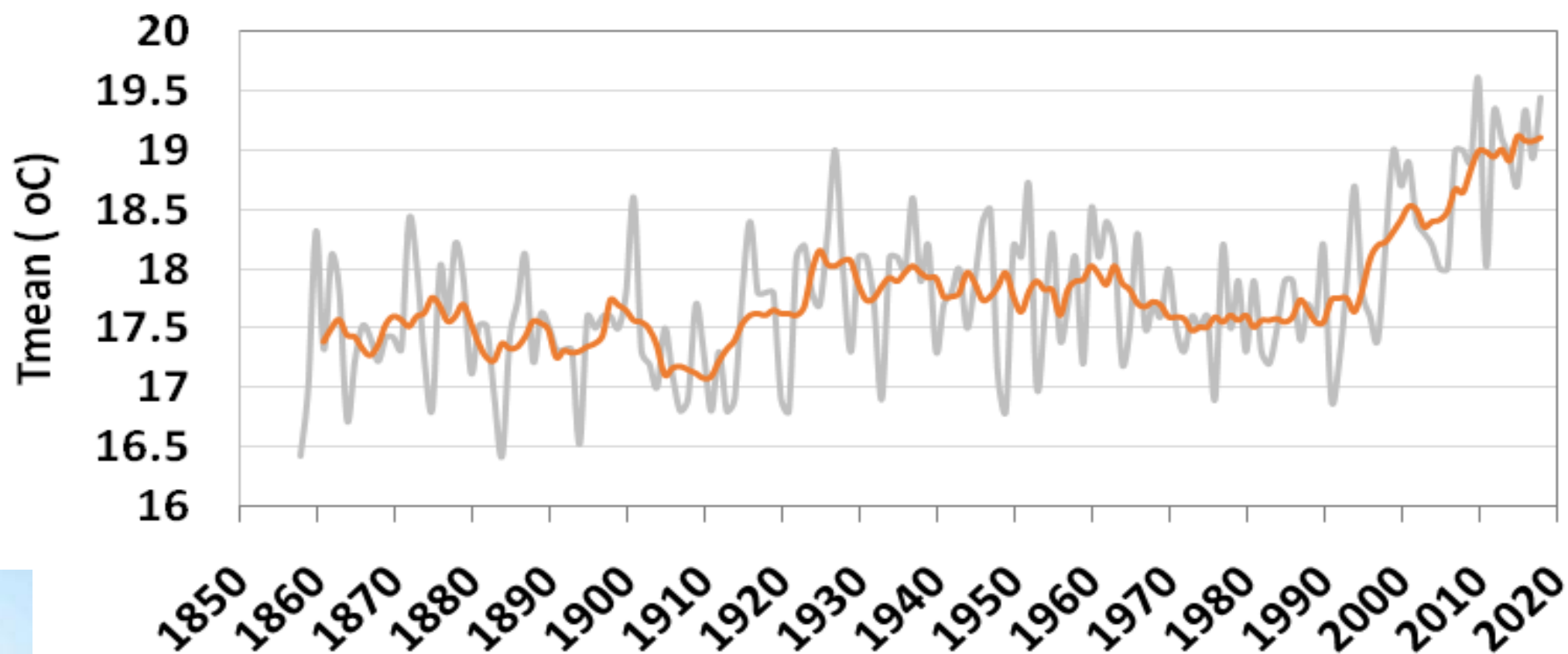
World : = +0.7degree C

Eastern Mediterranean = +1.5 degree C!!!

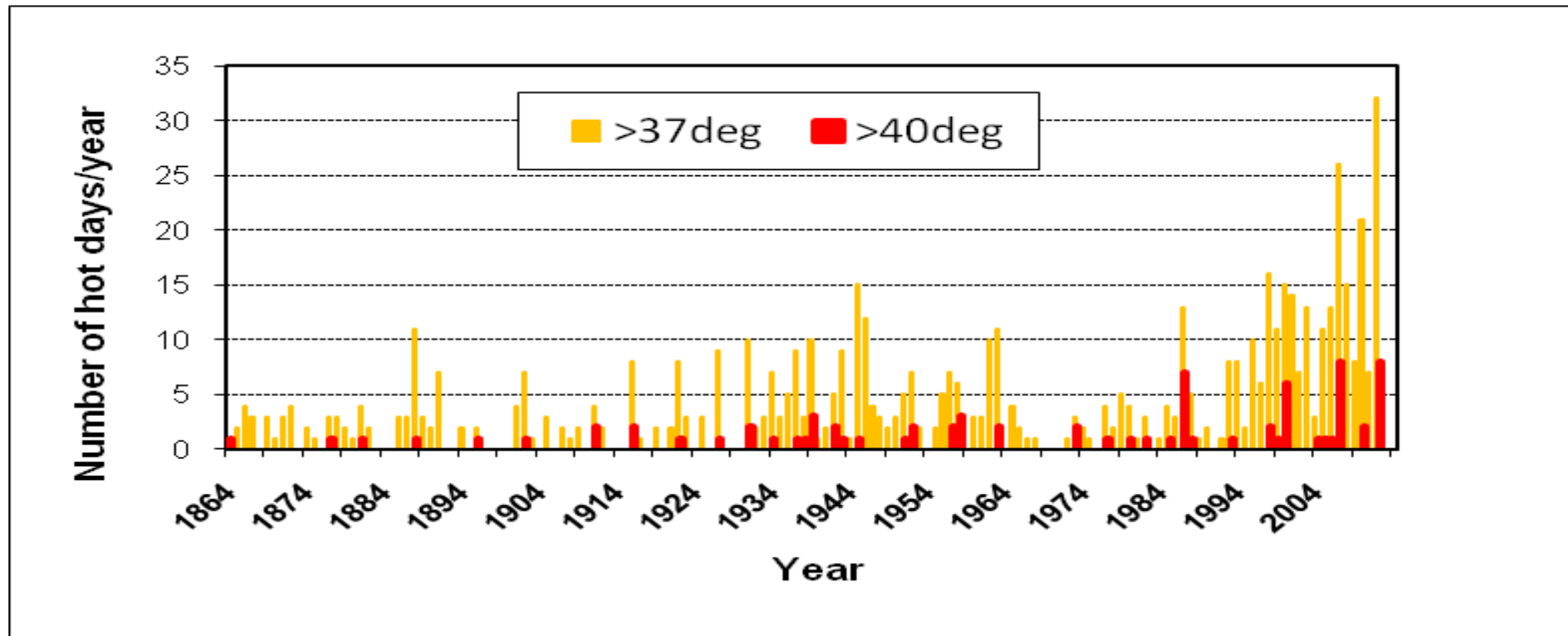


High Impact region: trends in temperature and precipitation go in different directions
(The World Bank, 2012)

Annual mean temperature in Athens (1858-2018)



Frequency of hot days since 1860

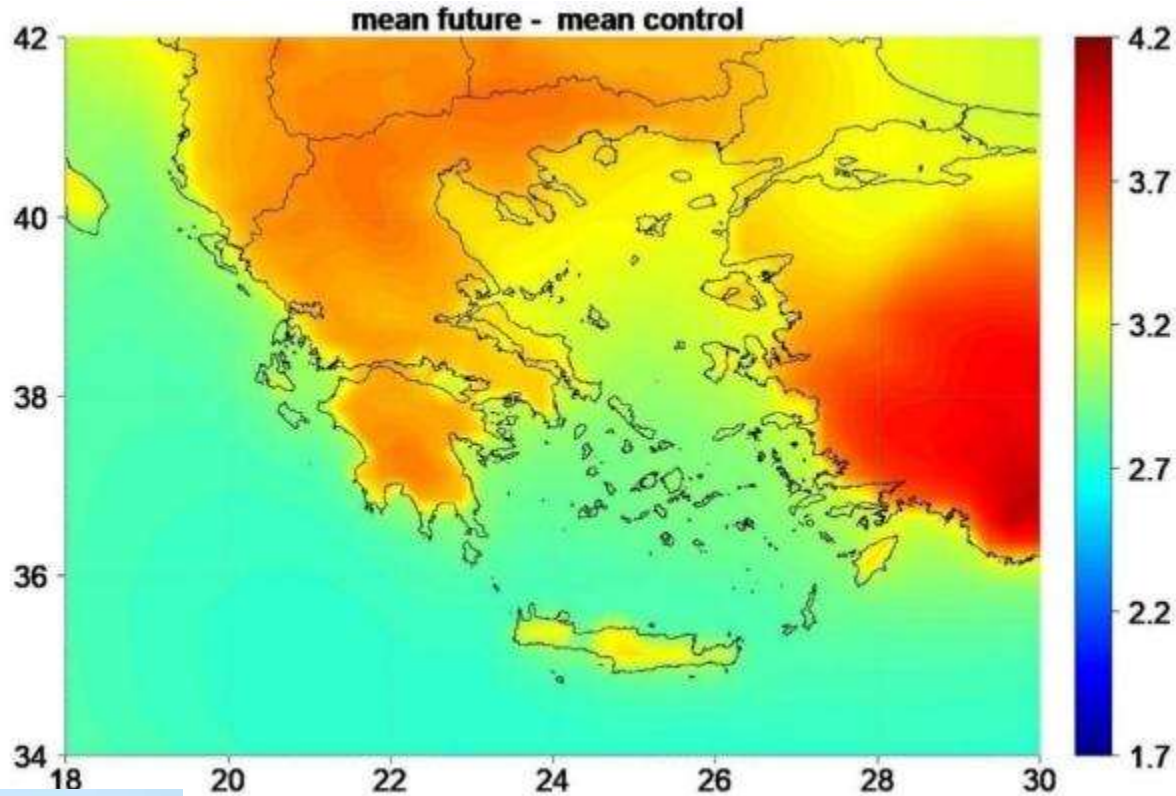


Source: Founda & Giannakopoulos 2009 (Global&Planetary Change)

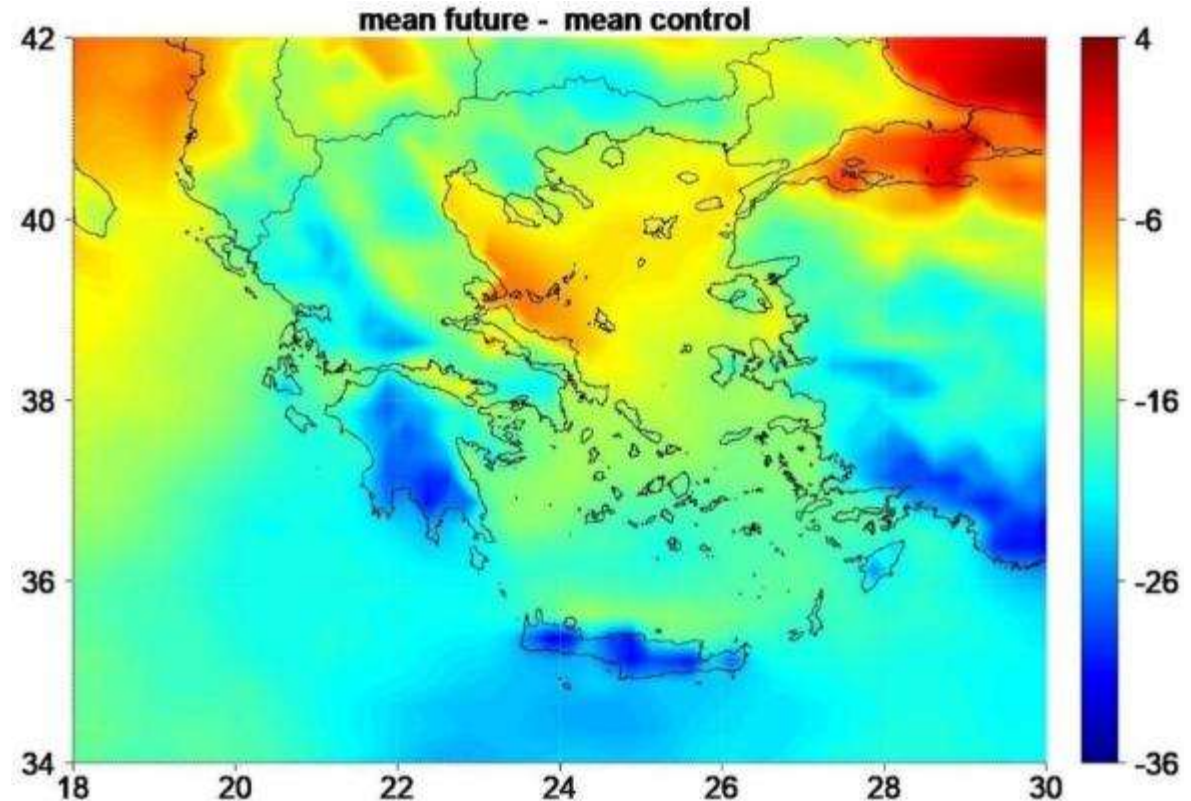
This increase was accompanied by a **striking increase** in the **hot days frequency**

Impacts of Climate Change

Mean Temperature



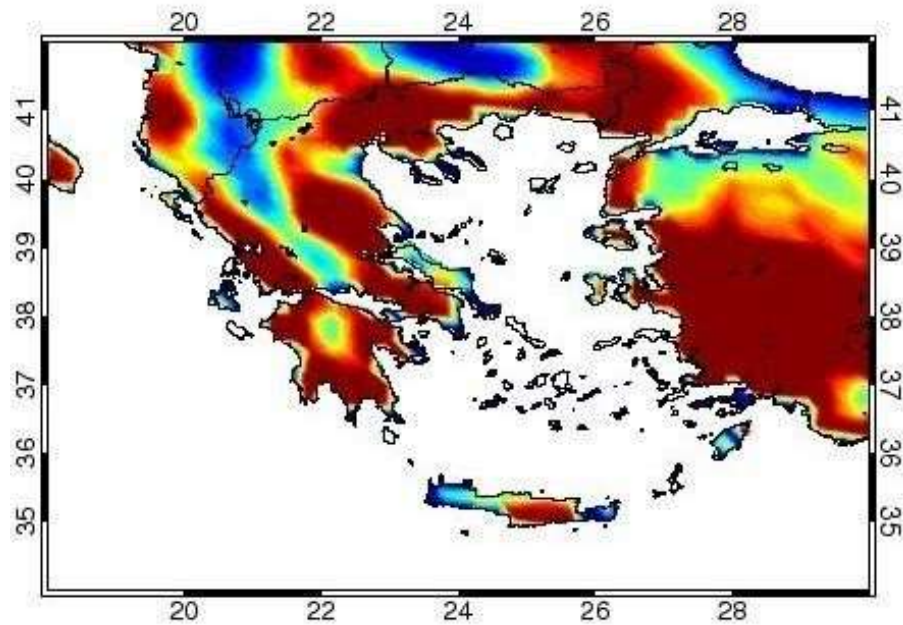
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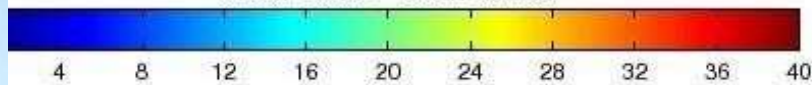
Period 2071-2100 relative to 1961-1990/ scenario A1B

Impacts of Climate Change *Extreme Events*

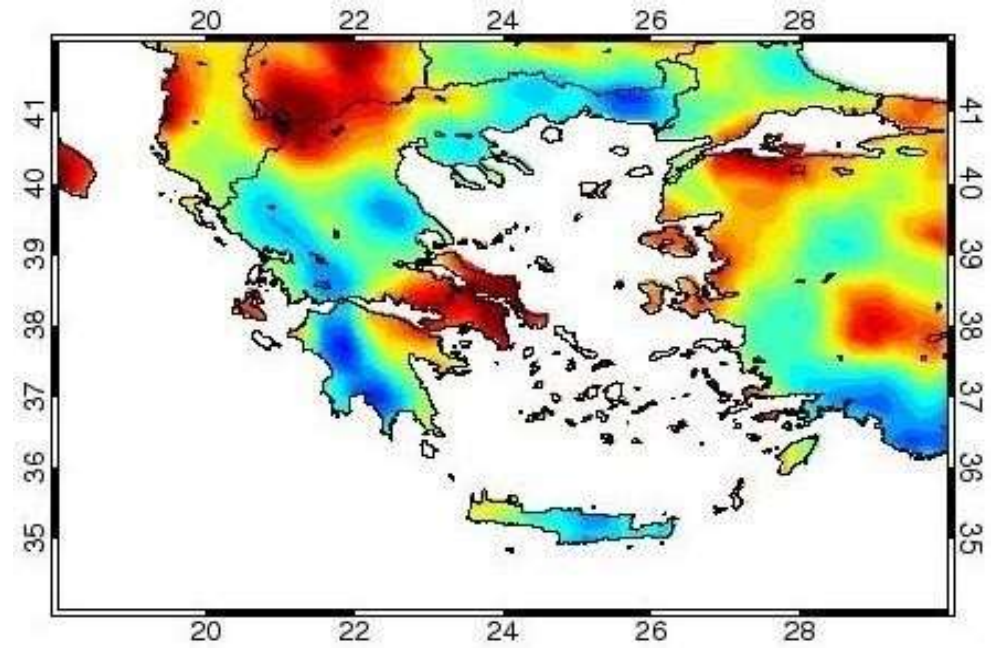
Number of dates $T > 35^{\circ}\text{C}$



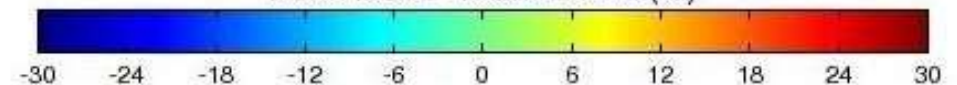
mean future - mean control



Total Rain, 3 consecutive days



mean future - mean control (%)



Period 2071-2100 relative to 1961-1990/ scenario A1B

CLIMPACT: The Greek Initiative for studying the Climate change and its impacts”

- The proposed initiative aims to create a scientific core of excellence in research, to produce new knowledge on climate change, as there is currently a core of Greek scientists actively involved on climate change issues.

Our country can utilize the significant number of terrestrial measurements (EMY, METEO), the current infrastructure of the road map (PANACEA, HIMIOFoTS) as well as the satellite data, producing innovative information necessary for the more accurate quantification of climate change and its effects.

Aims of CLIMPACT

- The optimization of the existing climate services and early warning systems for natural disasters in Greece, including the supporting observations from terrestrial networks, aerial platforms and satellite Earth observation systems collected in the relevant national infrastructures
- Utilization of new research results and methodologies in the production of original climate services and innovative early warning systems for natural disasters related to climate change.

Aims of CLIMPACT

- The creation of a national database through the systematic collection, control and archiving climatic and environmental parameters, data from satellite earth observation systems, models and products, and their free and open use by the Greek and international scientific community.
- Valid and timely dissemination of information to decision-making bodies, cross-sectoral policy design (with emphasis on tourism, agriculture, forests / ecosystems, and civil protection), shielding of citizens, society and economy in general from the effects of Climate Change.

Pillars of CLIMPACT

Pillar 1: Science and High quality data related to Climate Change

Pillar 2: Climate Change: Impacts on agriculture, tourism and energy consumption – adaptation – mitigation – financial impact

Pillar 3: Hazard and risk estimation from Climate Change

Participants

- National Observatory of Athens (NOA, Co-ordination)
- Academy of Athens
- Aristotle University
- University of Athens
- National Technical University of Athens
- Hellenic center of Marine Research (HCMR)
- Demokritos Research center
- University of Crete
- National technical University of Crete
- Research Center Athena
- National Center for Social Studies
- **The initiative is open to other Greek Institutes and Universities**



Ευχαριστώ για τη προσοχή σας

Thank you very much for your attention



Numerical simulations of the summer bioclimatic indices for the city of Sofia

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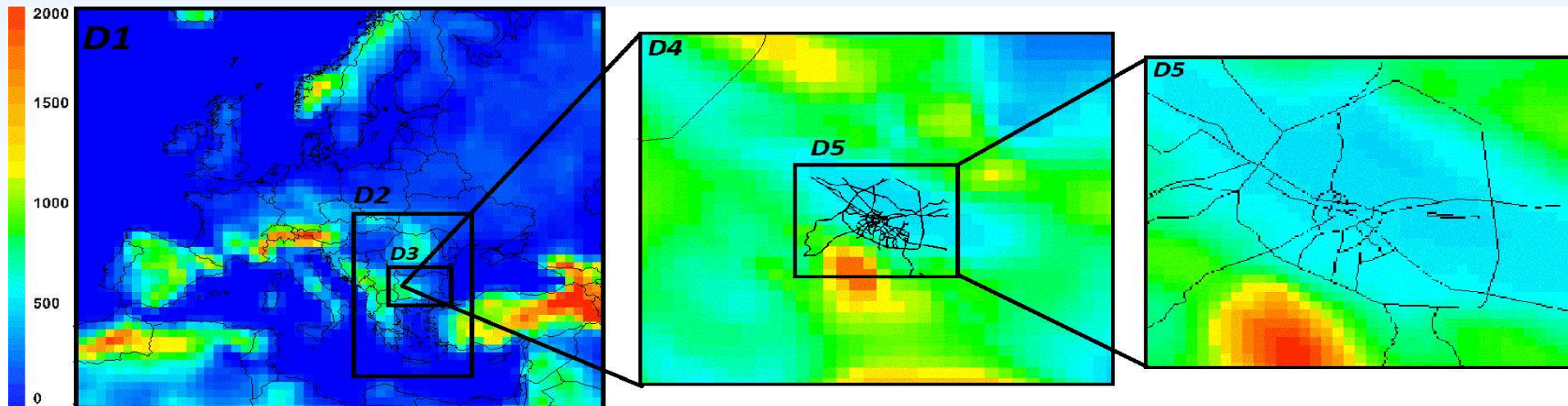
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Numerical simulations of the summer bio climatic indices for the city of Sofia

– modeling tools, domains and nesting

- mesoscale numerical simulation model: **WRF**
- Meteorological background: **NCEP Global Analysis Data with $1^{\circ}\times 1^{\circ}$ resolution**
- Model domains: **D1 81x81 km (Europe), D2 27x27 km (Balkan Peninsula), D3 9x9 km (Bulgaria), D4 3x3 km (Sofia region) and D5 1x1 km (Sofia city).**



Numerical simulations of the summer bio climatic indices for the city of Sofia

– Heat Index calculation

The computation of the heat index is a refinement of a result obtained by multiple regression analysis carried out by Lans P. Rothfusz and described in a 1990 National Weather Service (NWS) Technical Attachment (SR 90-23). The regression equation of Rothfusz is:

$$\mathbf{HI = -42.379 + 2.04901523*T + 10.14333127*RH - .22475541*T*RH - .00683783*T*T - .05481717*RH*RH + .00122874*T*T*RH + .00085282*T*RH*RH - .00000199*T*T*RH*RH,}$$

where **T** is temperature in degrees F and **RH** is relative humidity in percent. **HI** is the heat index expressed as an apparent temperature in degrees F.

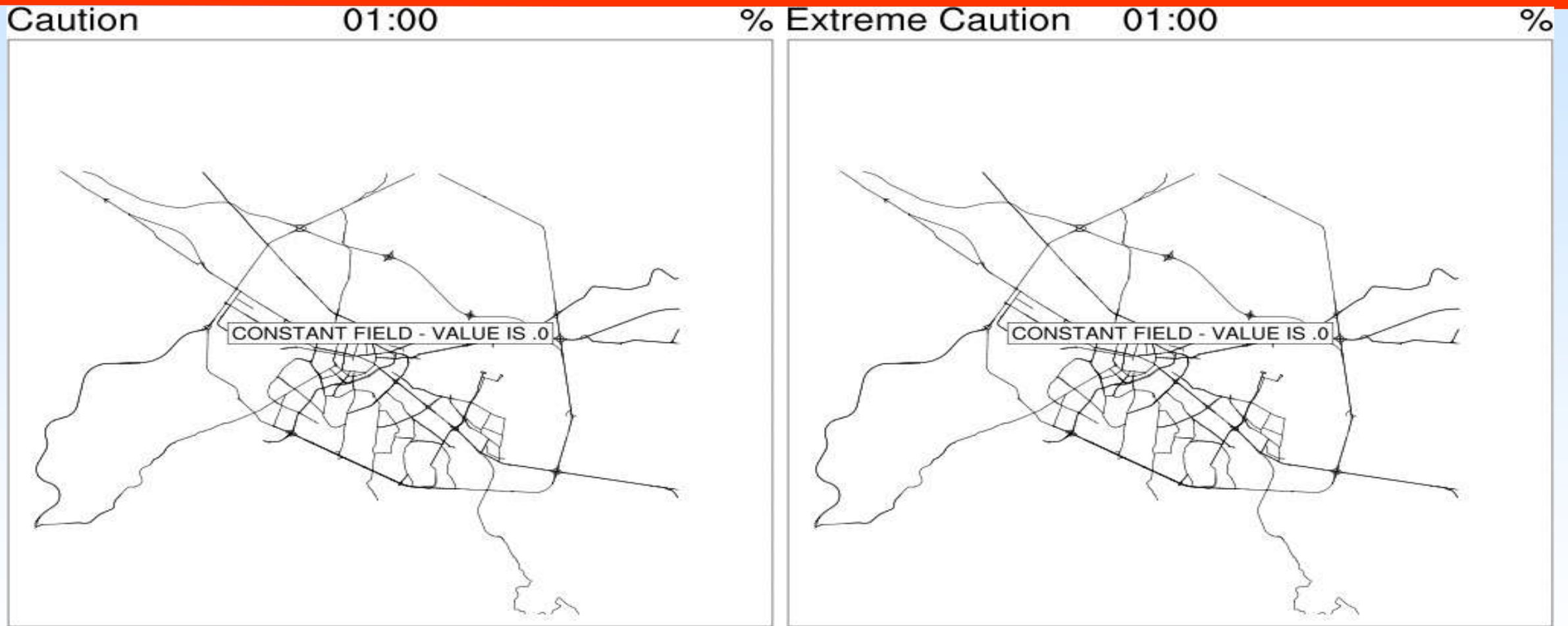
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– Heat Index categories

| Heat Index | Heat Index category | Environment Risk |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 27°C ÷ 32°C | Caution | Fatigue & cramps possible with prolonged exposure and activity. |
| 32°C ÷ 41°C | Extreme Caution | Cramps, heat exhaustion & heat stroke. |
| 41°C ÷ 54°C | Danger | Cramps, heat exhaustion are likely; heat stroke is probable. |
| 54°C ÷ | Extreme danger | Heat stroke is imminent. |

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– Heat Index probability diurnal evolution



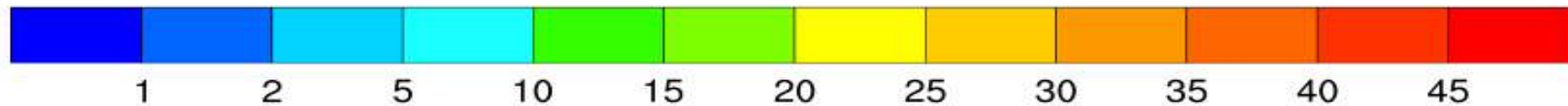
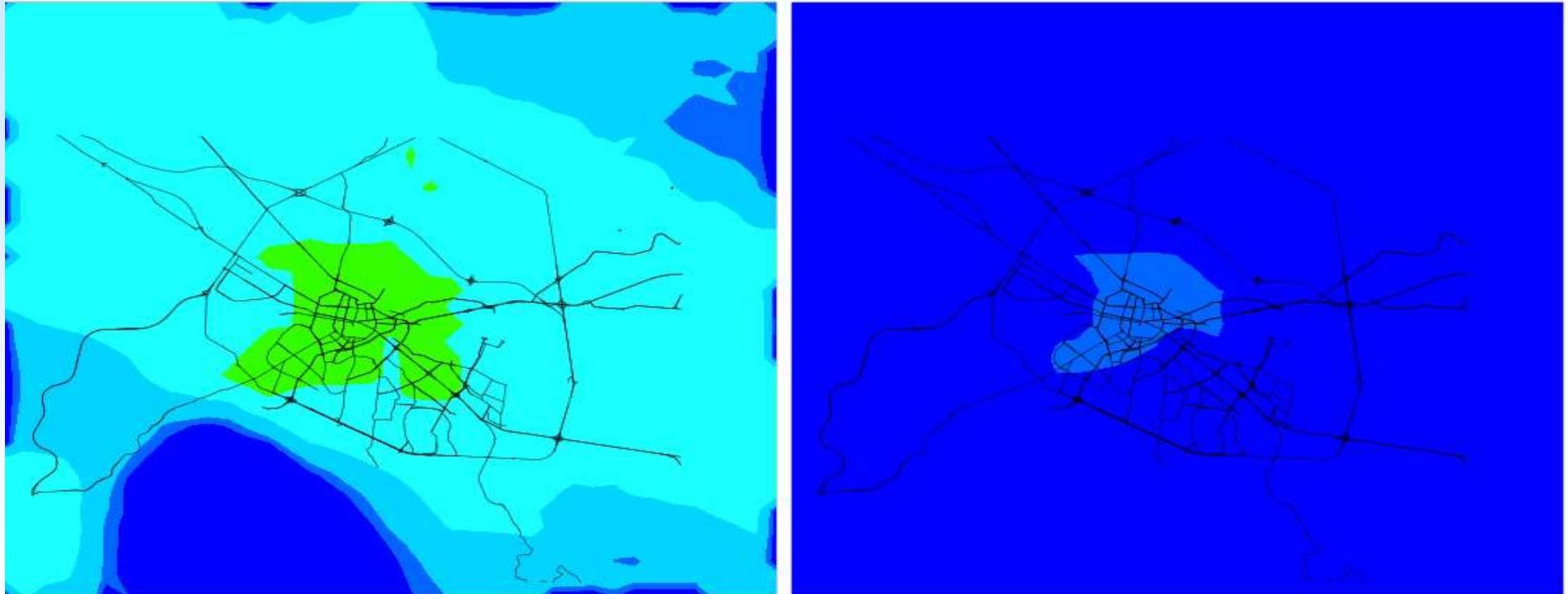
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– Heat Index overall probability

Cautious

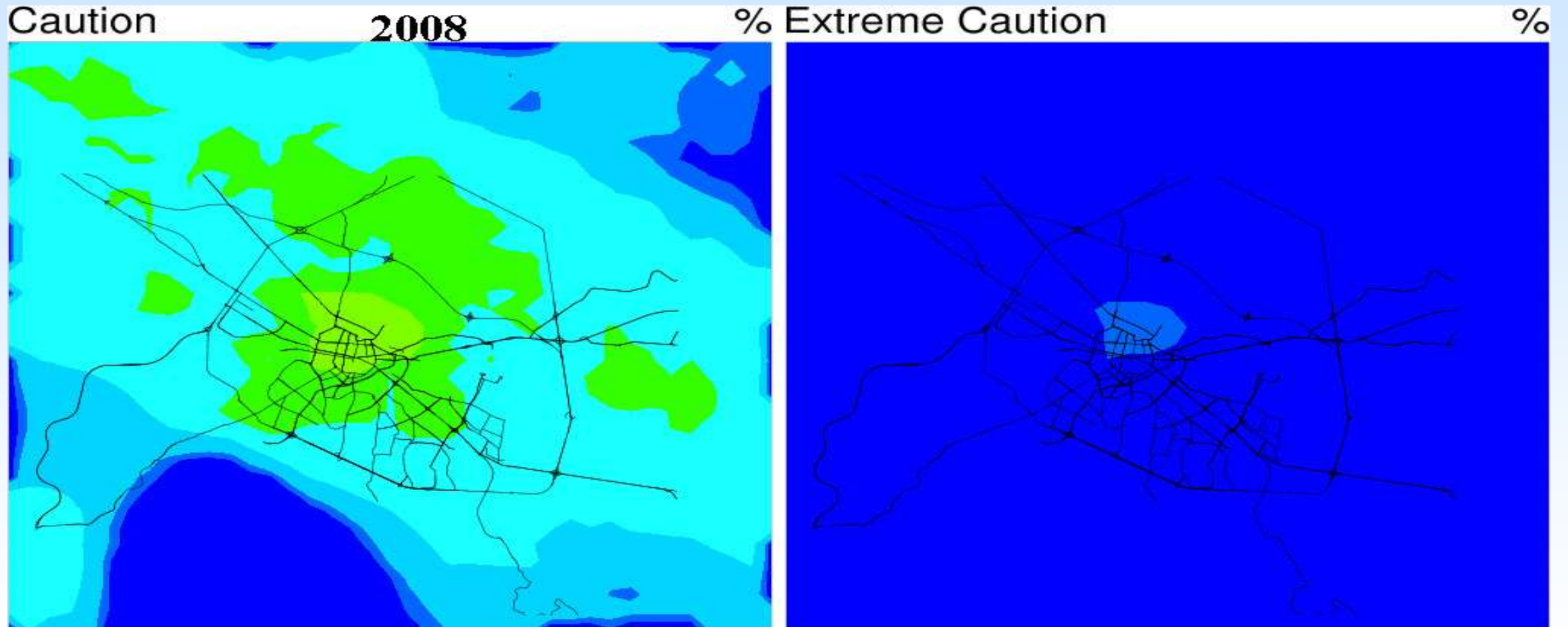
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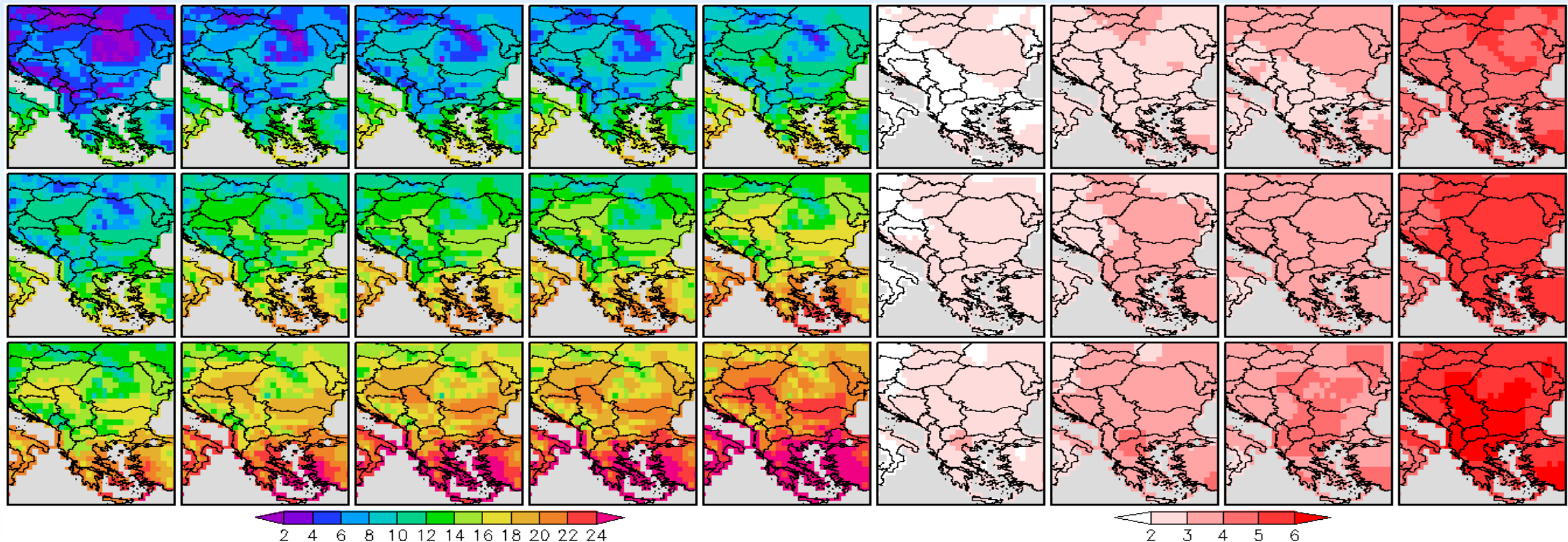
– variability of the Heat Index probability



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– future climate projections (1)

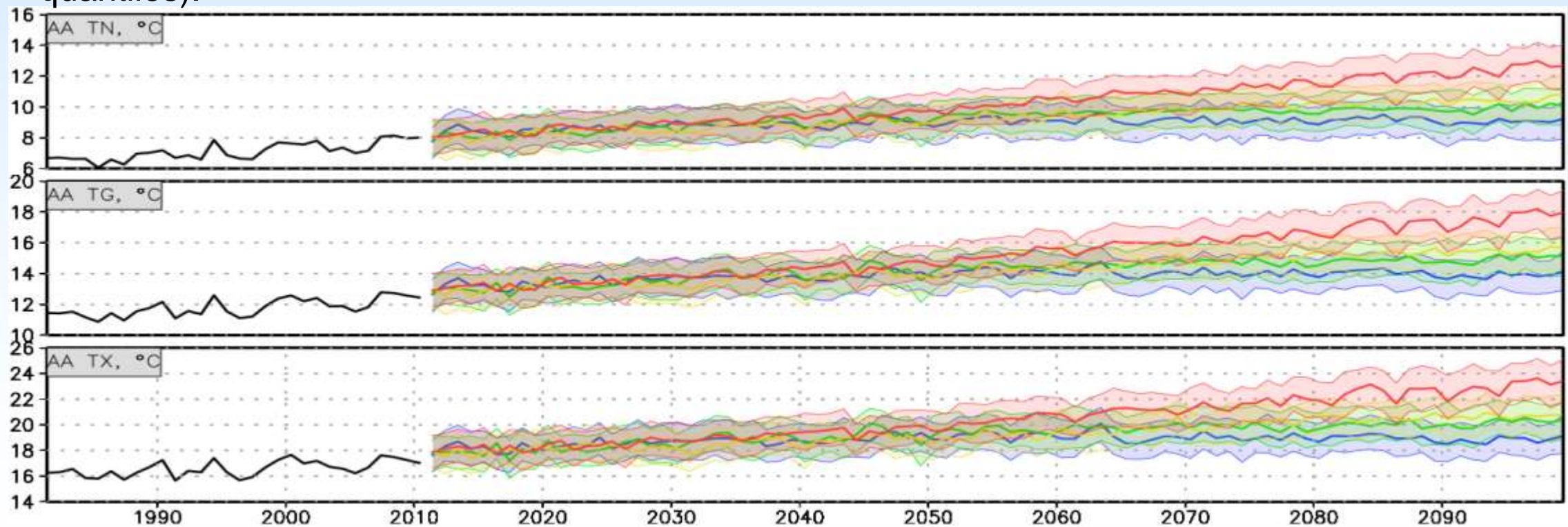
MMX50 of the multiyear means of the TN (first row) TG (second row) and TX (third row) for the reference period (1981-2010) in the first column and multiyear means for 2070-2099 for RCP2.6, RCP4.5, RCP6.0 and RCP8.5 in the second, third, fourth and fifth column correspondingly. The absolute changes of the RCP2.6, RCP4.5, RCP6.0 and RCP8.5 relative to the reference period are shown in the sixth seventh eighth and ninth column correspondingly. The units are °C.



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– future climate projections (2)

Area-weighted regional averages (index and unit according subplot title) for the reference (solid black line) and simulated by the CMIP5 ensemble for the RCP2.6 (blue), RCP4.5 (green), RCP6.0 (yellow) and RCP8.5 (red). Solid lines indicate the ensemble median (i.e. the 50th quantile) and the shading, respectively the thin lines, indicates the interquartile ensemble spread (25th and 75th quantiles).



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Heat extremes in the eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East

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Mediterranean, Middle East & North Africa

(MENA)



Hot and arid mean conditions

Temperature extremes

Human-induced

intensification

Adverse impacts (health, water/energy

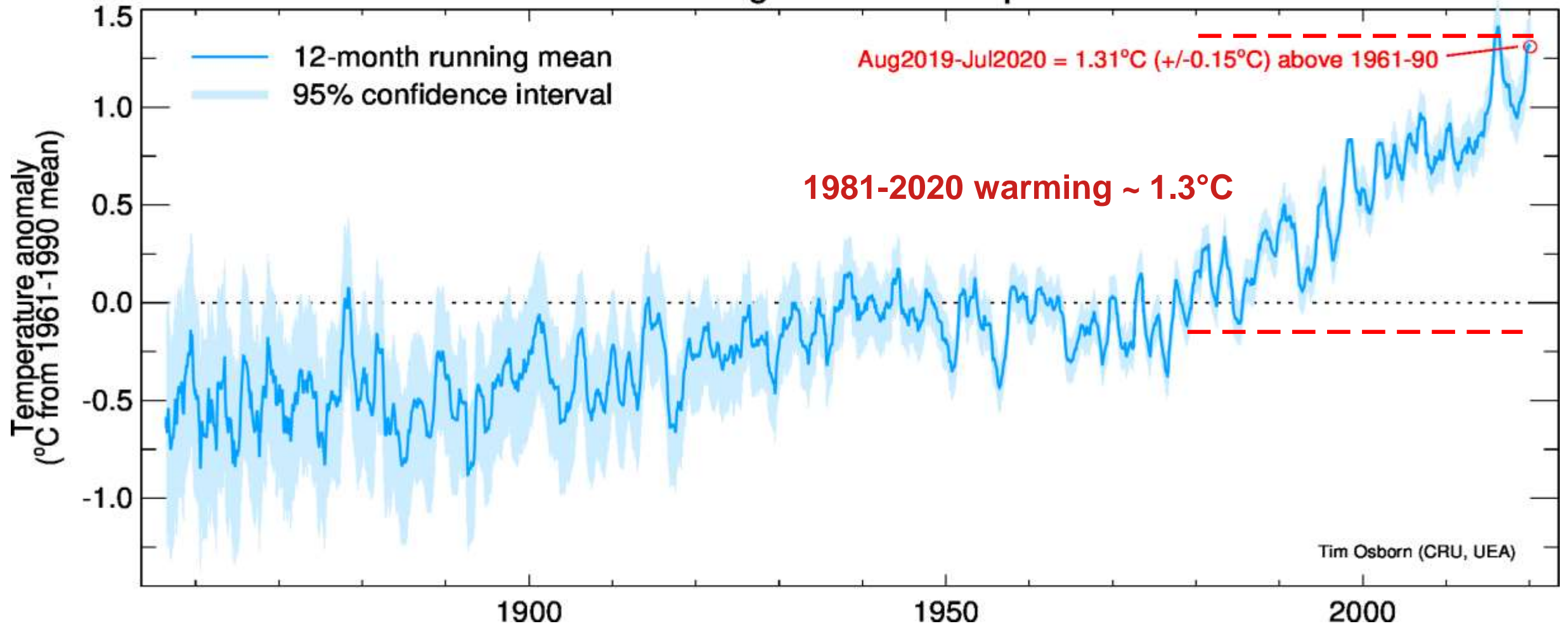
nexus)



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Observed global warming

CRUTEM4 global land temperature



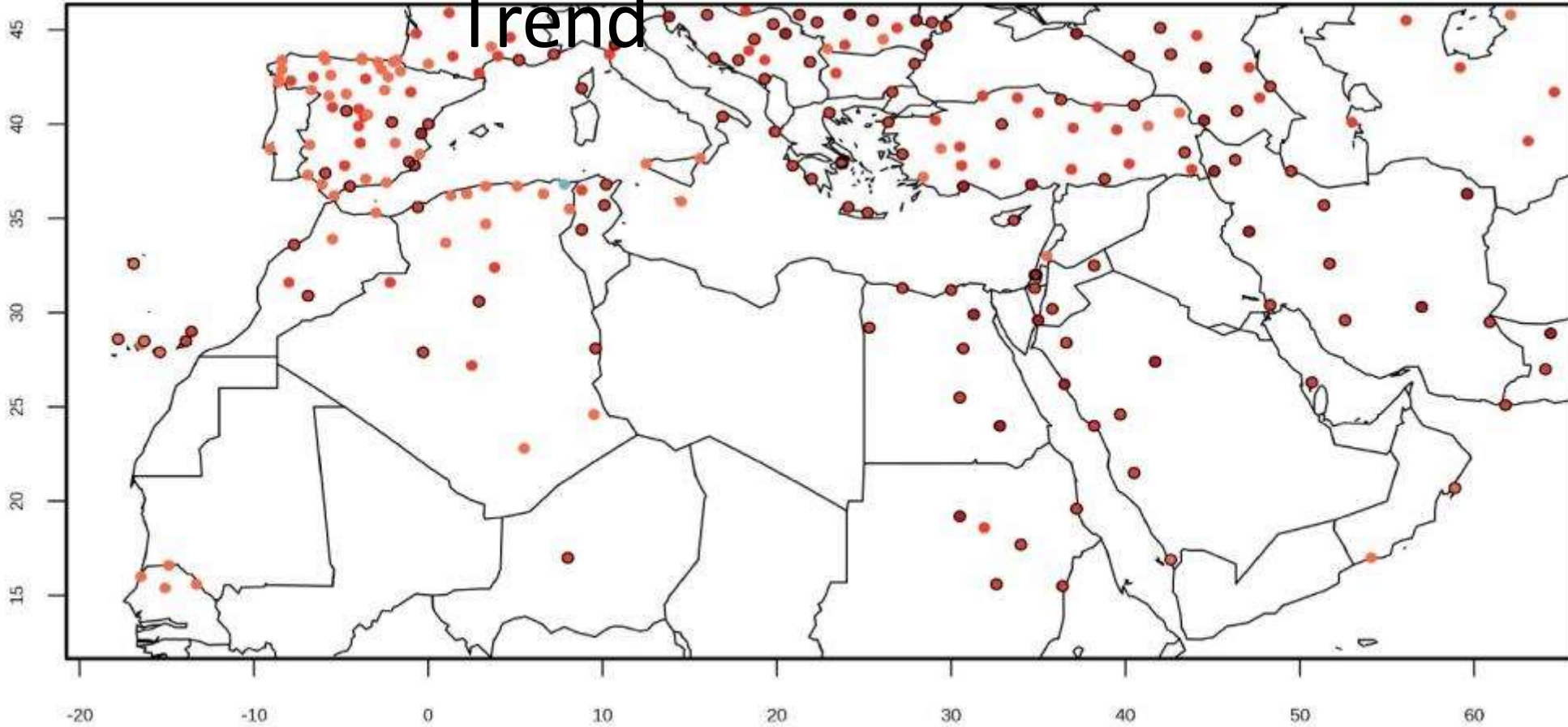
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Mean Temperature Annual

Trend



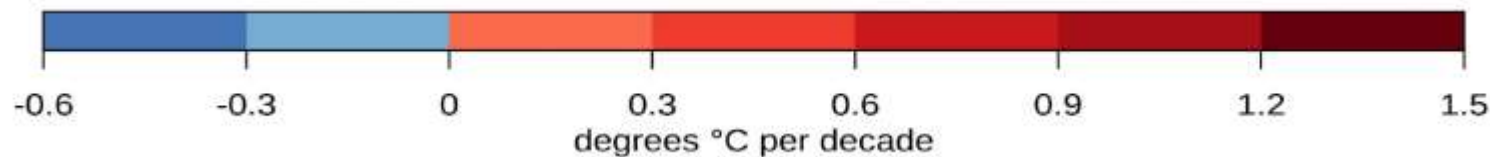
1981-2019

Median trend:

~ 0.4°C/decade

= +1.6°C

**0.3°C larger than
global average**



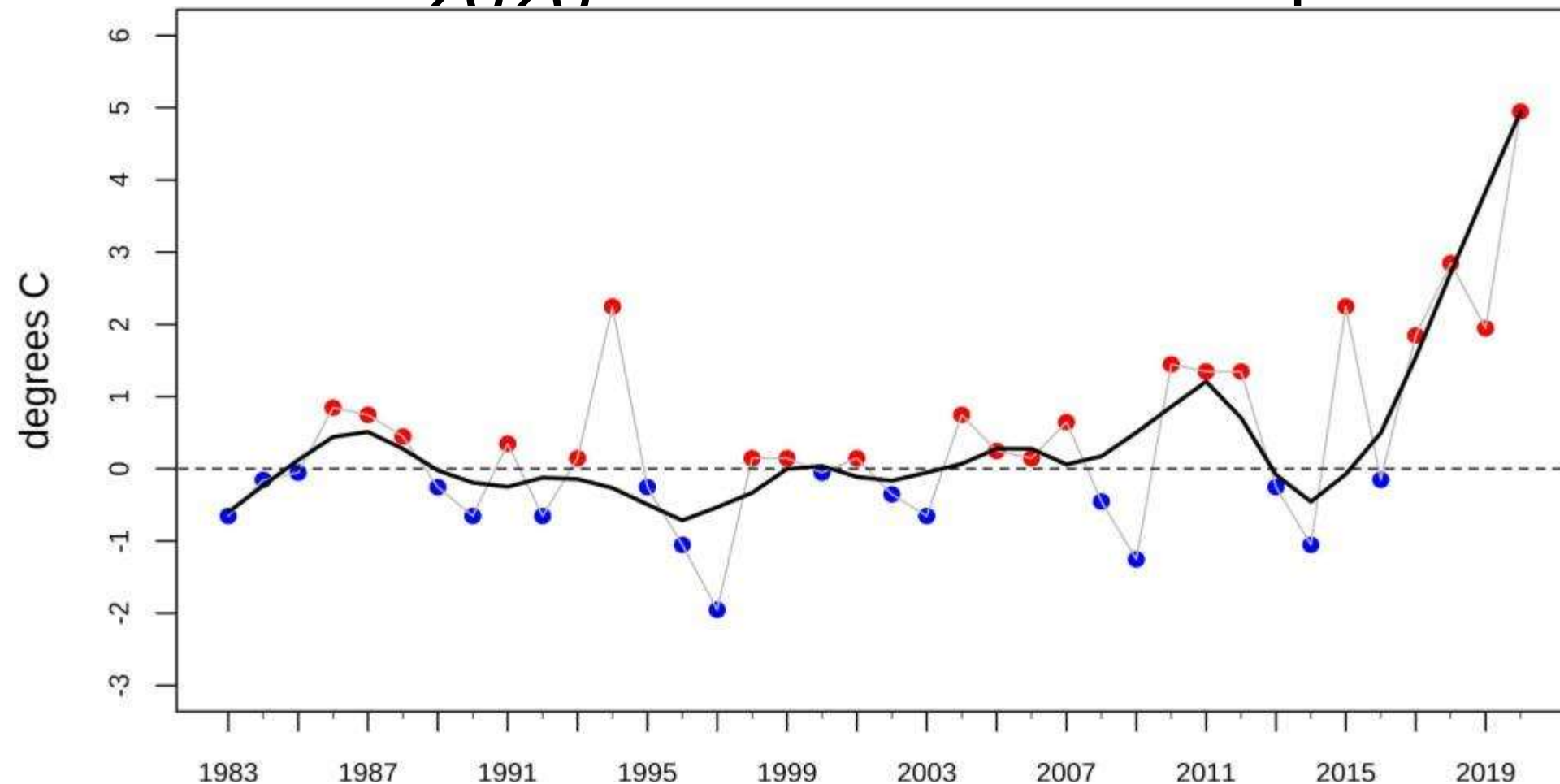
Data: CRUTEM

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Nicosia Tmax 1983-2020

September



| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 2020: | |
| No. days > 40°C | |
| May: | 6 |
| June: | 2 |
| July: | 18 |
| August: | 12 |
| September: | 9 |
| October: | 1 |
| Total: | <u>48</u> |

Data: Cyprus

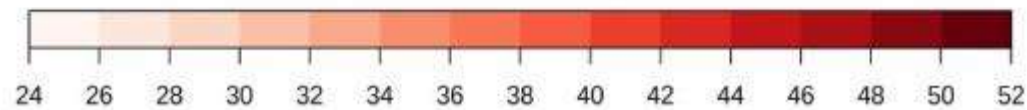
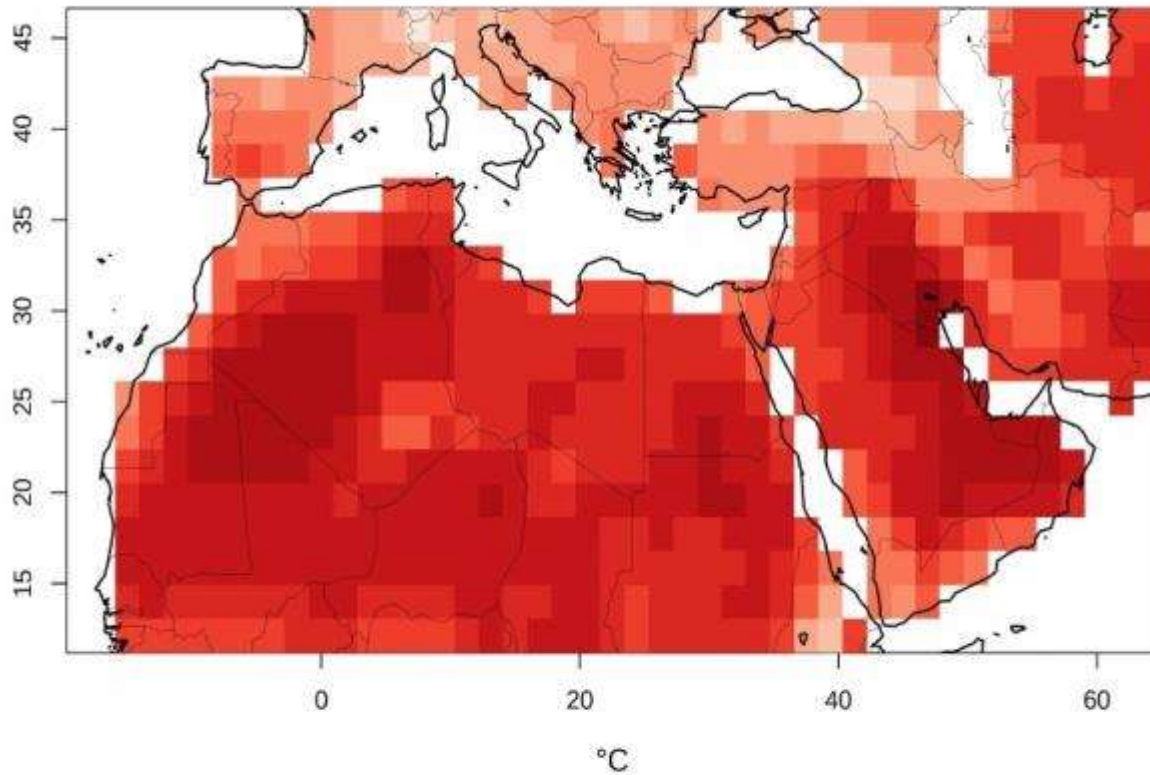
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Temperature extremes 1981-2019

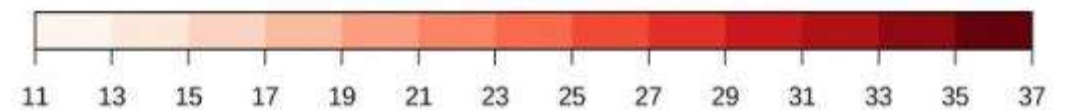
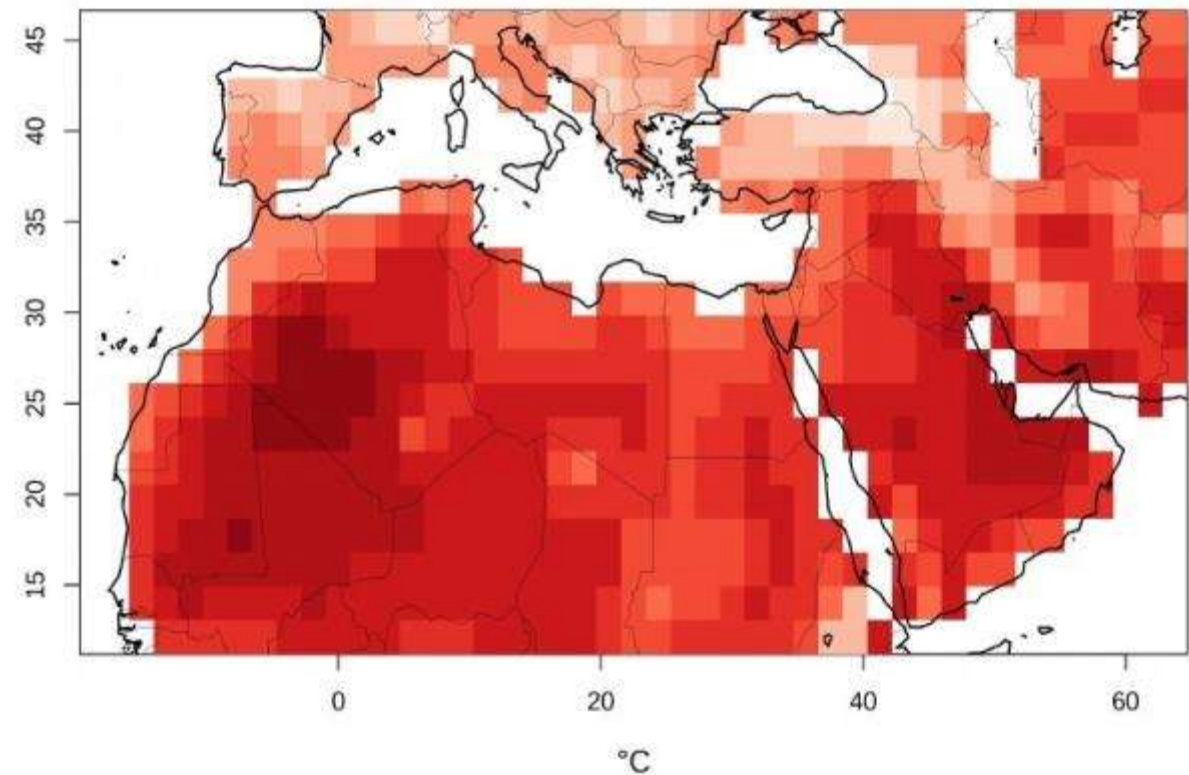
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Climatology

Berkeley Earth Warmest Day (TXx)



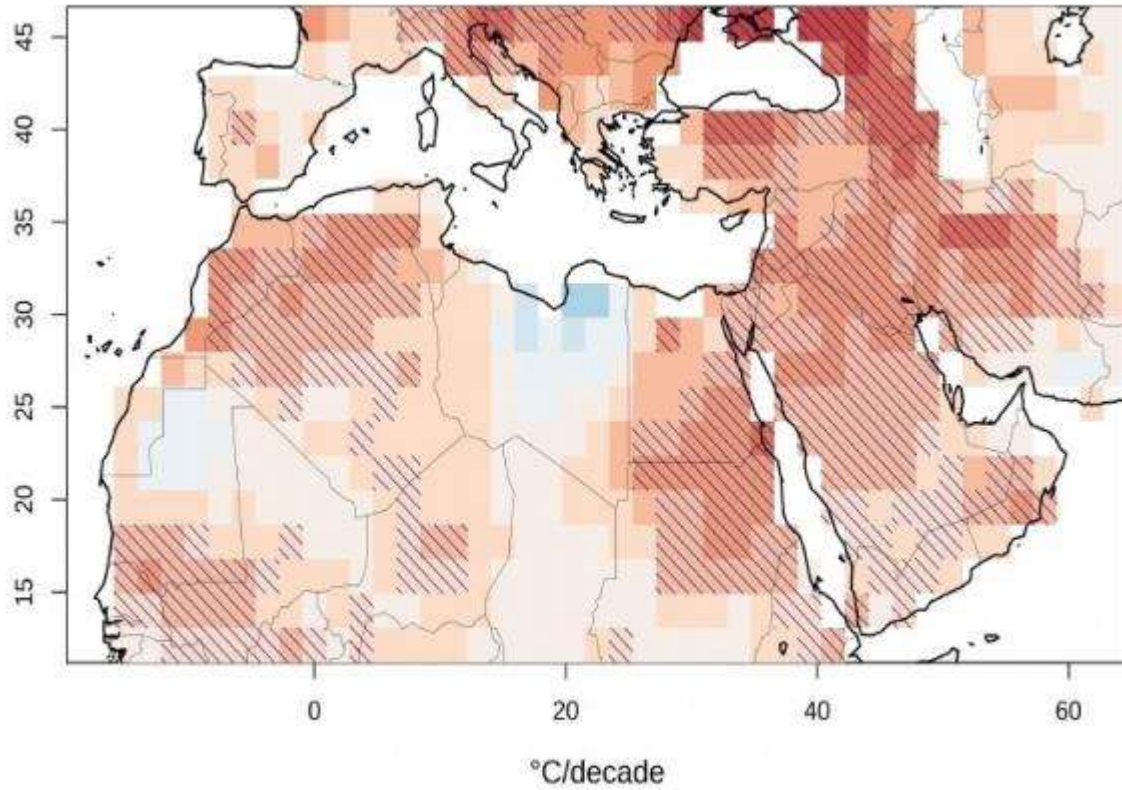
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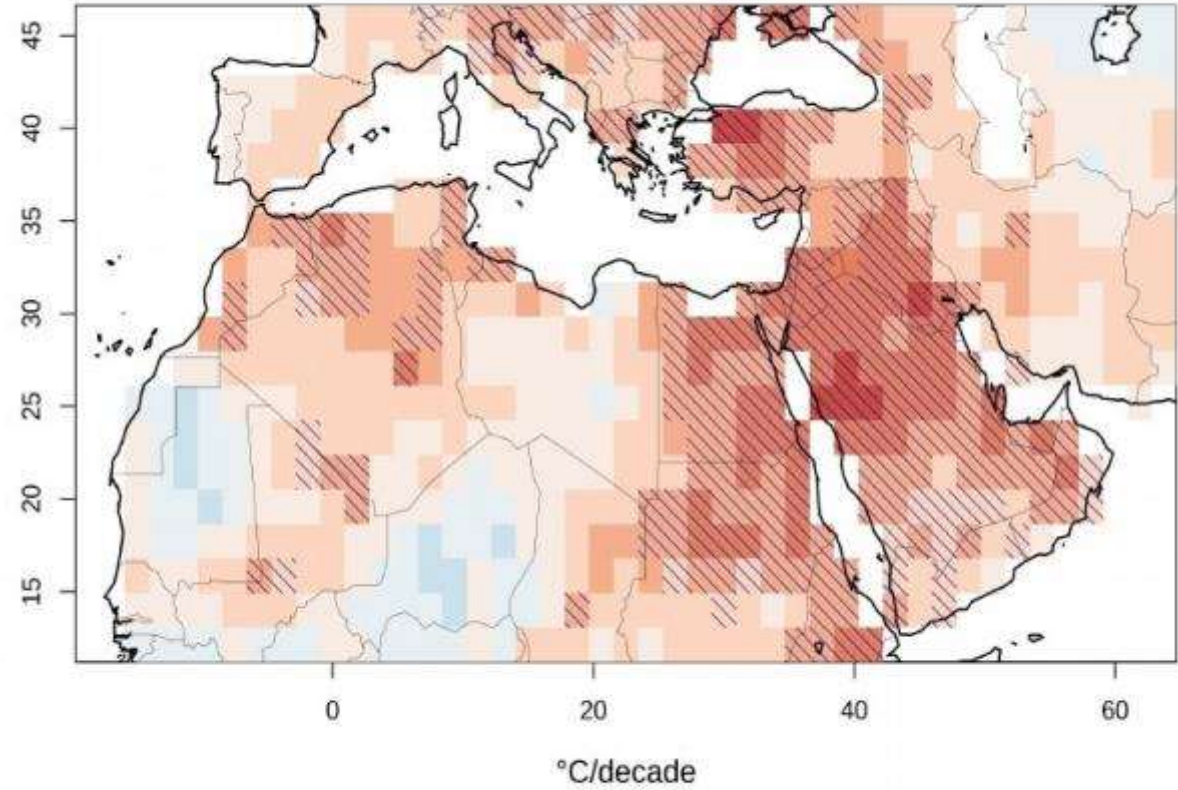
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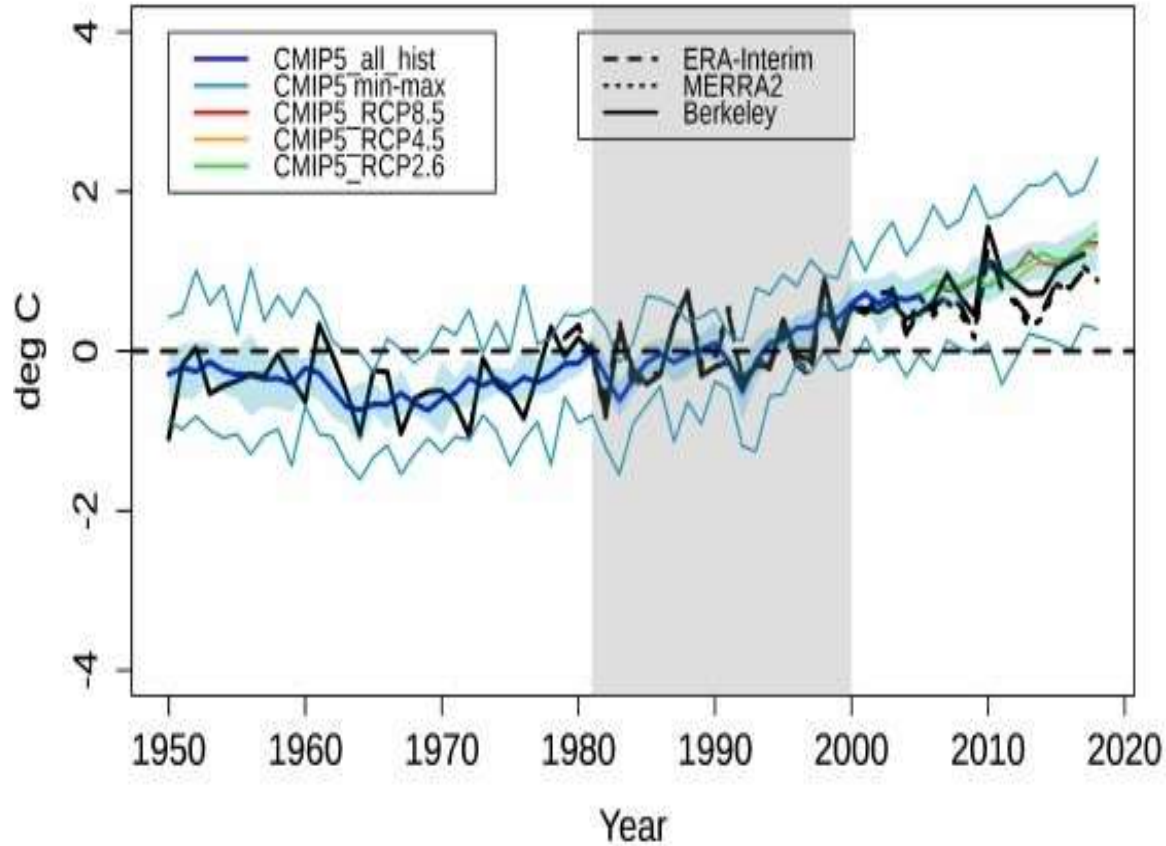
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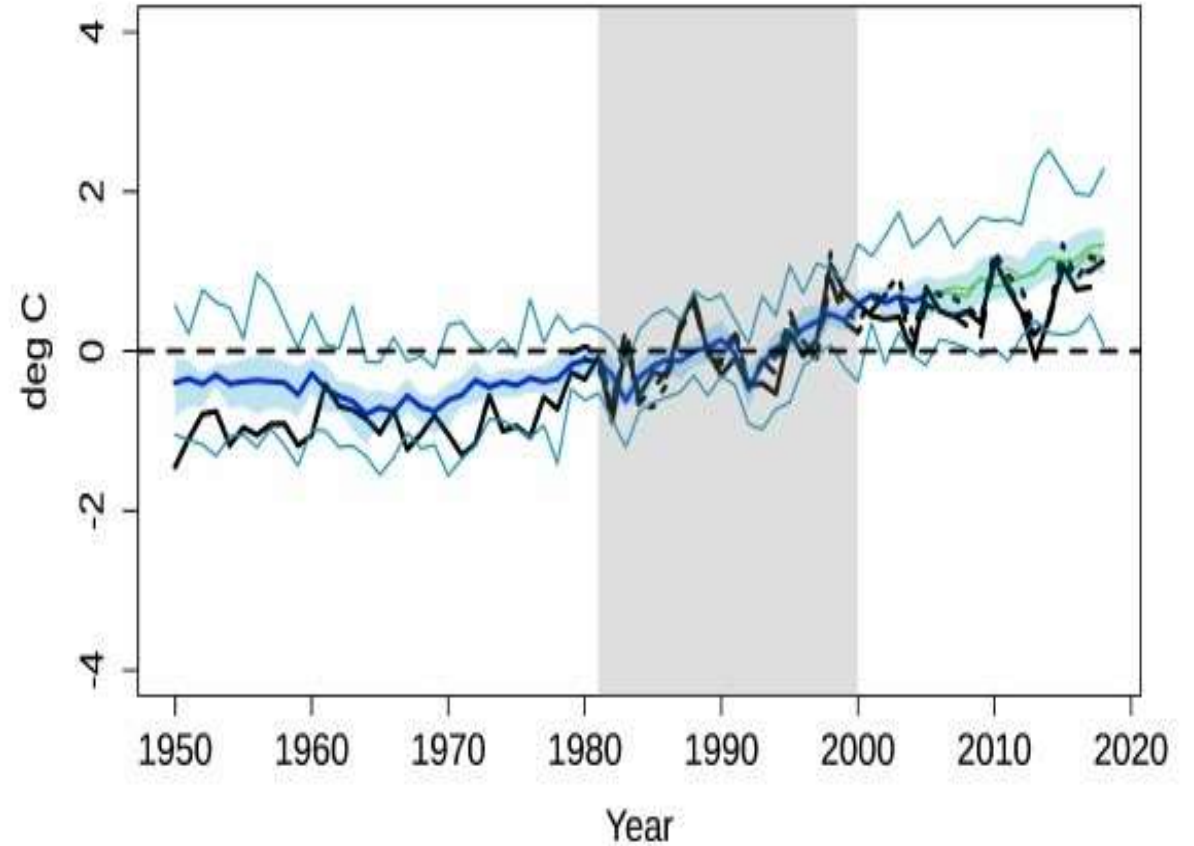
Temperature extremes 1951-2019

Models + Obs.

Warmest Day (TXx)



Warmest Night (TNx)

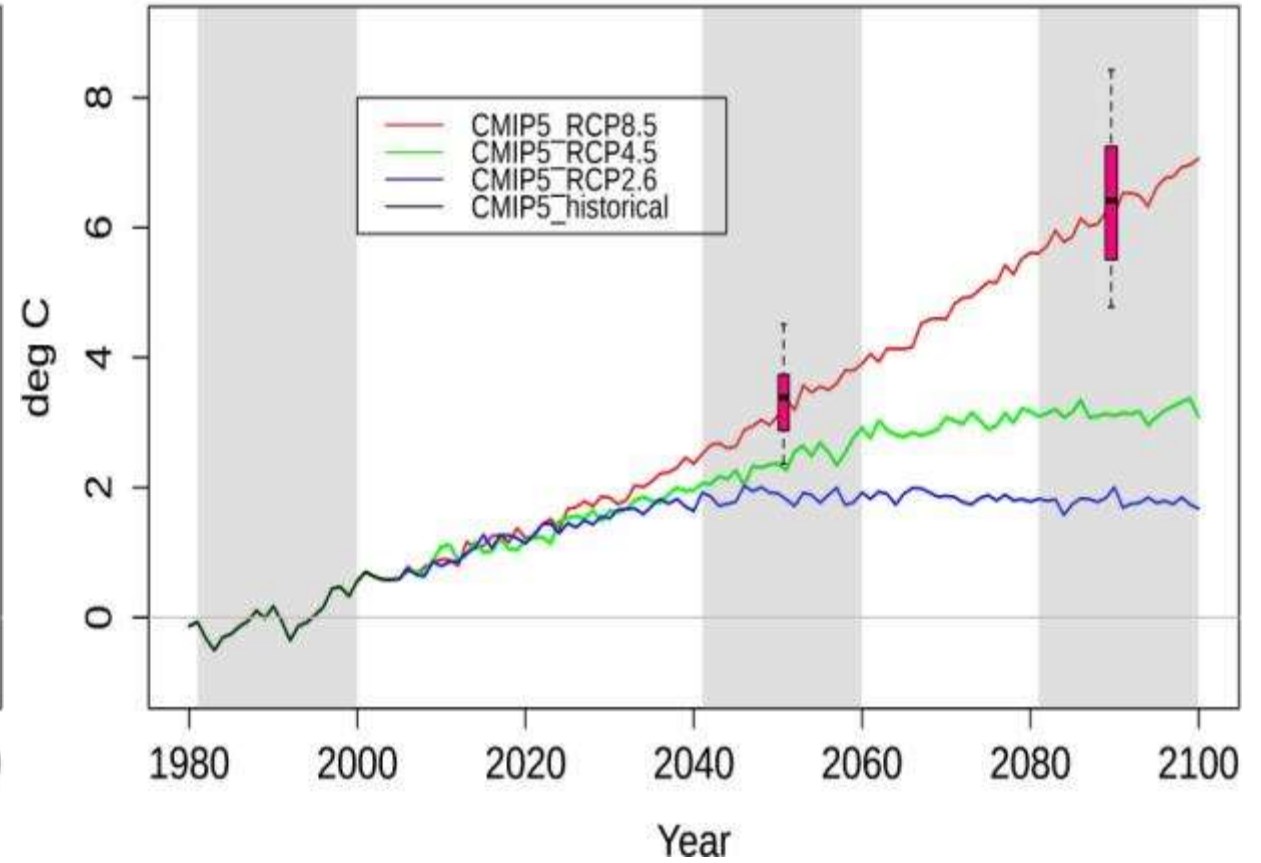
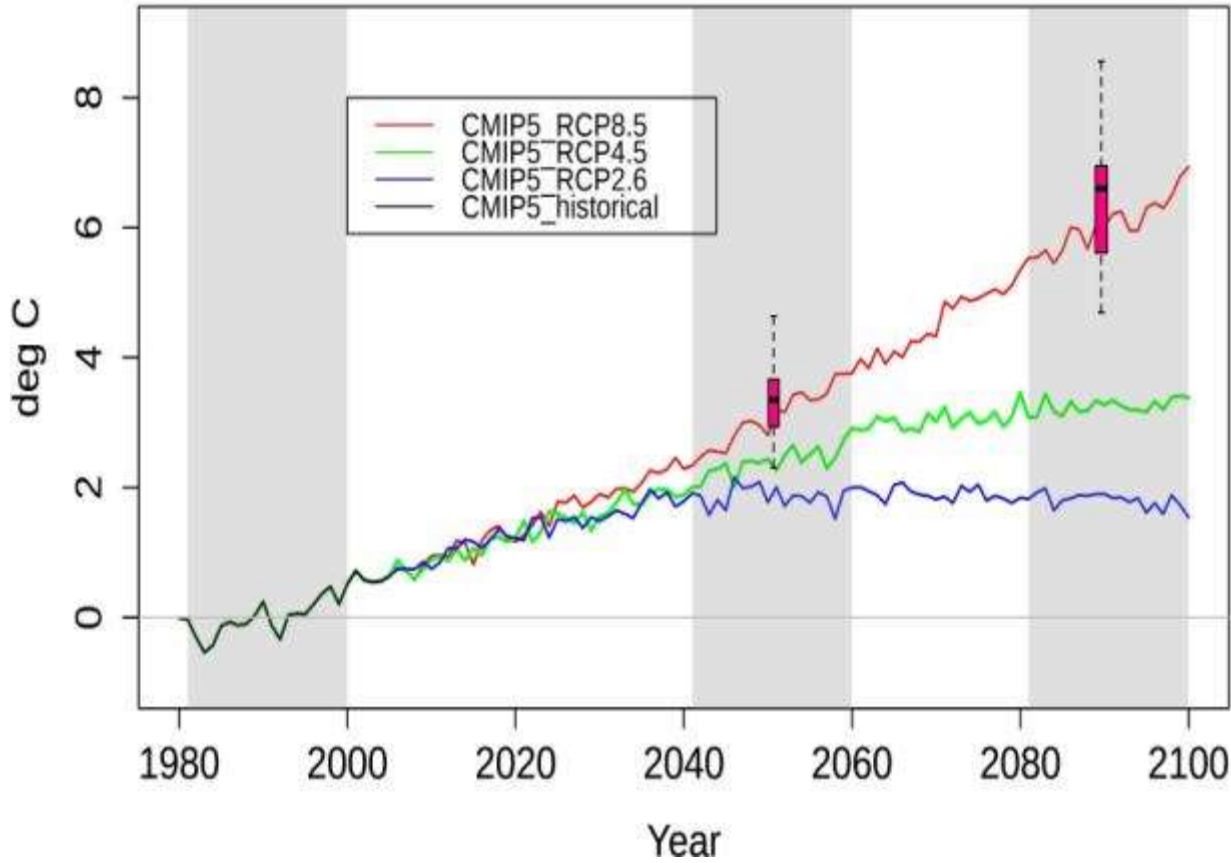


Temperature extremes 1981-2100

Models

Maximum of TX (TXx)

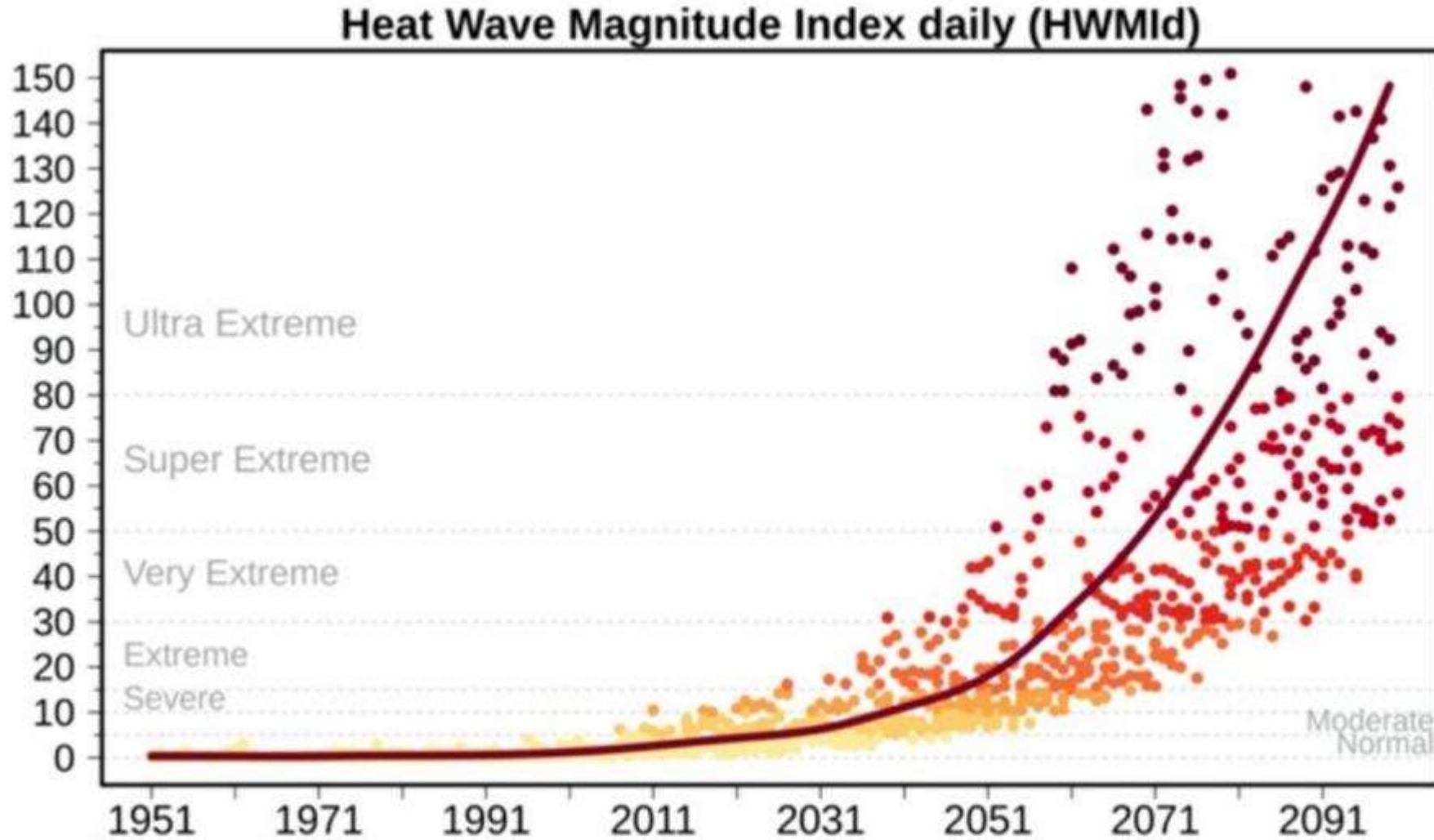
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Heatwave magnitude to

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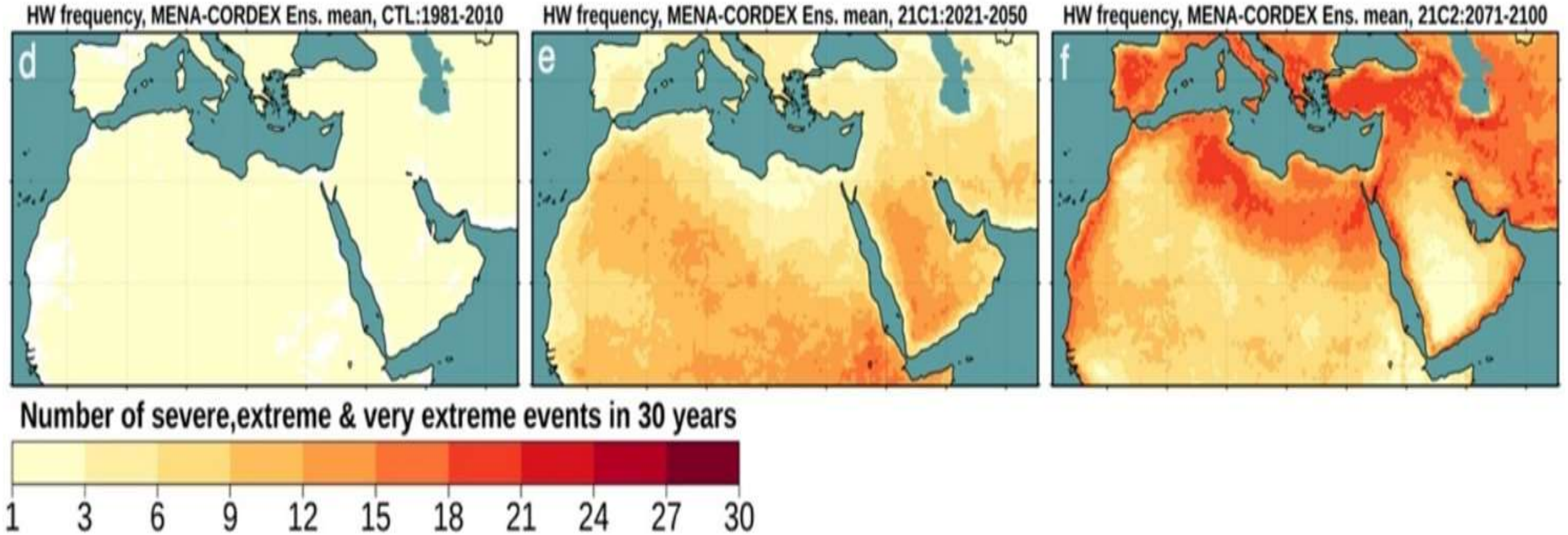
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Heatwave frequency to 2100

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Land Urban Heat



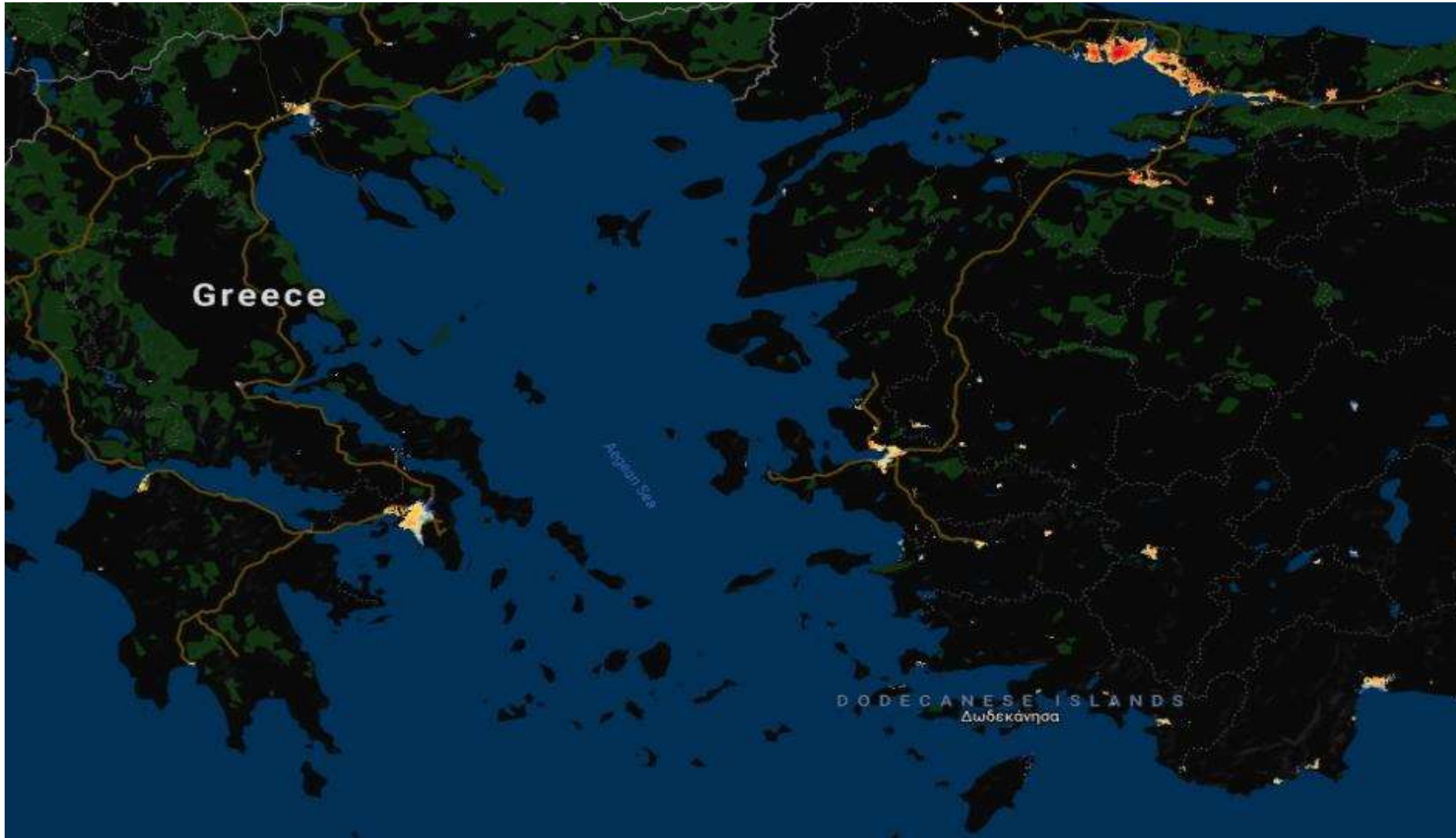
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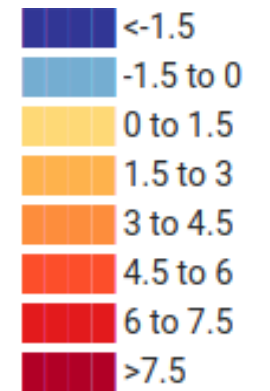


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For urban inclusive climate projections

→ Explicit consideration in high-resolution GCM/RCM runs by incorporation of urban parameterizations:

e.g. Katzfey, J, Schlünzen, H, Hoffmann, P, Thatcher, M. How an urban parameterization affects a high-resolution global climate simulation. Q J R Meteorol Soc. 2020; 1- 22. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.3874>

→ Urban correction of existing resolution GCM/RCM output by statistical methods:

e.g. van der Schriek, T.; Varotsos, K.V.; Giannakopoulos, C.; Founda, D. Projected Future Temporal Trends of Two Different Urban Heat Islands in Athens (Greece) under Three Climate Change Scenarios: A Statistical Approach. Atmosphere 2020, 11, 637
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Session II: The LIFE ASTI project/ Making community weather-ready



- **LIFE ASTI general presentation**

Prof. Dimitris Melas, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

- **A citizen science network to make cities weather ready**

Dr. Giampietro Casasanta, Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, National Research Center

- **Modeling the Urban Heat Island effect: Operational UHI forecasting system**

Serafeim Kontos, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

- **Monitoring the Urban Heat Island effect with the LIFE ASTI application platform**

Dr. Panos Symeonidis, Geospatial Enabling Technologies

- **Heat health warning systems in Rome and Thessaloniki**

Dr. Francesca de' Donato, Department of Epidemiology of the Regional Health Service
– Lazio



LIFE ASTI general presentation

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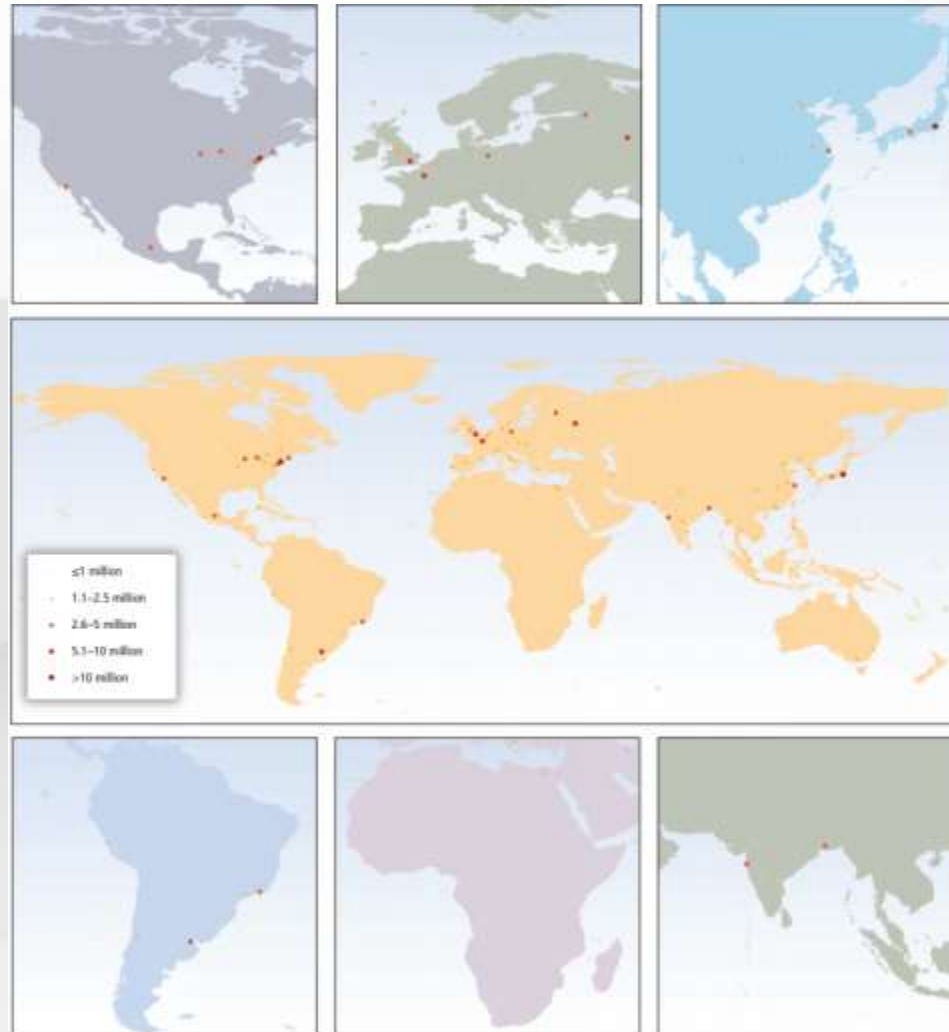
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An urbanizing world

1950: 30% of the population was urban
2018: 55%
2050: 68%

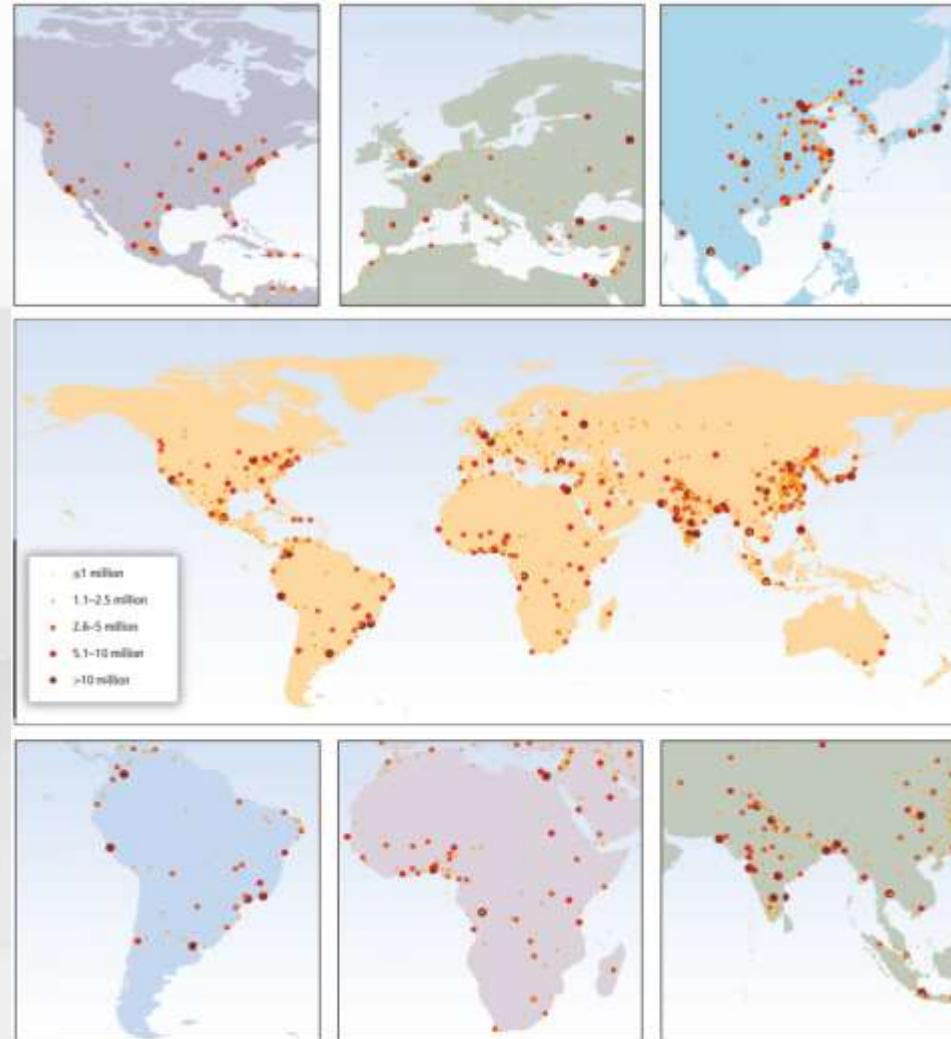


- Urban populations:
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Urban agglomerations with 750,000-plus inhabitants in 1950/2025 (derived from statistics in UN DESA Population Division, 2012)

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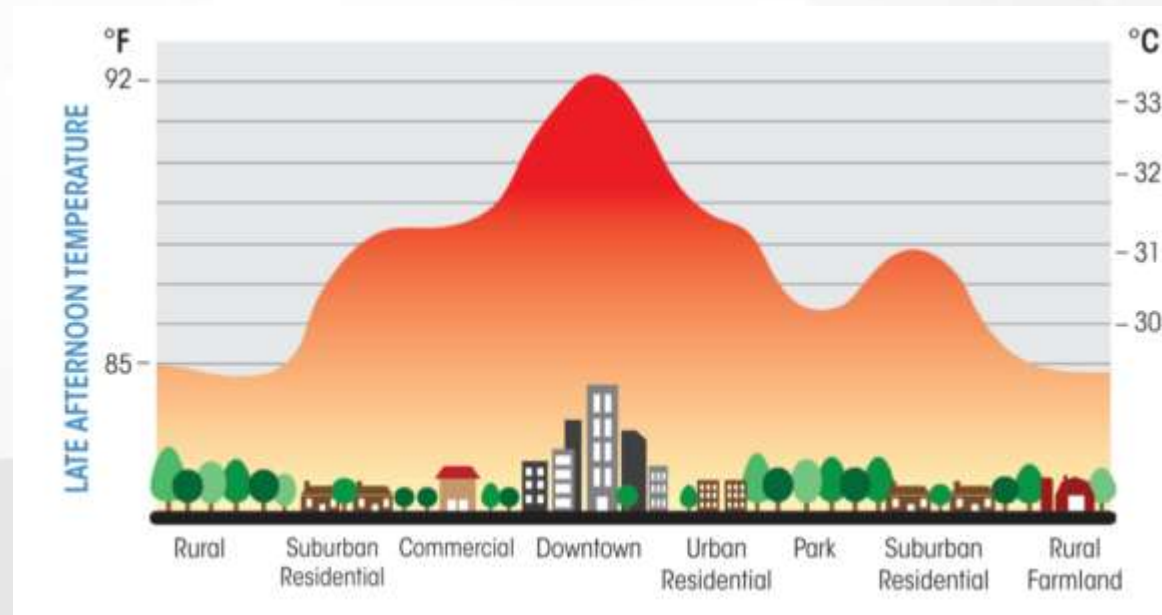
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Urban heat island effect (UHI)

Urban Heat Island (UHI)
Temperature contrast
 between a city and its rural surroundings



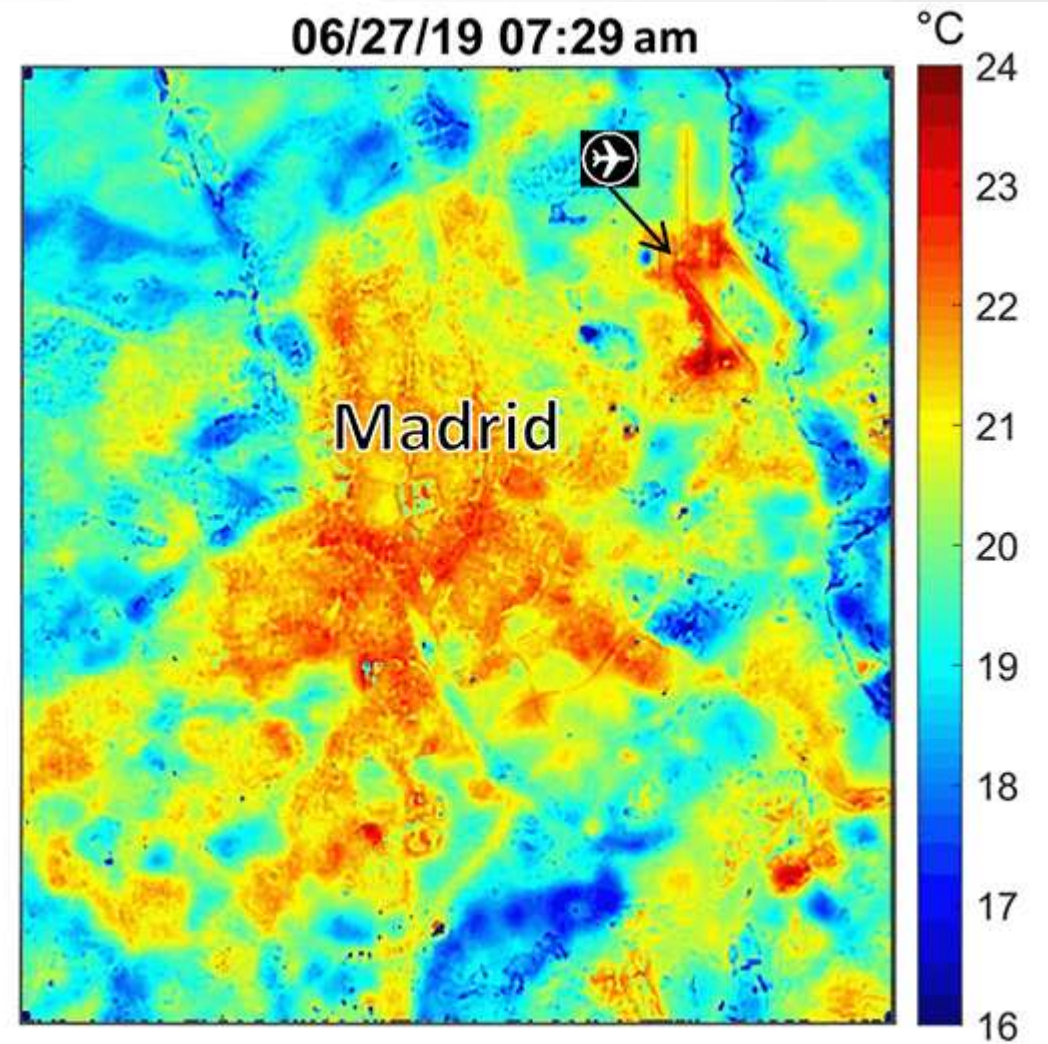
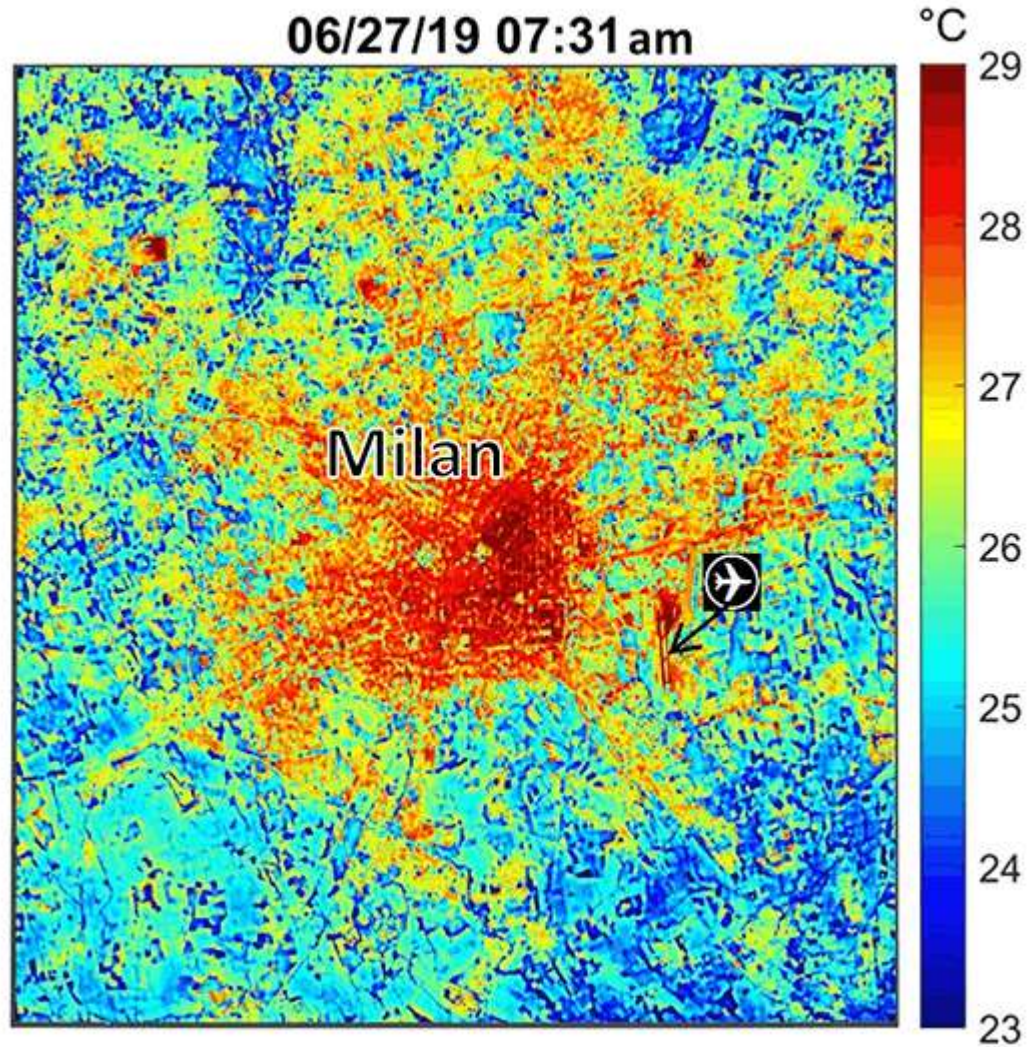
UHI can be **attributed to** ...

- Anthropogenic heat release
- Geometric impact of buildings
- Thermal properties of urban surfaces
- Absence of vegetation



Interaction of **controllable** (i.e. anthropogenic heat) and **uncontrollable** (i.e. solar radiation) factors

The NASA Ecostress map for European cities during the June 2019 heatwave



UHI: Why do we care?

- A living environment that is significantly degraded.
 - i. Increased thermal stress on residents and the public. A significantly increased level and risk of morbidity and mortality due to heat.

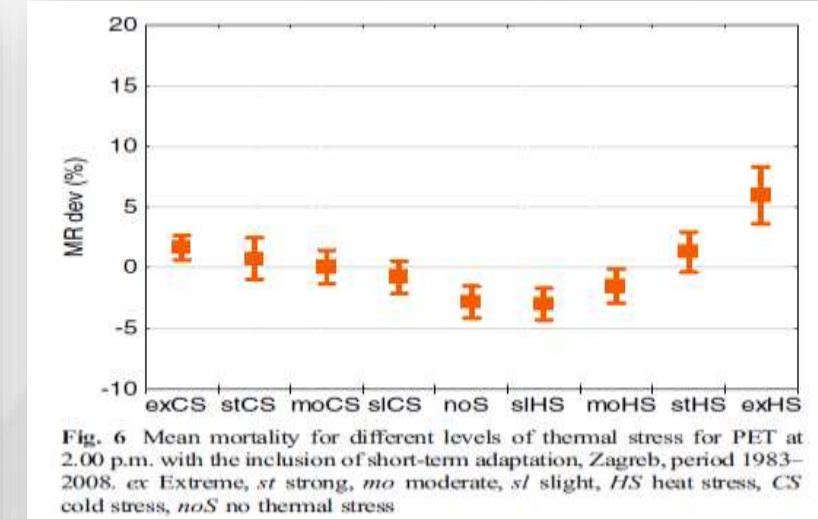
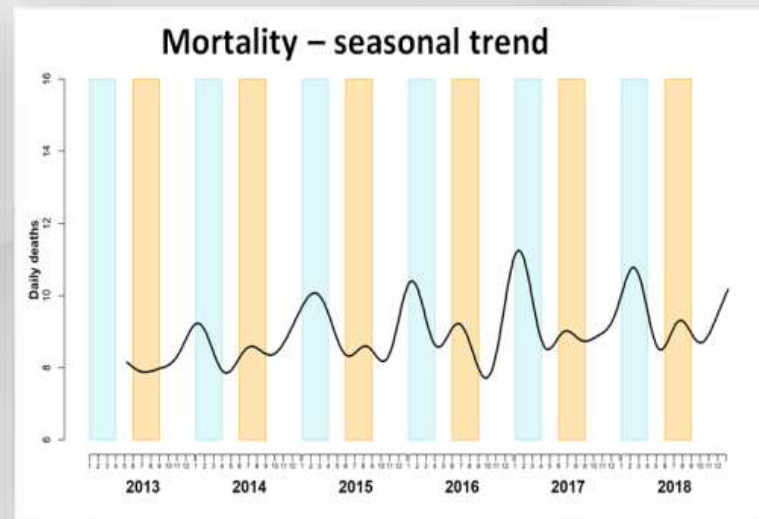
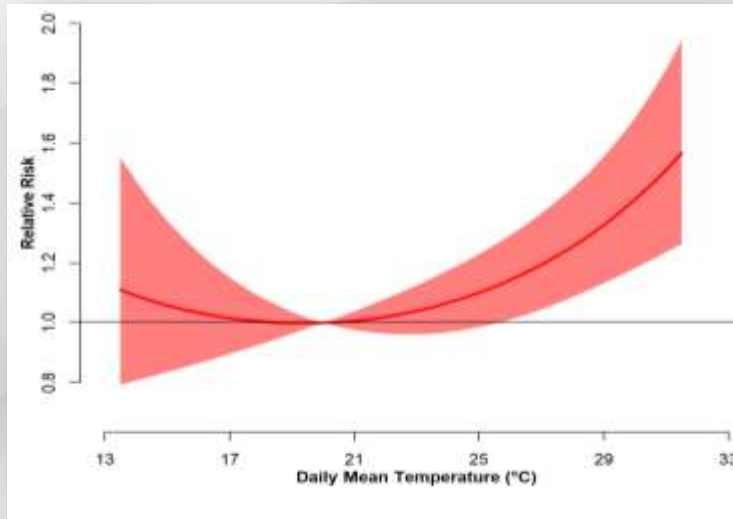


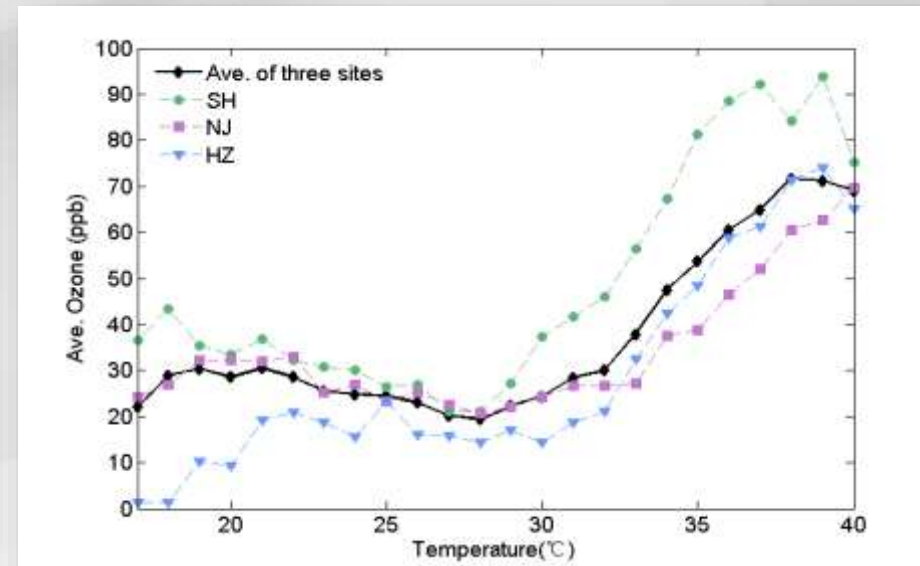
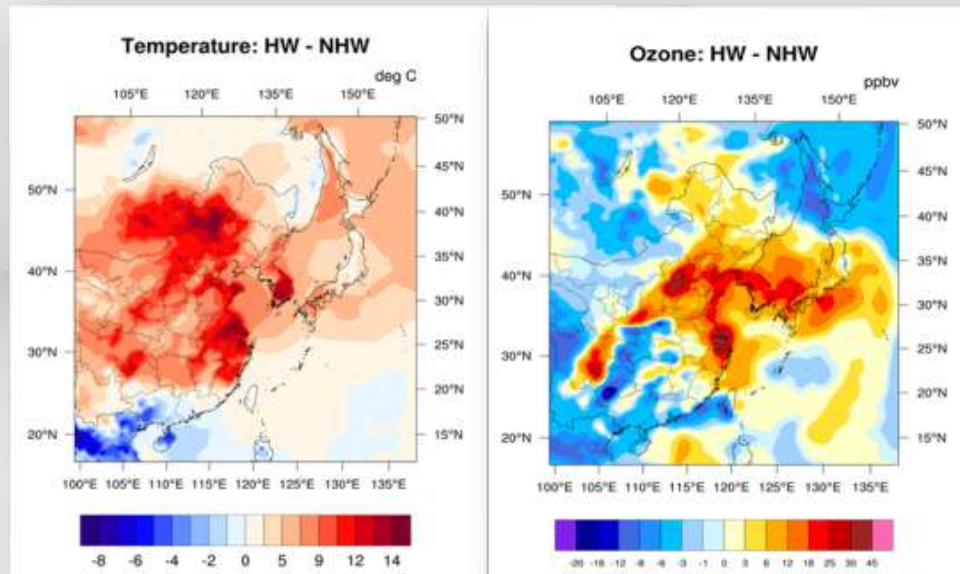
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Francesca de' Donato , Matteo Scortichini, 2019

Impact of heat waves on mortality in Croatia, Zaninovic et al. Int J Biometeorol (2014) 58:1135–1145

UHI: Why do we care?

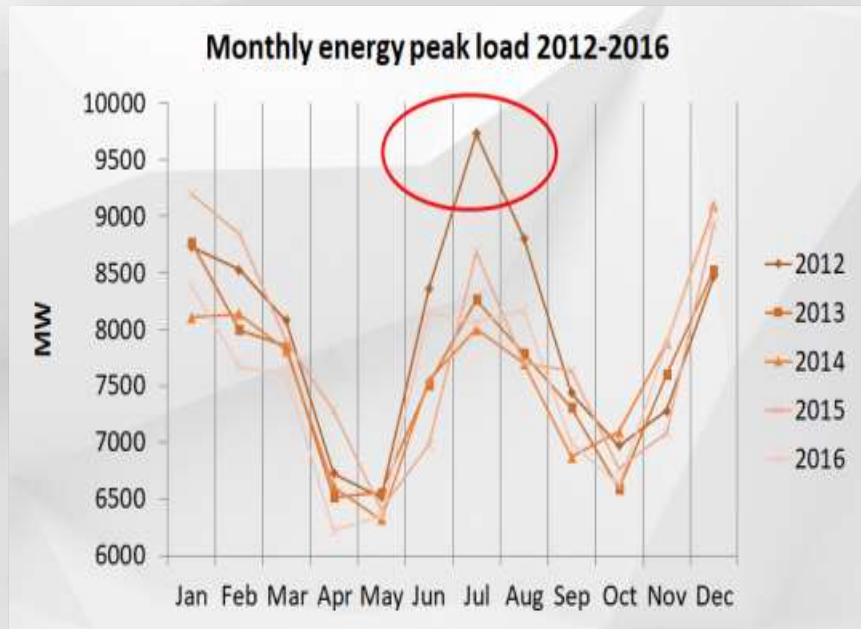
- A living environment that is significantly degraded.
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 - ii. Formation of large amounts of smog and air pollutants, and a resulting degradation in the quality of air.



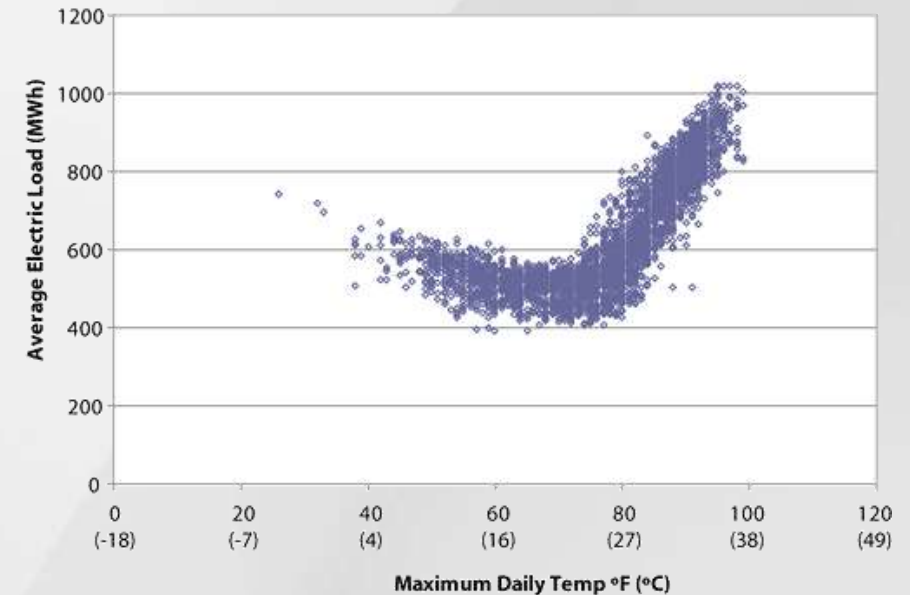
UHI: Why do we care?

- A living environment that is significantly degraded.

- iii. Increased cooling energy usage and associated costs. Significant increases in peak energy demand.



As shown in the example from New Orleans, electrical load can increase steadily once temperatures begin to exceed 20–25°C.



Sailor, D. J. 2002. *Urban Heat Islands, Opportunities and Challenges for Mitigation and Adaptation. Sample Electric Load Data for New Orleans, LA (NOPSI, 1995). North American Urban Heat Island Summit. Toronto, Canada. 1–4 May 2002.*

On the consequences – Increased economical costs

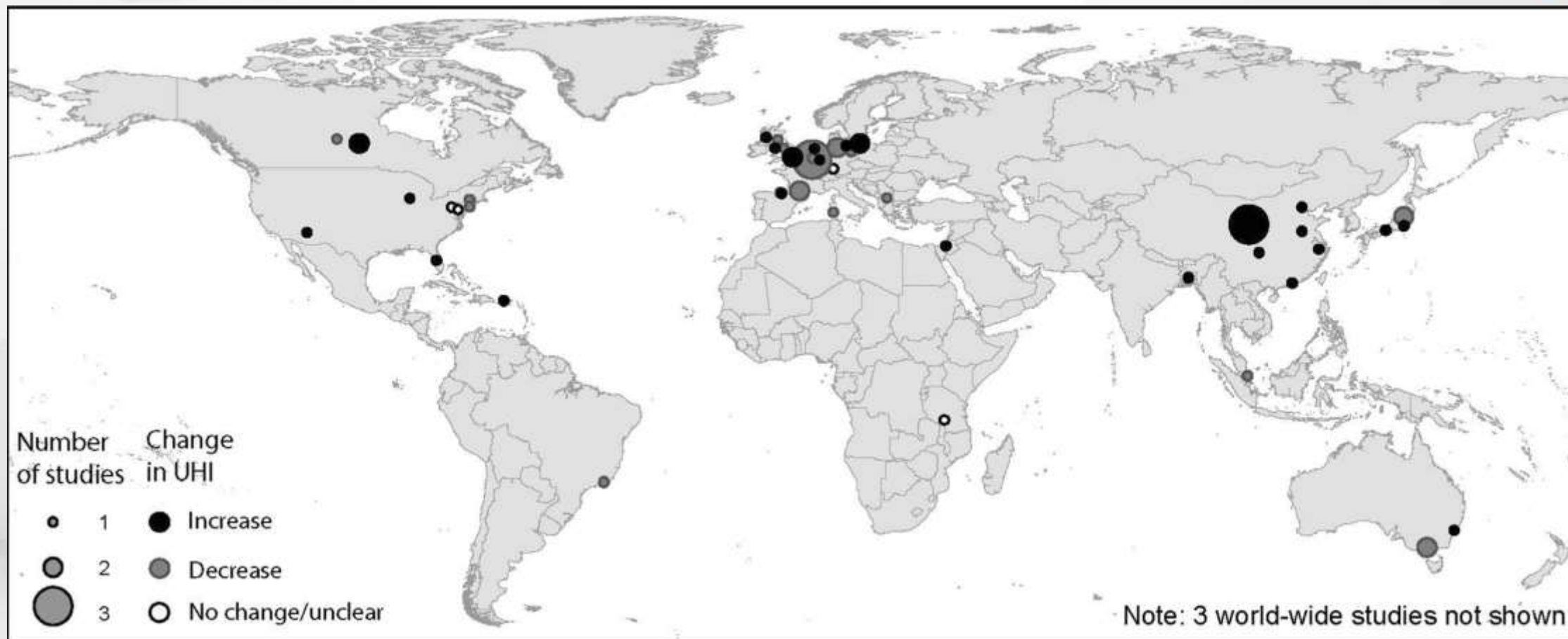
The total economic costs of climate change for cities this century could be **2.6 times higher** when heat island effects are taken into account than when they are not.

Table 1 | Accumulated economic impacts of global climate change (GCC) and urban heat island (UHI) separately and combined under different emission scenarios.

| | RCP8.5 | RCP6 | RCP4.5 | 550 ppm | 450 ppm | RCP3PD | 350 ppm |
|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| GCC | 3.21×10^{13} [38.9%] | 1.68×10^{13} [28.8%] | 1.49×10^{13} [26.9%] | 1.43×10^{13} [26.4%] | 1.05×10^{13} [22.3%] | 8.24×10^{12} [19.3%] | 7.71×10^{12} [18.6%] |
| UHI | 1.54×10^{13} [18.6%] (0.48) | 1.54×10^{13} [26.4%] (0.92) | 1.54×10^{13} [27.9%] (1.03) | 1.54×10^{13} [28.5%] (1.08) | 1.54×10^{13} [32.7%] (1.47) | 1.54×10^{13} [36.2%] (1.87) | 1.54×10^{13} [37.1%] (2.00) |
| Total | 8.26×10^{13} (2.57) | 5.84×10^{13} (3.48) | 5.53×10^{13} (3.71) | 5.41×10^{13} (3.78) | 4.71×10^{13} (4.49) | 4.26×10^{13} (5.17) | 4.15×10^{13} (5.38) |

Estrada, F., Botzen, W. J. W., & Tol, R. S. J. (2017). A global economic assessment of city policies to reduce climate change impacts. Nature Climate Change, 7(6), 403–406. doi:10.1038/nclimate3301

Geographic spread of studies focusing on the interaction between climate change, urban growth and the UHI



Chapman, Sarah & Watson, James & Salazar, Alvaro & Thatcher, Marcus & Mcalpine, Clive. (2017). The impact of urbanization and climate change on urban temperatures: a systematic review. *Landscape Ecology*. 10.1007/s10980-017-0561-4.

The case study of Thessaloniki

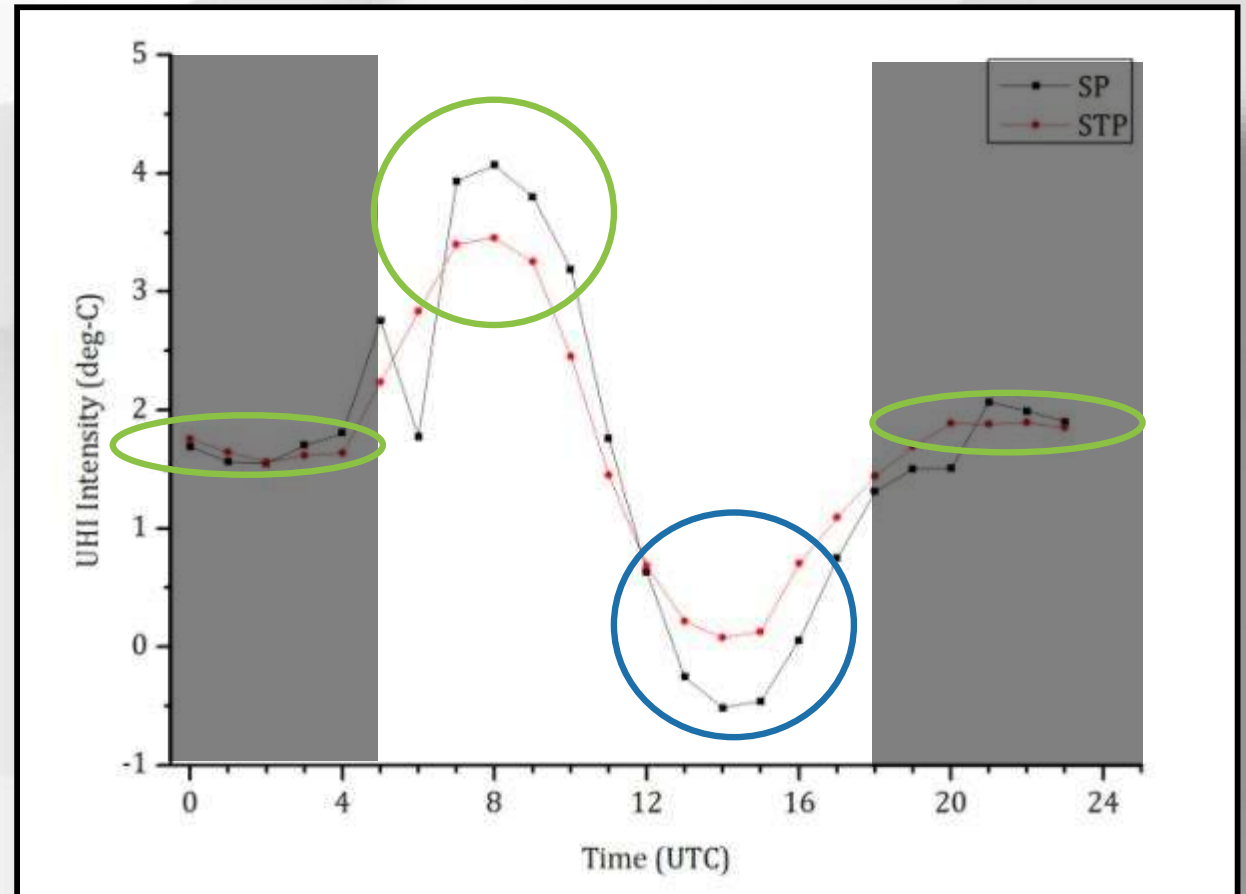


Results – UHI Intensity

$$UHII = T_{urban} - T_{suburban}$$

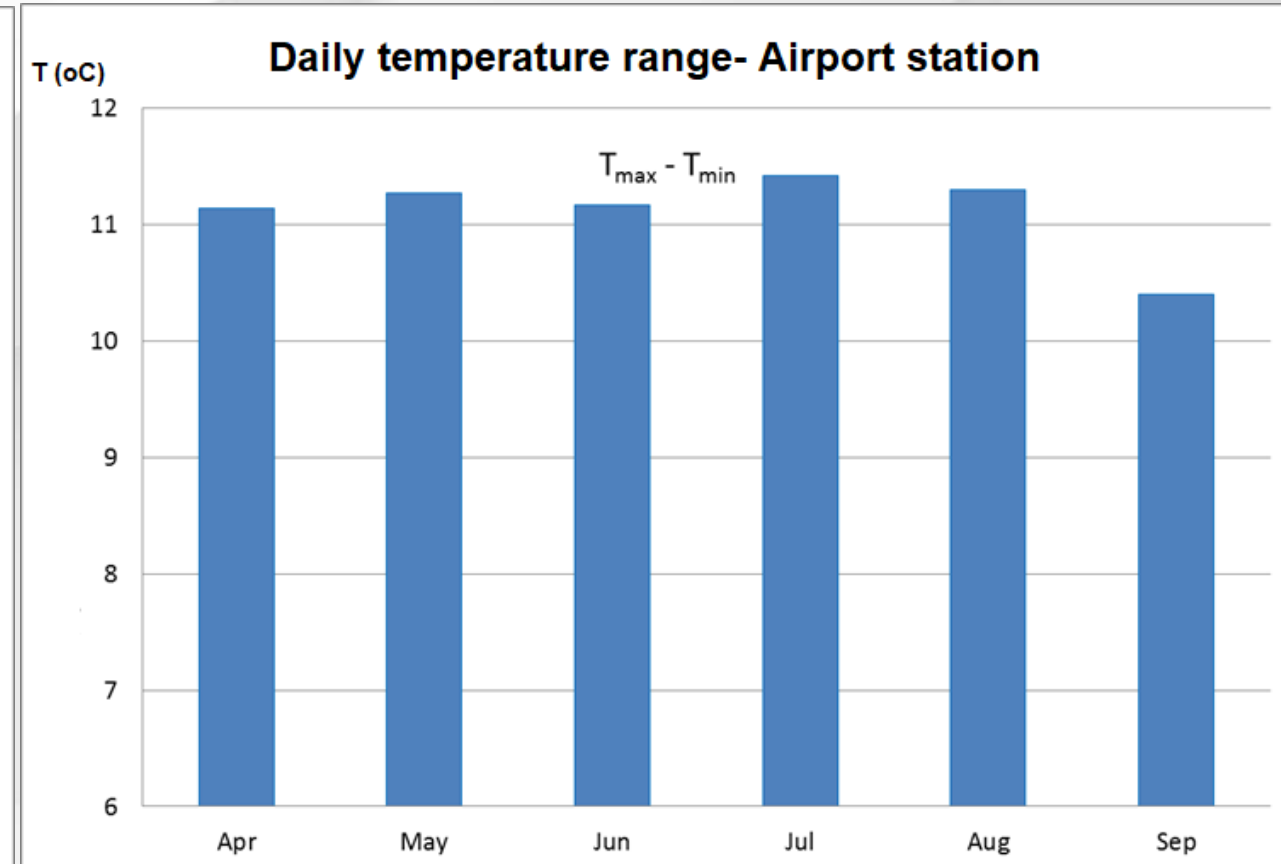
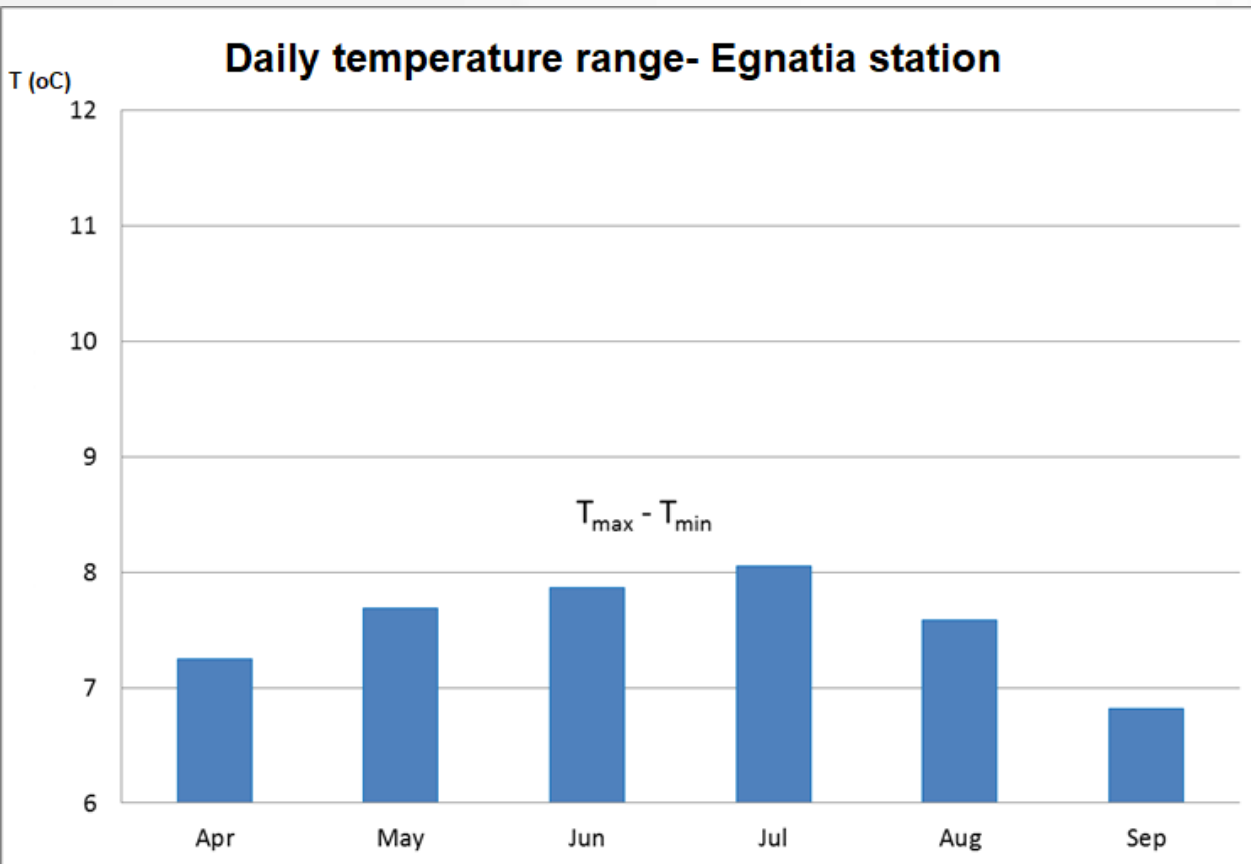
Summary

- ✓ “Background ΔT ” ~ 2 oC
- ✓ Heat island is more consistently observed during the nighttime hours
- ✓ Heat island is stronger in early morning hours, weakening and almost vanishing in early evening



Results – Urban vs Rural

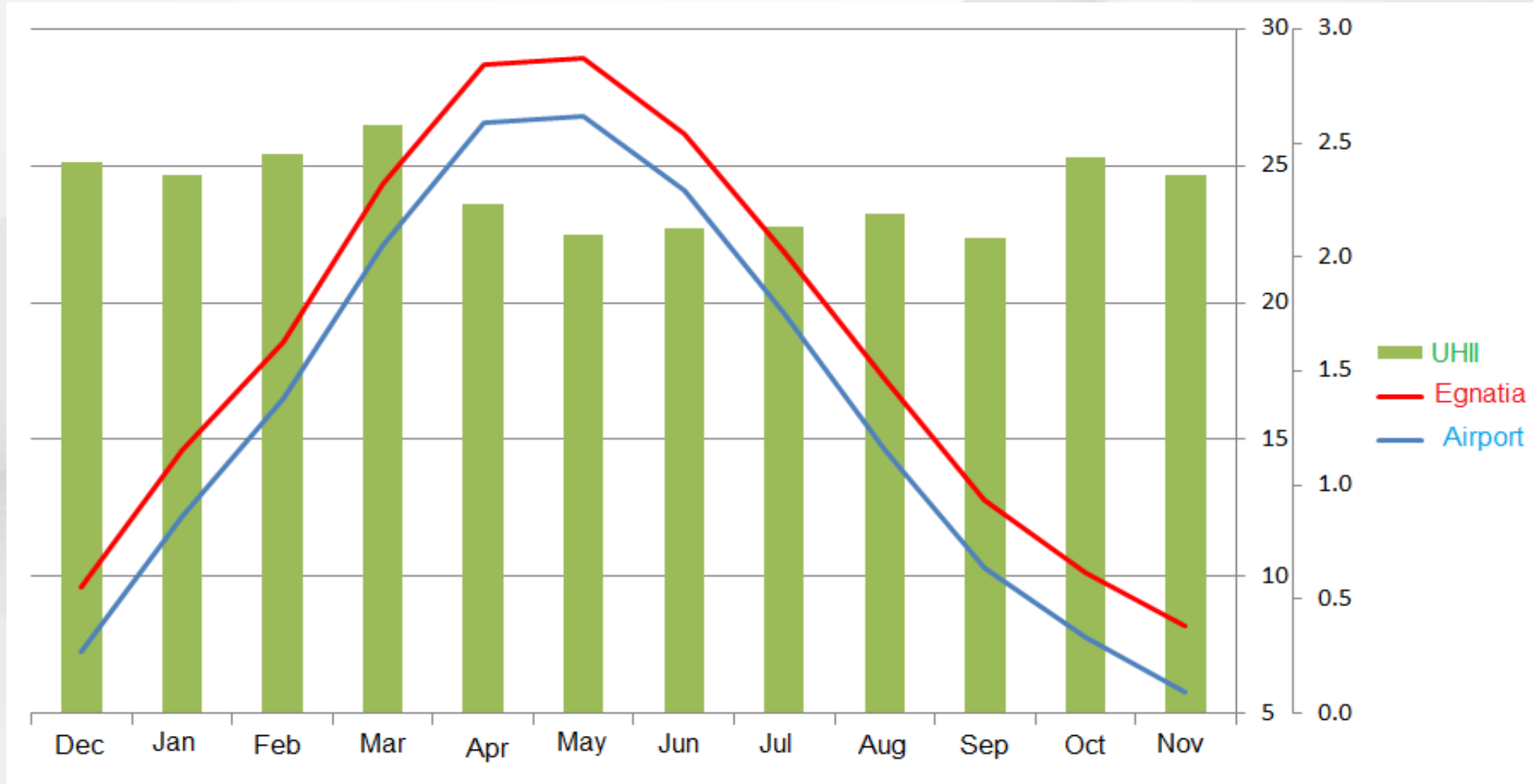
Daily temperature range



Results – Urban vs Rural



Daily averaged temperature and daily averaged UHI per month



Sarras, 2019

Making community weather-ready - LIFE ASTI



Communities that are prepared and appropriately responsive to extreme temperature events.

- ✓ Reliable and detailed weather information, including **forecasting systems** with high resolution and a dense **Weather station network** to provide observations.
- ✓ Contemporary dissemination tools like online **toolkits** (website and mobile app) to make the scientific information immediately available to end users with **clear-cut guidelines**.
- ✓ Connection to **local policy makers** (local administration, hospitals, civil protection agencies etc.) to establish emergency plans.
- ✓ Communities are prepared for and respond appropriately to these events.

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Communities that are prepared and appropriately responsive to extreme temperature events.

In recent years, the significant societal losses resulting even from well forecast extreme events have shifted the attention from the forecast alone toward ensuring the societal response is equal to the risks that exist for communities.

LIFE ASTI: General information



Location: Thessaloniki, Greece + Rome, Italy

Replication: Heraklion, Greece

Duration: 01/09/2018 - 31/08/2021



Project implementors:

- **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (coordinator)**
- Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, National Research Council of Italy
- Municipality of Thessaloniki
- Azienda Sanitaria Locale Roma 1
- Geospatial Enabling Technologies Ltd.
- Sympraxis Team P.C.

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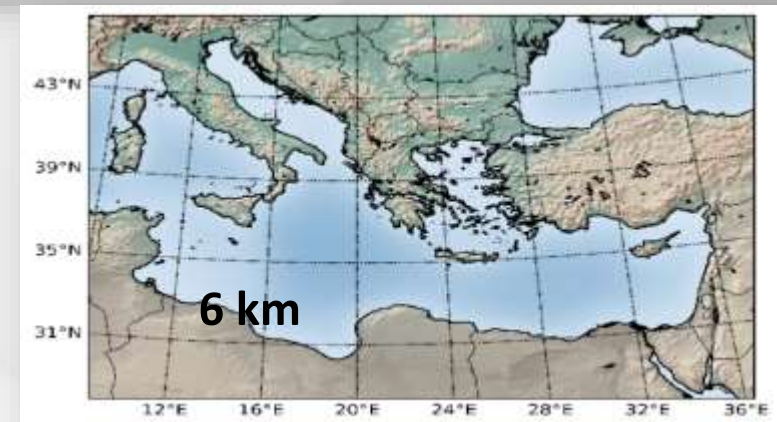
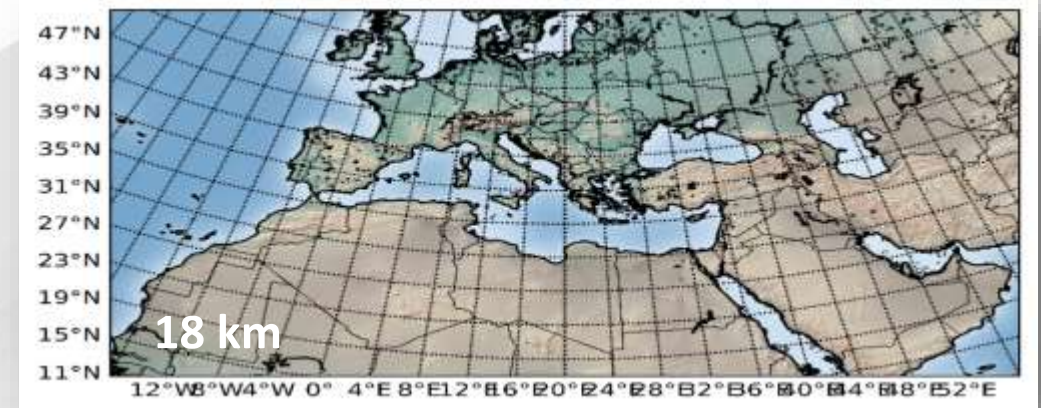
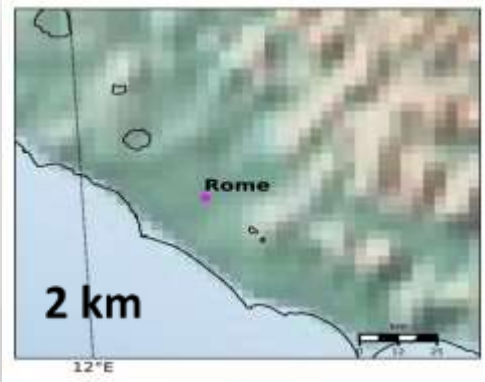
Short-term adaptation tools for Rome and Thessaloniki



- ✓ Pilot UHI forecasting systems and monitoring stations in the two cities
 - ✓ High-resolution (**250 m**) numerical model forecasts of UHI-related products (meteorological variables and related indices).
 - ✓ **Dense network** of meteorological stations (8 additional meteorological stations in Rome and 2 in Thessaloniki, 33 new nodes for temperature, humidity, pressure in Thessaloniki).
 - ✓ Heat Health Warning systems providing differential **alerts** within each involved city and the potential **effects on health** at high spatiotemporal resolution.

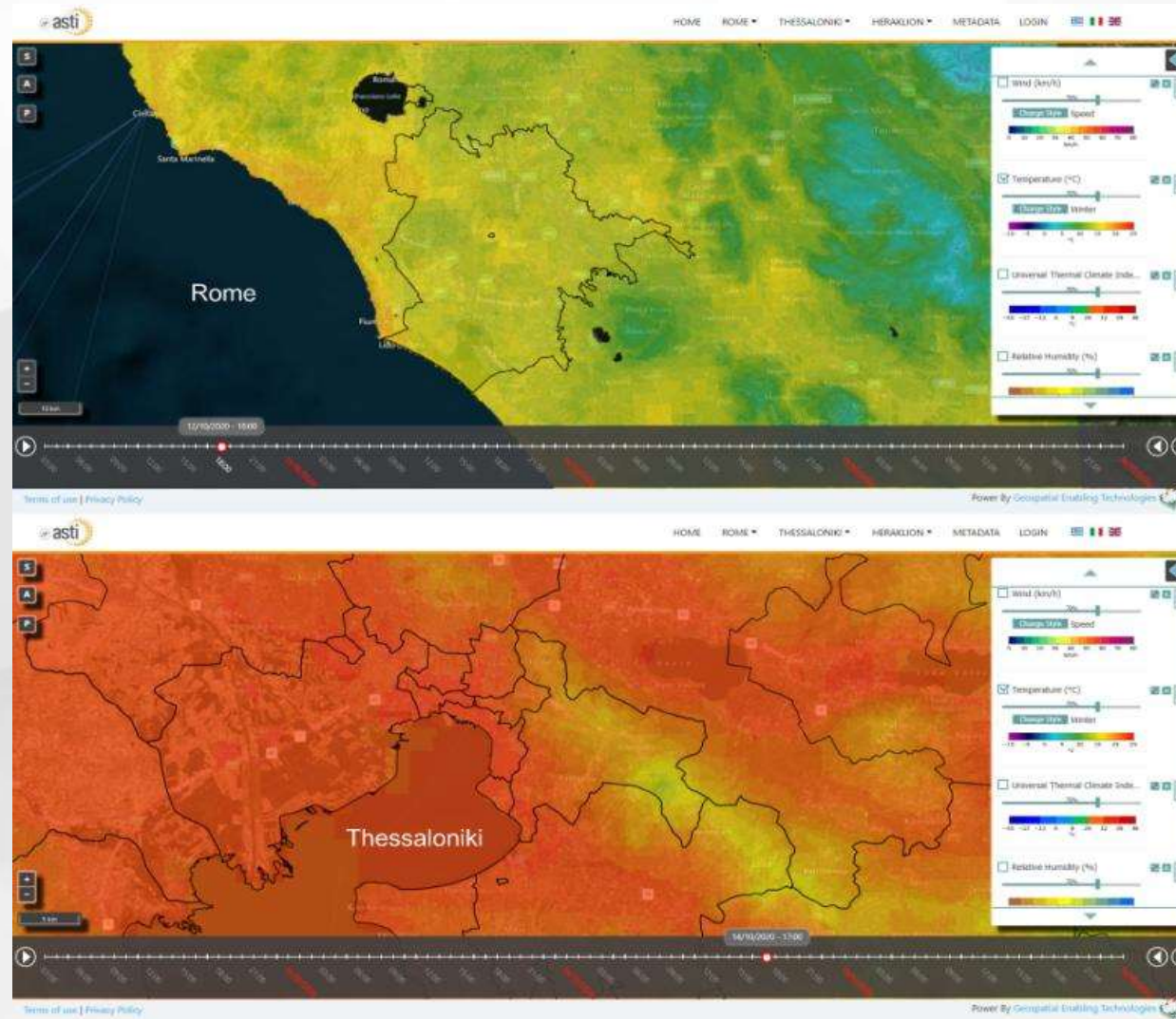
LIFE ASTI study areas

High resolution WRF simulations (6 km over Mediterranean area and 2 km over Thessaloniki, Heraklion and Rome)



Downscaling techniques are applied for producing the high-resolution (250 m) urban forecasts.

LIFE ASTI study areas



Short-term adaptation tools for Rome and Thessaloniki



- ✓ A web-based open access portal and a mobile application to **disseminate** the above-mentioned forecasting products to authorities, stakeholders and the general public.



Short-term adaptation tools for Rome and Thessaloniki



- ✓ **Replicability and transferability** activities that will increase the potential of LIFE ASTI results to be utilized by authorities and stakeholders of other regions in Europe



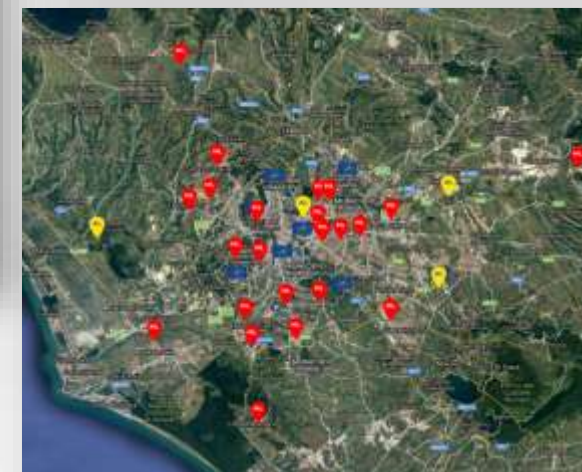
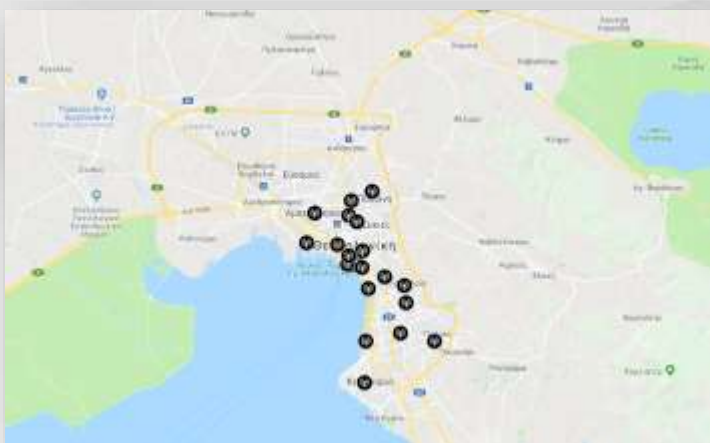
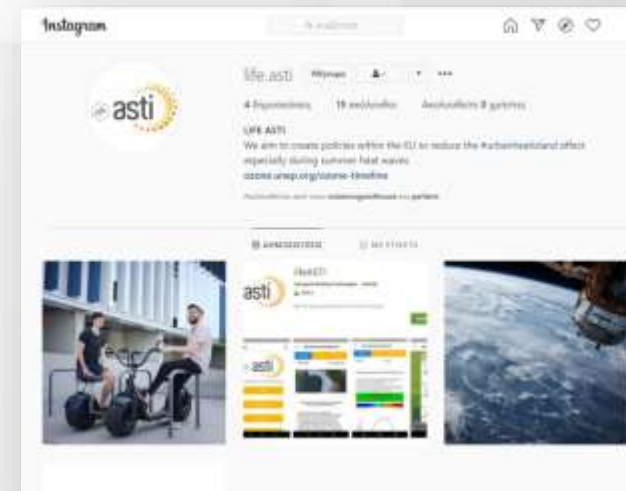
Long-term mitigation tools for Rome and Thessaloniki



- ✓ Assessment of the impact of future **climate change** scenarios on UHI.
- ✓ Sensitivity studies for assessing the impact of **adaptation and mitigation** strategies (e.g., green infrastructure).
 - UHI Adaptation Actions Plans Portfolios for each city.
- ✓ Good Practice Guidebook for combating **UHI** and increasing resilience to heat.

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A citizen science network to make cities weather ready

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CNR - ISAC



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Scientific background

Motivations

- UHI is strongly related to health issues and can affect everyday activities
- Satellite measurements does not provide UHI measurements – they provide SUHI measurements
- Deploy and maintain observational networks is still a challenge

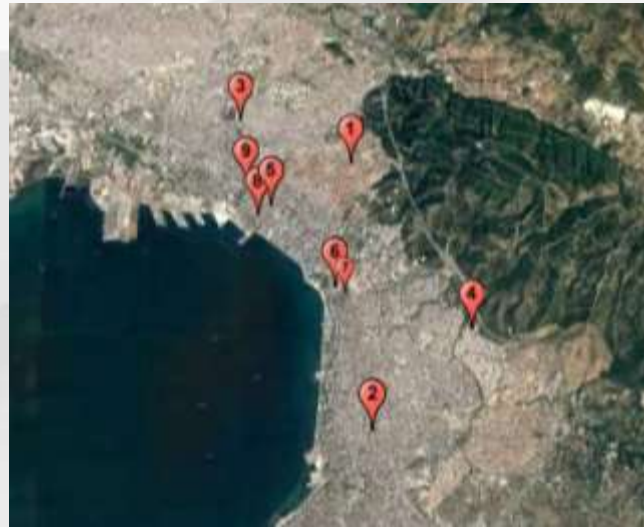
Goals

- Merge local existing citizen's meteorological stations in a single, synergistic network
- Provide high quality, WMO standard compliant measurements
- Cover a city with high spatial and temporal resolution

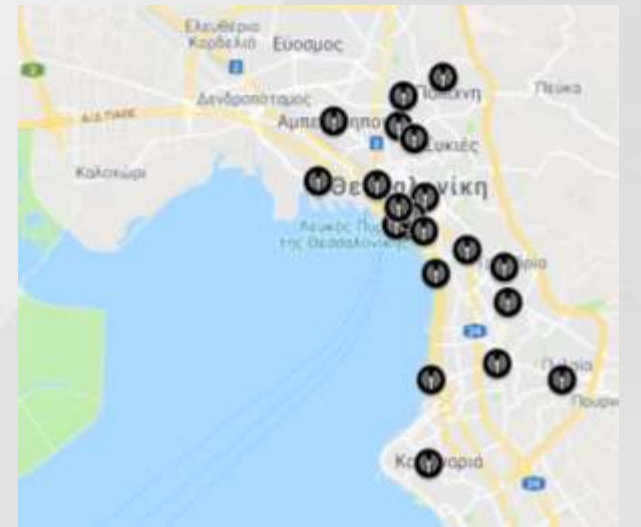
LIFE ASTI areas



Rome area – 34 stations



Thessaloniki area – 31 stations



Focus on Rome



- **LIFE ASTI** - 8 new Davis Vantage Pro 2
- **Arpa Lazio** - 4 research stations
- **Meteo Lazio** - 22 citizen stations

Most of the stations belong to the community itself, i.e. citizens

Weather stations

Most of them are Davis weather stations, installed at schools, public institutions, and private people's.



Davis



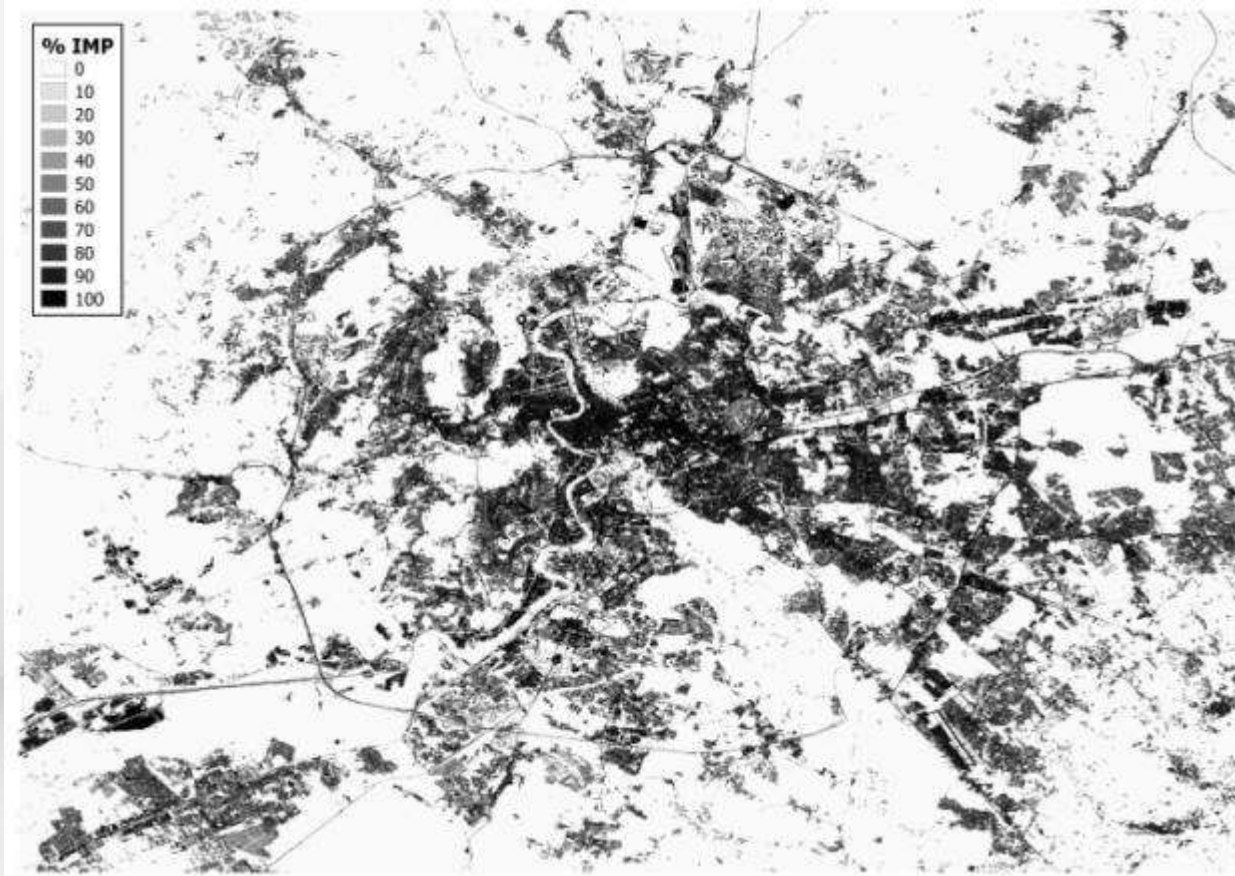
Acquisition system

- Temperature
- Relative humidity
- Wind speed & dir
- Rainfall

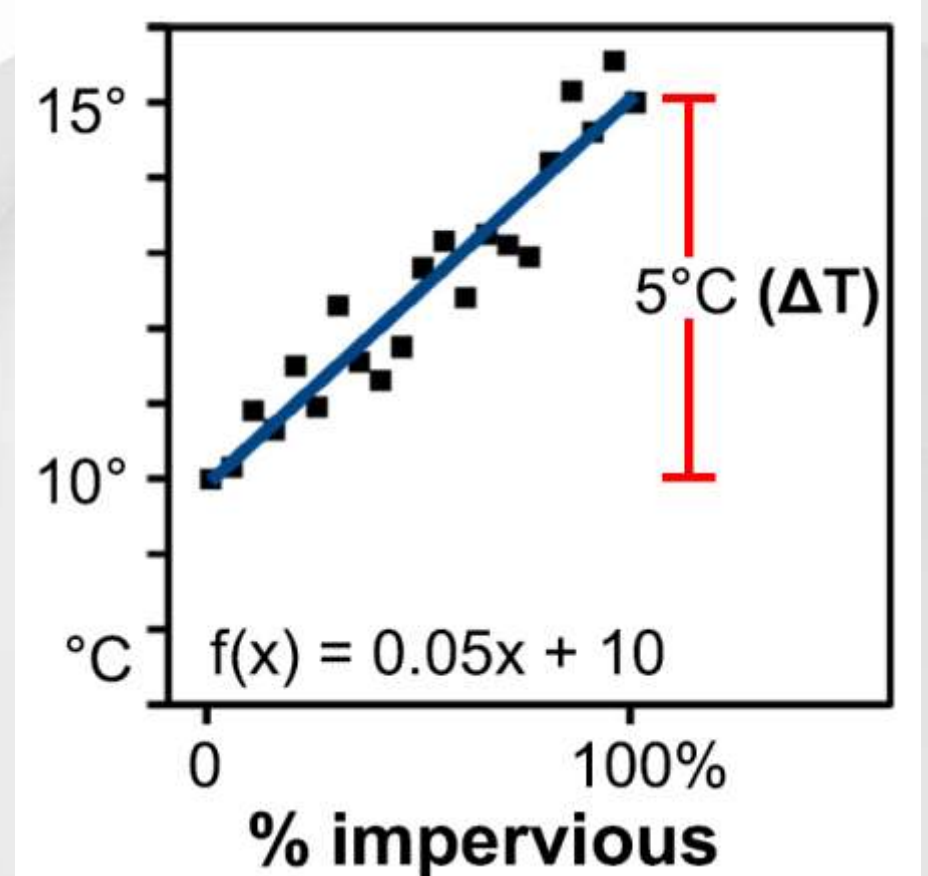
- Data receiver
- Datalogger
- Online submission to a central database

| Parameter | Resolution | Accuracy | Sampling time |
|-------------------|------------|----------|---------------|
| Temperature | 0.1°C | ± 0.3 °C | 10 s |
| Relative Humidity | 1% | ± 2% | 50 s |
| | | | |

Characterize UHI intensity

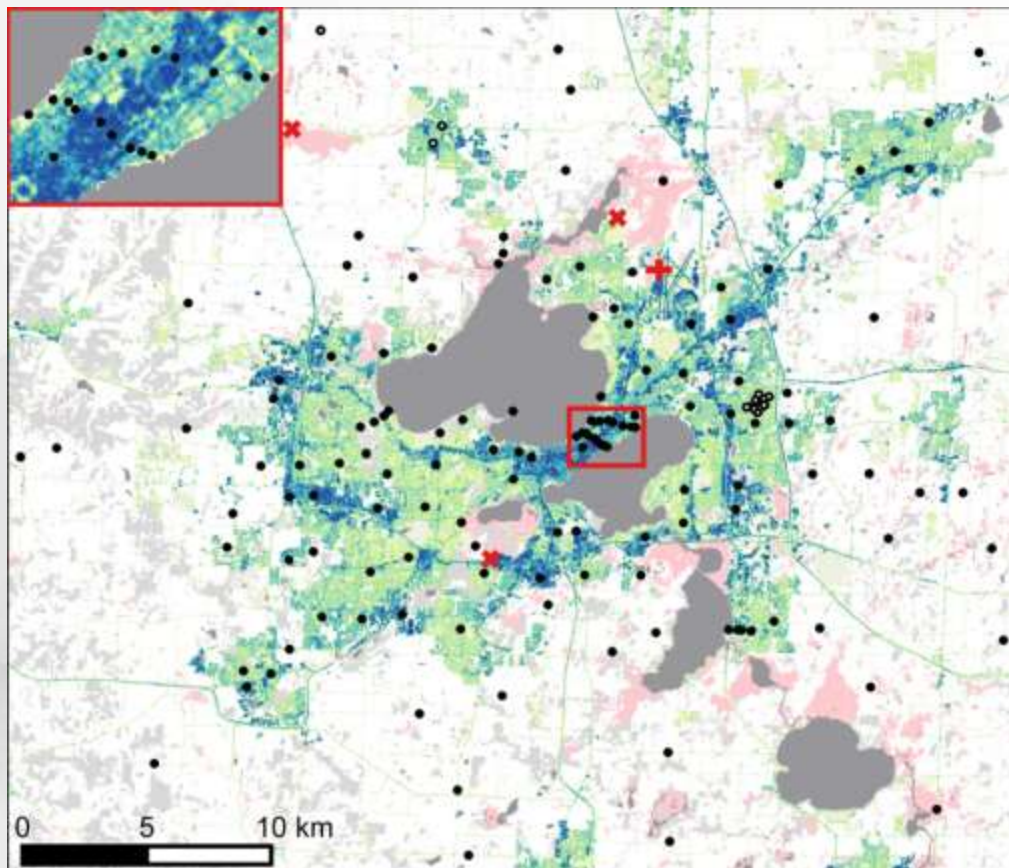


Copernicus Land Monitoring Service
Rome appears to be greener than expected...



New methodology by Schatz at al.
(2015), temperatures vs IMP

Looking for the optimal radius



Map of study area in Madison, Wisconsin, USA (Schatz et al., 2015)

We need the average of the imperviousness around each station.

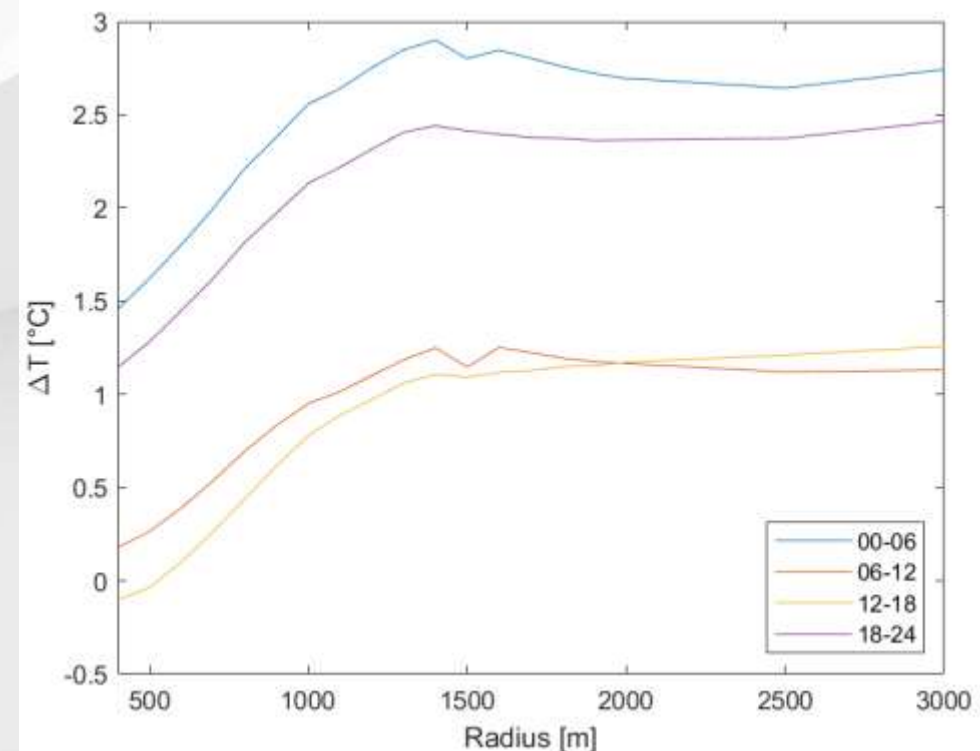
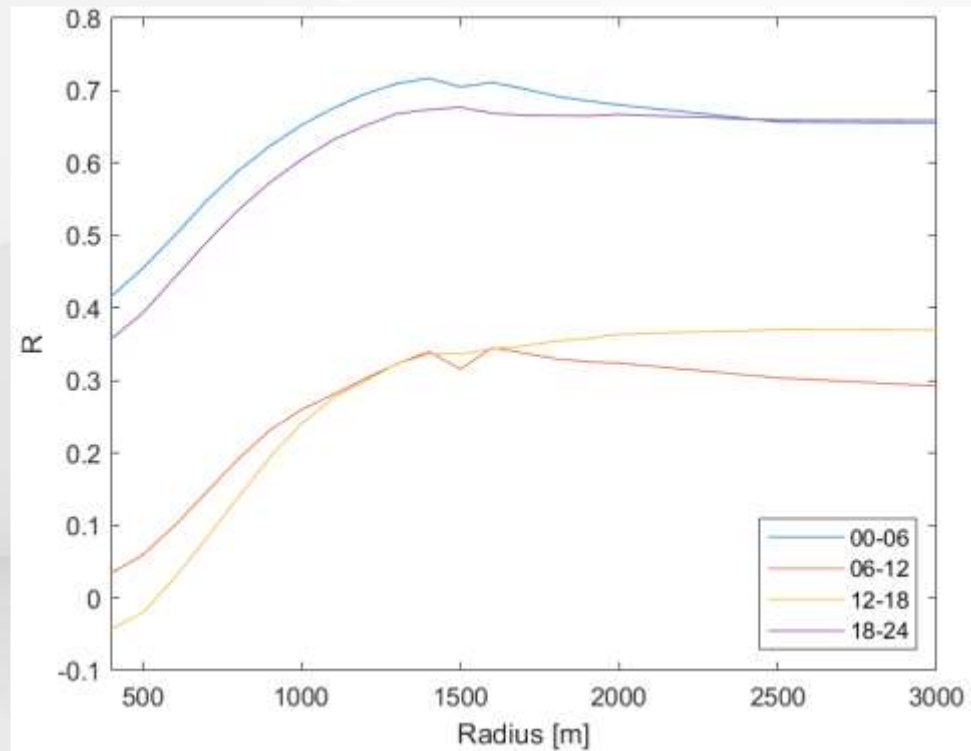
How do we define “around”?

The optimal radius in Madison is 600 m, but Rome does not have three lakes in the city center.

Maximize the correlation coefficient R between IMP and T

Optimal radius in Rome

Optimal radius: **1400 m**

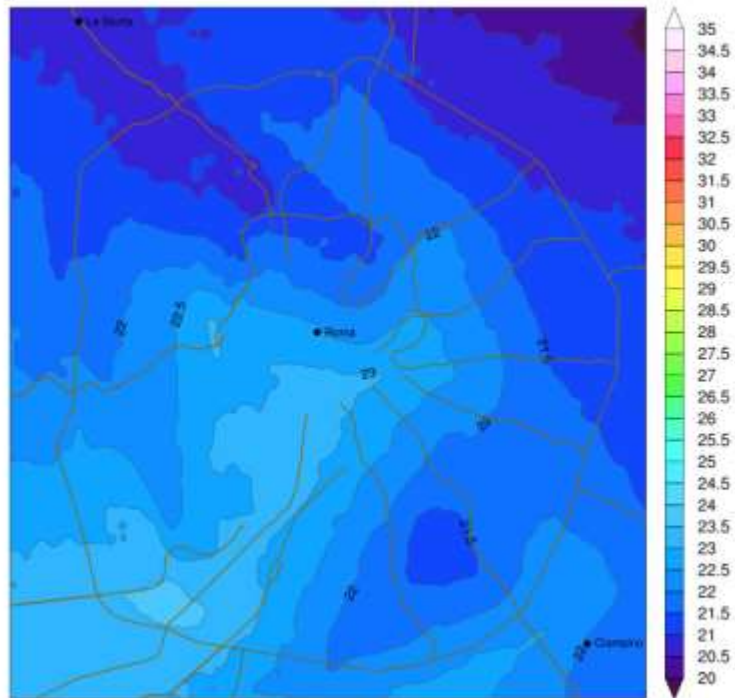


UHI ΔT and R as a function of impervious surface radius (July-August 2019)

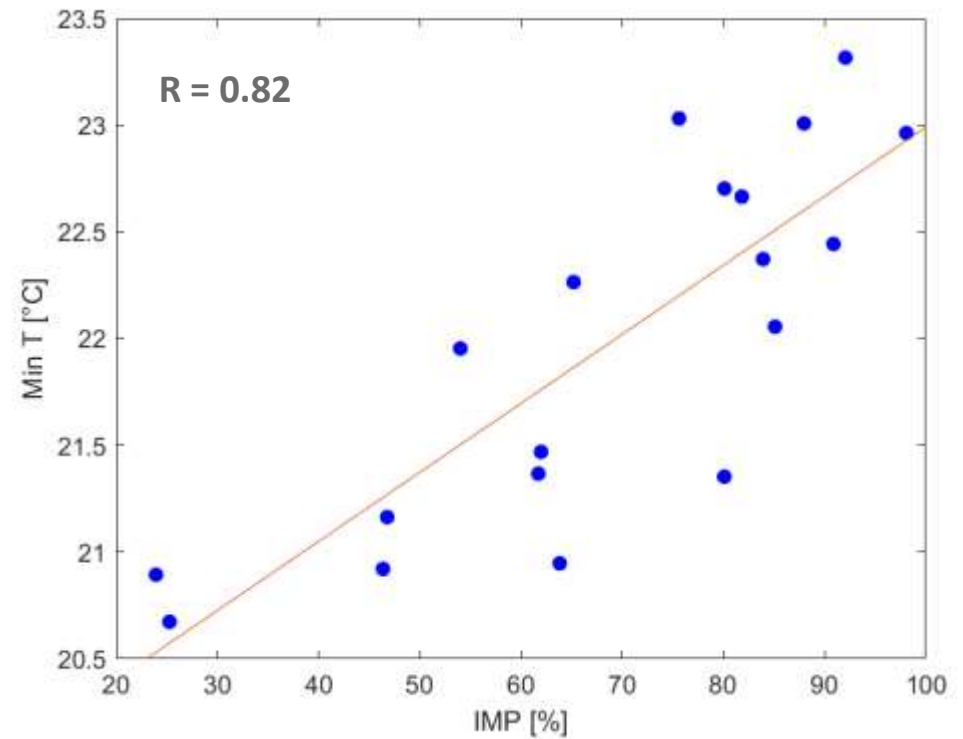
Daily temperatures

Mean Minimum Temperature

Unit: °C
Mean: 22, Std.Dev: 0.9
July-August 2019
Stations: 24

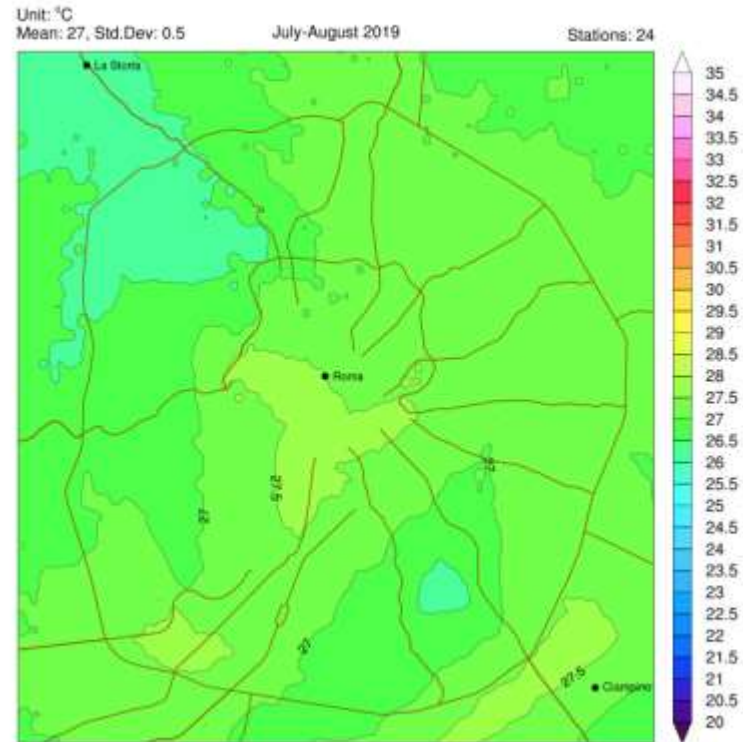


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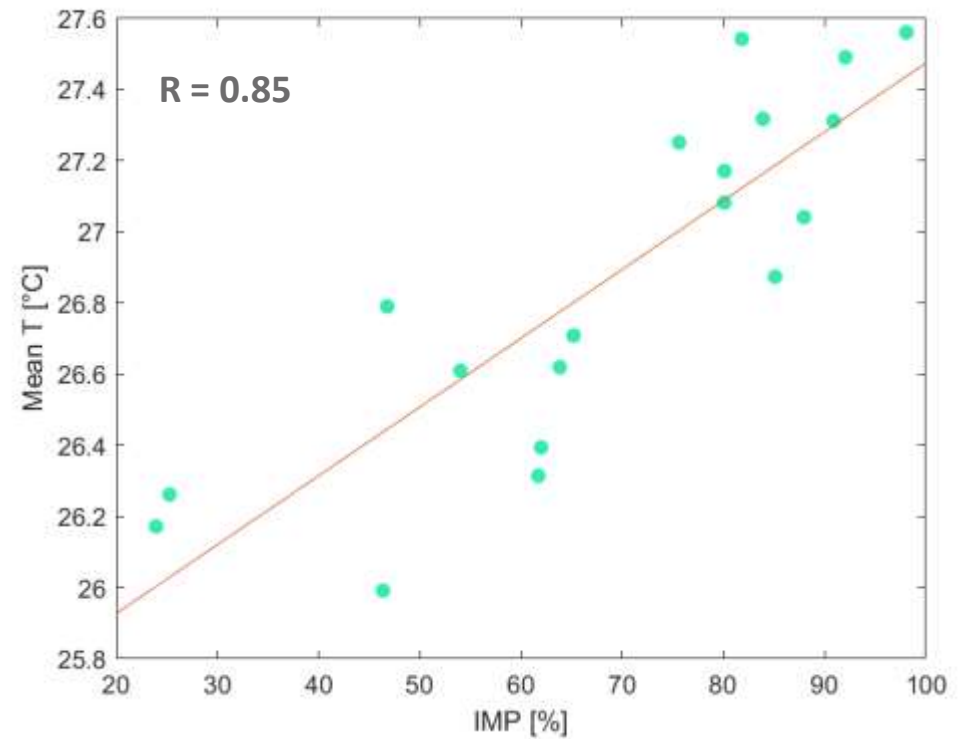


Daily temperatures

Mean Temperature



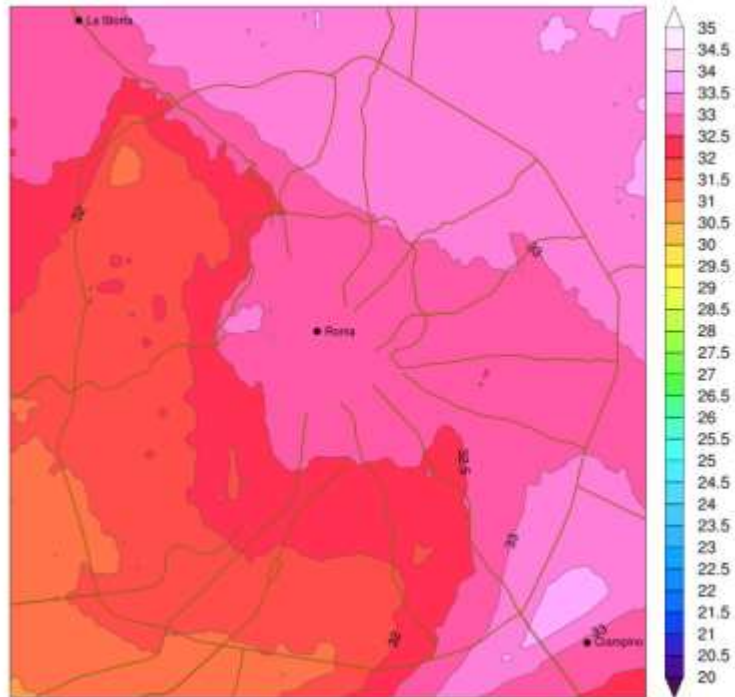
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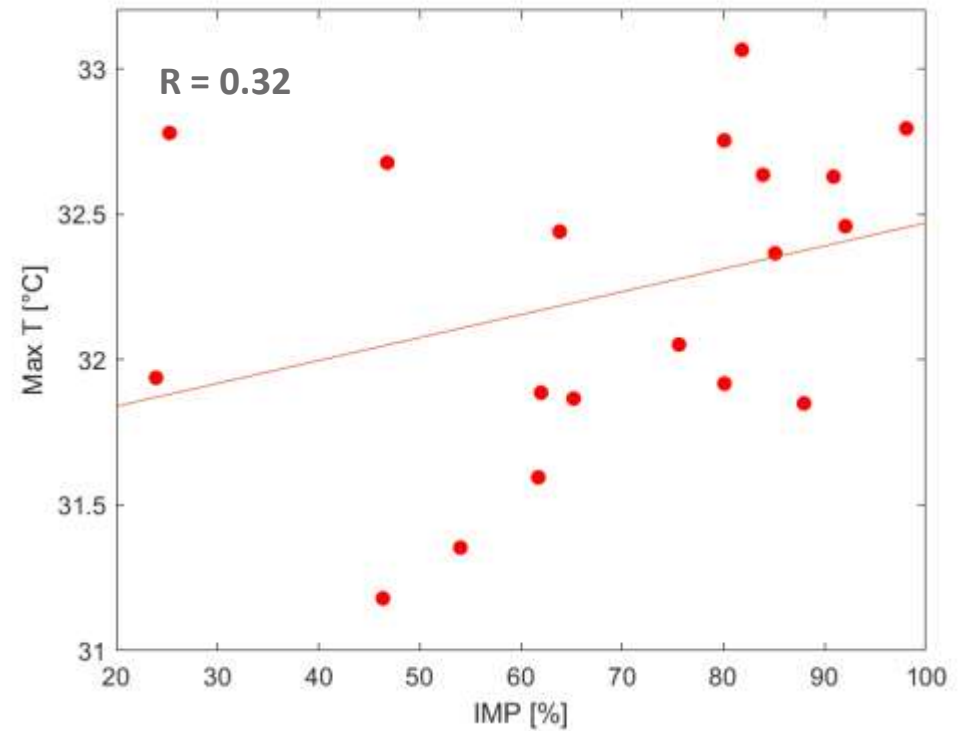
Daily temperatures

Mean Maximum Temperature

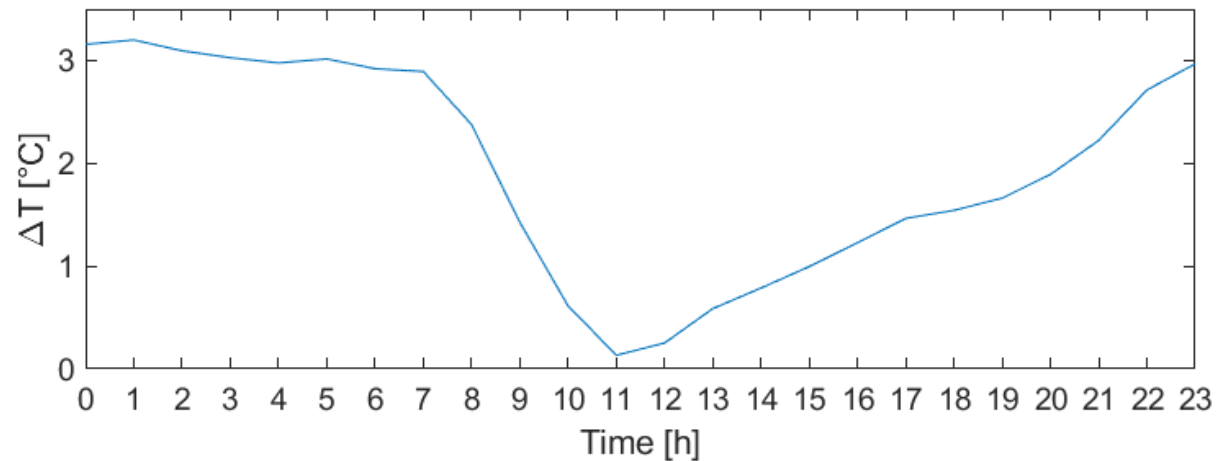
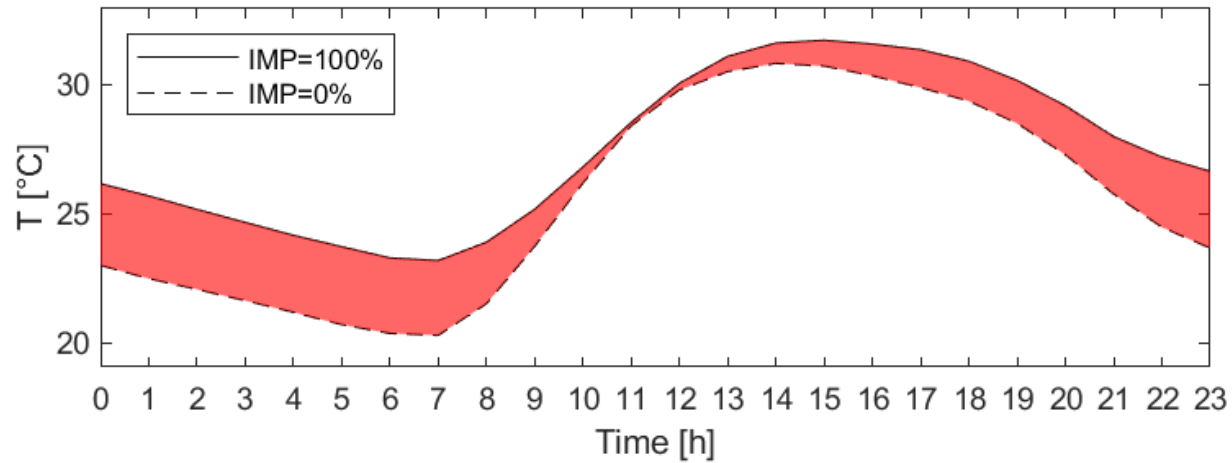
Unit: °C
Mean: 32.3, Std.Dev: 0.6
July-August 2019
Stations: 24



Daily maximum temperature



UHI diurnal cycle



- **Period:** July-August 2019
- **Peak:** 3.2 °C – 01:00 UTC+1
- **Minimum:** 11:00 UTC+1

Final remarks

- We integrated citizen weather stations into a WMO compliant synergistic network
- The network is capable of characterizing the UHI with high spatial and temporal resolution
- It also an example of how a community can help itself - with scientists in the middle !



Modeling the Urban Heat Island effect: Operational UHI forecasting system

Thessaloniki, October 14 2020

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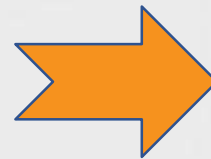
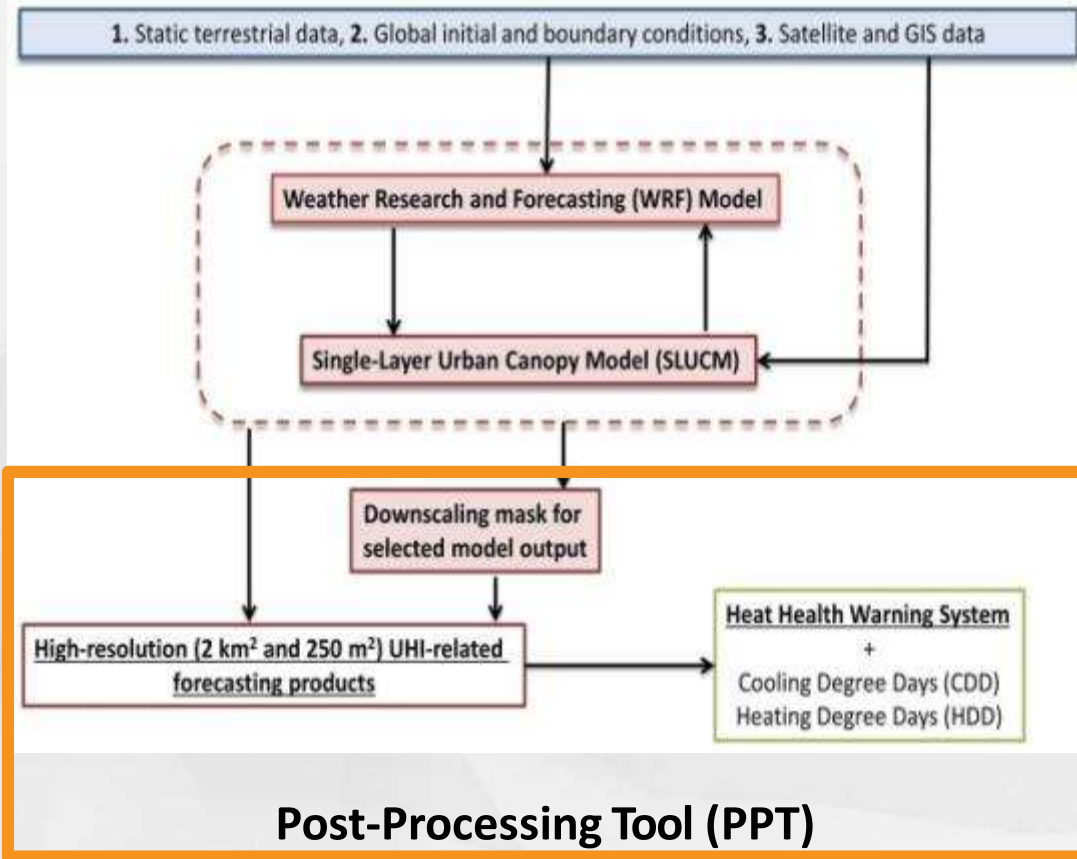
Outline

- **Brief Description of the operational Urban Heat Island forecast system**
- **Examples of evaluation and products**
- **Operational UHI forecasts to end users.**
- **Summary**



General structure

- Weather Research and Forecast system coupled with the Single Layer Urban Canopy Model SLUCM (WRF+SLUCM)

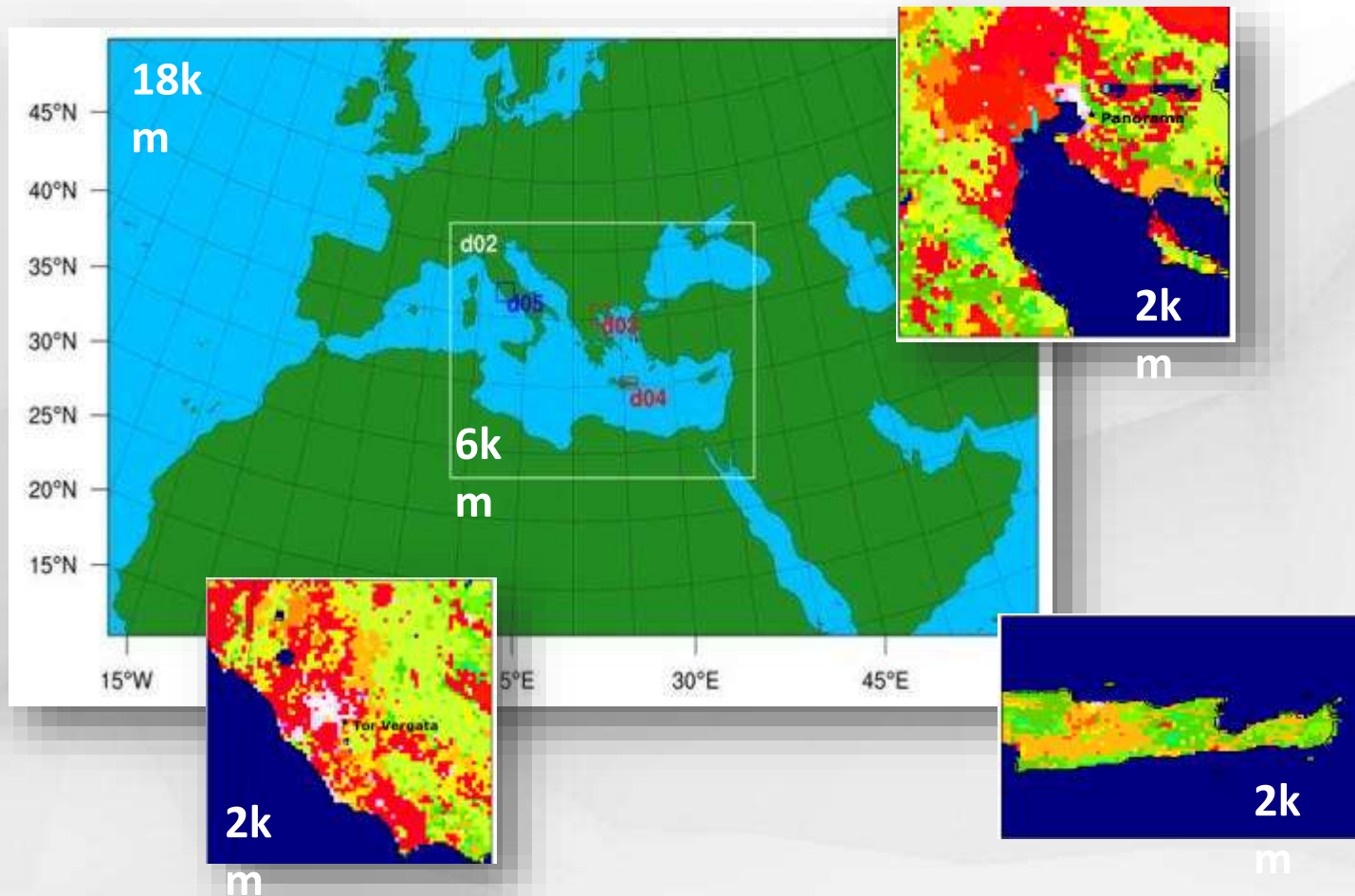


- LIFE-ASTI Platform



Implementation of the WRF+SLUCM modeling system

- Daily operation of the UHI forecasting system



Launch operational script-8 a.m. local time every day

Download data

Download GFS meteorological data-00 UTC of forecasting hour
Download SST data-00 UTC the previous day

Run WRF+SLUCM system (11 hours, 2 Intel Xeon Gold 6125)

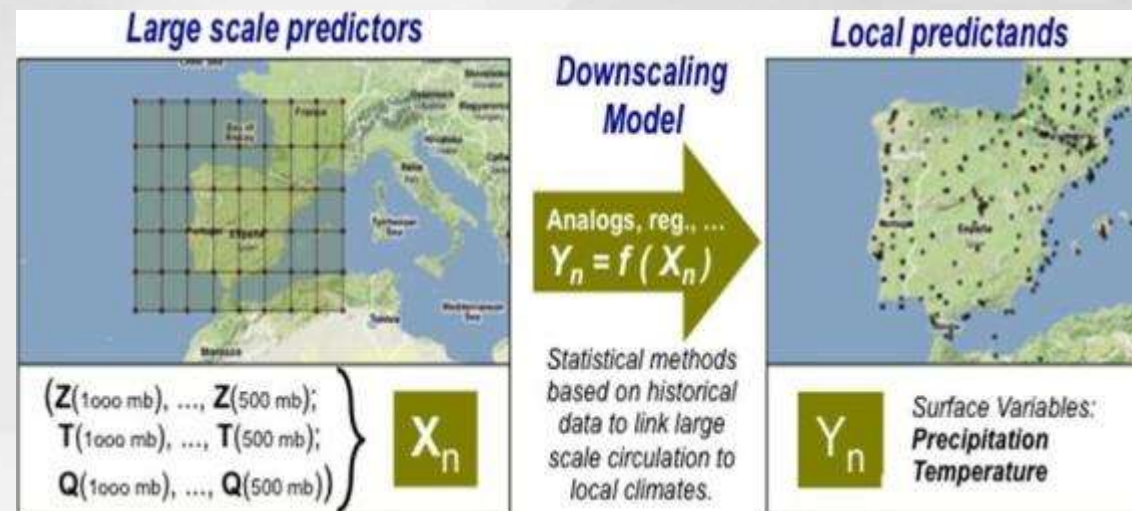
Output temporary saved in LIFE-ASTI Database, in netcdf Format



Post-processing Tool (PPT)

Tasks:

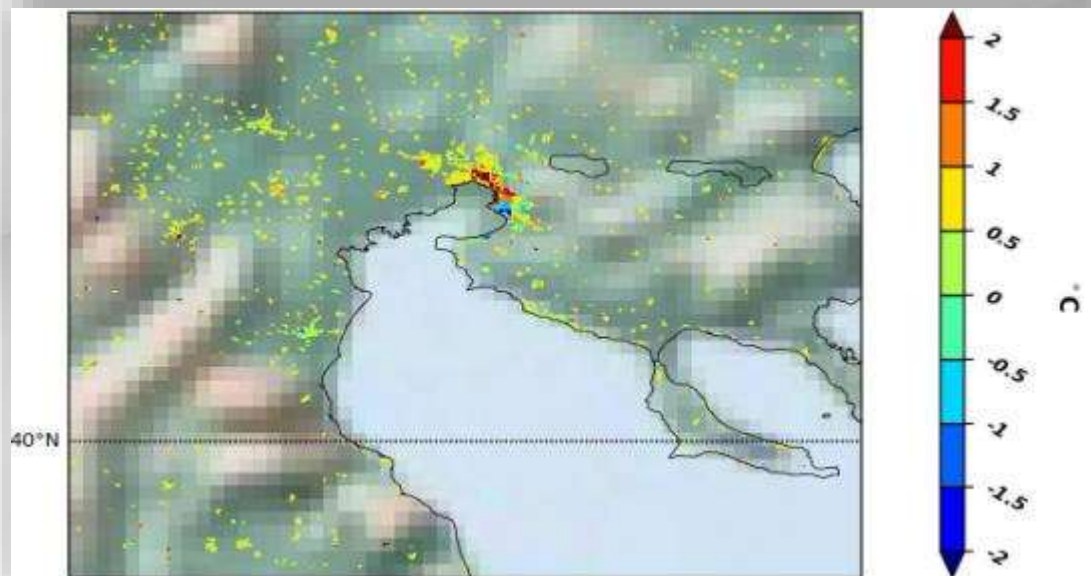
- Retrieving WRF-SLUCM surface meteorological parameters at 2km
- Downscale to 250m
- Produce UHI related products
- Execution of the Heat Health Warning System.
- Reformat to GeoTIFF for dissemination to end-user-visualization to LIFE-ASTI platform
- Developed from A.U.Th. To produce UHI related products at human representative scale (250m).
- Example of a downscaling process (adopted from <https://meteo.unican.es/downscaling/intro.html#>)



Operational UHI-related Products

Downscaled by-products (from temperature and rel. humidity) at 250m res.:

- Apparent and dew temperatures
- Discomfort Index (DI)
- Urban Heat Island Intensity (UHII)
- Universal Thermal Climate Index (UTCI)
- Cooling/Heating Degree Days (CDD/HDD)



Raw products at 2km res.:

- Short/Long-wave radiation
- Wind speed and Wind direction at 10m a.g.l.
- Total Cloud Fraction

* All data are stored in .Tiff Format



Example of the UHI forecasting system evaluation in Thessaloniki (29/6-3/7 2017)



Temperature

| Station | LCZ | MBE | MAE | NMSE | R | IoA |
|------------|------------------|------|------|-------|------|------|
| Dimarheio | Sparsely built | 2.01 | 2.51 | 0.009 | 0.86 | 0.82 |
| Egnatia | Compact mid-rise | 0.95 | 1.92 | 0.006 | 0.88 | 0.88 |
| Eptapurgio | Open low-rise | 1.44 | 1.94 | 0.006 | 0.89 | 0.88 |
| Lagkada | Open low-rise | 0.83 | 1.82 | 0.005 | 0.87 | 0.90 |
| Malakopi | Sparsely built | 1.56 | 2.10 | 0.006 | 0.90 | 0.91 |
| Martiou | Open low-rise | 0.48 | 1.52 | 0.003 | 0.90 | 0.94 |

Emery C., Tai E., Yarwood G. (2001). Enhanced meteorological modeling and performance evaluation for two Texas ozone episodes. Final Report prepared for the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

IoA > 0.7

MAE < 2 °C

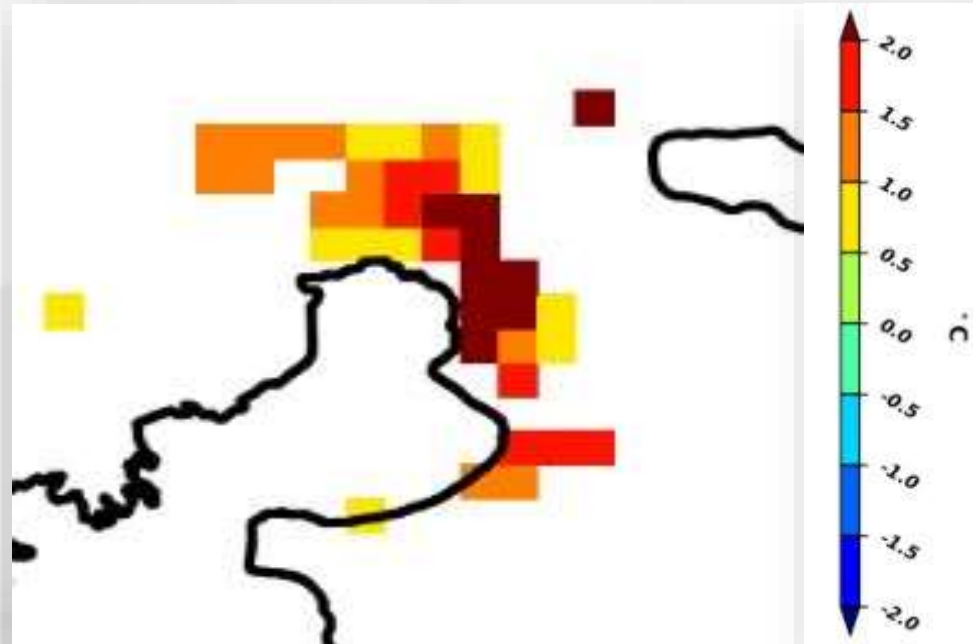


Example of UHI Intensity product in Thessaloniki

– Case 2017



UHII during the heat wave (29/06-03/07 of 2017)

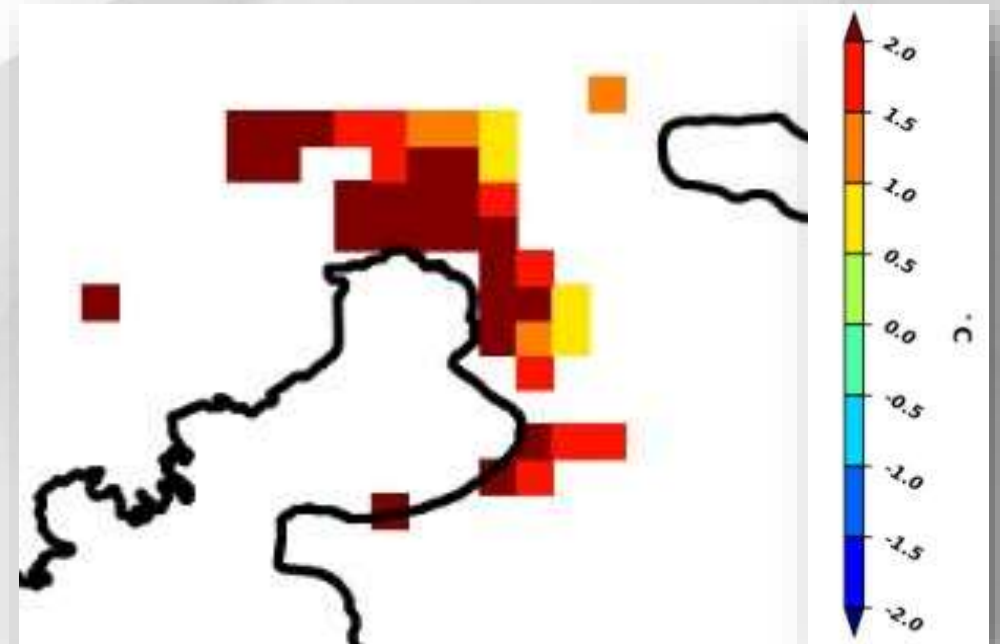


Domain Mean=1.25°C

Domain

Median=1.36°C

UHII after the heat wave (03/07-07/07 of 2017)



Domain Mean=1.82°C

Domain

Median=2.08°C

UHII=T2_urban-T2_rural

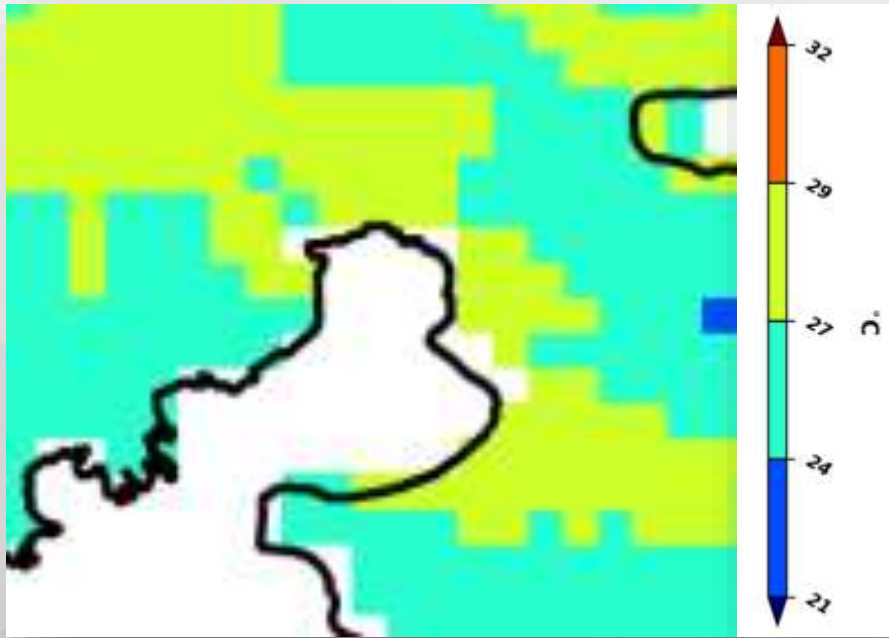
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UHI effect more intense under normal summertime conditions -> smaller temperature differences between heat and non-heat wave conditions



Example of ASTI results – Bioclimatic Indices in Thessaloniki – Case 2017

Discomfort Index



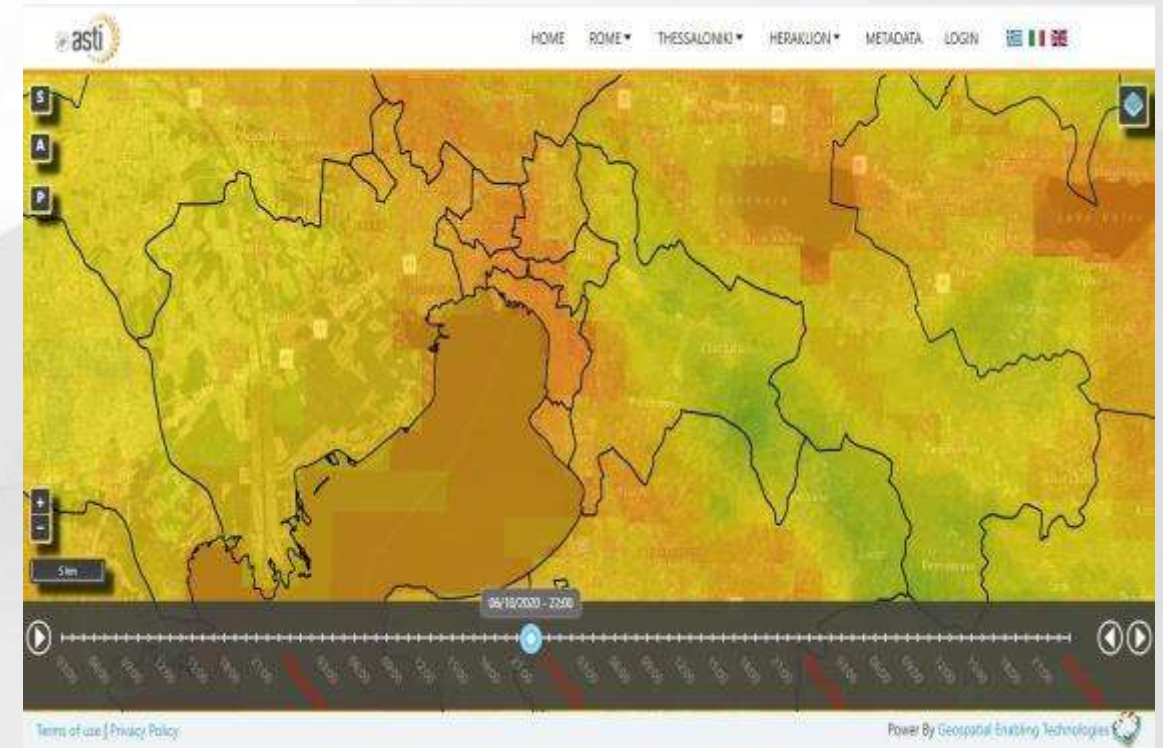
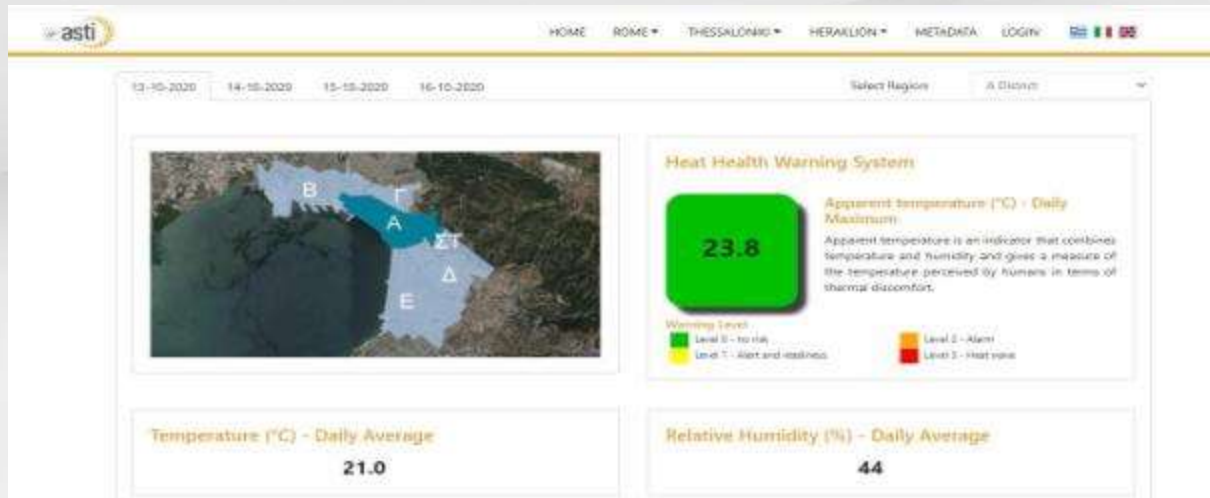
| DI value | Discomfort conditions |
|---|--|
| $DI \leq 21 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ | No discomfort |
| $21 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} < DI \leq 24 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ | Under 50 % of the population feels discomfort |
| $24 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} < DI \leq 27 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ | Above 50 % of the population feels discomfort |
| $27 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} < DI \leq 29 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ | Most of the population feels discomfort |



Operational UHI data to end users

LIFE-ASTI platform and mobile applications:

- Direct information of the current and future (4 days) conditions at your place
- Preview of meteorological conditions of the city and by district.
- Heat Health Warnings, important for immediate actions from stakeholders.
- Downloading of data for any place in the cities.



*UHI related products can be download under request by A.U.Th. team.



Summary



- Development of high resolution, sustainable operational UHI forecasting system.
- Advanced Post Processing Tool with flexibility-can be extended to additional fields of interest if needed
- Transferability and replicability to other cities of Europe-facilitating possible synergies with other LIFE projects
- Easy access to simplified and effective information for civilians, stakeholders and policy-makers





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Monitoring the Urban Heat Island effect with the LIFE ASTI application platform

Be informed about thermal stress and extreme heat events

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Geospatial Enabling Technologies

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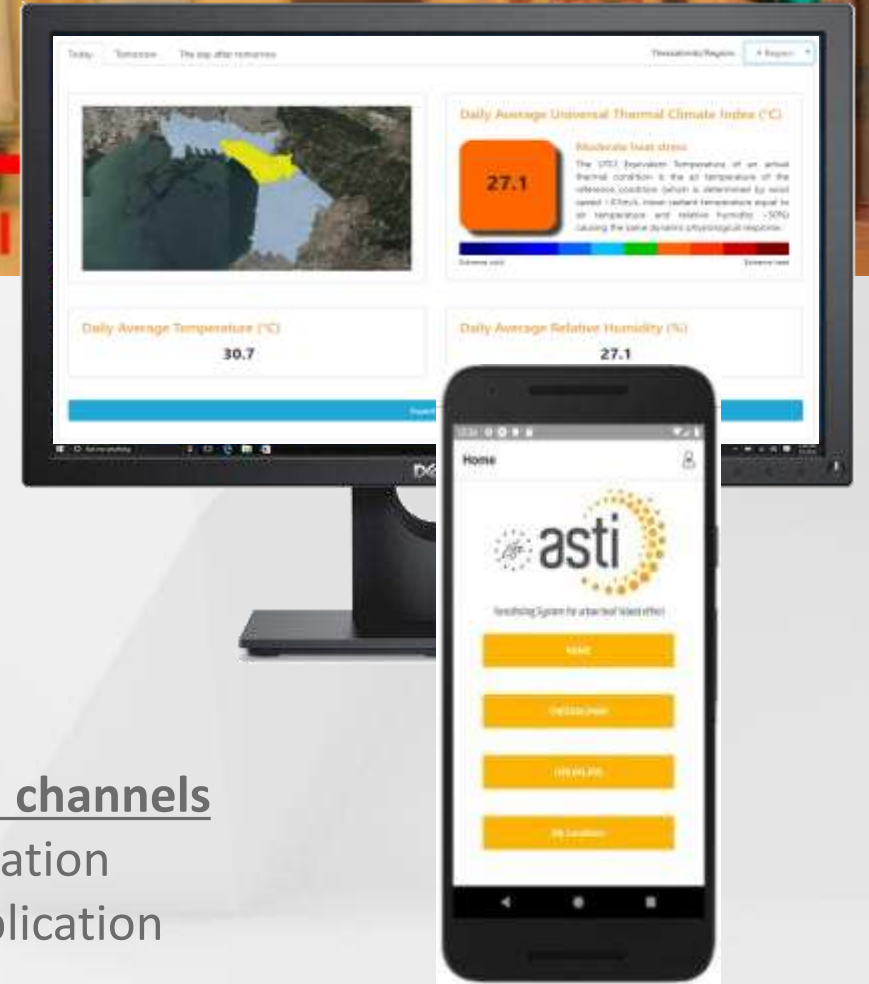
Making Location Matter

GeoInformatics
Open Data
Business Intelligence
Environment
Earth Observation





The LIFE ASTI platform



Objectives

- To inform **citizens** and **Authorities** for **extreme heat events** as well as for the impacts of **Urban Heat Island**
- To disseminate complex scientific information like the outputs of mathematical weather forecasting models in a simple, user friendly way

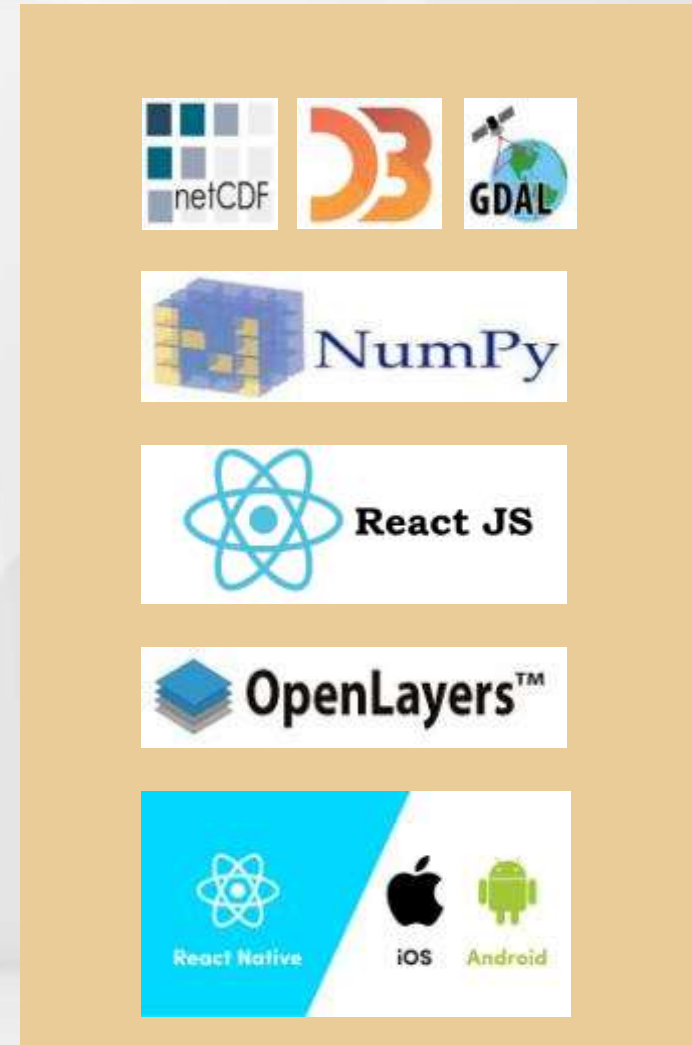
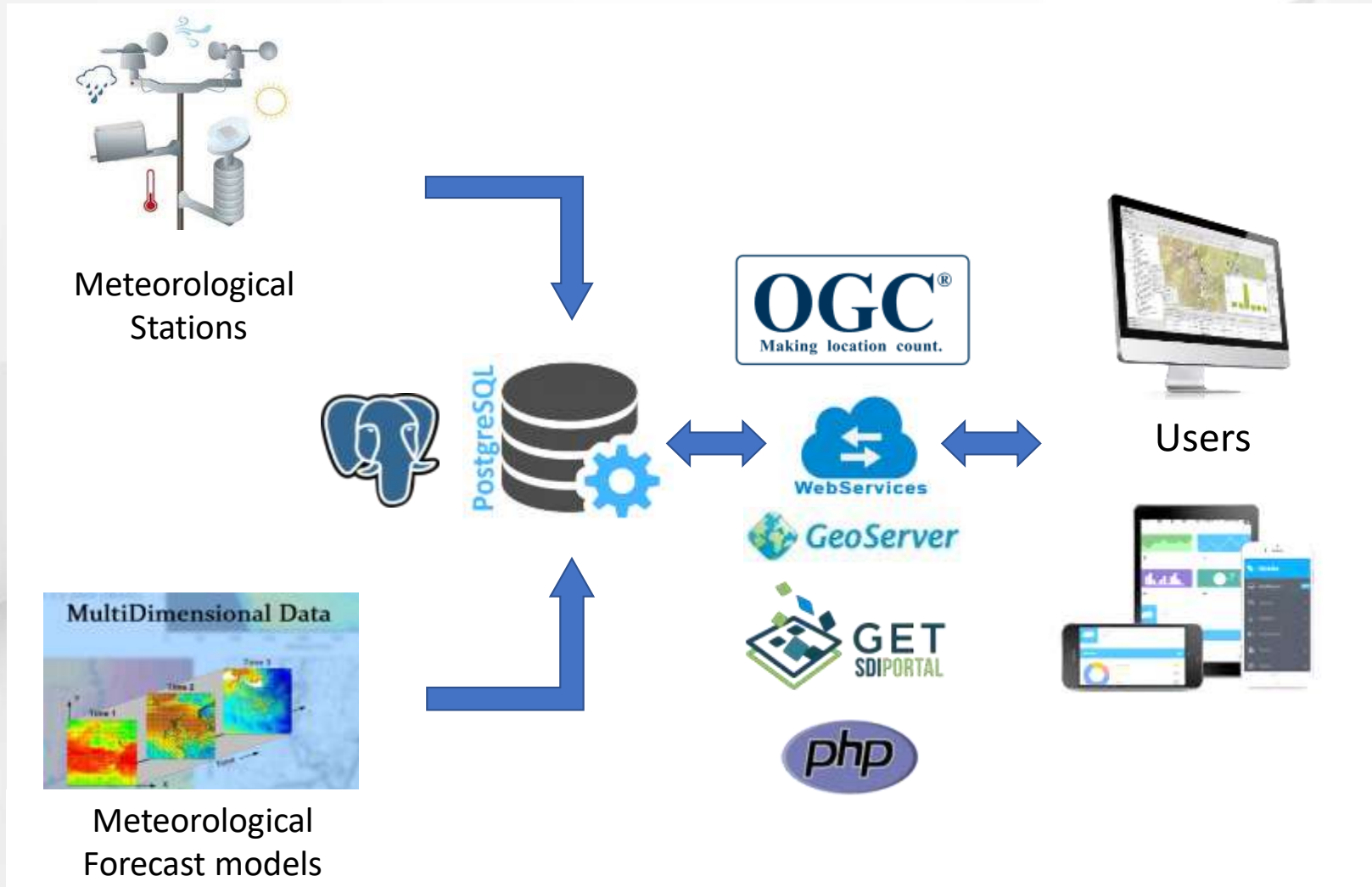
Technologies

Web technologies based on **open standards** and **free / open source** software

Dissemination channels

- Web application
- Mobile application

Data Flow and system architecture



The LIFE ASTI web application



Presents the data from the forecasting models and the meteorological stations for the three pilot areas:

- Rome (IT)
- Thessaloniki (GR)
- Heraklion (GR)



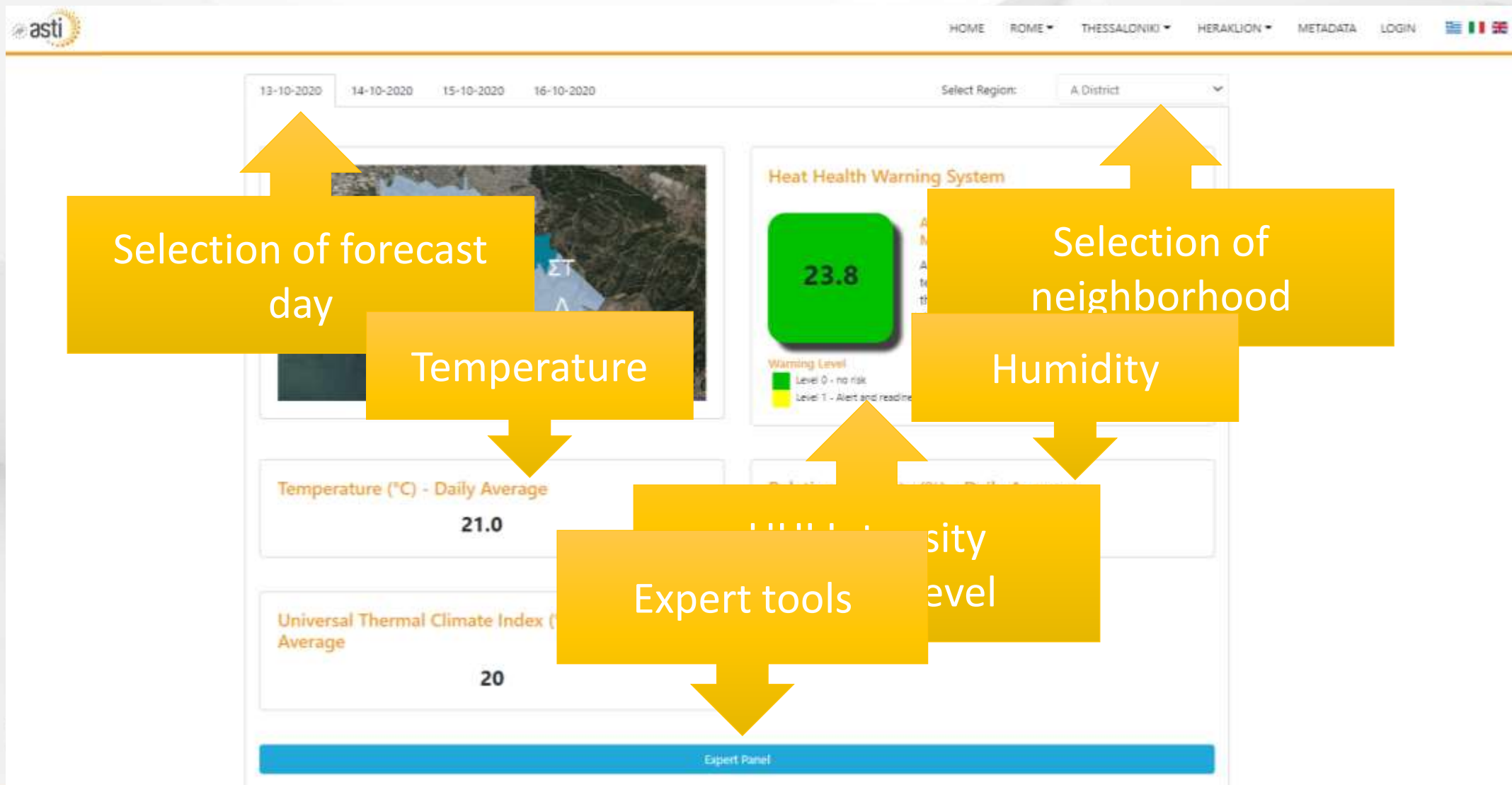
Functionalities

- Overall presentation of UHI status in neighborhood level (**UHI dashboard**)
- Detailed presentation of UHI characteristics using graphs and maps (**expert panel**)
- Dynamic map for data visualization in city block level (**map view**)

<https://app.lifeasti.eu/>

UHI Dashboard

Overall presentation of UHI status in city neighborhood level



The screenshot shows the UHI Dashboard interface with several key components and annotations:

- Navigation:** Includes the 'asti' logo, a menu with 'HOME', 'ROME', 'THESSALONIKI', 'HERAKLION', 'METADATA', and 'LOGIN', and flags for Greece and Italy.
- Forecast Selection:** A date range selector at the top left shows '13-10-2020', '14-10-2020', '15-10-2020', and '16-10-2020'. An annotation 'Selection of forecast day' points to this area.
- Region Selection:** A dropdown menu labeled 'Select Region:' is set to 'A District'. An annotation 'Selection of neighborhood' points to this dropdown.
- Heat Health Warning System:** A central panel displays a temperature of '23.8' in a green box. Below it, a legend indicates 'Warning Level' with 'Level 0 - no risk' (green) and 'Level 1 - Alert and reading' (yellow).
- Temperature Data:** A panel shows 'Temperature (°C) - Daily Average' with a value of '21.0'. An annotation 'Temperature' points to this panel.
- Humidity Data:** A panel shows 'Humidity (%) - Daily Average' with a value of '65'. An annotation 'Humidity' points to this panel.
- Expert Tools:** A panel at the bottom shows 'Universal Thermal Climate Index (Average)' with a value of '20'. An annotation 'Expert tools' points to this panel.
- Expert Panel:** A blue bar at the very bottom is labeled 'Expert Panel'.

Expert Tools

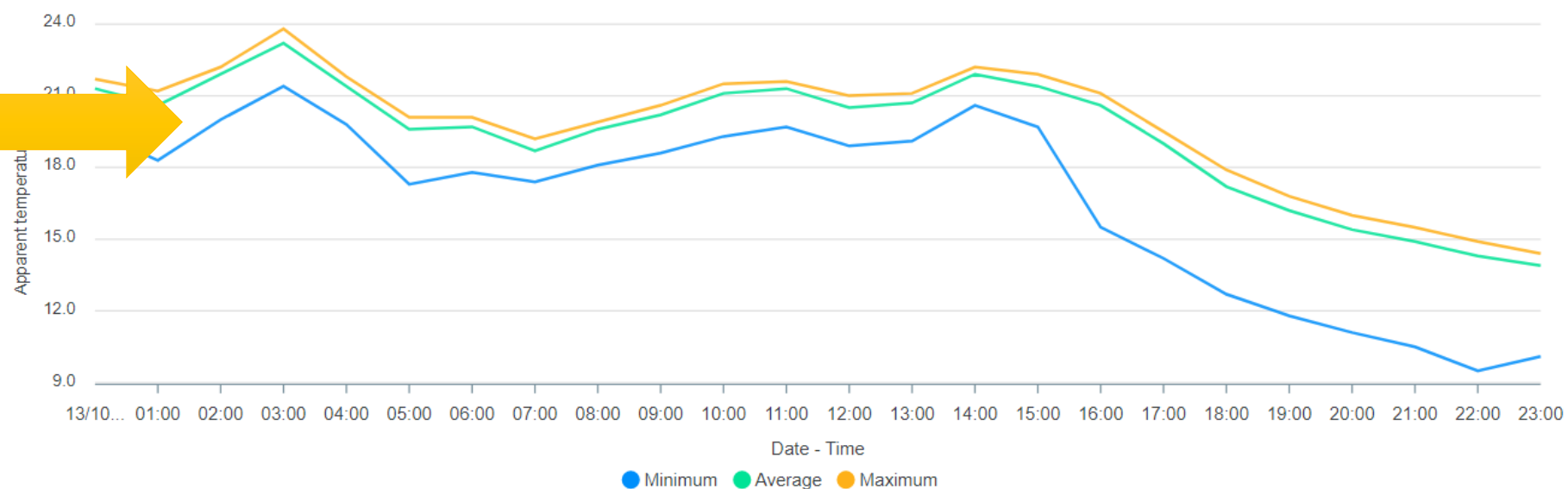
Present the spatiotemporal variation of the UHI phenomenon using graphs and maps

Apparent temperature (°C)

Interactive map showing the maximum value of apparent temperature index regardless of the time of occurrence of the maximum in each location. The map has been derived from the processing of the 24 hourly forecast maps derived from the meteorological model.



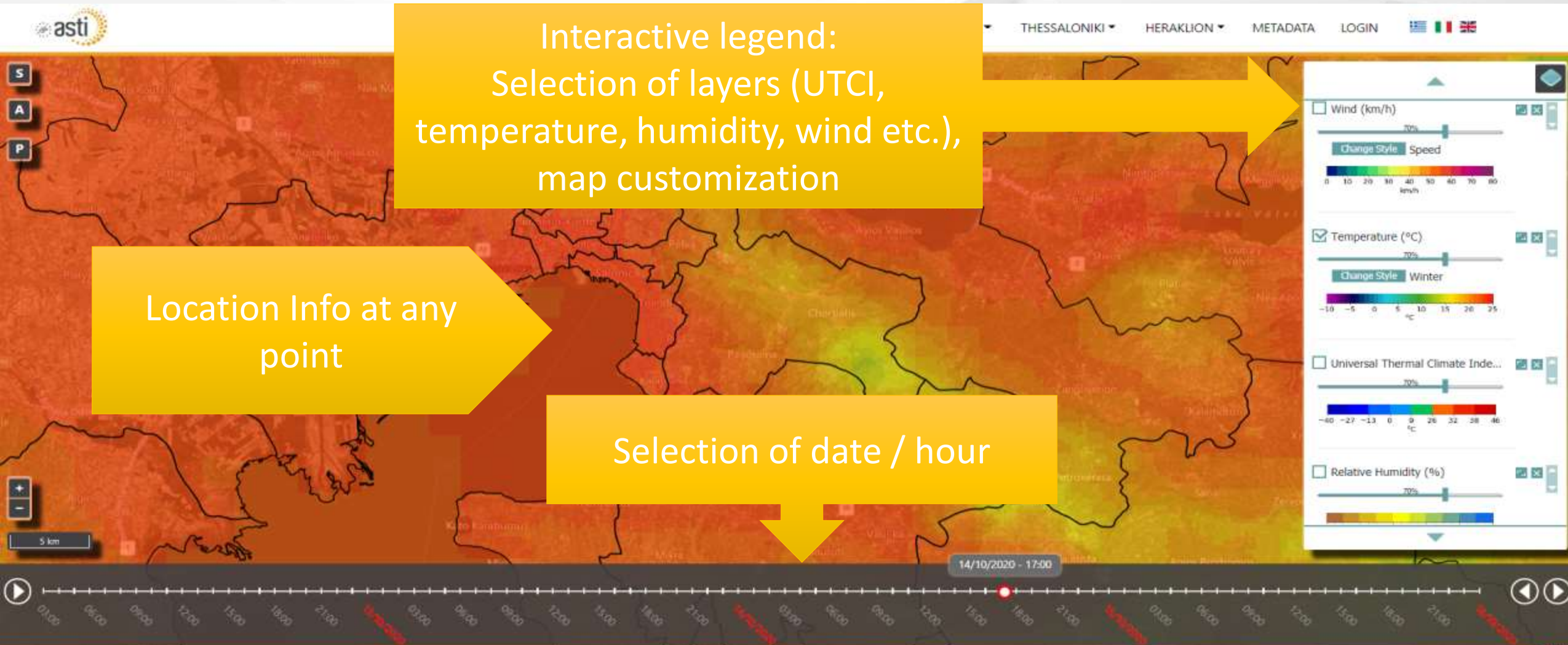
Diagram of mean / maximum / minimum value of apparent temperature . The values in the diagram derived and refer to the selected area of the city. The values for each hour are calculated from all grid points within the selected district, the outline of which is displayed on the map.



Diurnal variation graphs

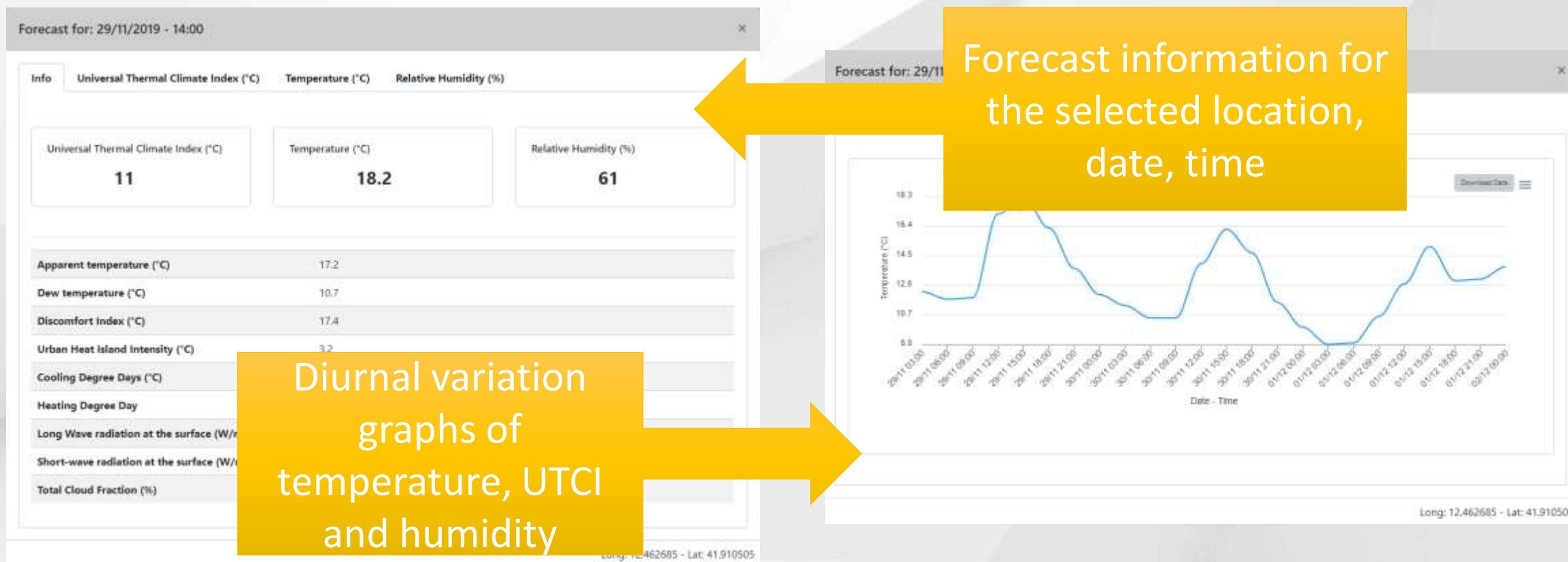
Dynamic map

Dynamic map for data visualization in city block level



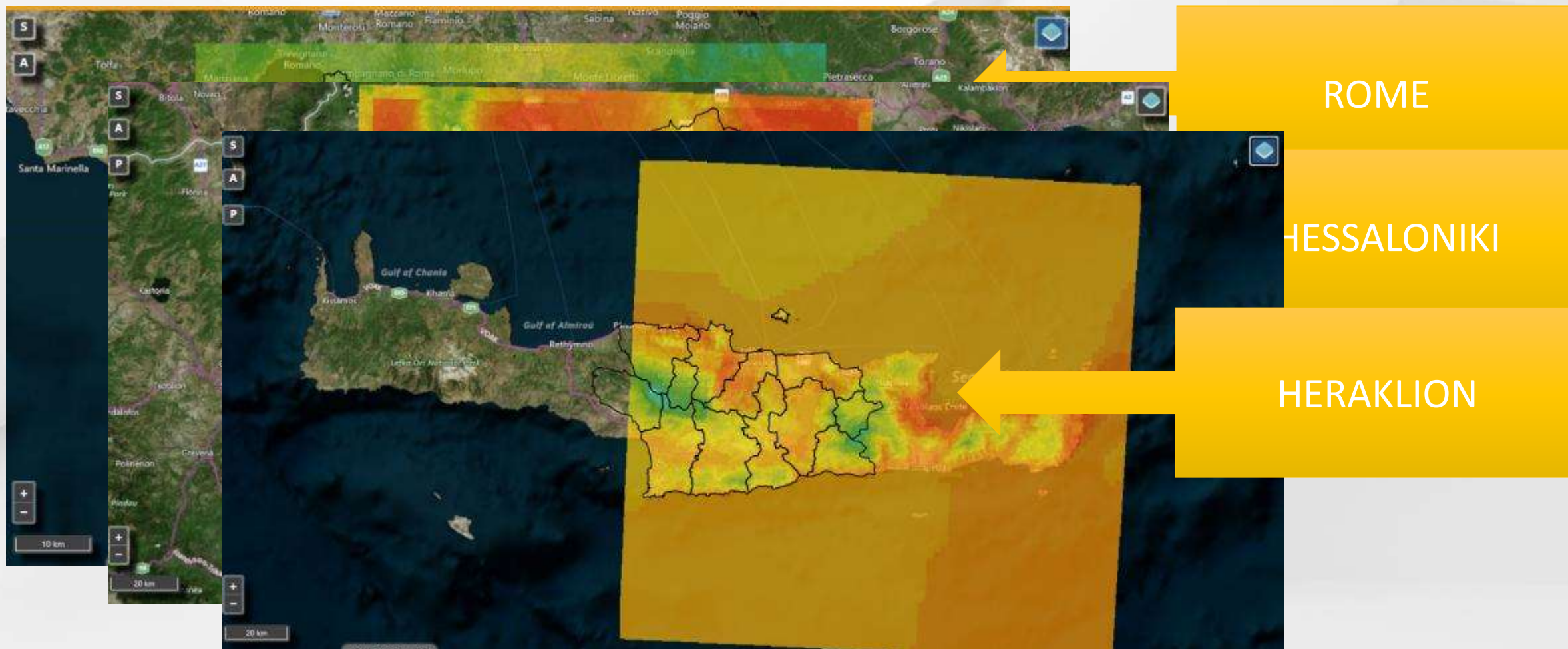
Dynamic map

One click UHI information at city block level



Pilot areas

1 Pilot area in Italy (Rome) and 2 Pilot areas in Greece (Thessaloniki, Heraklion)



Open Data Services

- All data can be re-used using the provided web services.
- Search for data using their metadata (Catalogue Service for the Web – CSW)

Abstract

Identifier

Keyword

Category

Geography (Waterbody/Threats)

When?

From

1994/1/1

To

1994/12/31

Date

all

Type?

Service Type

dataset

Search

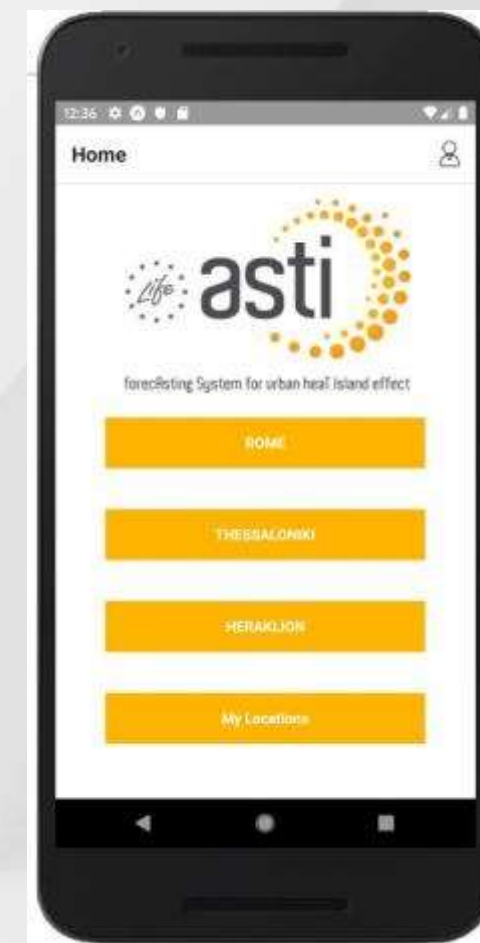
Search Results

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LIFE ASTI mobile app

Easy access to UHI information at city block level in your mobile

- Provide Access to forecast data for all pilot areas
- UHI dashboard with simple to understand information
- Diurnal variation of the basic thermal related parameters
- Dynamic map of UHI products
- One click UHI information at city block scale
- Personalized information / alerts *for registered users*
- Custom locations *for registers users*



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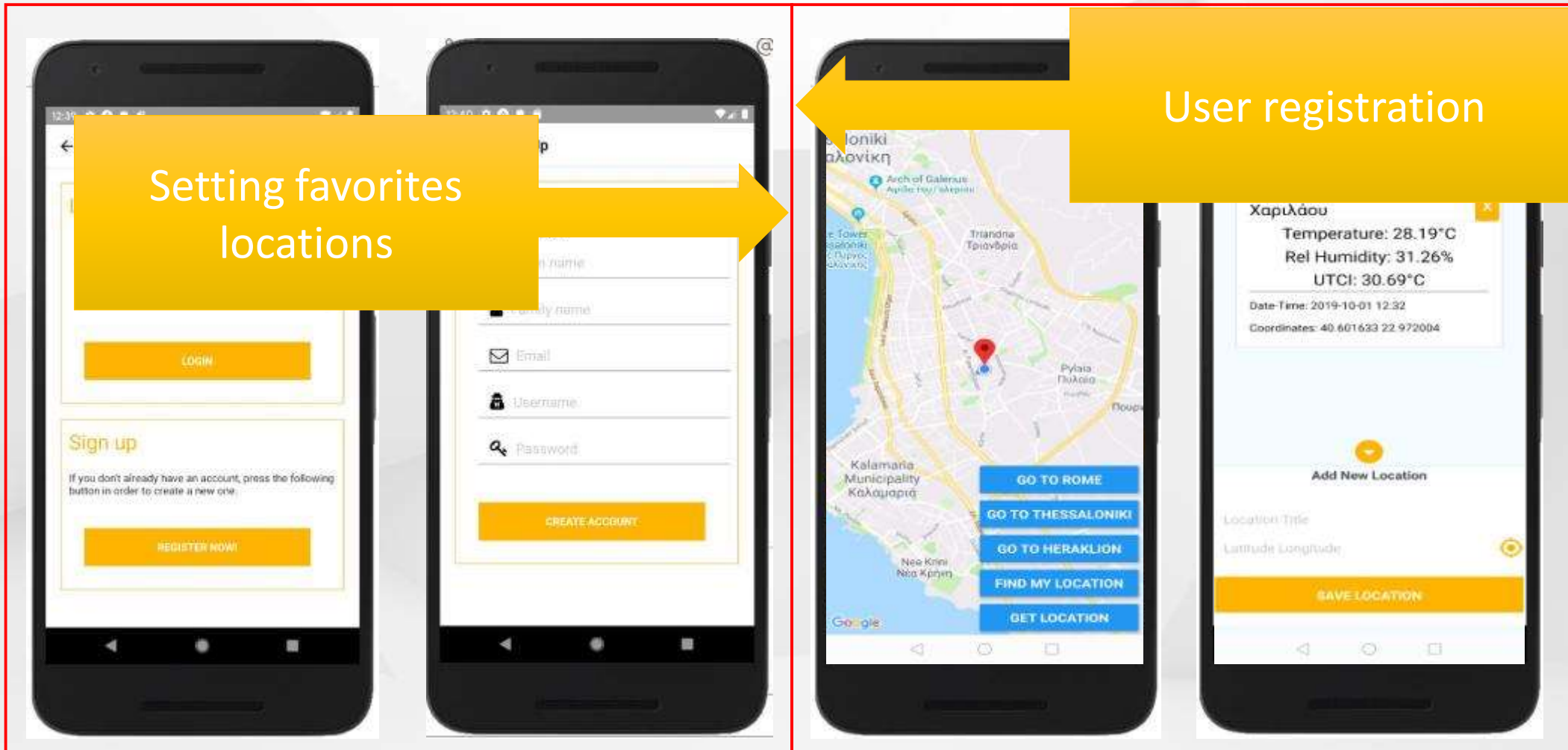
Point location information

Diurnal variation at point location

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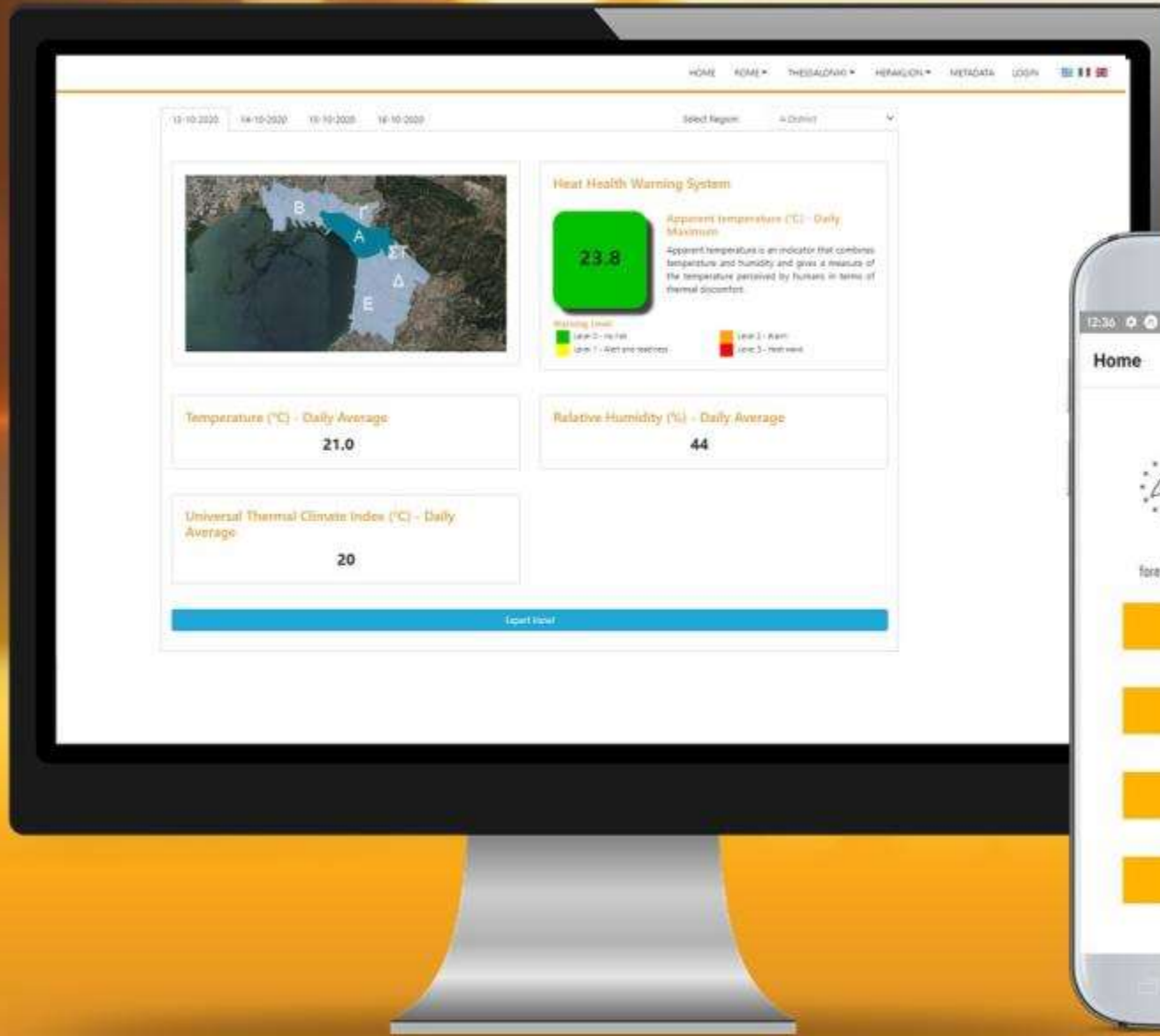
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Setting favorites locations

User registration

For more information...



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Heat Health Warning Systems for Rome and Thessaloniki

Francesca de' Donato

2nd European workshop

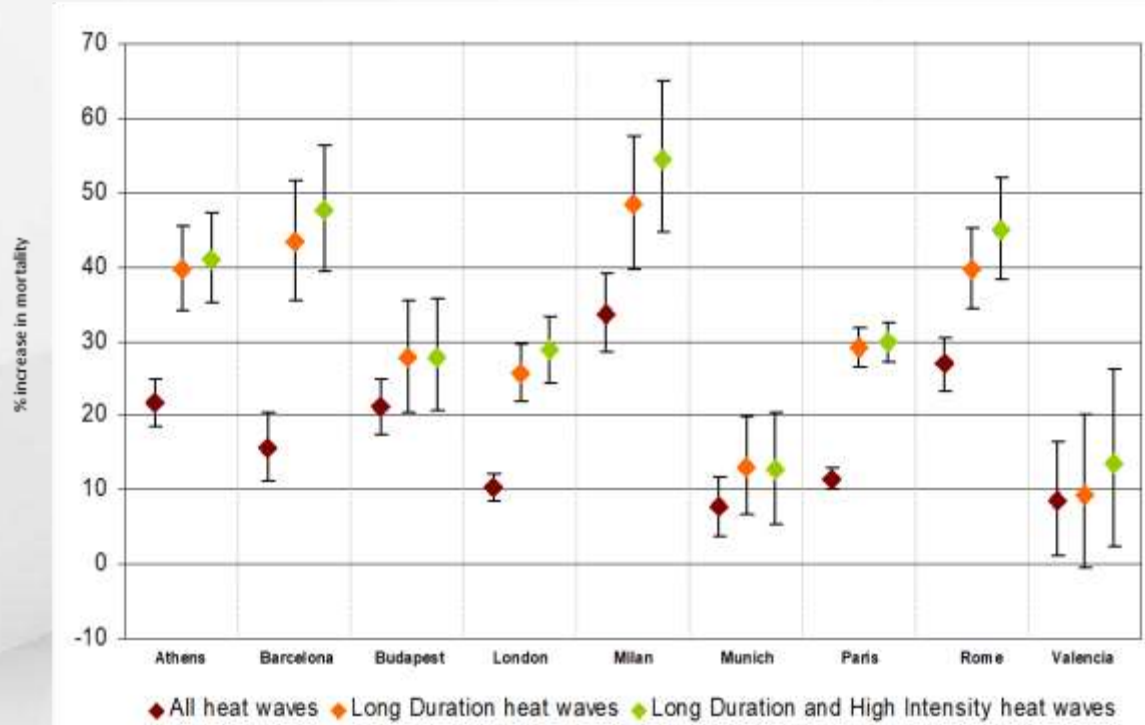
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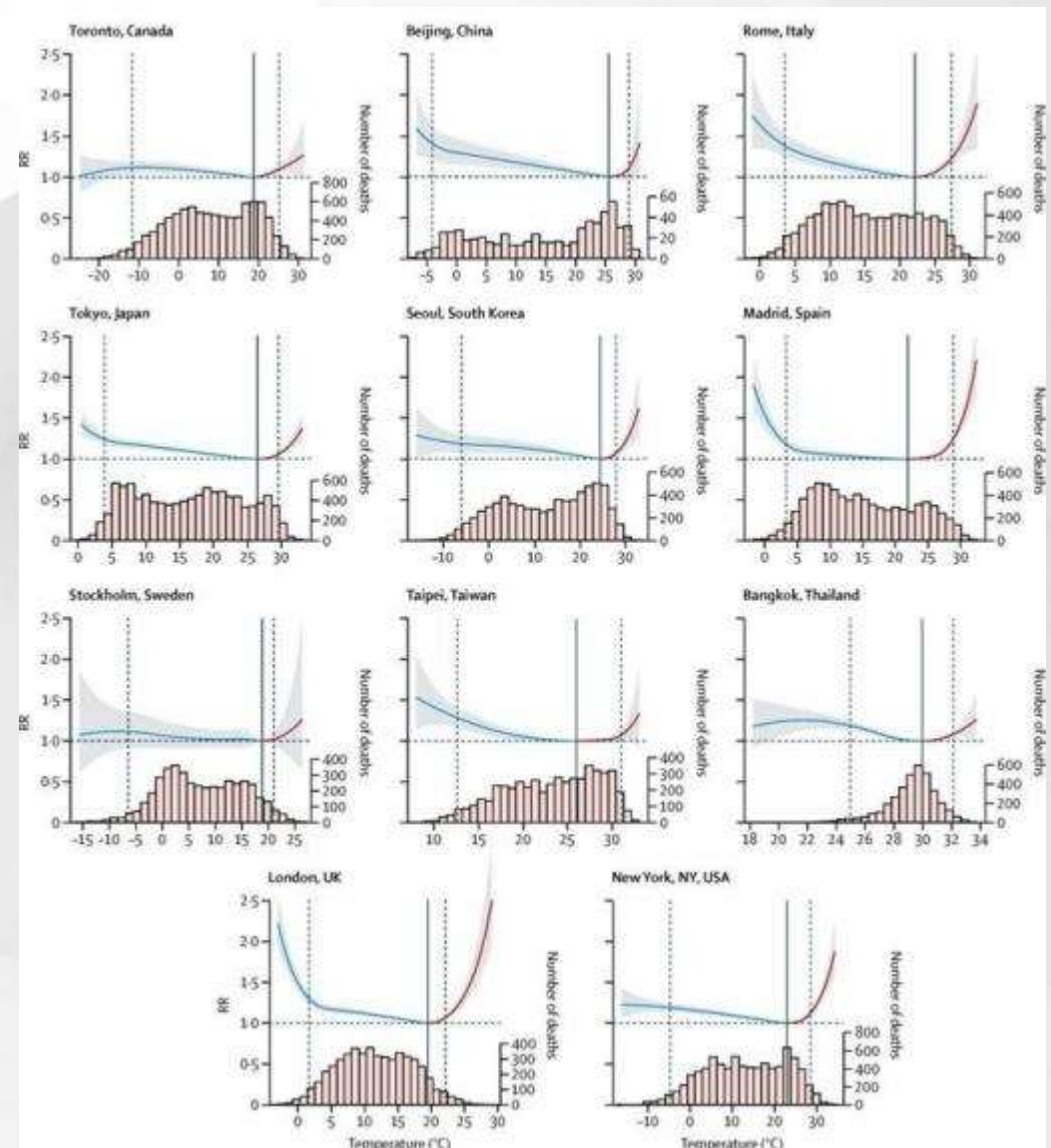


Health risks related to heat in urban areas



D'Ippoliti et al. 2010 Env Res

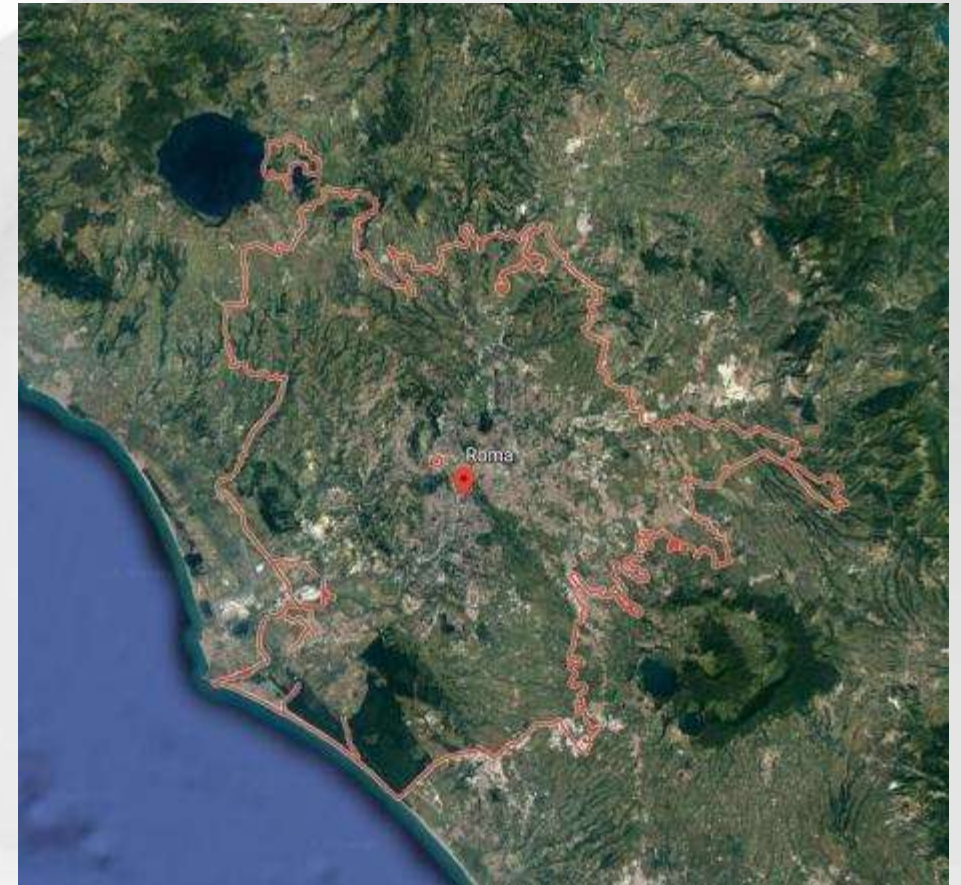
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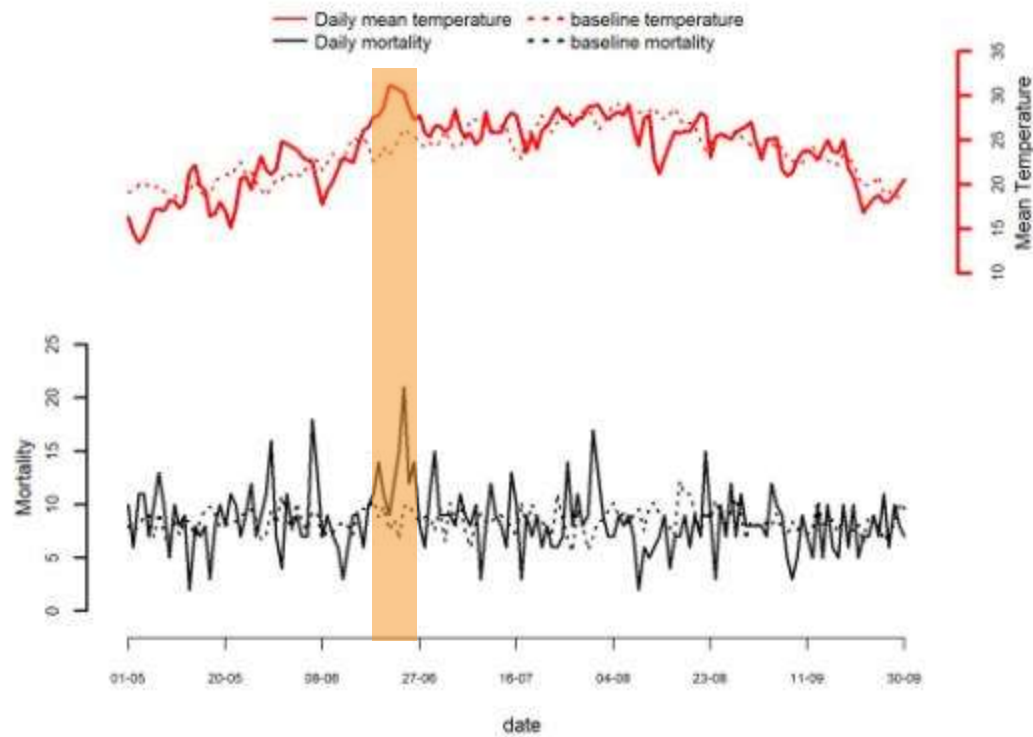
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Case study cities Thessaloniki and Rome

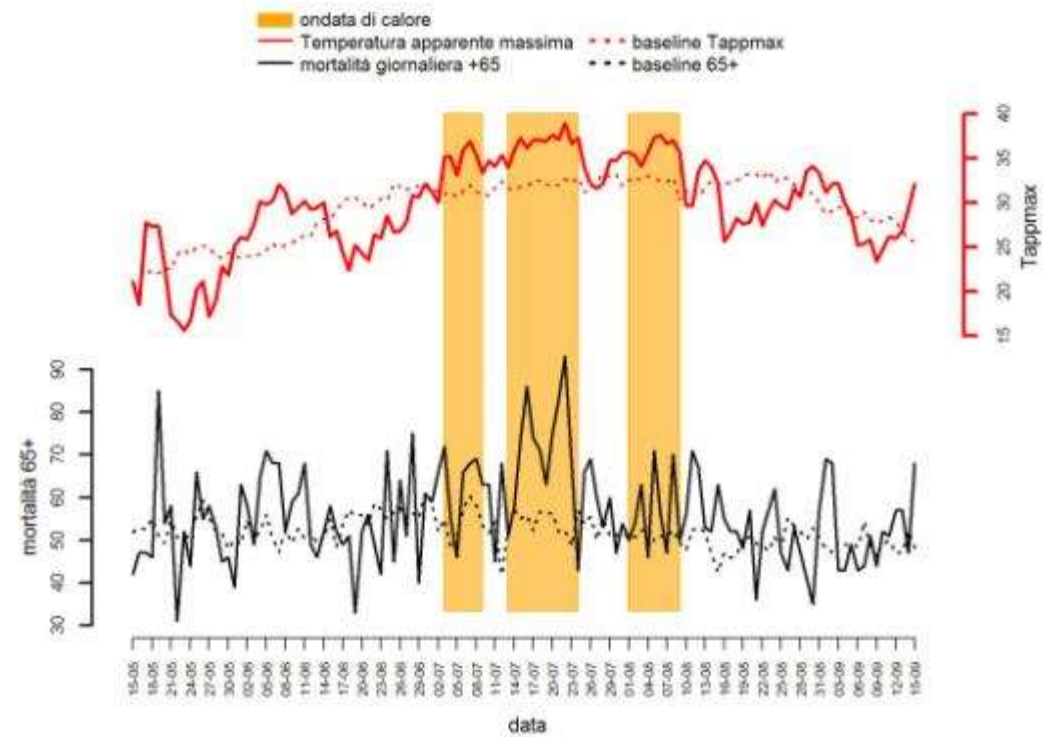


Daily temperatures and mortality trends for summer 2016 Thessaloniki (left) and Rome (right)

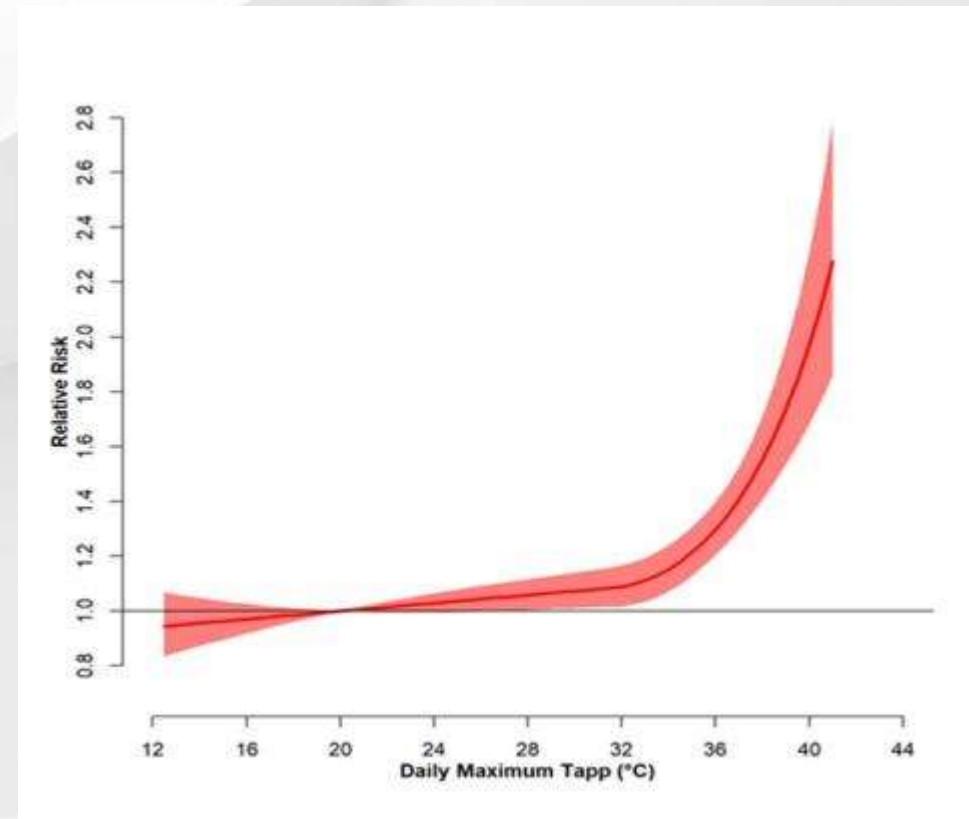
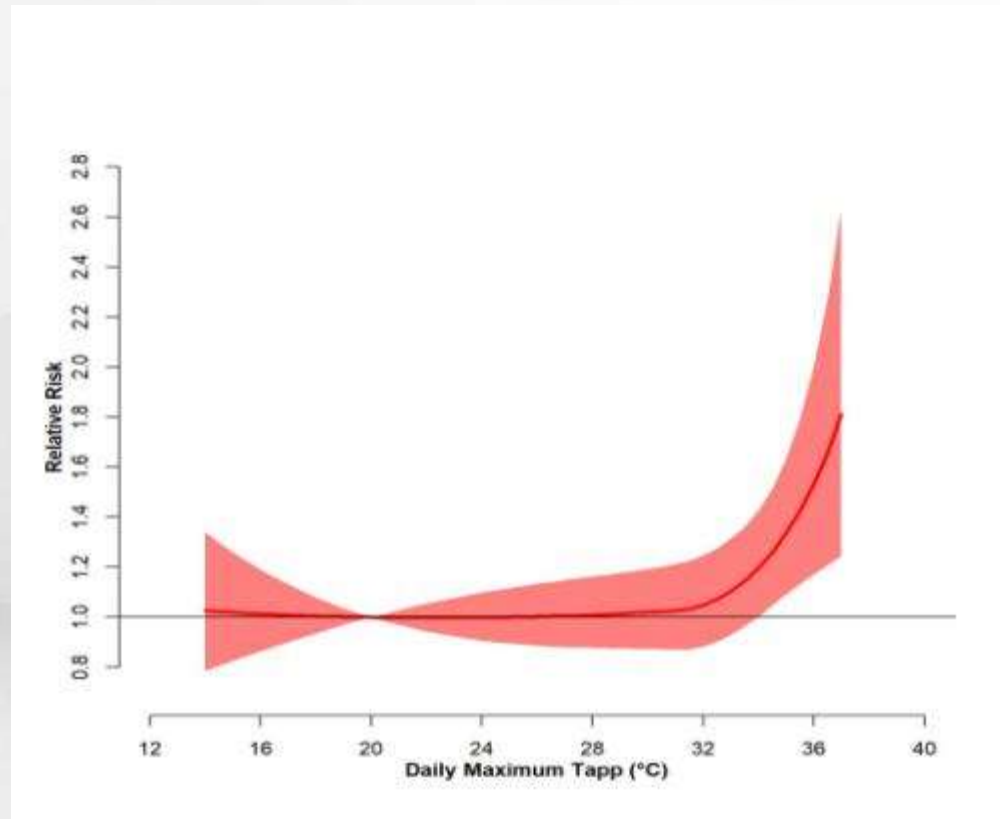
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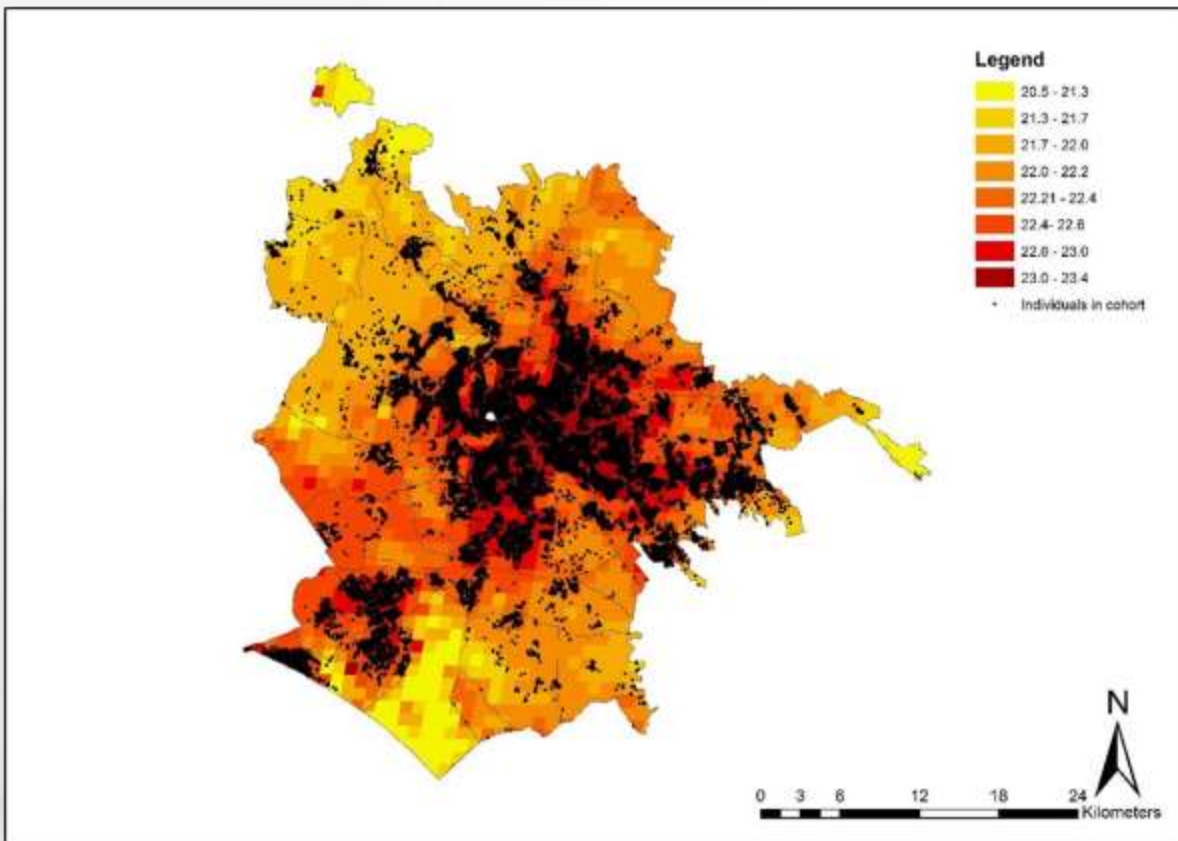
ROMA



The association between maximum apparent temperature and mortality in Thessaloniki (left) and Rome (right)



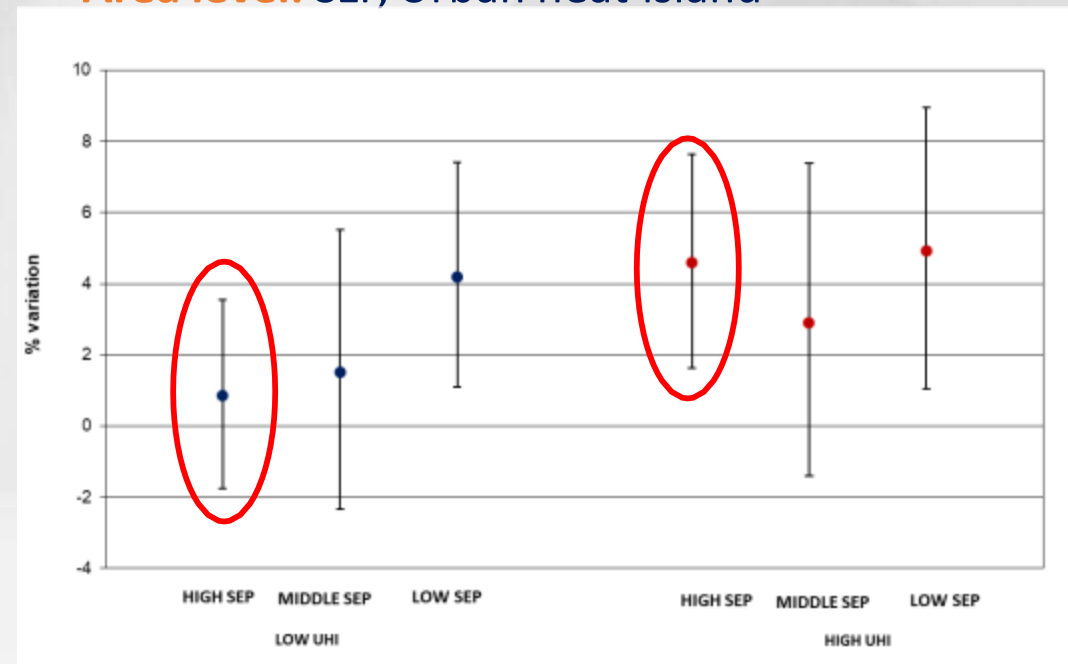
Differential effect of heat within a city? UHI effect and individual characteristics



Exposure : 1x1km at individual level

Individual level: Age, gender, education, marital status, occupation, comorbidities,

Area level: SEP, Urban heat island



WHO Core elements of heat-health action plans

- Identification of lead body, interdepartmental co-operation
- **Accurate and timely site-specific warning systems**
- Information campaign (general pop, at risk groups, care givers etc.)
- Preparedness of the health/social care system
- Identification of vulnerable subgroups
- Real-time surveillance (mortality, ER visits, ambulance calls, Help lines)
- Reduction in indoor heat exposure
- Long-term urban planning



Heat Health Watch Warning systems



City-specific models based on the temperature-mortality relationship.

On the basis of this relationship, defined using time series data, **HHWW** use weather forecast data to predict at-risk conditions for local populations associated to an increase in mortality.

High spatio-temporal resolution forecasts enable accurate and differential warnings within urban areas.

Dataset



Temperature, dew point and humidity: hourly data from 9 monitoring stations in the Thessaloniki area for the period 2013-2017 (ΕΠΤΑΠΥΡΓΙΟ,) and Rome Ciampino airport 3 hourly SYNOP data (2000-present)

Exposure indicators developed: Tappmax

Mortality: daily counts of deaths (Thessaloniki 2013 –2018; Rome 2000-2018)

| | Thessaloniki | | Rome | |
|------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| | Daily deaths | | Daily deaths | |
| | mean | St.dev | mean | St.dev |
| May | 8.4 | 2.9 | 54.4 | 8.2 |
| June | 8.9 | 3.0 | 54.6 | 8.8 |
| July | 8.4 | 2.8 | 54.7 | 9.3 |

| | THESSALONIKI | ROME |
|--|---|---|
| | Daily maximum Apparent Temperature (°C) | Daily maximum Apparent Temperature (°C) |

HHWW predictive model definition



The tappmax threshold model is defined on the basis of the relationship between mortality and Tappmax investigated through a city-specific Poisson regression model

$$\log[E(Y_i)] = \alpha + tappmax_i * month_i + consecutive_days_i$$

The explicative variables included in the model are:

- holidays, month (May–August),
- interaction between Tappmax and month
- number of consecutive hot days with Tappmax above the threshold (defined as the mean temperature value corresponding to all days for which excess mortality was greater than 10%)

Definition of Risk Levels



For each month, a health-risk table were drawn up and a daily level of risk

attributed:

No risk: increase in mortality <10%

low risk: increase in mortality between 10-

high 20 increase in mortality between

Risk: >20%

The increase in mortality is defined as the difference been observed and baseline

Thessaloniki
e

| month | tappmax | Consecutive days | | | | | | |
|-------|---------|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 5 | 27 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 28 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 31 | | | | | | | |
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Rom

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Local Heat plan and Information Network: dissemination of warning to stakeholders.



12-10-2020 13-10-2020 14-10-2020 15-10-2020 Select Region: Municipio 13



Heat Health Warning System

17.5

Apparent temperature (°C) - Daily Maximum

Apparent temperature is an indicator that combines temperature and humidity and gives a measure of the temperature perceived by humans in terms of thermal discomfort.

Warning Level

- Level 0 - no risk
- Level 1 - Alert and readiness
- Level 2 - Alarm
- Level 3 - Heat wave

Temperature (°C) - Daily Average: **13.9**

Relative Humidity (%) - Daily Average: **78**

Expert Panel



ntion plan

Emergency services
(civil protection, Health, etc)

Action and prevention graded on HHWW: Local stakeholders (health, environmental, social services, etc)

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Information and health recommendations



HEALTH EFFECTS OF HEAT

SHORT-TERM EFFECTS OF HEAT ON HEALTH

DIRECT EFFECTS

- DEHYDRATION
- ELECTROLYTES IMBALANCE
- HEAT RASH
- HEAT CRAMPS
- HEAT EDEMA, SYNCOPE
- HEAT STROKE

INDIRECT EFFECTS

- STROKE
- ASTHMA, COPD
- REACUTIZATIONS, RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS
- ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
- ARRHYTHMIAS
- DIABETIC HYPOGLYCEMIA
- RENAL FAILURE

INCREASED AMBULANCE CALLS, ER VISITS, MORTALITY

POPULATION SUBGROUPS VULNERABLE TO HEAT

ELDERLY PREGNANT WOMEN INFANTS
TOURISTS OUTDOOR WORKERS

SUBJECTS WITH CHRONIC DISEASE VULNERABLE TO HEAT

CARDIOVASCULAR

RESPIRATORY

NEUROLOGICAL OR MENTAL

RENAL

METABOLIC

Source: DEAS

SUMMER HEAT WAVES AND COVID-19

Extreme heat can affect your health

SHORT-TERM EFFECTS OF HEAT ON HEALTH

DIRECT EFFECTS

- Dehydration
- Electrolytes imbalance
- Heat rash
- Heat cramps
- Heat edema, syncope
- Heat stroke

INDIRECT EFFECTS

- Stroke
- Asthma, COPD, reacutezations, Respiratory infections
- Acute myocardial infarction
- Arrhythmias
- Diabetic hypoglycemia
- Renal failure

SPECIFICALLY

- Elderly
- People with chronic conditions (COVID-19 can be more severe, fatal and long-lasting disease) who have vulnerability to both the effects of heat and to COVID-19 complications.

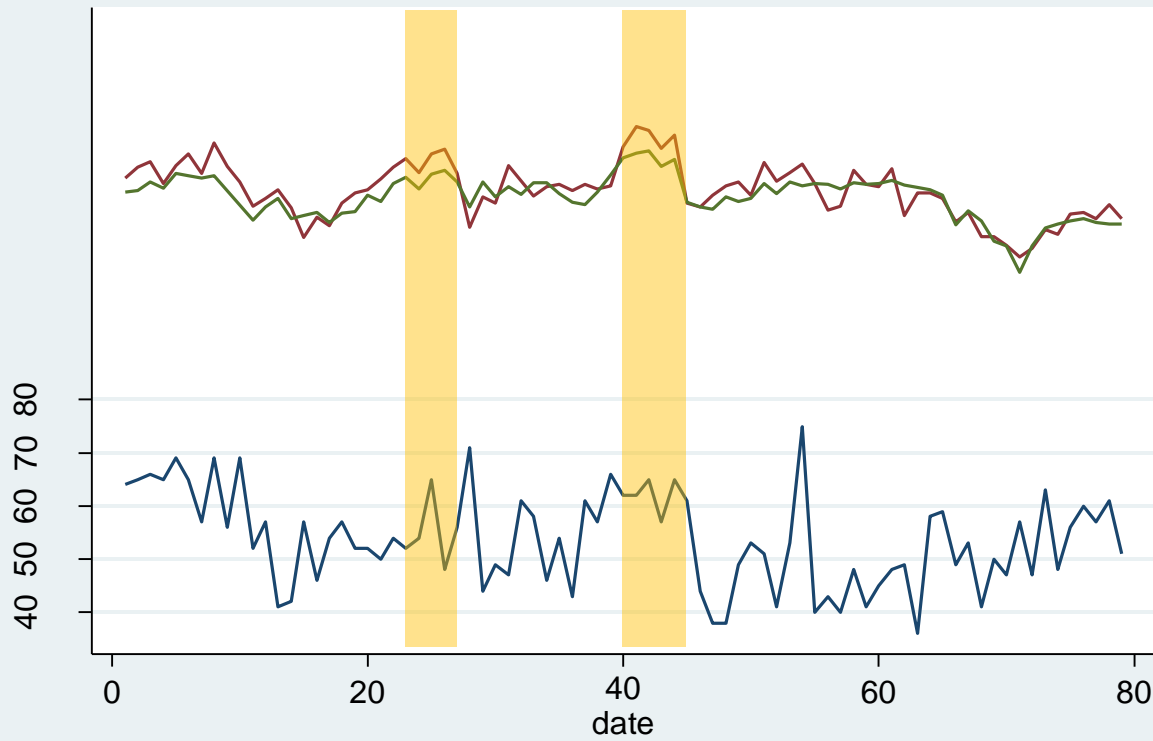
HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

- Keep cool and hydrated.** Wear light clothing, take cool showers or baths and drink water regularly.
- Stay out of the heat.** Go out in the coolest hours of the day and respect physical distancing and protection where required.
- Keep the household cool and ventilated.** Close blinds, shutters or curtains to keep out direct sunlight. Flow into cooler rooms of the house.
- If you have heat-related symptoms.** Heat cramps, dizzy, headache, thirst seek help, move to a cool place and hydrate.
- Protect yourself from covid-19.** Wash your hands regularly, cough into your arm and do not touch your face. When you go out respect physical distancing and follow guidance measures in place. If you fever or symptoms that may be due to Covid-19 stay at home and avoid contact with others. If symptoms persist, always consult your doctor or health services.

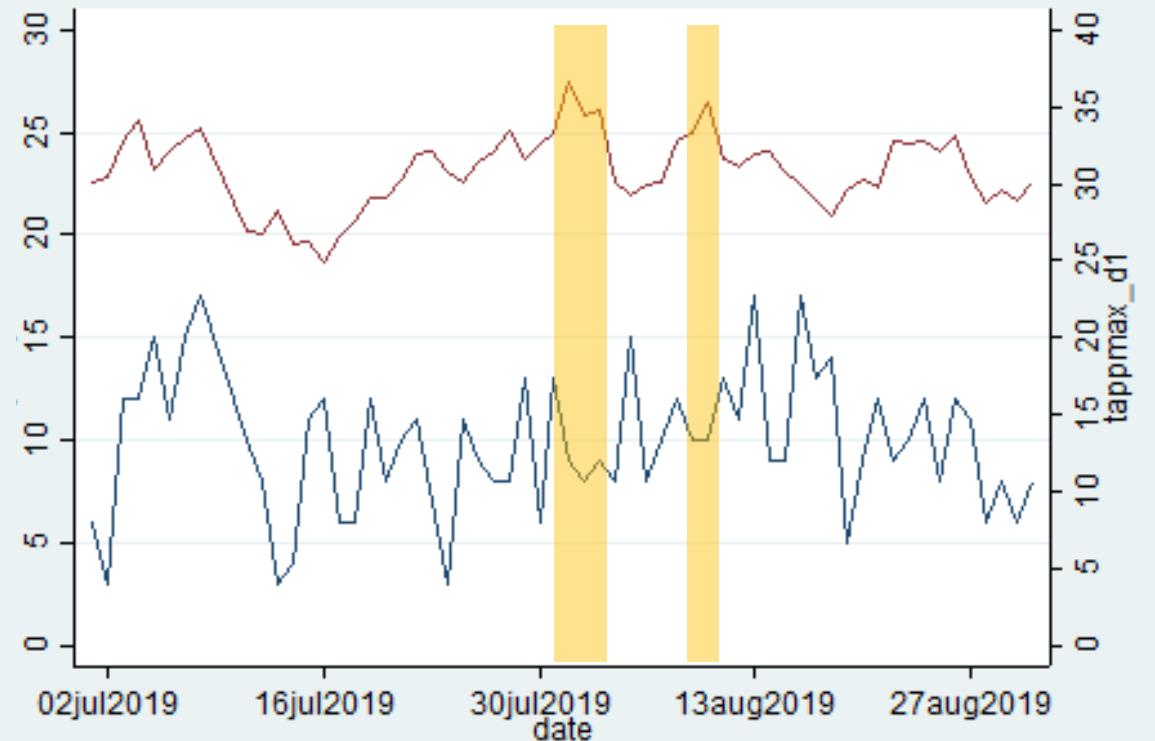
Project partners

www.lifeeast.eu

Validation – daily temperature and mortality. Period 1st july-15th September 2019. Rome



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HHWWS model definition protocol



HHWW Rome and Thessaloniki



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ROMA 1



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Session III: Other LIFE projects. Networking with partners



- **LIFE-IP AdaptInGR - Boosting the implementation of adaptation policy across Greece**

Aggelos Sotiropoulos, LIFE-IP AdaptInGR

- **Improving climate resilience of small and medium-sized communities by the project LIFE LOCAL ADAPT**

Majana Heidenreich, LIFE LOCAL ADAPT

- **Vegetation impact on meteorology and air quality in the cities preliminary results from Life VEG-GAP Project**

Mihaela Mircea, LIFE VEG-GAP

- **Cool pavements for future cities. Results from LIFE HEATLAND project (Spain)**

Francisco Miguel Moral Moreno, LIFE HEATLAND

- **LIFE METRO ADAPT: - enhancing climate change adaptation strategies and measures in the Metropolitan City of Milan**

Dr. Elena Francioni, LIFE Metro Adapt

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- **Urban Heat Vulnerability Assessment: Applications for Smart Mobility and Smart Border**

Sagnik Bhattacharjee, ECOTEN Urban Comfort

- **The LIFE DERRIS project – Public-private partnership to increase SMEs' resilience to climate change**

Marjorie Breyton, LIFE DERRIS

- **Latest developments of Life Adaptate project: fostering adaptation of municipalities to CC**

Rafael Ataz Gómez, LIFE Adaptate

- **Coastal Urban Development through the Lenses of Resilience**

Spiros Nikolopoulos, H2020 CUTLER

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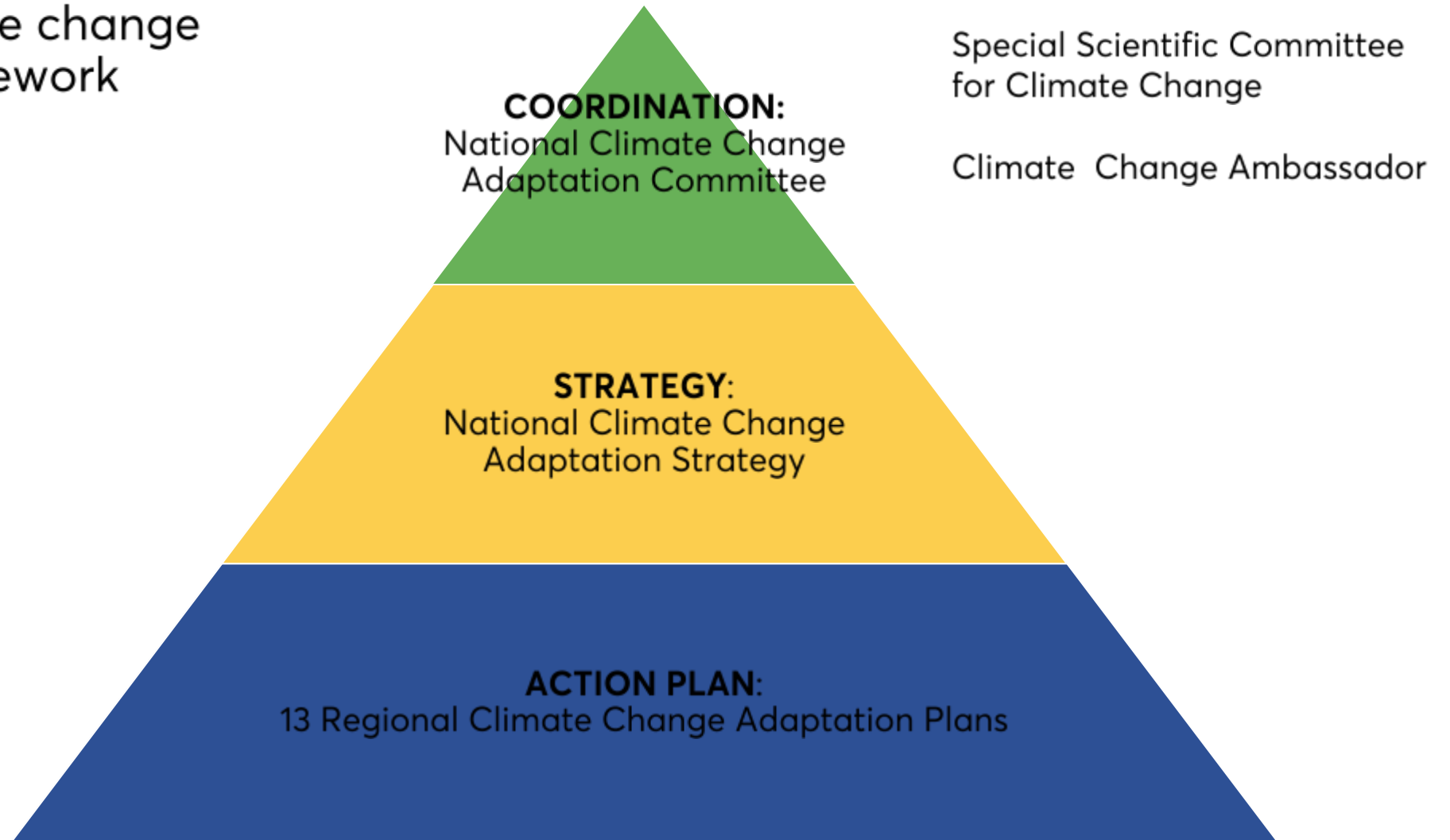
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The Greek climate change adaptation framework





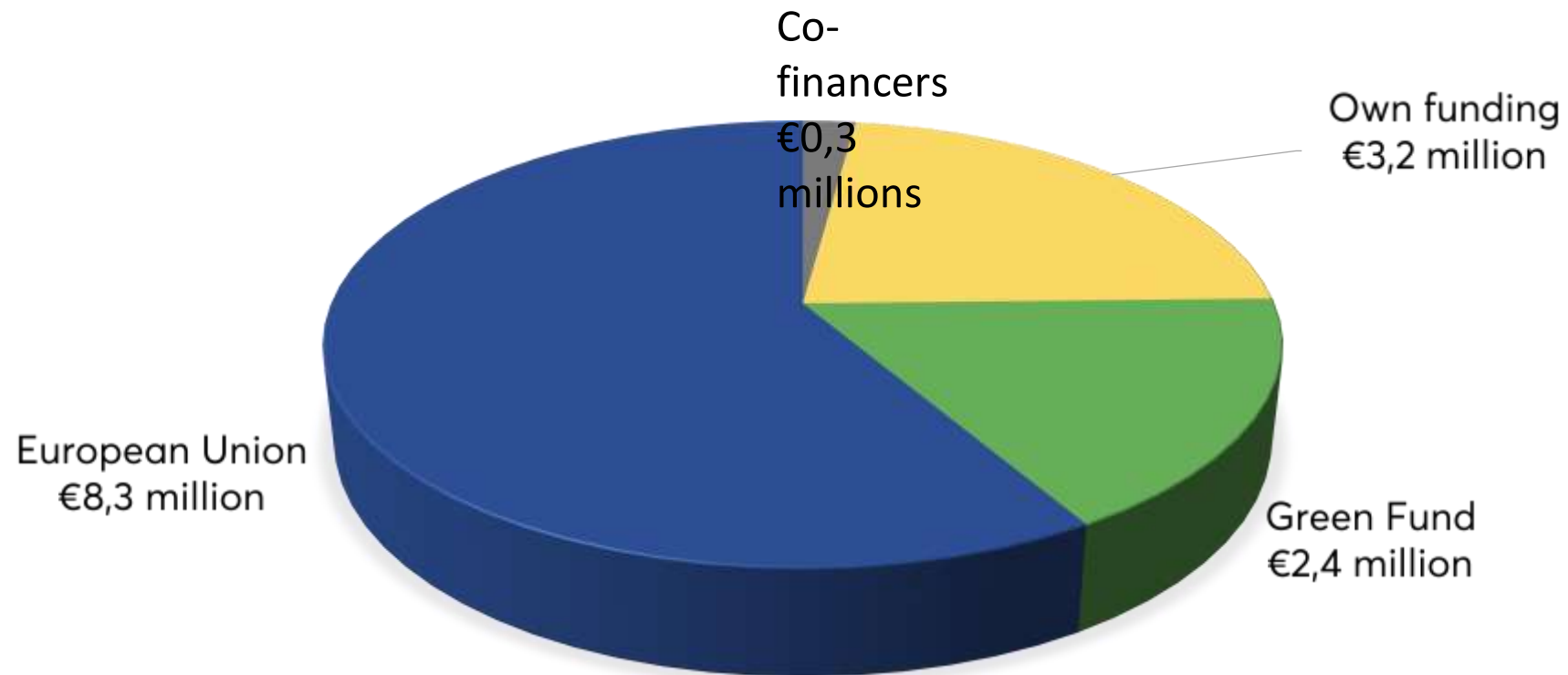
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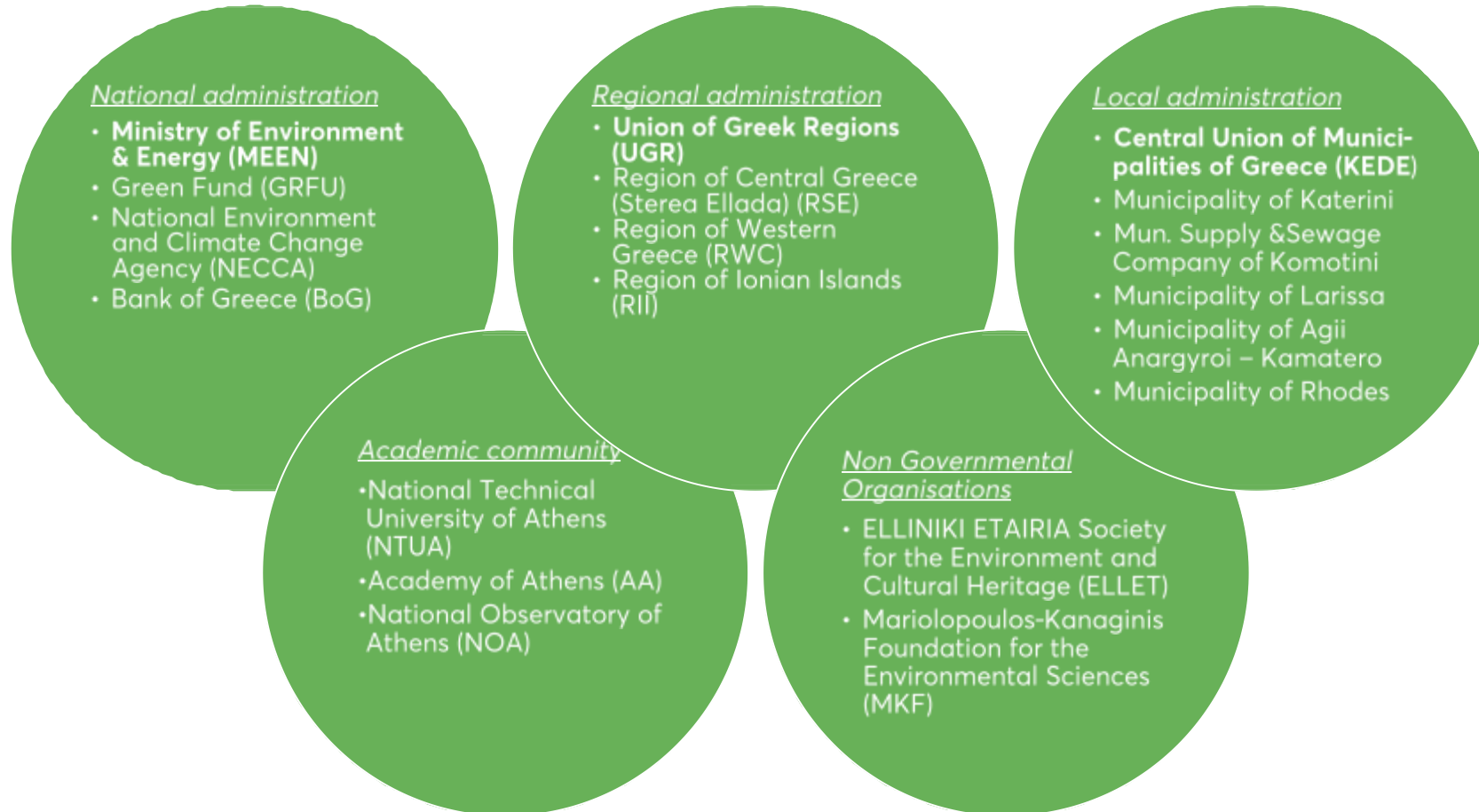
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Budget: €14.189.548,00



The LIFE-IP AdaptInGR Consortium



1st Policy Cycle

2nd Policy Cycle



National Adaptation Strategy

Endorsement

08/2016

Revision

08/2026

Regional Adaptation Plans

Q4/2020

Revision
Q4/2026

Initiation of the LIFE-IP AdaptInGR



After the LIFE-IP AdaptInGR

Project contribution to NAS implementation

Catalyse the implementation of the 1st adaptation policy cycle (2016-2025)

- Build capacity to prioritise and implement adaptation measures
- Provide replicable “good practice” examples of concrete adaptation projects to promote action in major vulnerable sectors
- Monitor and evaluate NAS and RAAPs implementation
- Strengthen adapting capacity of stakeholders and the general public through dedicated awareness raising
- Pool and coordinate funding for adaptation implementation in post-2020 period

Prepare the passage to the 2nd adaptation policy cycle (2026+)

- Review and revise the NAS
- Make recommendations for the RAAPs review and revision
- Identify adaptation priorities for post-2027 programming period

Stakeholders' mapping and identification of stakeholders needs :

- Mapping of key actors involved with adaptation planning and implementation in priority sectors and vulnerable areas.
- Identification of their needs in terms of knowledge, funding and capacity building.



13 regional and 2 national capacity building workshops involving national, regional and local authorities and stakeholders:

- strengthen CCA management skills of decision makers;
- improve technical skills of technical staff;
- increase knowledge of main stakeholders;
- facilitate & support the actual implementation of NAS/RAAPs.

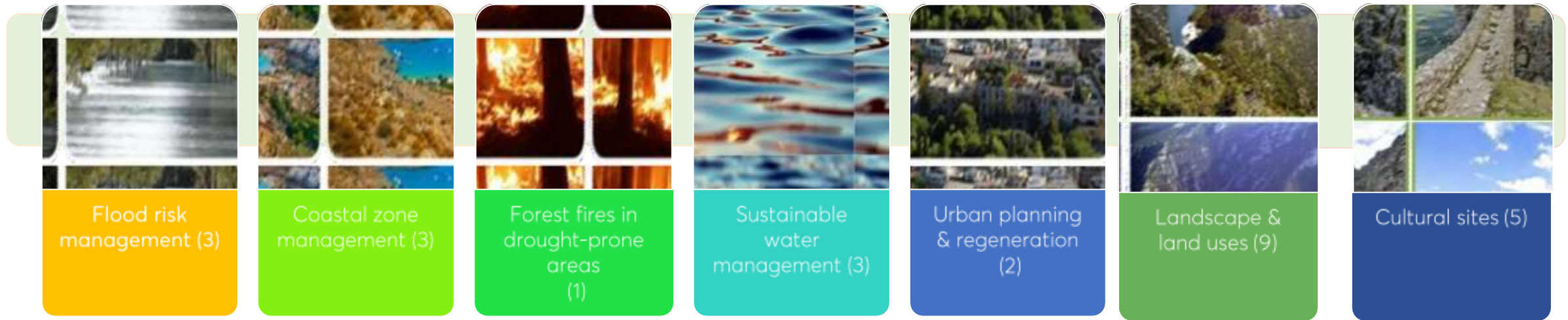
Capacity building for adaptation implementation & mainstreaming

A publicly accessible web-based application to:

- provide tools & resources for assisting decision makers;
- raise awareness on adaptation among the different target groups, including citizens;
- promote the sharing of good practice among adaptation stakeholders;
- provide access to the climate projections datasets, indices and maps for all the Greek Regions (resolution of 12 km) making the data available to all the users.



Promote pilot adaptation actions in major vulnerable areas



12 pilot CCA projects & 14 CCA case studies across 7 priority sectors

Pilot adaptation actions in the Regions of Central Greece, Ionian Islands and Western Greece

1. Delineation of Inahos river in Aitolookarnania, (RWG)
2. Stream bed management-Flood control in Drimatorema area (RSE)
3. Stream bed management, Amarynthos beach in Evia island (RSE)



4. Assessment, monitoring and recording of the coastal erosion using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles in the Region of the Ionian Islands
5. Coastal zone management in Kalamaki beach (RWG)



6. Forest fire prevention in Peristeri & Geraki areas, Iliada (RWG)



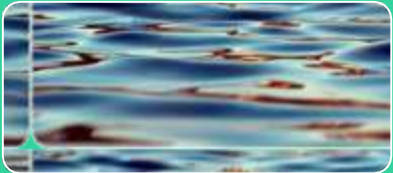
7. Cleaning of the draining system in former Lake Xynias, (RSE)

LIFE-IP AdaptInGR: Tenders, studies and implementation of selected measures

Pilot adaptation actions in the Municipalities of Agii Anargyri-Kamatero, Katerini, Komotini, Larissa and Rhodes



8. Coastal zone management in the NW coast of Rhodes island



9. Network for the collection of rainwater in Gerovouno area and its transfer to the Antonis Tritsis park (Agioi Anargyroi-Kamatero)

10. Water resources management in the Municipal department of Aigeiros in Komotini



11. Urban regeneration of public spaces & creation of green spaces in Katerini

12. Regeneration of school yards, incl. green spaces/infrastructure in Larissa

LIFE-IP AdaptInGR: Tenders, studies and implementation of selected measures

Pilot assessments & guidelines for landscapes, land uses, Cultural Heritage

Nestos



Vistonida



Avdira



Zagoria



Leuka Ori



Samaria



Ioannina



Messini



Taygetos



Monemvasia



Kriti



Dikti



Tinos



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Kalloni



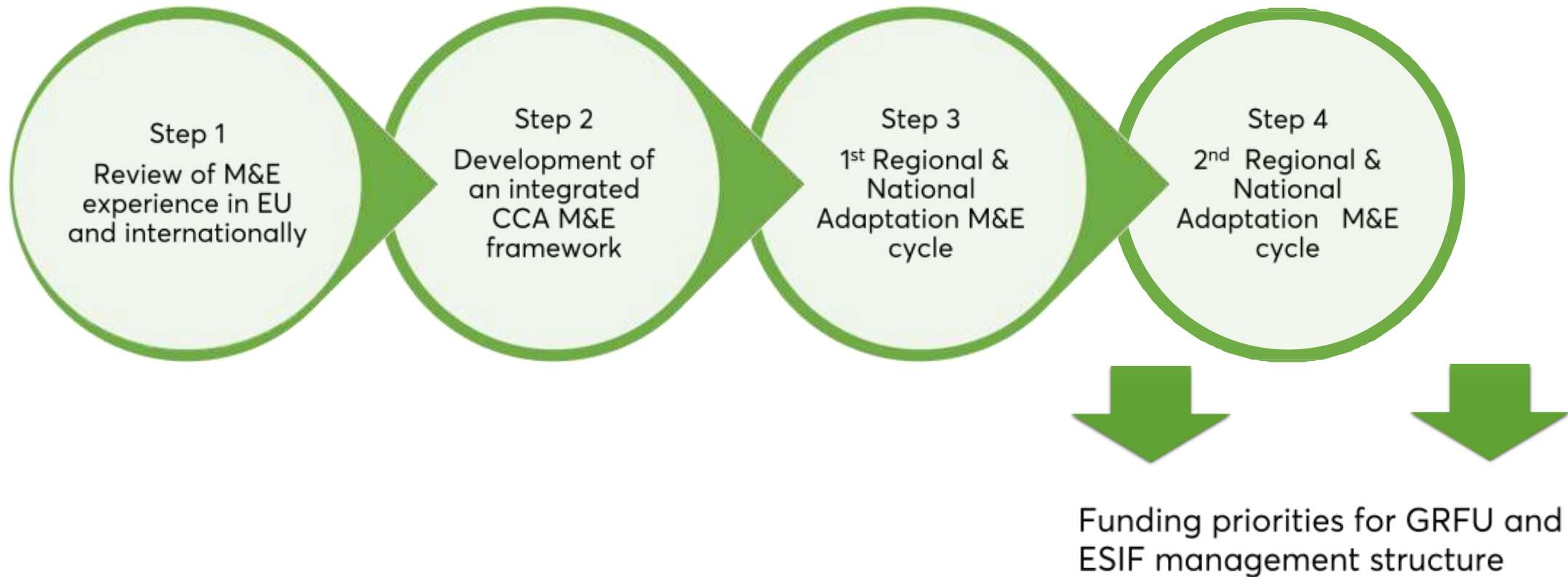
Area Natura 2000



Area ή Natura 2000



Create an effective monitoring, evaluating and prioritizing framework for adaptation





Action Planning

- Dissemination & Communication strategy (<80p) outlining how to reach target audiences
- 2 waves of public opinion research to determine level of awareness (M2 and M44)
- 4 waves of surveys & interviews with stakeholders (more informed audience) to determine level of awareness (M3, M44, M68, M92)



Dissemination

- Website (GR/EN)
50.000 visits/year
- Social media 5.000 followers
- Newsletter (2/year)
- Press releases
- >50 Articles & media presentations
- Leaflets (3 x2.000 GR and 2 x2.000 EN)
- Posters & flyers for 13 info-days
- Banners (2 GR, 2EN)
- TV spot (2min)
- 8 radio spots
- Notice boards (each partner, each pilot)
- Layman's report



Education

- TEACHERS:
 - Teachers' kit (USB/CD)
 - 16 one-day seminars
- PUPILS (7-17y)
 - "Youth adapts" material
 - "Youth adapts" campaign (>100 schools)
 - 2 school competitions & awards
 - "Keepers of the planet network"



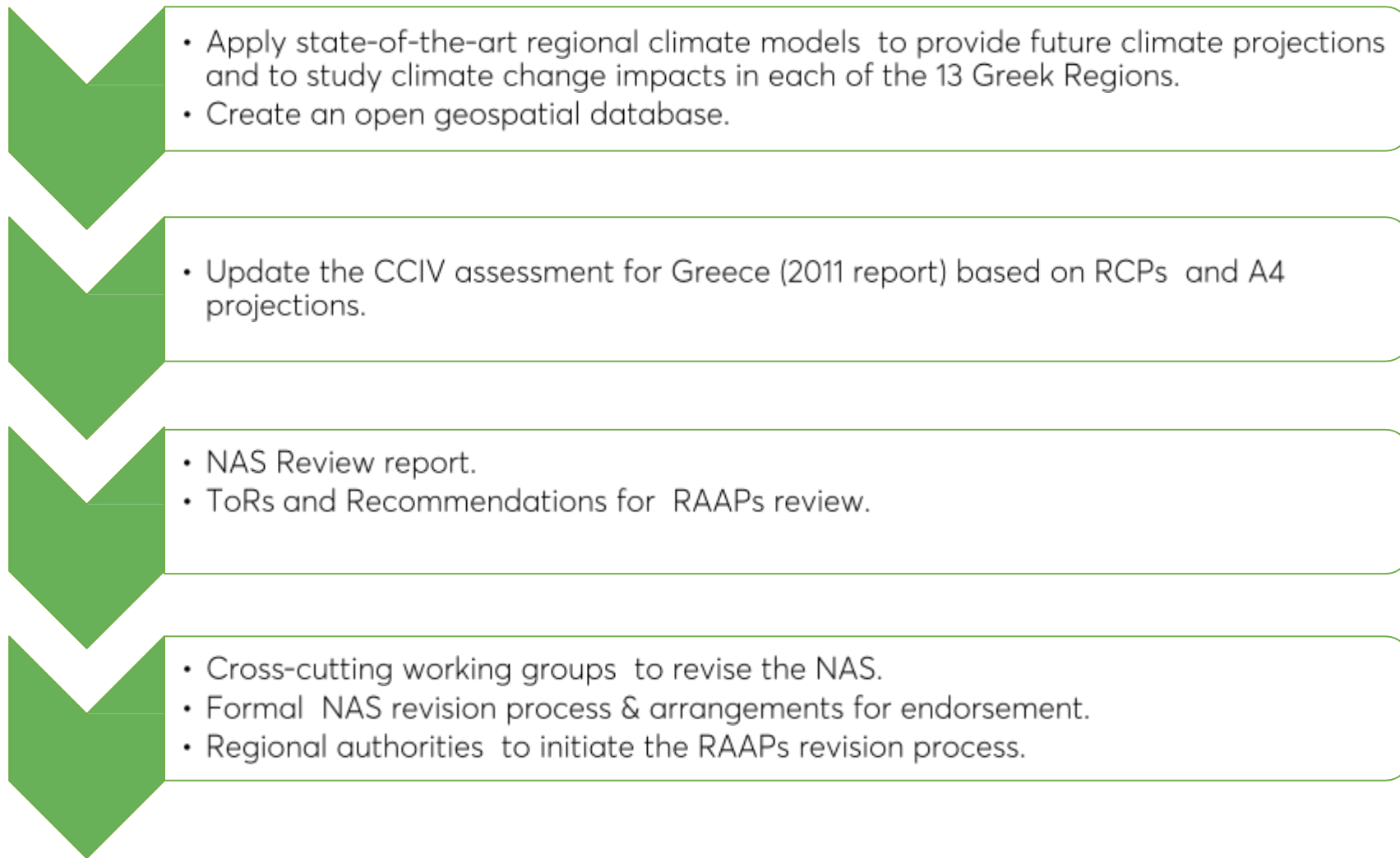
Awareness raising

- 13 reg. info-days (p.m project presentations, measures/ techniques a.m documentary film)
- 3 fora (Athens M6, Thessaloniki M49, Athens M93)

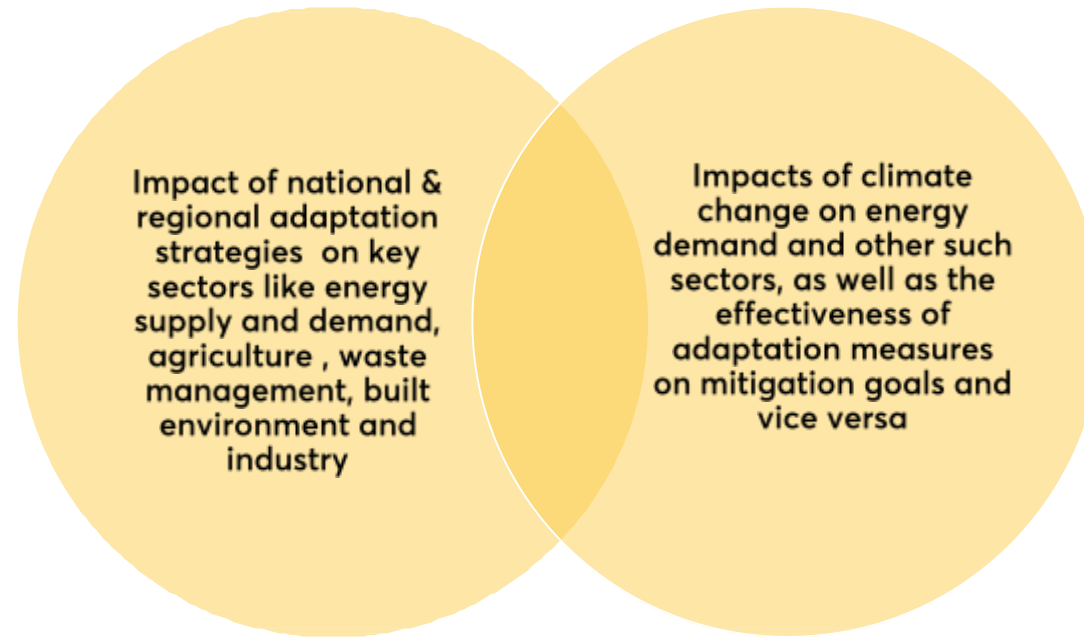
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Prepare the passage to the 2nd policy cycle

Review of NAS and RAAPs



Analysis of synergies between CCM & CCA policies in view of the 2050 long-term low emission strategy



To provide an integrated framework for the future planning of climate-related policies in Greece, which will feed both into the review of the Greek NAS, into updates of the National Plan for Energy & Climate 2030 and the 2050 Long-term low emission strategy.

Thank you for your attention!

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Improving climate resilience of small and medium-sized municipalities by the project LIFE LOCAL ADAPT

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LIFE LOCAL ADAPT

Integration of climate change into the work of local authorities

July 2016 – June 2021

4 Regions

6 Partners

Coordinating Beneficiary

Technische Universität Dresden

Associated Beneficiaries

- Climate Service Center Germany
- Provincial Government of Styria
- Saxon State Agency for Environment, Agriculture and Geology
- Czech Globe - Global Change Research Institute
- Valka Municipality Council



<https://www.life-local-adapt.eu/en/>

Objectives

The project aims to

1. improve data base and information on CC, the impacts, CCA and to enhance the knowledge of municipalities
2. integrate CCA into the administrative work of local authorities
3. implement specific measures of CCA in cooperation with the municipalities

Focus on small and medium-sized municipalities! In close cooperation with municipalities!

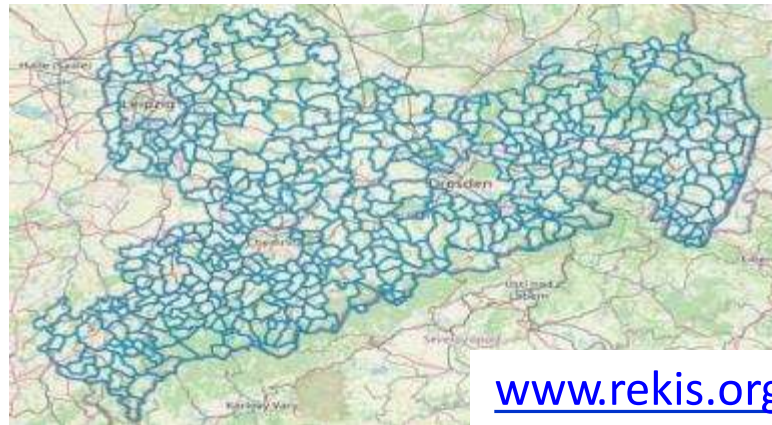


Actions of LIFE LOCAL ADAPT

- Workshops for improvement of municipal knowledge on CC and CCA
- Information about funding opportunities
- Establishment of advisory service
- Development & enhancement of climate information tools
- Improvement of heavy rain and heat stress resilience
- Pilot measures in selected municipalities
- Climate change adaptation in the pilot municipality Valka in Latvia
- Transferability and replicability

Action: Development & enhancement of information tools

- ReKIS - Regional climate information system
- interactive tool to provide climate data and information about CCA
- for the federal states Saxony, Thuringia and Saxony-Anhalt
- Implementation by TUD
- Extension “ReKIS kommunal” for Saxony by LIFE Local ADAPT



The screenshot shows the ReKIS website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'LOESUNG', 'VORSTELLUNGEN', 'AKTUELLES', and 'KONTAKT'. Below this, there are buttons for 'ReKIS WISSEN', 'ReKIS KOMMUNAL', and 'ReKIS EXPERT'. The main content area features a header for 'REKIS KOMMUNAL - SACHSEN' and a sub-header 'Alle Klimaauswirkungen für Ihre Region auf einen Blick'. Below this, there is a paragraph of text in German discussing climate change impacts and the need for adaptation measures. At the bottom, there are three columns of content: 'HERAUSFORDERUNGEN' (challenges), 'HANDLUNGSFELDER' (action fields), and 'INFOS UND HILFSANGEBOTE' (information and offers).

Action: Improvement of heat stress resilience

Fact sheet

- measures and recommendations
- in German, English and Czech
- short and easy to understand as a starting point for adaptation

The image displays five fact sheets from the LIFE LOCAL ADAPT project, each focusing on different aspects of heat stress resilience. The sheets are arranged in a grid-like fashion, with some overlapping. The first sheet on the left is titled 'HEAT STRESS MEASURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS' and includes a thermometer icon and text about rising temperatures. The second sheet, 'Measures and Recommendations', is divided into 'Physical measures' and 'Planning and constructing climate adaptive buildings'. The third sheet, 'Administrative measures', covers 'Using facades and roofs as green areas', 'Establishing monitoring systems', and 'Increased use of passive and active cooling'. The fourth sheet, 'Good Practice Example', shows a vertical garden on a building facade. The fifth sheet, 'Selection for further reading', lists various reports and publications. Each sheet has a header with the LIFE LOCAL ADAPT logo and the title 'FACT SHEET: HEAT STRESS'.

Action: Improvement of heat stress resilience

Contingency plan

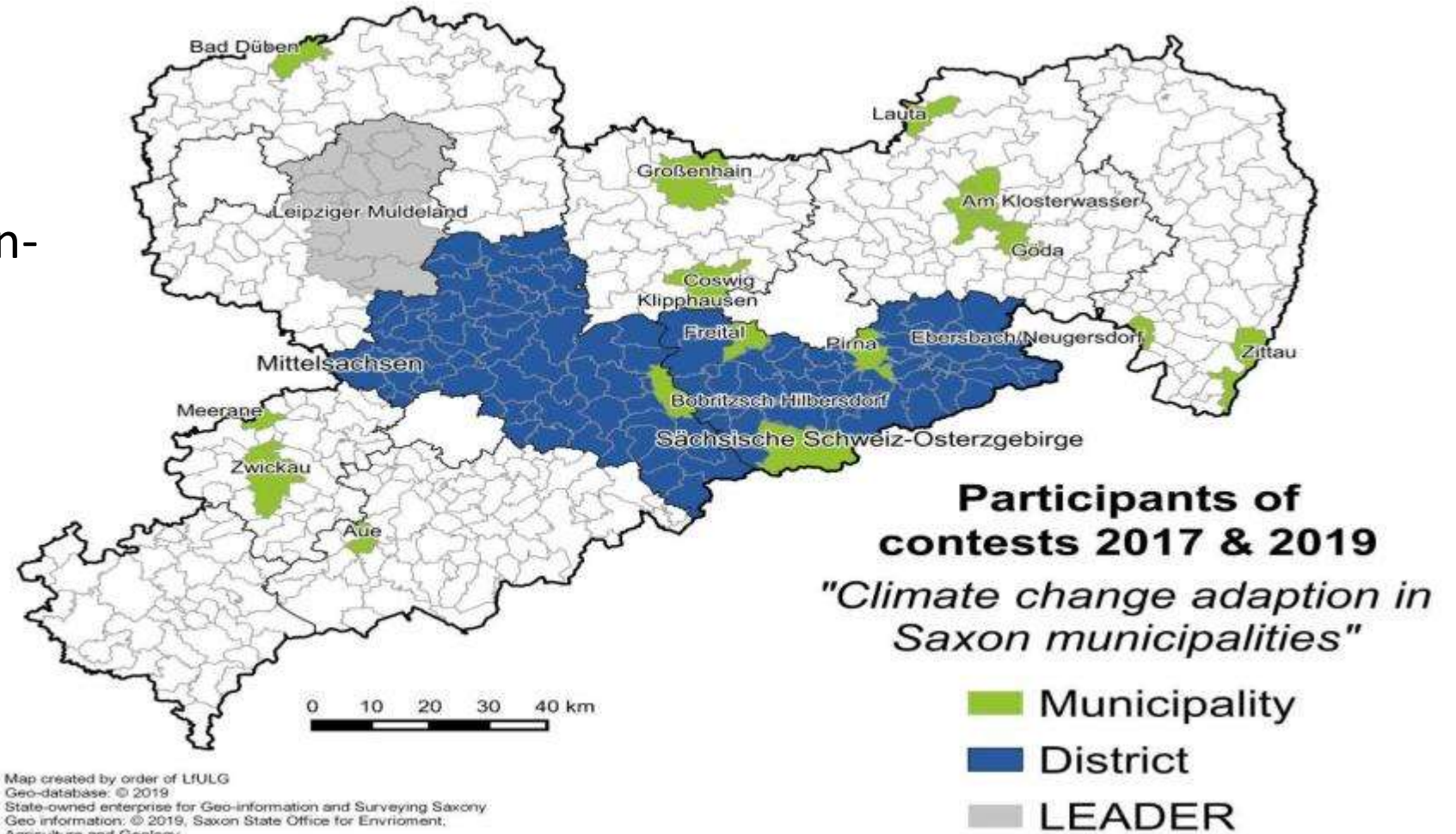
- Introduction with general information about heat stress and the importance of a contingency plan for municipalities
- Main objective of an heat protection plan, which groups are affected, general information how to deal with heat stress, emergency numbers, contact points etc.
- Responsibilities
- Recommendations and measures

Example: Heat Protection Plan Styria



Action: Pilot measures

Financial support for non-investment measures in Saxony



Action: Pilot measures

Examples:

Bad Düben

Adaptation concept for green infrastructure - facade and roof greening

Zwickau

Site-specific plant lists with climate- resilient tree species, planning of irrigation options with rainwater



Related Project: Heat Resilience Cities

Good living quality despite summer heat

In two quarters in Dresden Gorbitz and Erfurt Oststadt, preventive measures for heat waves in residential areas are being researched in 4 modules.

Module 1 → Impact analyses of CC and adaptation options

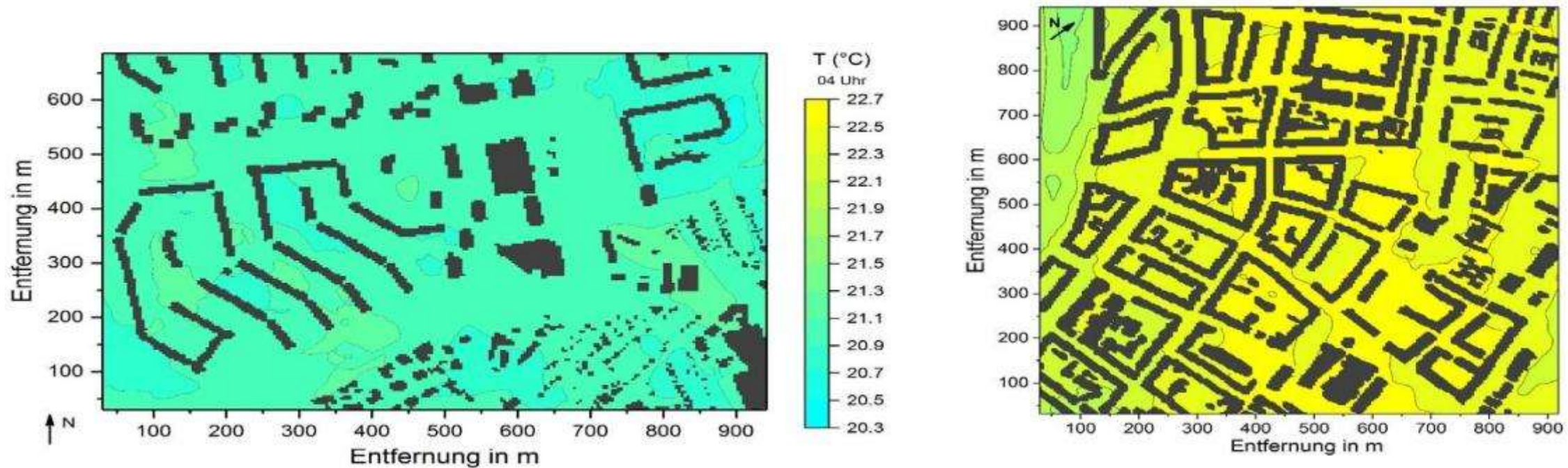
- Analysis of regional climate model data
- Measurements
- Determination of a regional UHI effect
- Simulations with ENVI-met



<http://heatresilientcity.de/en/>

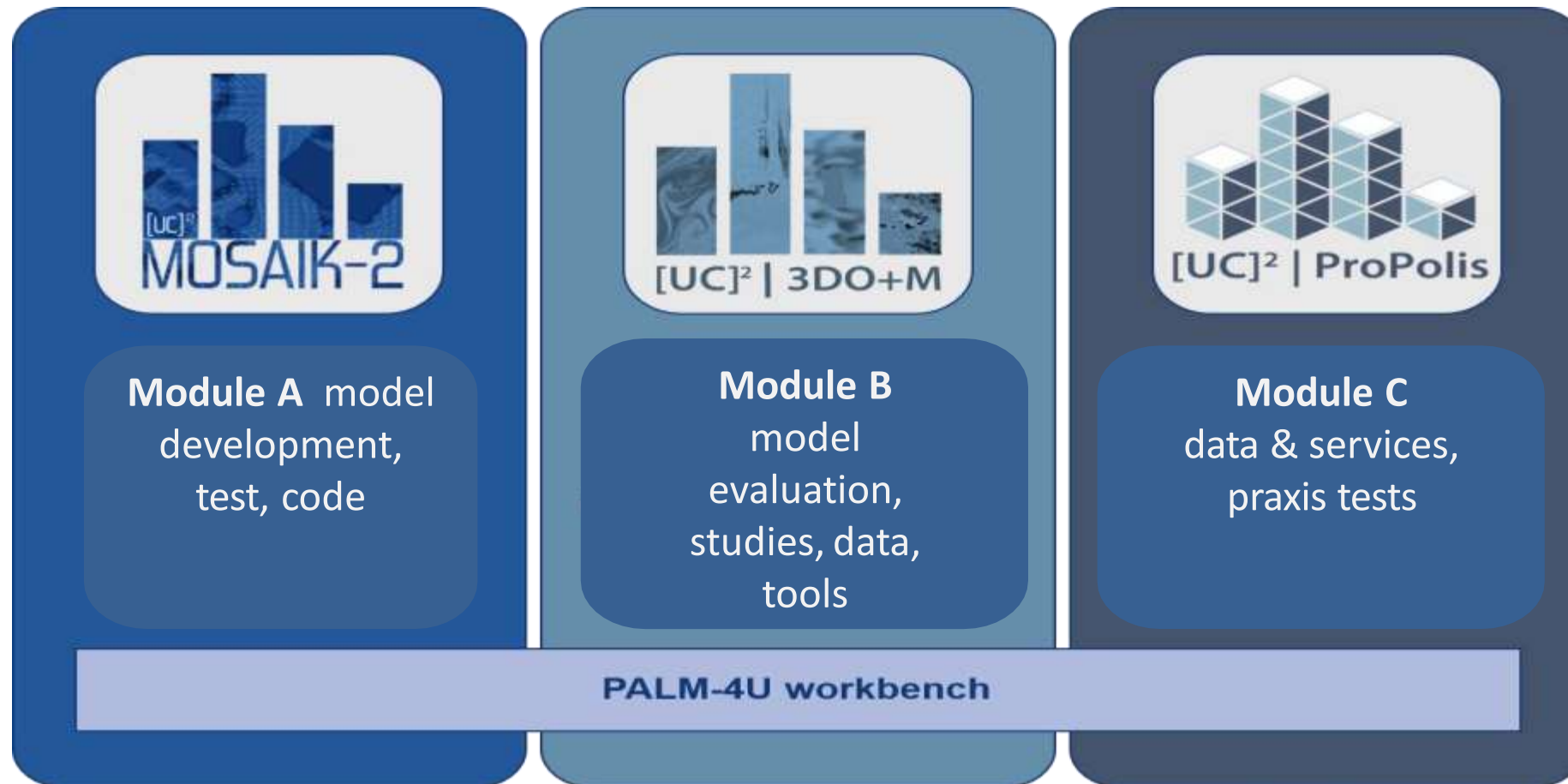


Spatial differences in a microclimate city: examples from Dresden and Erfurt



Temperature distribution at night in Dresden-Gorbitz(left) and Erfurt-Oststadt (model simulation ENVI-met for the 15th of July) → The more densely built-up urban area in Erfurt is slightly warmer and has more spatial differences. Source: Goldberg & Ziemann, 2020

Related Project: Urban Climate Under Change [UC]²



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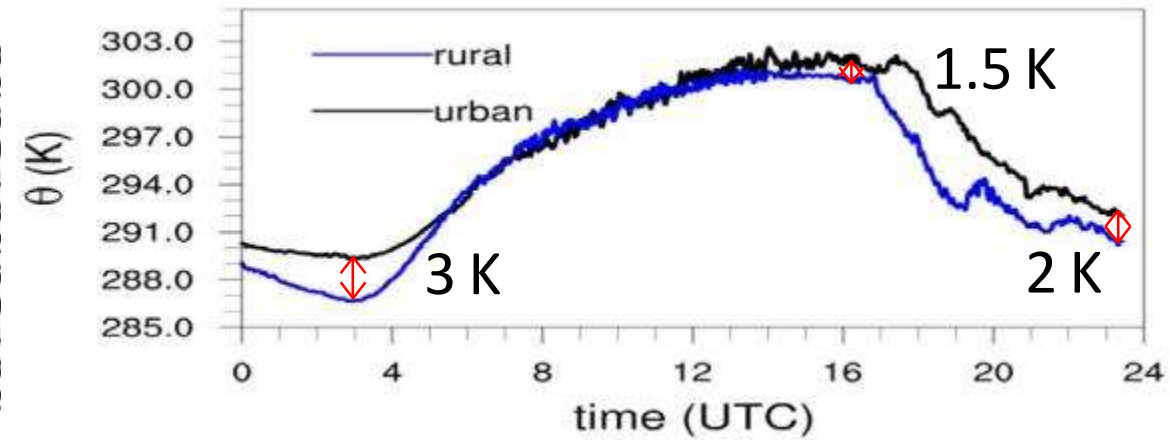
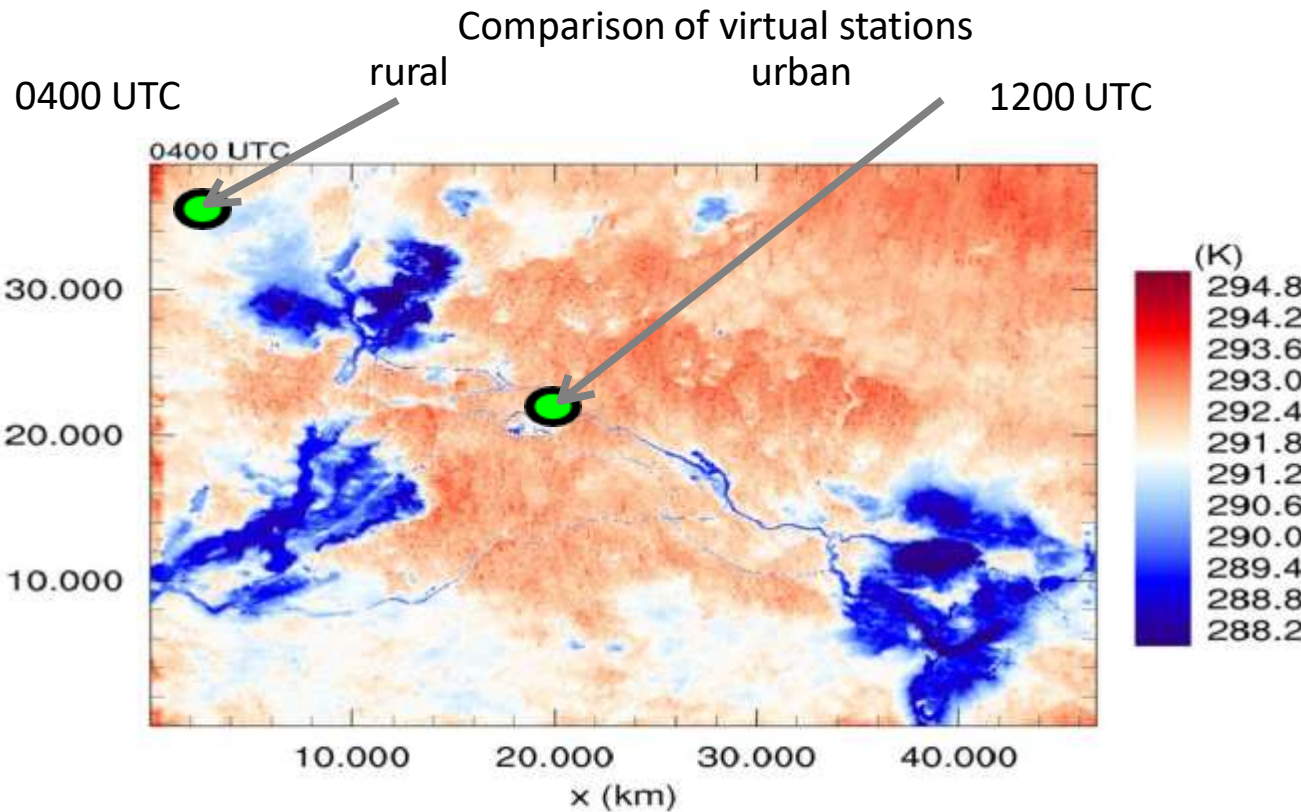


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UHI effect in metropolitan areas

Air temperature „Showcase Berlin“



Source: Maronga 2018, Building-resolving large-eddy simulations for entire Berlin, ICUC 10

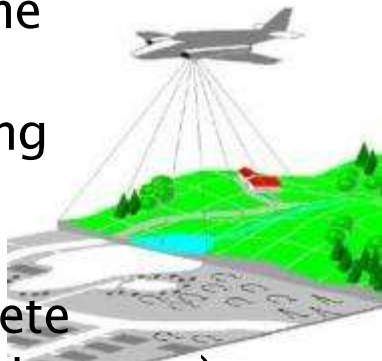
Objective: Improved representation of vegetation

Tree catalogue
(containing mainly urban vegetation)

| ID | Species | Trunk | Canopy | Volume | Height |
|----|----------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Platanus | 0.15 | 0.85 | 1.00 | 15.00 |
| 2 | Quercus | 0.10 | 0.90 | 1.00 | 12.00 |
| 3 | Fagus | 0.12 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 14.00 |
| 4 | Acer | 0.11 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 13.00 |
| 5 | Tilia | 0.13 | 0.87 | 1.00 | 14.50 |
| 6 | Ulmus | 0.14 | 0.86 | 1.00 | 15.50 |
| 7 | Salix | 0.16 | 0.84 | 1.00 | 16.00 |
| 8 | Populus | 0.17 | 0.83 | 1.00 | 17.00 |
| 9 | Betula | 0.18 | 0.82 | 1.00 | 18.00 |
| 10 | Alnus | 0.19 | 0.81 | 1.00 | 19.00 |

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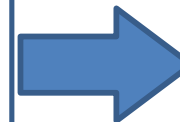
Airborne
Laser-
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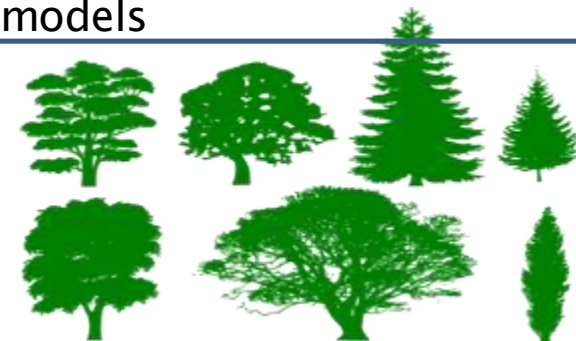
(complete
vegetation scan)

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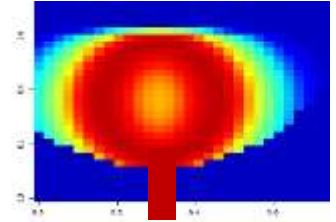
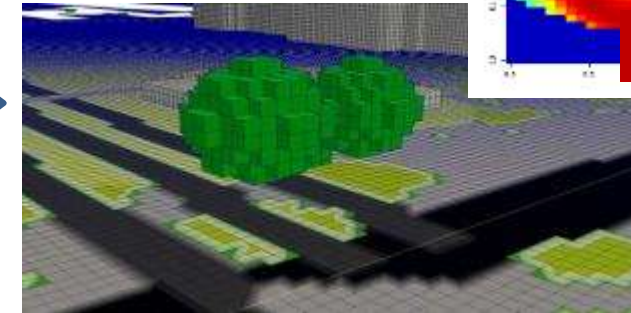
catalogue with
allometric
functions
 $\alpha = f(\text{species, height, diameter})$



Future tree
models



actual tree
models



Thanks for your attention!





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Vegetation impact on meteorology and air quality in the cities: preliminary results from Life VEG-GAP Project



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Three main questions

Veg Gap  LIFE-18 PRE IT 003 - The VEG-GAP project has received funding from the LIFE Programme of the European Union

Search Location

Do you know...

How much and which type of vegetation is present?

Vegetation for cleaner air and better climate: a holistic integration towards future cities.

Data from VEG-GAP Life project model

28.10°N 63.43°W -5,273 m 20,000 km

bing

The image shows a screenshot of the Veg-Gap website. At the top left, there is the 'Veg Gap' logo and a European Union flag with text indicating funding from the LIFE Programme. A search bar is located at the top center. The main visual is a globe with two large green question marks overlaid on it. To the left of the globe, there is a curved banner with various tree and leaf icons. Below the globe, a person is shown from the side, holding a tablet that displays a 3D city model with green buildings. At the bottom, there is a footer with the text 'Data from VEG-GAP Life project model' and a Bing map interface showing coordinates (28.10°N, 63.43°W), altitude (-5,273 m), and scale (20,000 km).

The city selection

The image shows a web interface for the Veg Gap project. At the top left, the 'Veg Gap' logo is displayed next to the European Union flag and the text 'LIFE-18 PRE IT 003 - The VEG-GAP project has received funding from the LIFE Programme of the European Union'. A search bar with the placeholder text 'Search Location' is positioned at the top center. In the top right corner, there are icons for user profile and a 'Login' button. The main content area features a 3D globe of Earth with the text 'Select Area' centered over it. Below this text are three circular icons, each containing a building silhouette and a city name: Bologna, Madrid, and Milan. A yellow hand cursor is pointing at the Bologna icon. At the bottom of the interface, there is a status bar with the text 'Data from VEG-GAP Life project model' on the left, and on the right, it shows coordinates '29.62°N' and '96.46°W', an elevation of '78 m', a scale of '20,000 km', and the Bing logo.

Veg Gap

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Search Location

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Select Area

Bologna Madrid Milan

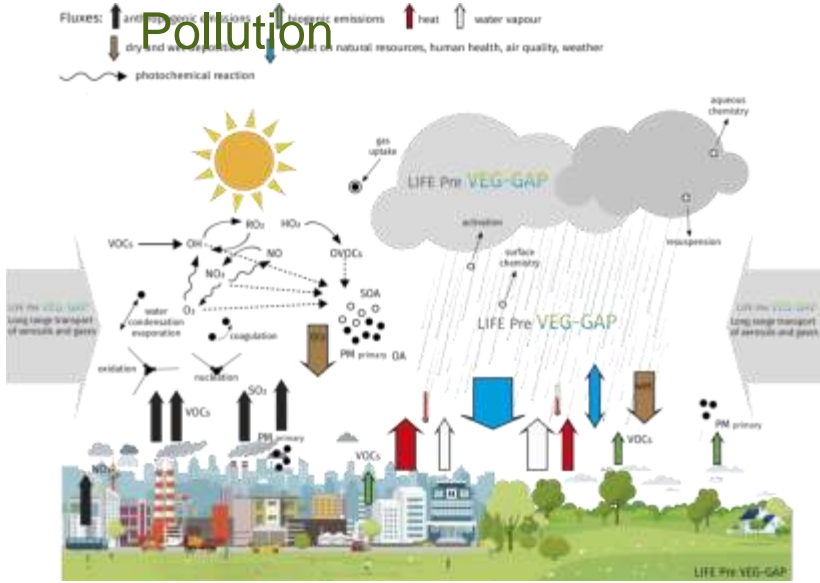
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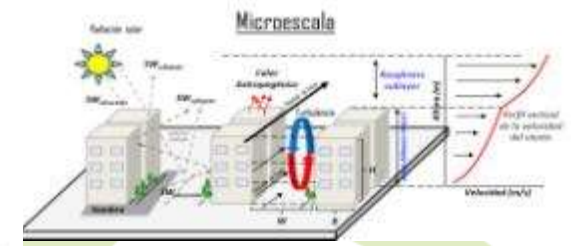
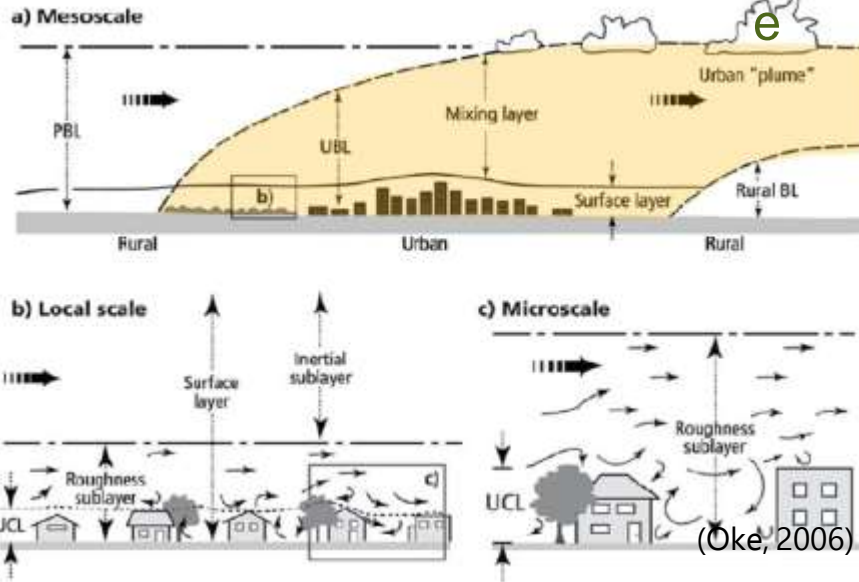
VEG-GAP approach: comprehensive modelling of physical and chemical atmospheric processes over the scales

Meteorology & Air

Pollution



Multiscale



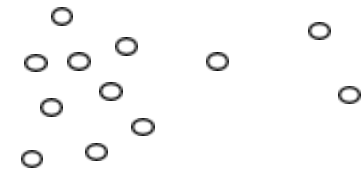
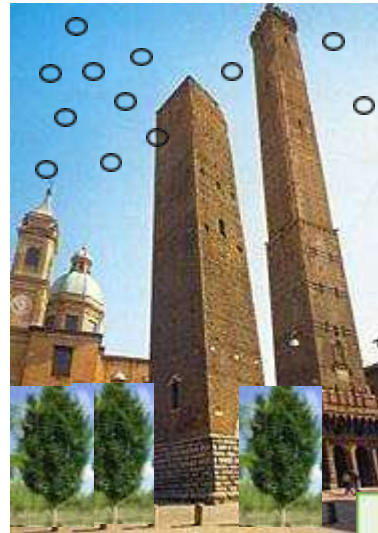
Meteorology: WRF and WRF+BEP
 Air pollution: AMS-MINNI (ENEA), CMAQ (UPM)





Reconstruction of vegetation effects

Simulation with vegetation (simVEG): Simulation without vegetation (simNO_VEG): reconstruct the real atmosphere hypothetical scenario



vegetation effects

Preliminary results for Bologna

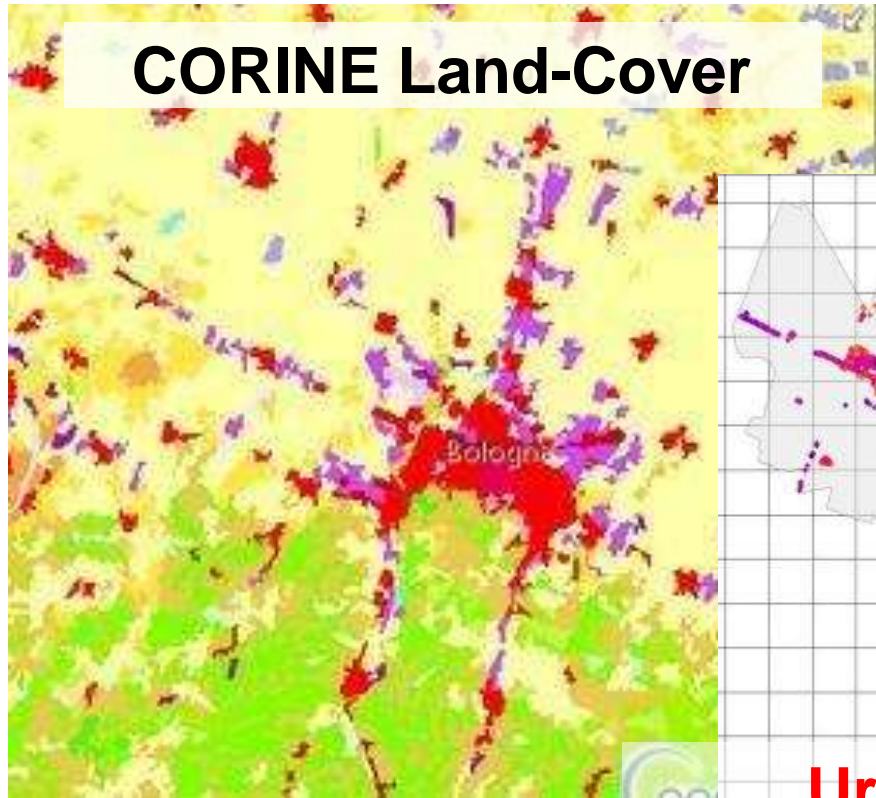




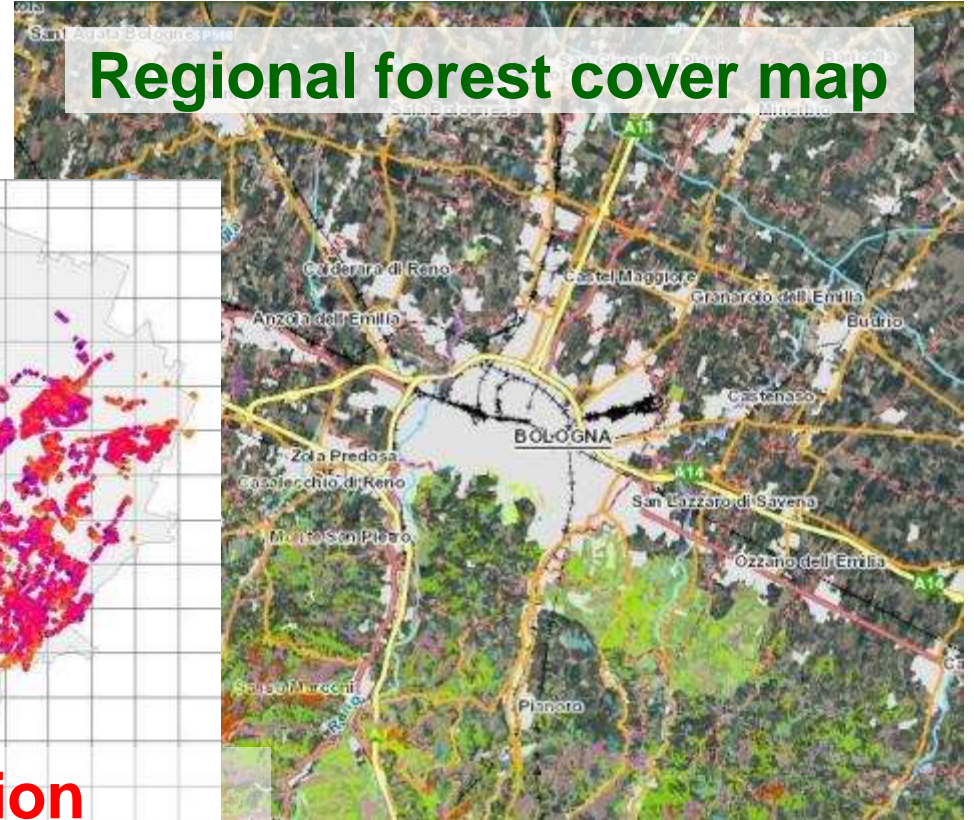
Integration of different data sources

Bologna

CORINE Land-Cover



Regional forest cover map



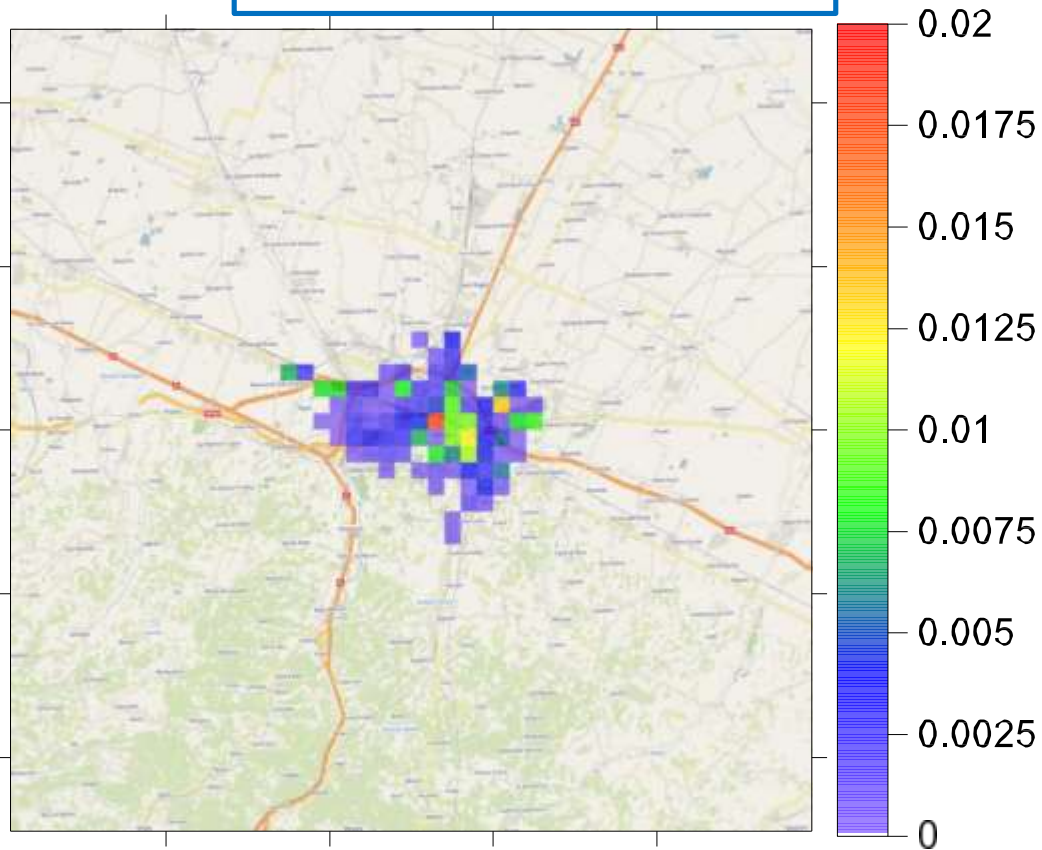
**Urban vegetation
(individual tree inventory)**



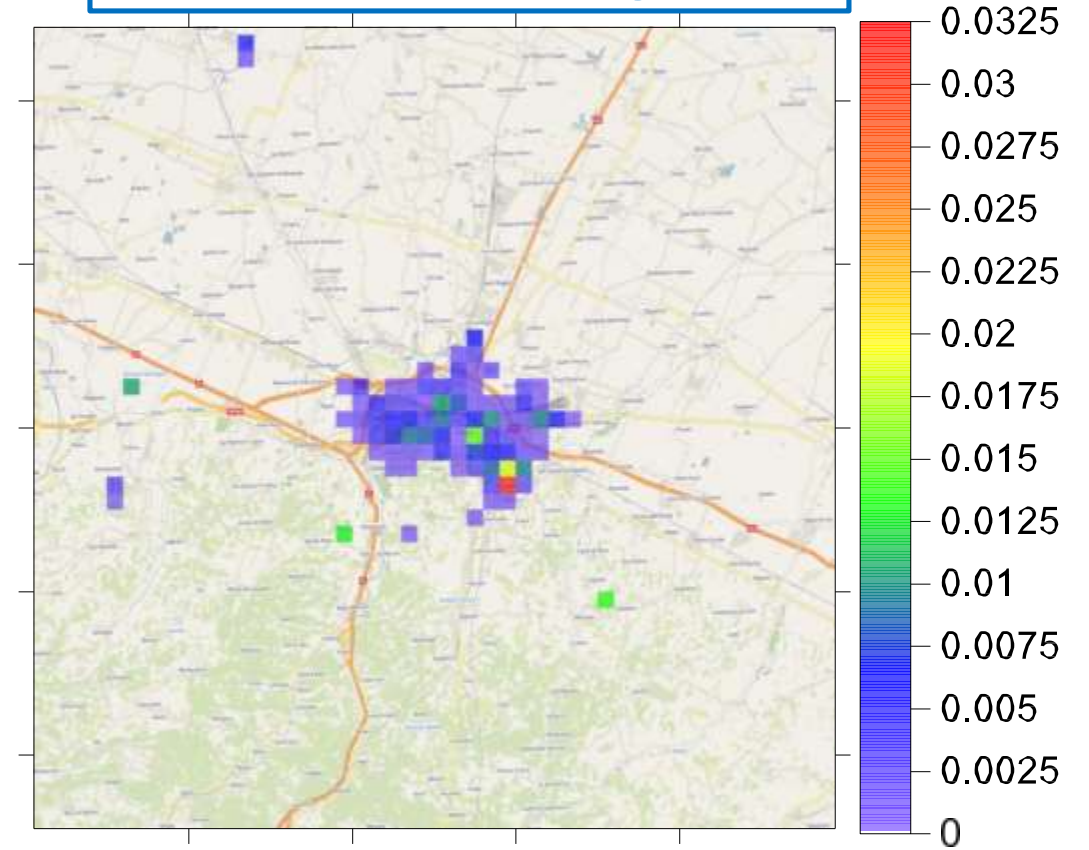
VEG-GAP Vegetation maps

Bologna: dominant urban species distribution

Platanus Acerifolia



Celtis Australis (Bagolaro)





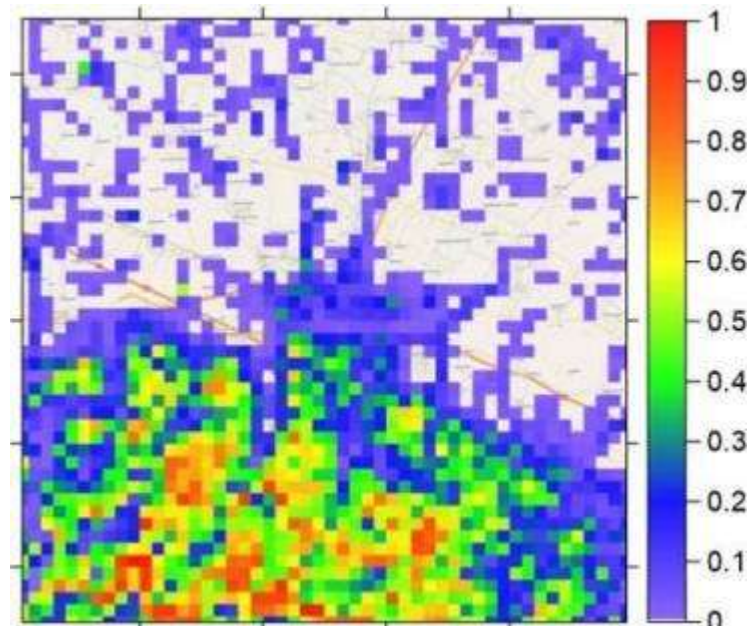
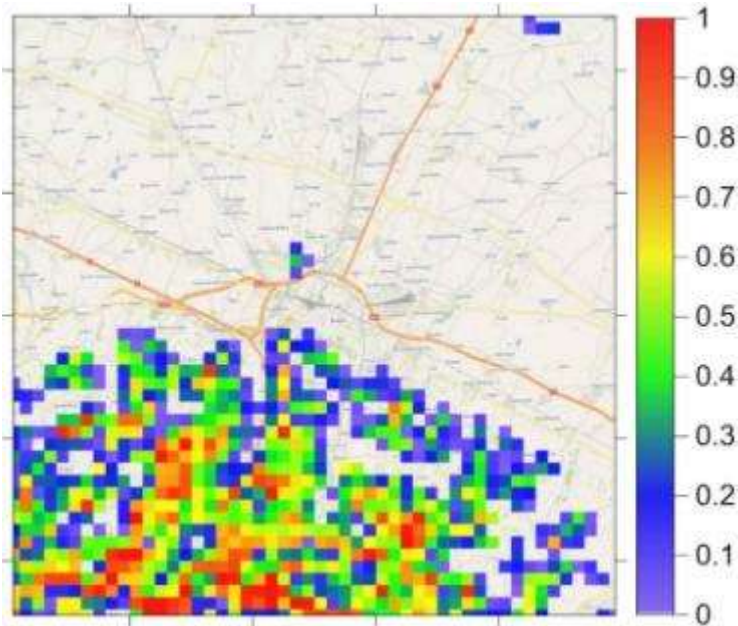
Improvement of vegetation maps

Bologna domain

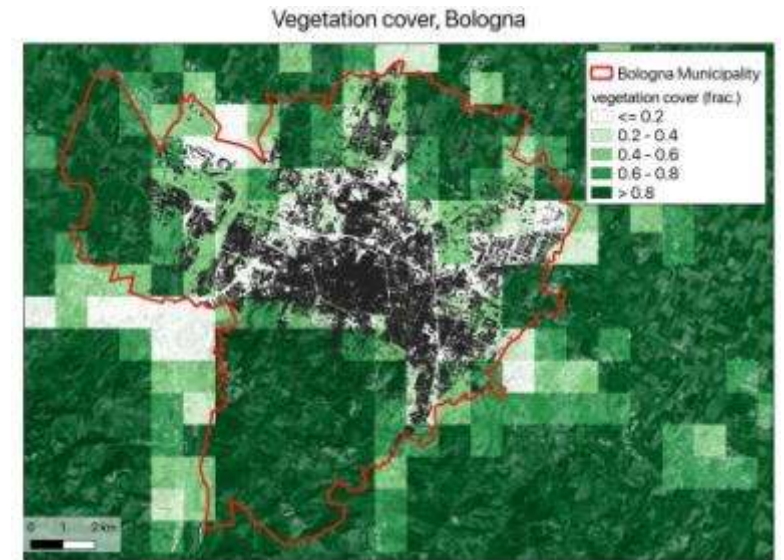
All-species trees cover

CORINE Land Cover

VEGGAP integrated map



**Bologna Municipality
All vegetation**





Biogenic emissions from tree species

Basal Emission Factors ($\mu\text{g g (DW)}^{-1} \text{h}^{-1}$):
capacity of plants to emit BVOC under
“basal conditions”
(air T of 30°C and PPFD of 1000 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$).

PPFD = Photosynthetic Photon Flux Density

BVOC emissions simulated with a **plant specific emission model: PSEM** (ARIANET)

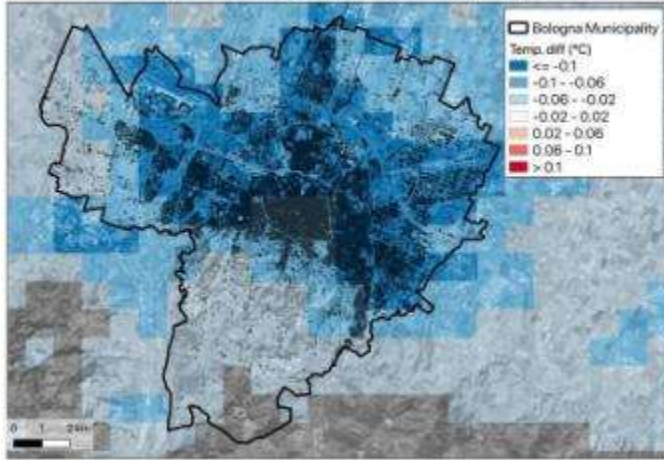
| Name | D_B | BEF_{ISOP} | BEF_{MTS} | BEF_{MTP} | BEF_{SQT} | BEF_{OVOC} |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Betula pendula | 230 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1.00 | 3 |
| Betula pubescens | 230 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1.00 | 3 |
| Eucalyptus sp. | 400 | 50 | 0 | 4.5 | 0.20 | 2.5 |
| Populus sp. | 260 | 66 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Populus alba | 260 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Populus hybridus | 260 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Populus nigra | 260 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Populus tremula | 260 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Quercus cerris | 320 | 0.01 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Quercus coccifera | 520 | 0.1 | 25 | 0 | 0.07 | 2.5 |
| Quercus faginea | 320 | 111 | 0 | 0 | 0.07 | 3 |
| Quercus frainetto | 320 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0.07 | 3 |
| Quercus ilex | 500 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0.07 | 2.5 |
| Robinia pseudoacacia | 150 | 12 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.10 | 3 |
| Salix sp. | 150 | 28 | 0 | 0.8 | 0.10 | 3 |
| Salix caprea | 150 | 18.9 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.10 | 3 |
| Ulmus glabra | 300 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.07 | 3 |
| Ulmus minor | 300 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.07 | 3 |

The effect of vegetation on temperature and wind speed

Winter

Summer

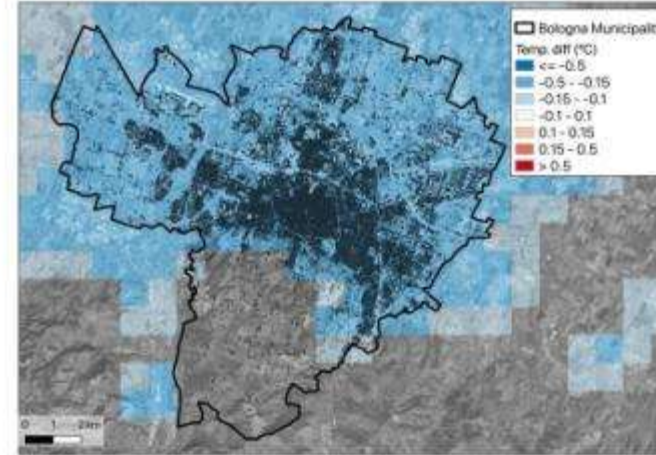
Temperature average difference, January, Bologna



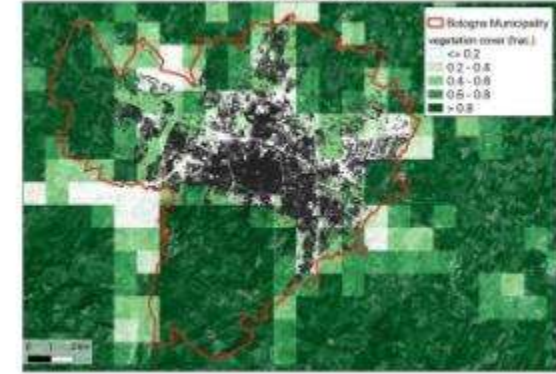
Temperature

Blue -> vegetation decreases temperature
Red -> vegetation increases temperature

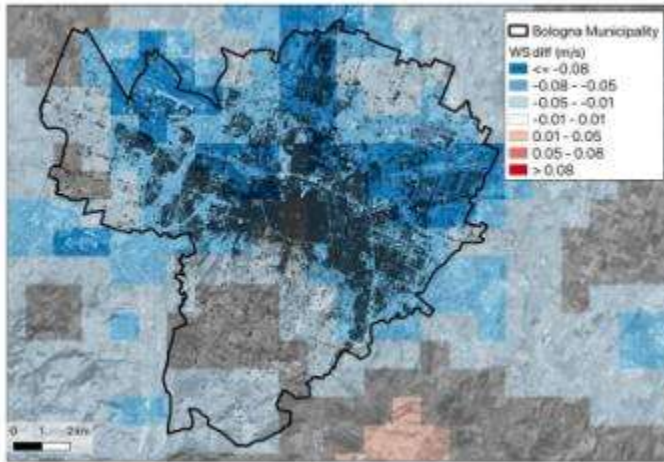
Temperature average difference, July, Bologna



Vegetation cover, Bologna



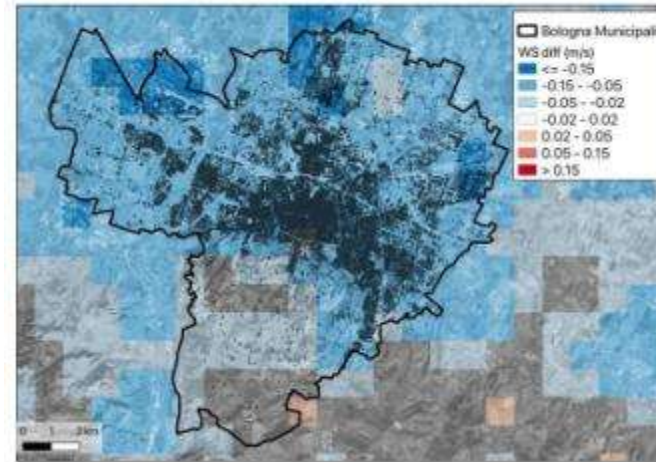
WS average difference, January, Bologna



Wind Speed

Blue -> vegetation decreases wind speed
Red -> vegetation increases wind speed

WS average difference, July, Bologna

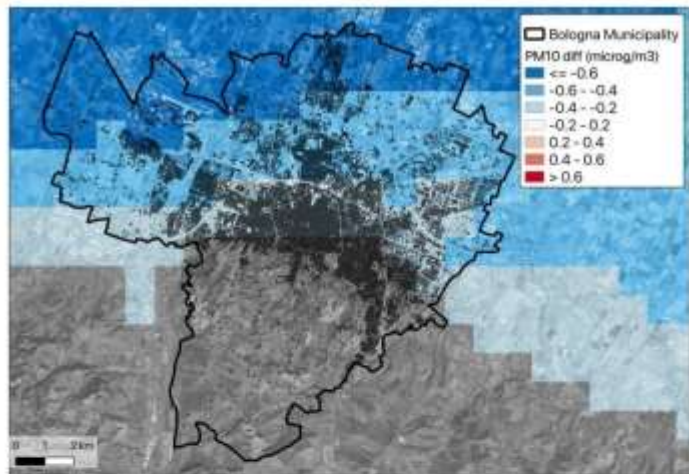


The effect of vegetation on concentrations and depositions

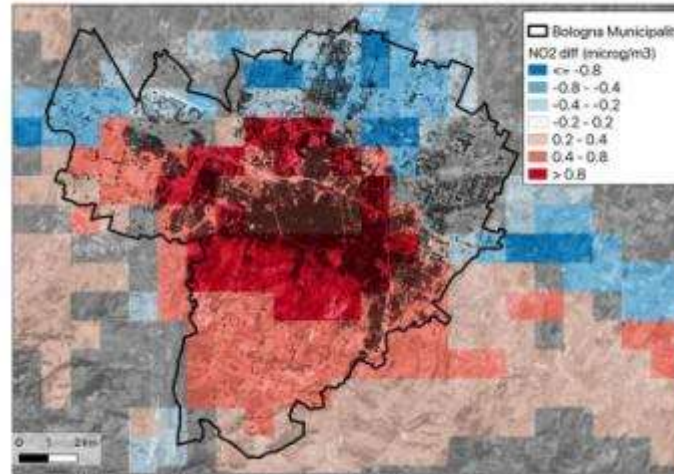
Concentrations

Blue -> vegetation increases concentration
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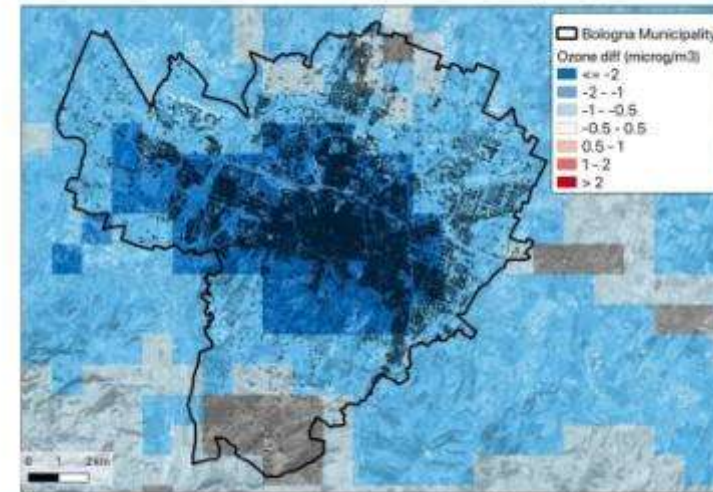
PM10 concentration average difference, July, Bologna



NO2 concentration average difference, July, Bologna



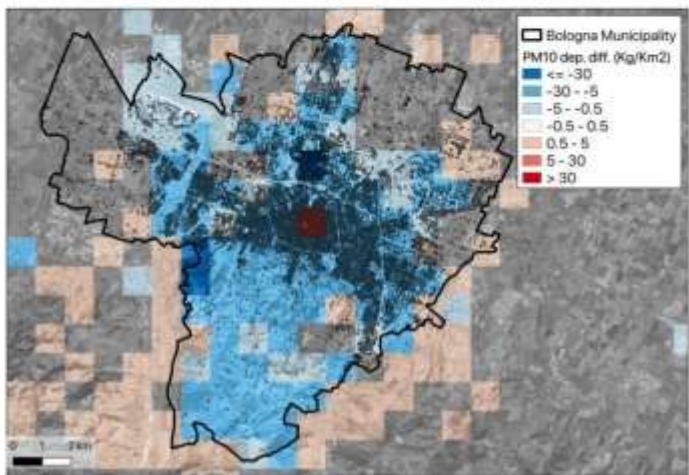
Ozone concentration average difference, July, Bologna



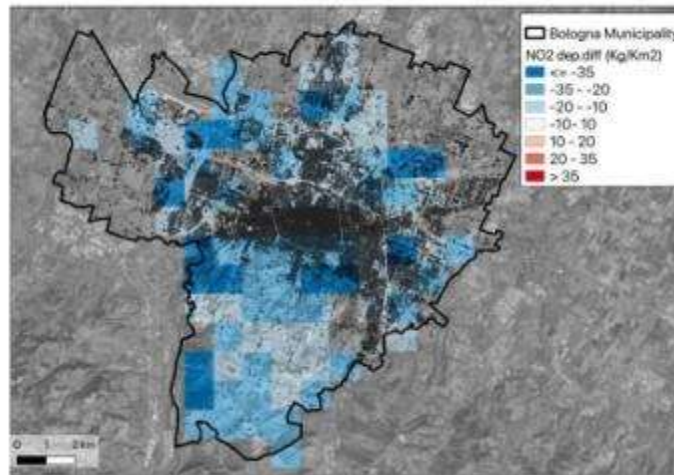
Depositions

Blue -> vegetation increases deposition
Red -> vegetation decreases deposition

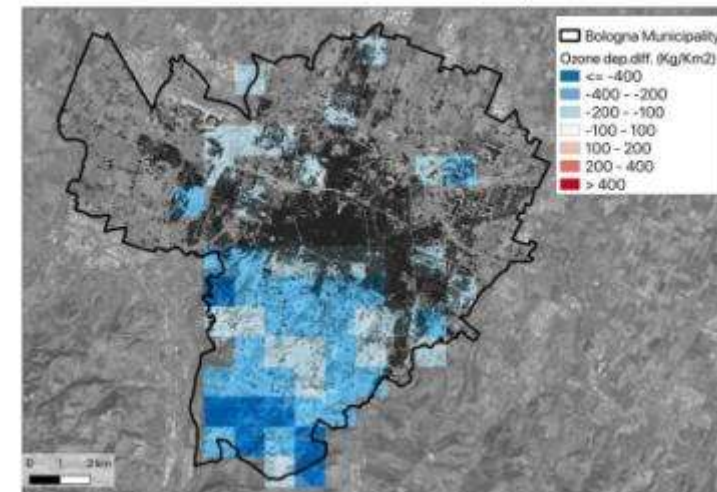
PM10 deposition average difference, July, Bologna



NO2 deposition average difference, July, Bologna



Ozone deposition average difference, July, Bologna





VEG-GAP cities

- **Bologna**

Population: 390,849 inhabitants (January 2019, MCBO)

Area: 140,8 km²

- **Madrid**

Population: 3,141, 991 inhabitants

Area: 604,3 km²

- **Milano**

Population: 1,378,689 inhabitants (2018-ISTAT)

Area: 181,7 km²



More results available in November!



Thank you for your time and attention!



Stay tuned to discover our Information Platform on:

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PROJECT LIFE HEATLAND

(LIFE16 CCA/ES/000077)



COOL PAVEMENTS FOR FUTURE CITIES. RESULTS FROM LIFE HEATLAND (SPAIN)



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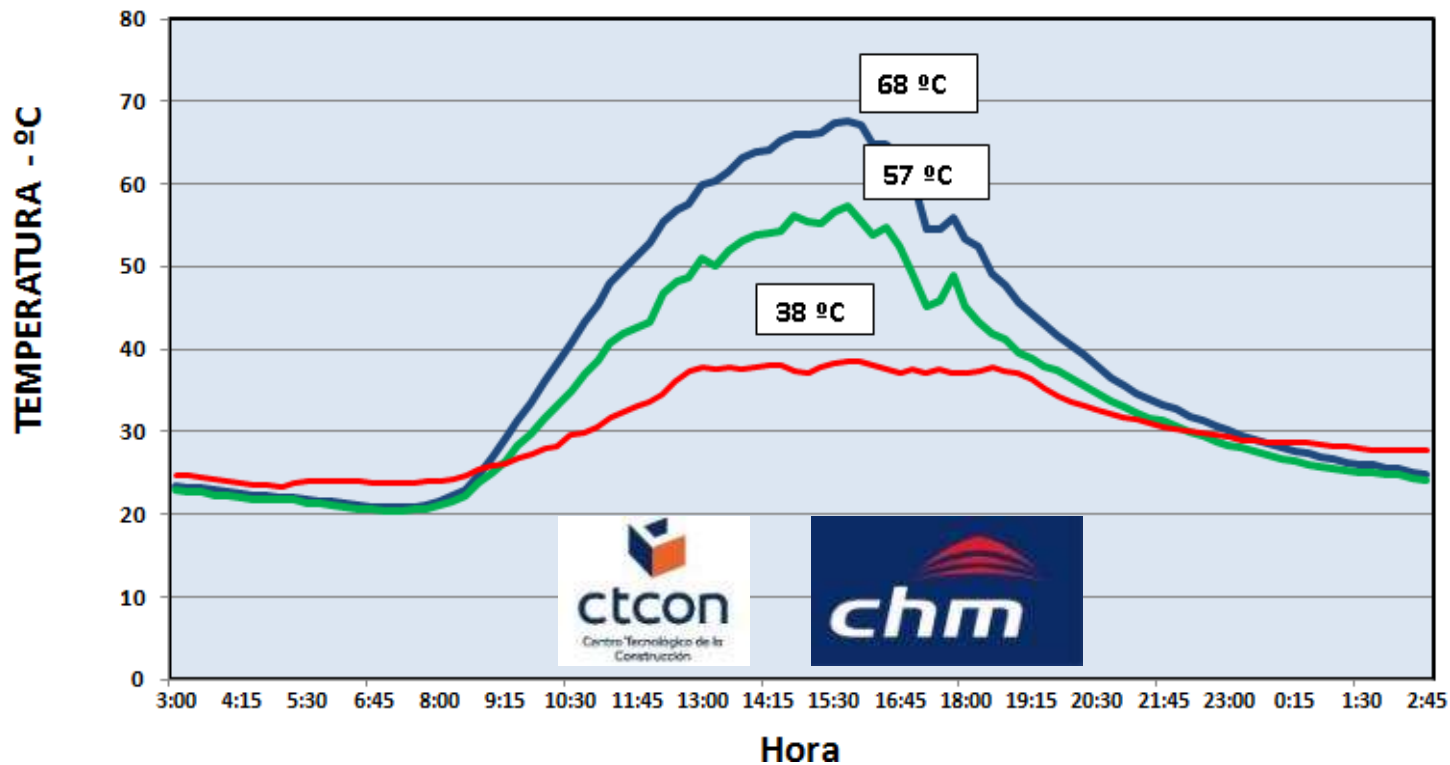
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1. COOL PAVEMENTS



SURFACE TEMPERATURE EVOLUTION 2016-07-30

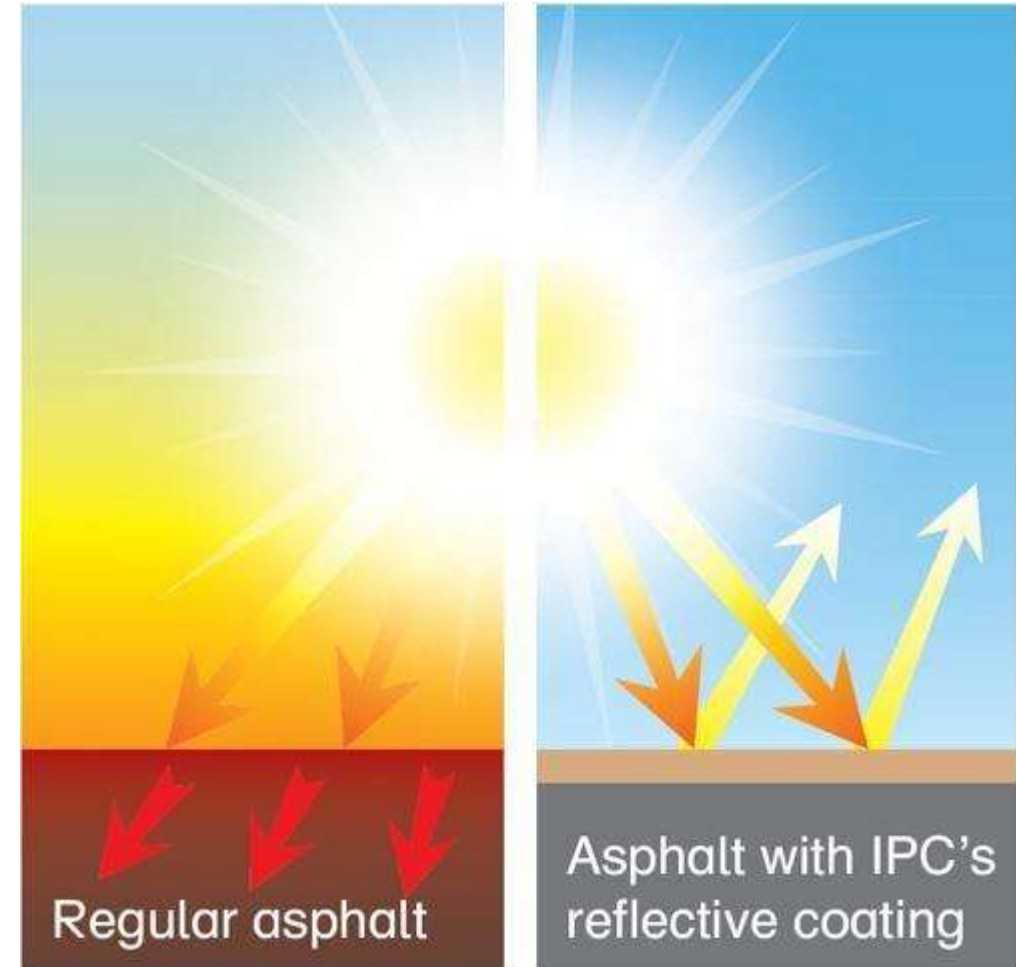


- Traditional pavement
- Cool pavement
- Air temperature

1. COOL PAVEMENTS

Advantages:

- ✓ *Cool mixtures could be more durable*
- ✓ *These mixtures are not harmful to health, because they absorb 90% of the UV spectrum*
- ✓ *They can mitigate UHI effect and contribute to decrease CO₂ emissions*



1. COOL PAVEMENTS



HEATLAND



2. HEATLAND OBJECTIVES

- *To mitigate Urban Heat Island (UHI) effect*
- *To reduce the surface and environmental temperature of the area, which will contribute to a better quality of life and people's well-being*
- *To achieve energy savings in the urban environment*
- *To reduce air pollution*
- *To develop a tool to assess the impact of the implementation of cool pavement in any city*



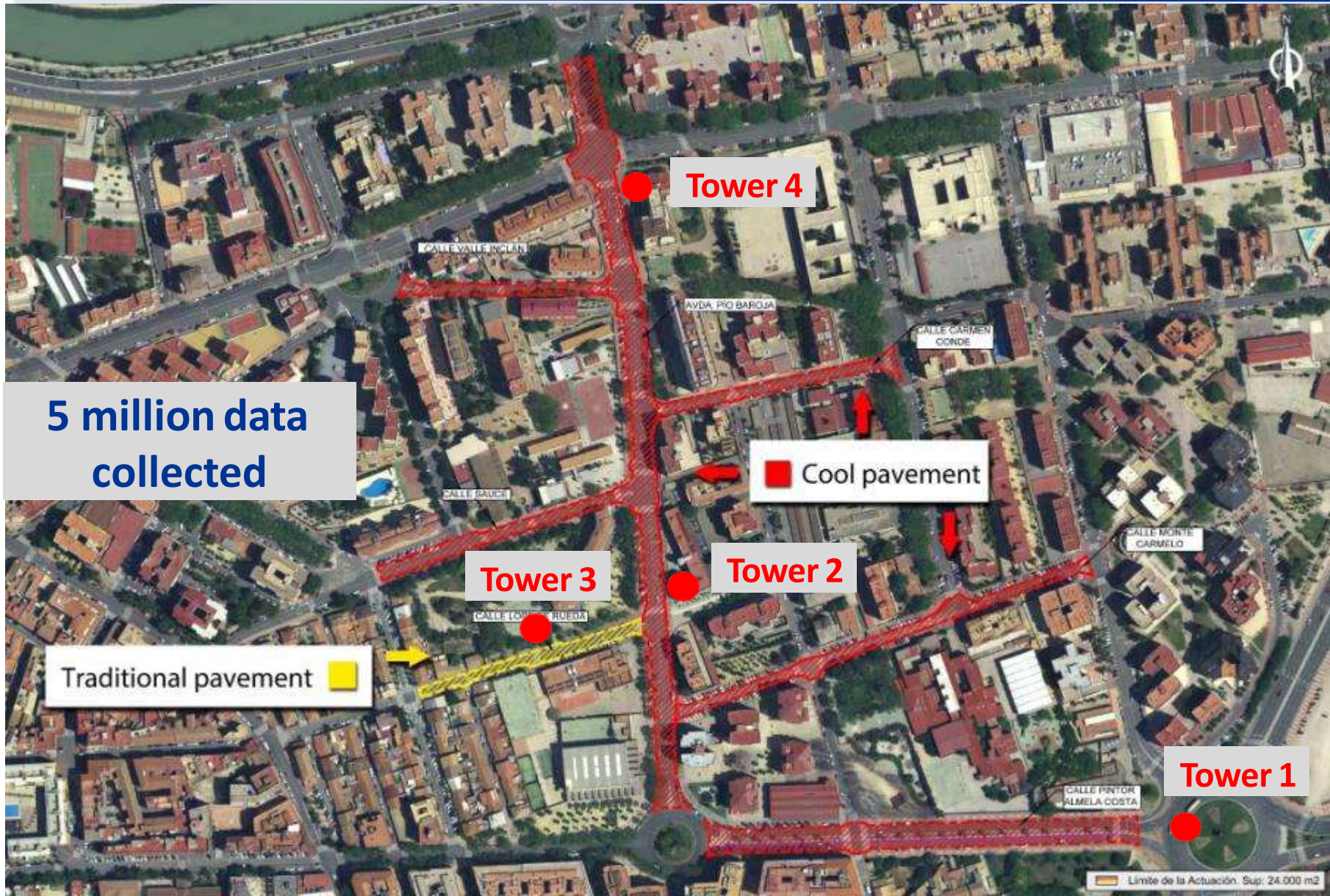
3. HEATLAND DEVELOPMENT

Second Informative Video:

<https://youtu.be/5u8RSCsleuw>



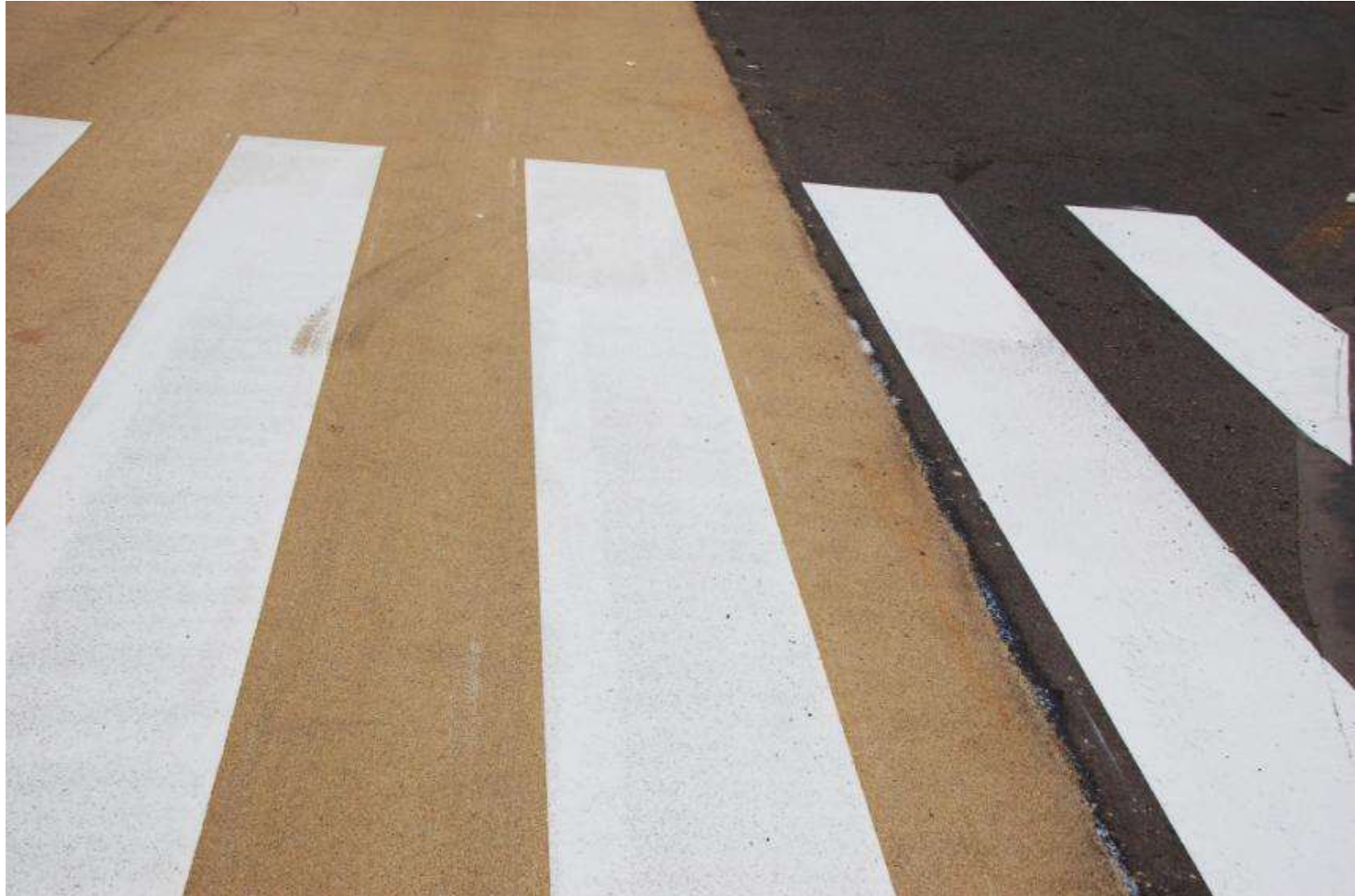
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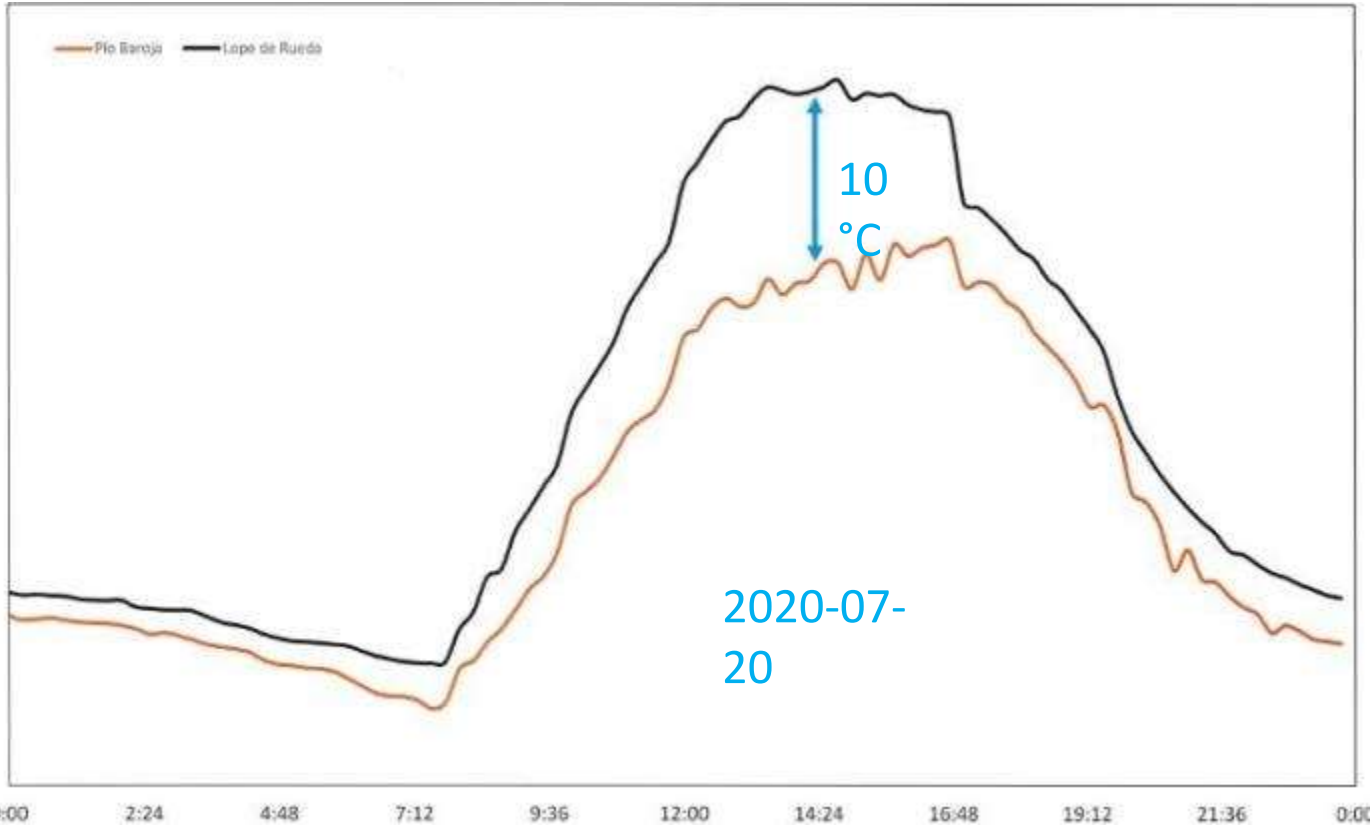


4. RESULTS: VISUAL IMPACT

*Luminance increased by
150%*



4. RESULTS: THERMAL IMPACT



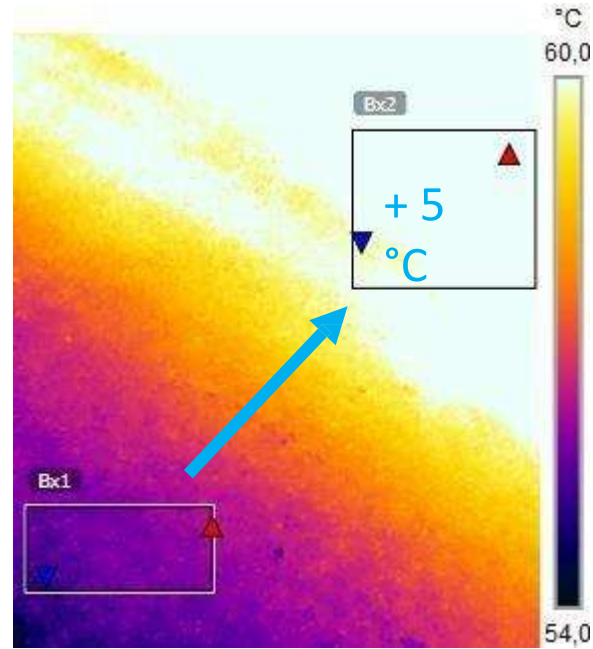
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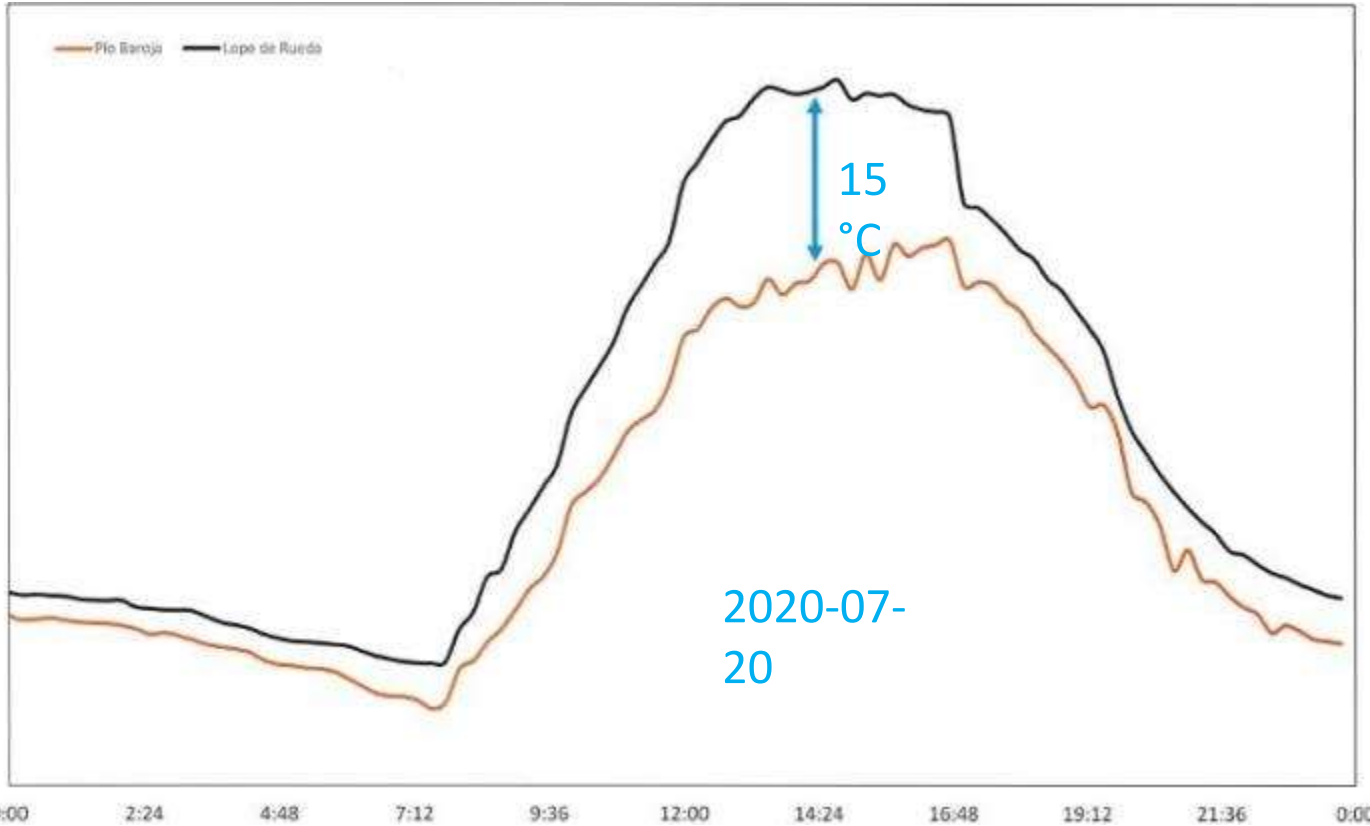
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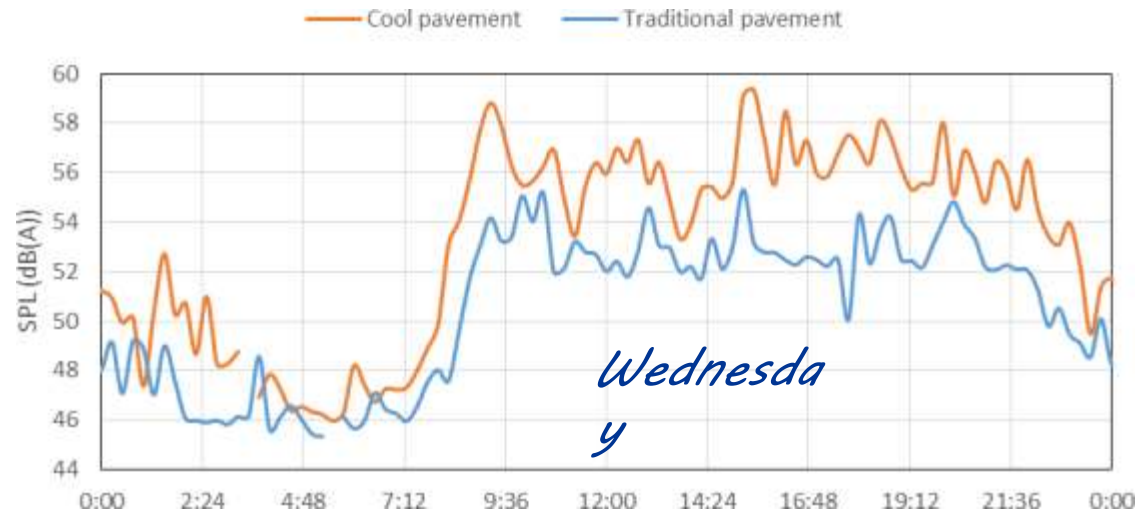
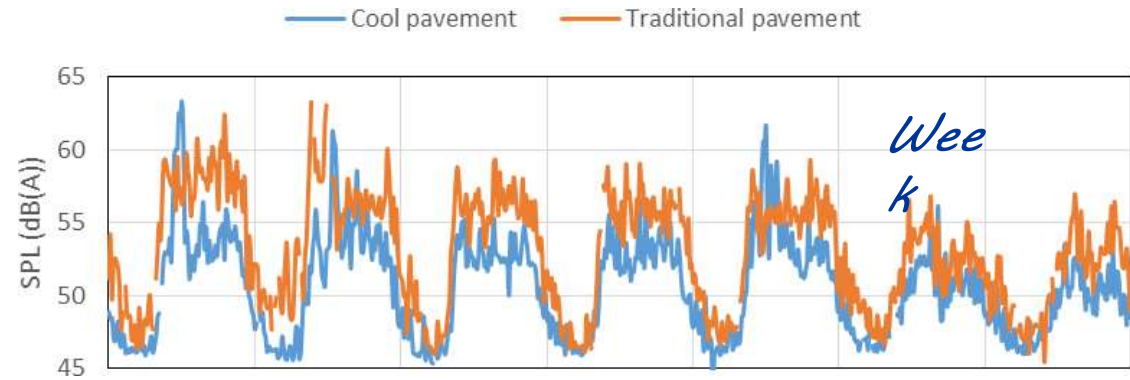
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4. RESULTS: SOUND IMPACT

Noise decreased by 3 dB(A)



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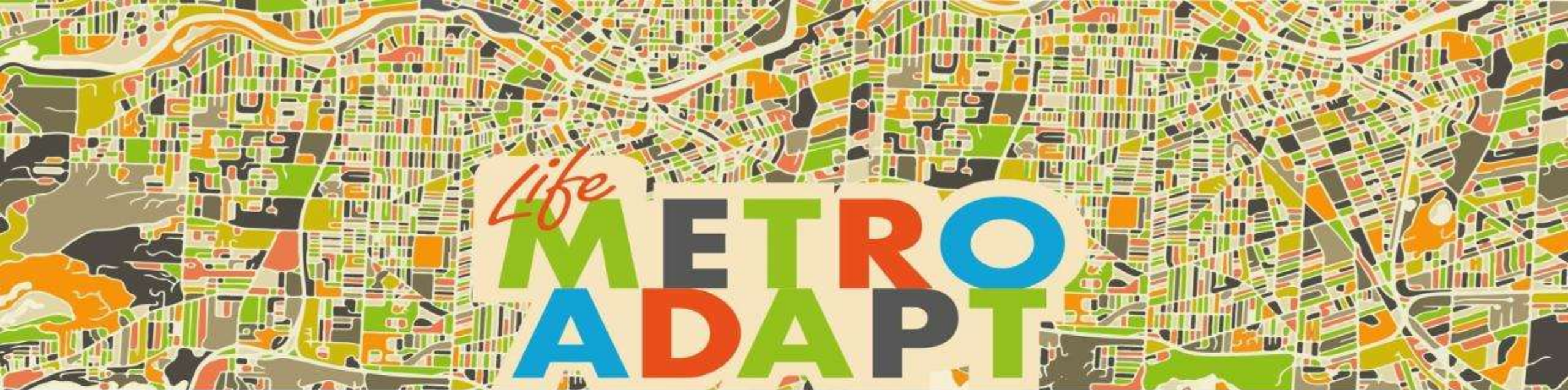
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**INNOVATIVE PAVEMENT SOLUTION FOR THE
MITIGATION OF THE URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT**





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ADAPT

Enhancing climate change adaptation strategies
and measures in the Metropolitan City of Milan

2nd European Workshop:
“Urban Heat Island and Heat Resilience:
Networking for Future Strategy”

Thessaloniki, 14 October 2020



Life METRO ADAPT Project

(Life 17CCA/IT/000080 – CUP I43E17000230007)

Duration: 36 months (from 3 September 2018 to 30 September 2021)

Financing: LIFE17 CCA/IT/000080

The Partners: Città Metropolitana di Milano (Leader)
ALDA (European association for local democracy, France)
Ambiente Italia S.r.l. (Italy)
CAP Holding S.p.A. (Italy)
e-GEOS S.p.A. (Italy)
Legambiente Lombardia Onlus (Italy)

PROJECT ACTION Life METRO ADAPT



Simple and standardized tools and rules on resilient measures

Platform on NBS including guidelines, tech-specs and European best practices



Raise citizens awareness on the climate change issue

Two demonstrative NBS facilities Boost



knowledge exchange and good practice

in a network of European metropolitan cities

e-GEOS S.p.A

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80%

 **LEONARDO** 67%
THALES 33%

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20%

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Use of the Remote-sensing within the Project

Action C1 (e-GEOS)

- analyzing the phenomenon of **urban heat islands**
- analyzing the **relationship between temperature and drought in the agricultural areas** of the Metropolitan City of Milan

exploiting **satellite remote sensing technologies**

Satellite technology



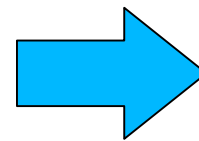
Synoptic vision of the territory



Information at **various scales** and **updates**



Integration of Satellite Analysis with other ground sources and data



optimization of available economic resources

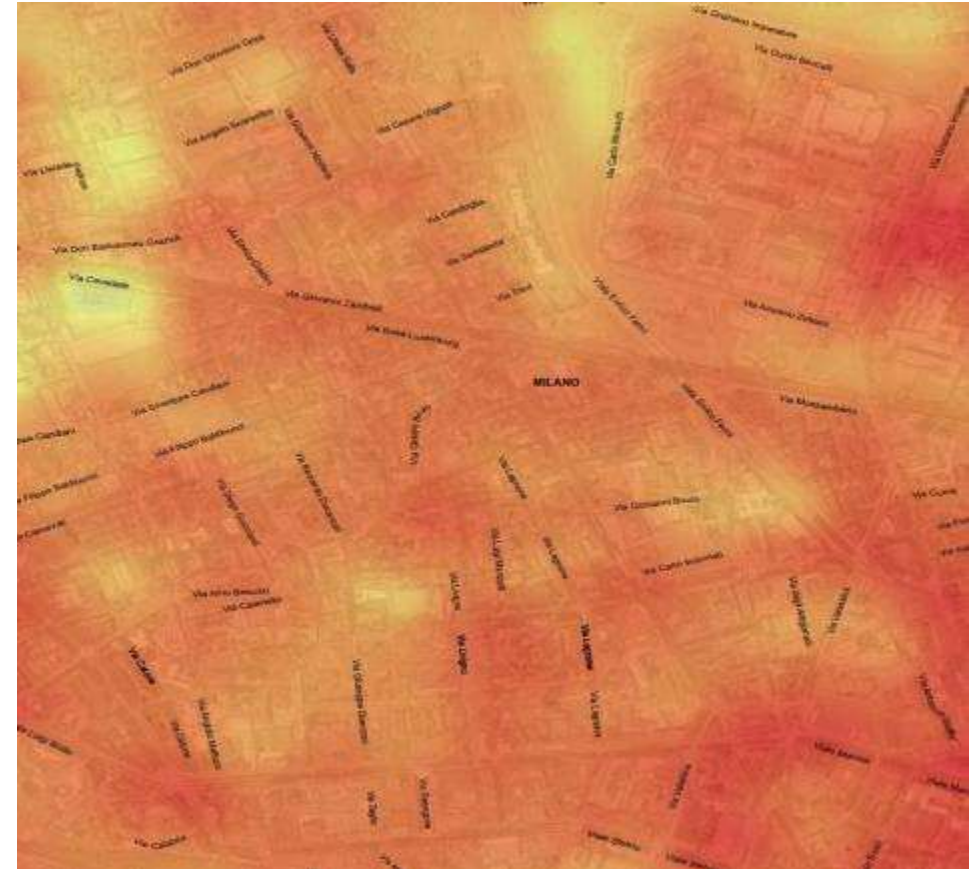
implementation of multi-objective and integrated actions

UHI Maps – Targets

HAZARD maps assessing the physical impact of Land Surface Temperatures (LST) in the urban structure

The urban context:

- High building density causes a **reduced «Sky View Factor»** that retains heat in the urban structure.
- **High minimum night temperatures** carry a **great health risk for some** segments of the population



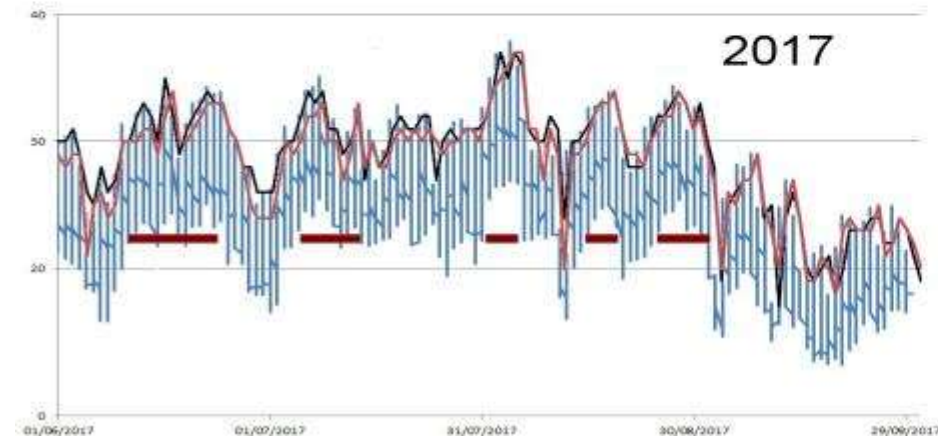
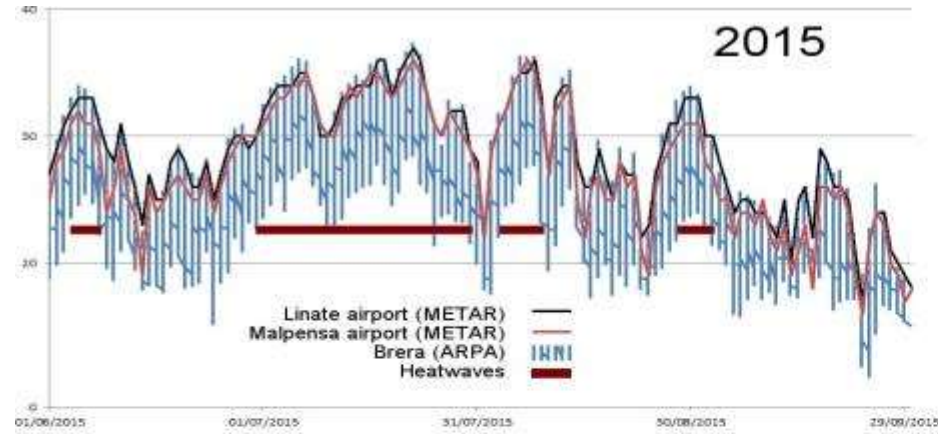
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STEP 1: Identification of recent Urban Heat Waves



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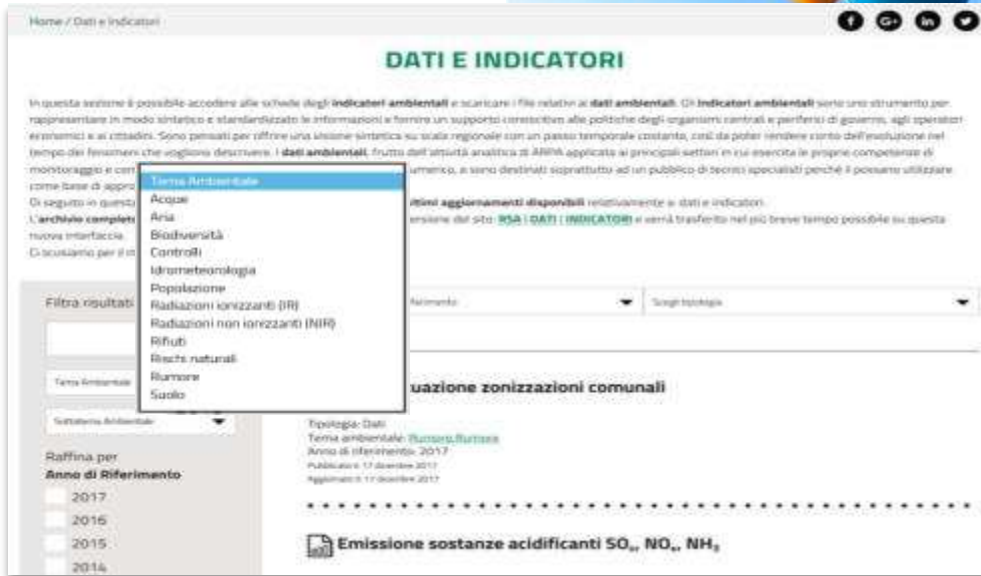


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ARPA Lombardia

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REQUEST FOR MEASURED DATA



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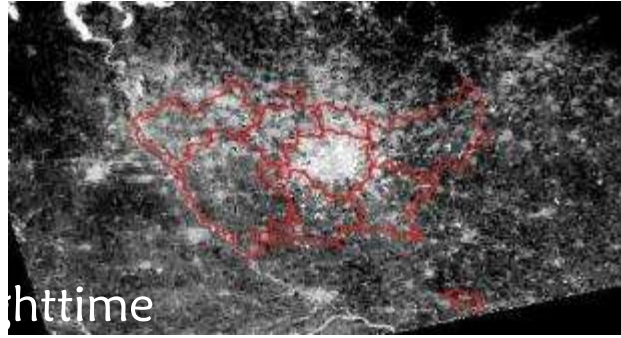
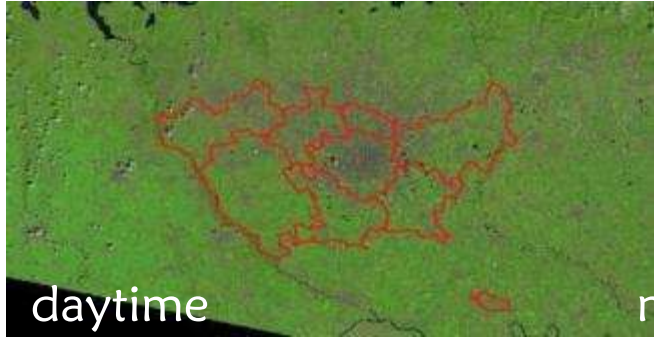
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STEP 2:

Input data analysis: Satellite sensors and data selection

Landsat 8



Landsat 8 is an American earth observation satellite

Temporal resolution: 16 days

Spatial resolution:
Spatial resolution: 30 m in VIS and NIR (OLI sensor)
and 100 m TIR (TIRS sensor).

Both satellites data can be obscured by clouds.

MODIS



MODIS is a spectro-radiometer aboard the TERRA and AQUA satellites. AQUA acquisition are the one used for UHI.

Available daily, both day and night.

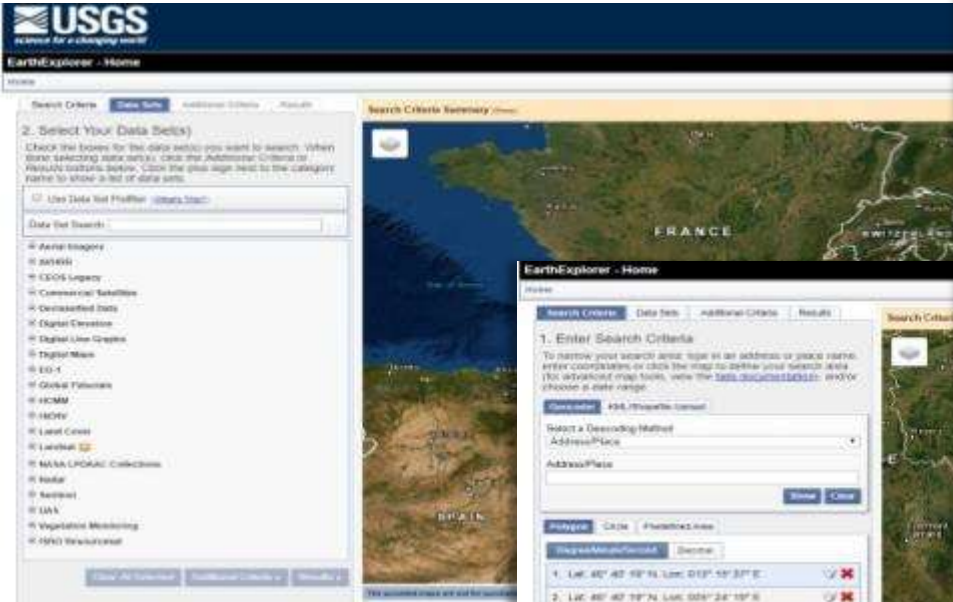
Spatial resolution of night surface temperature (LST) : 1 km

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USGS – Earth Explorer

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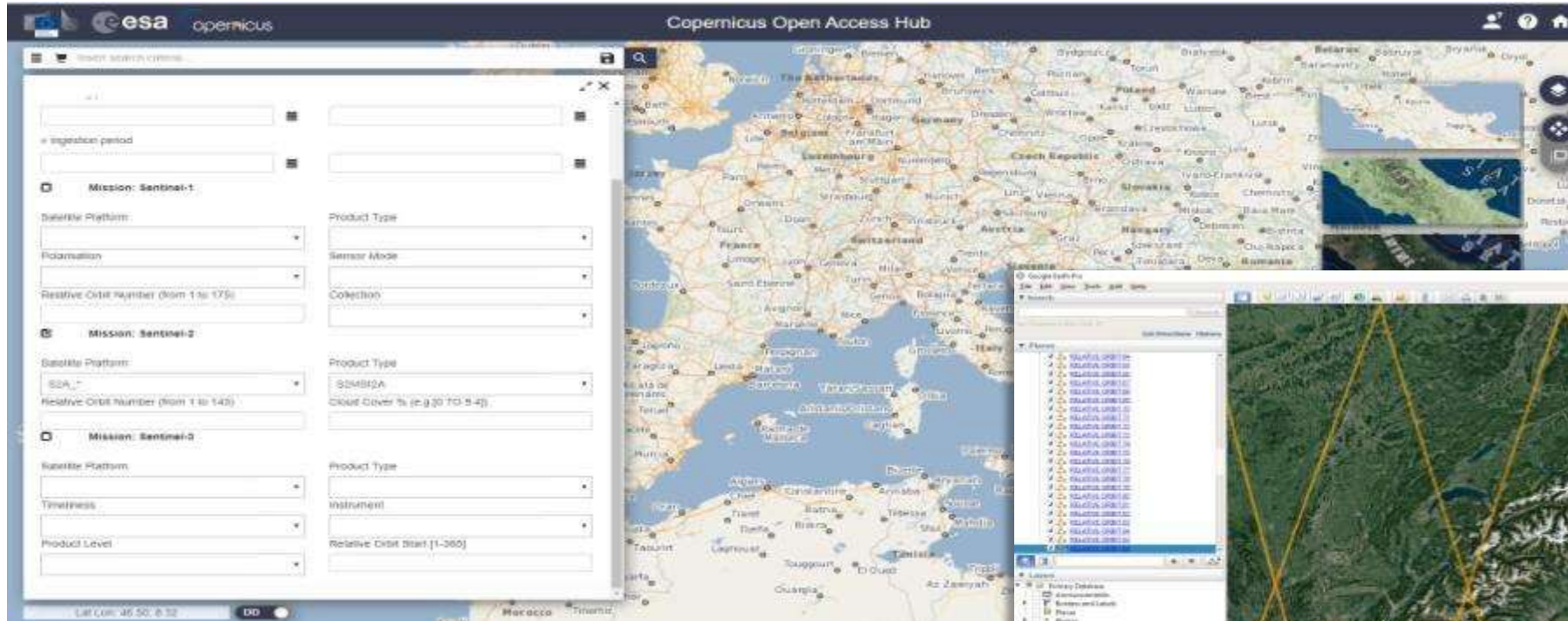
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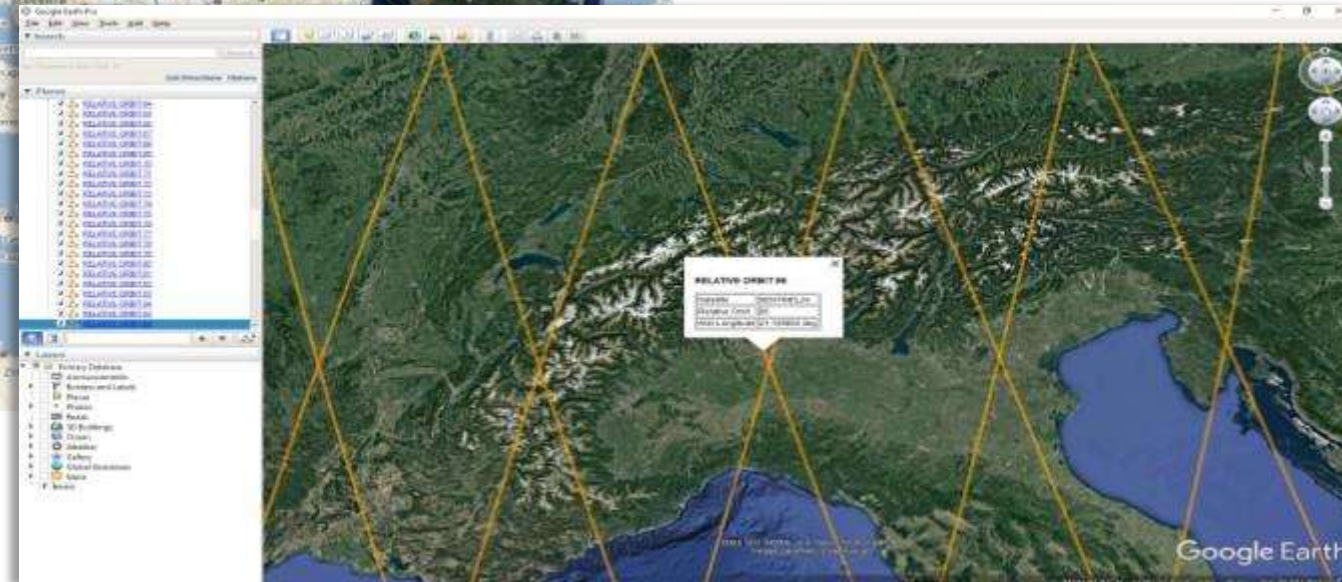
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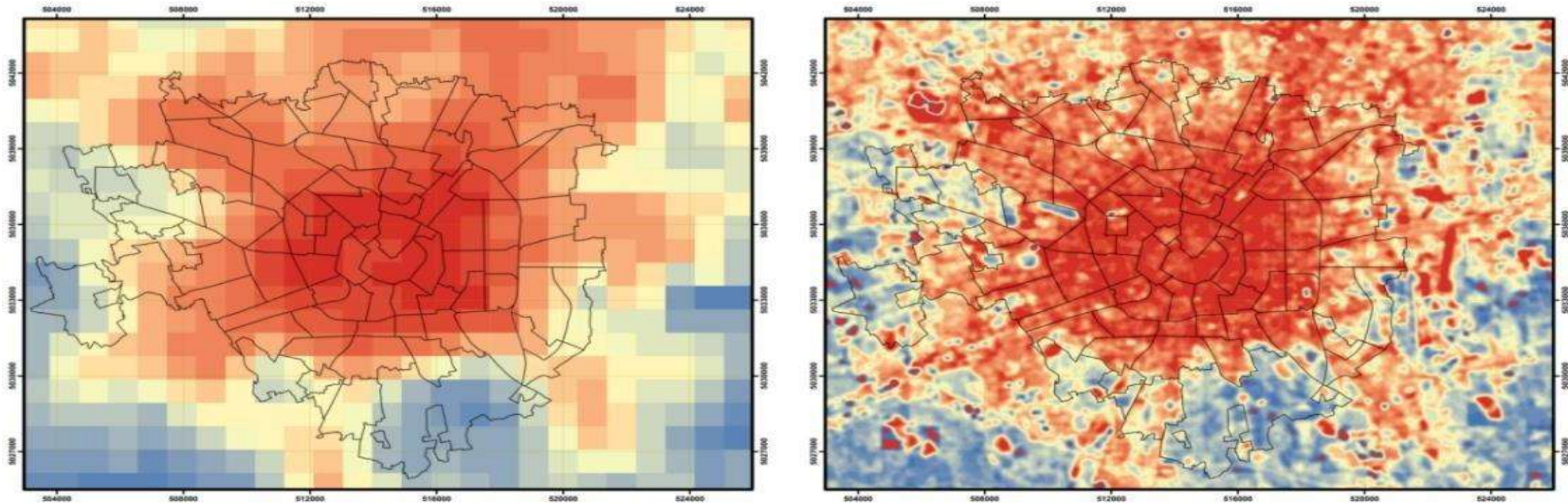
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STEP 3: UHI Maps generation - LST product rescaling



An example of the product obtained. The MODIS LST at 1 km is shown on the left and the product of downscaling to 100 m spatial resolution (but on a 30m grid) is shown on the right.



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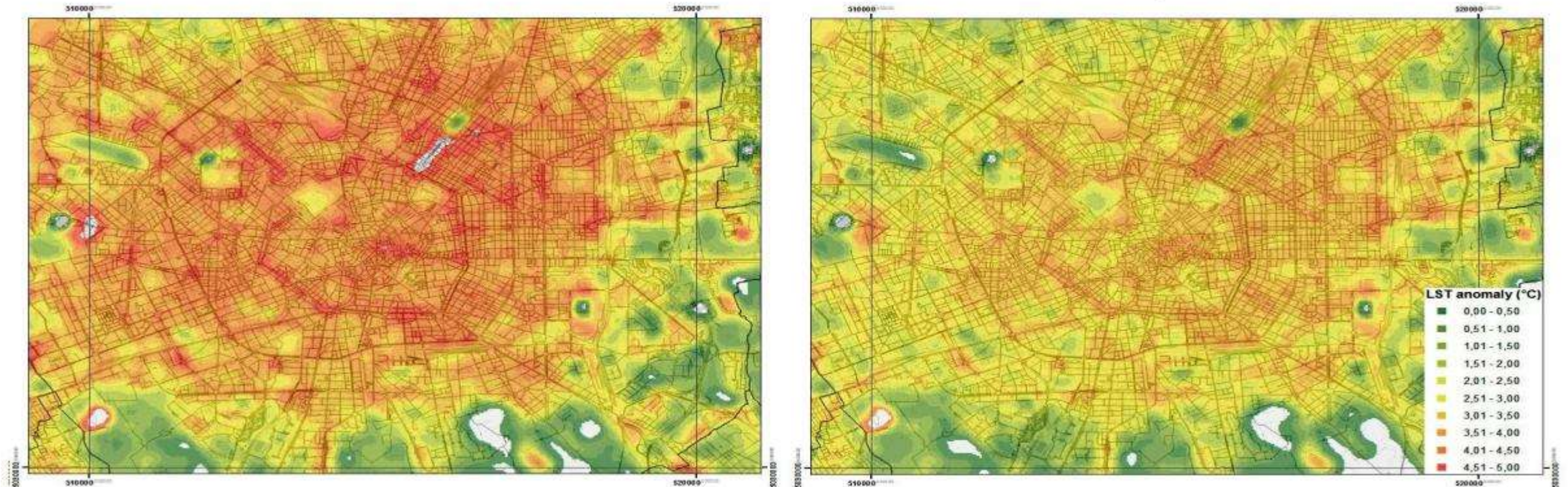


STEP 3:

UHI Maps generation - Terra VS Aqua

An example of the comparison between the averages of the ground thermal anomaly data in **Milan** relative to the **evening (TERRA)** and **night (AQUA)** acquisitions.

Milano - Land Surface Temperature anomaly



Terra MODIS (20:00 - 23:00)

Aqua MODIS (1:00 - 3:00)



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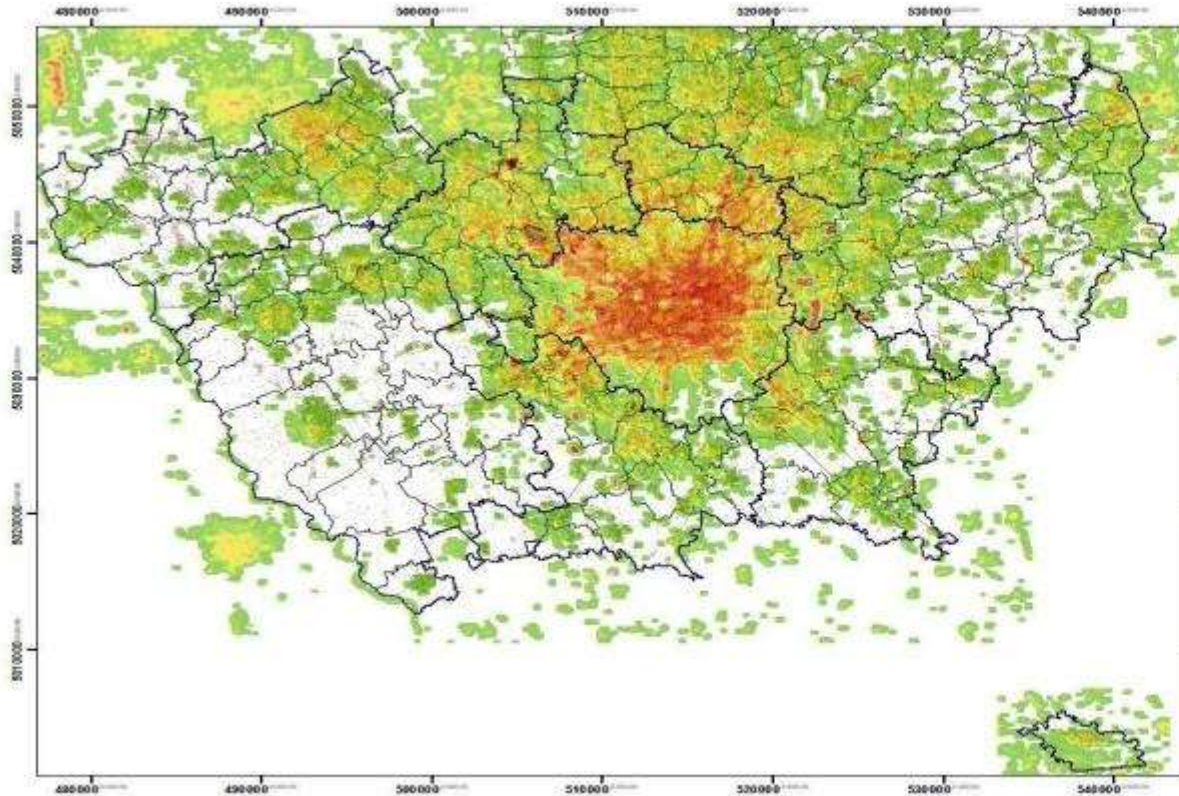
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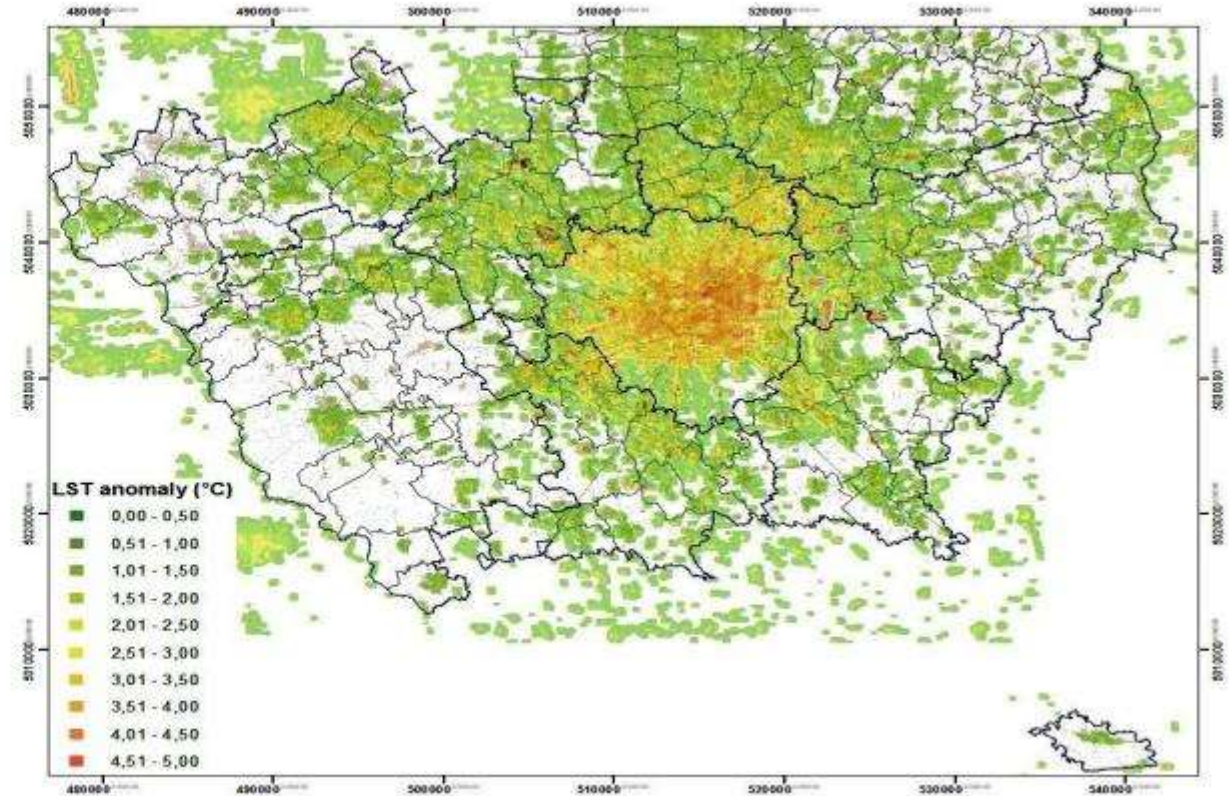
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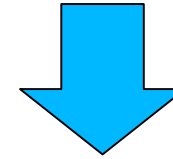
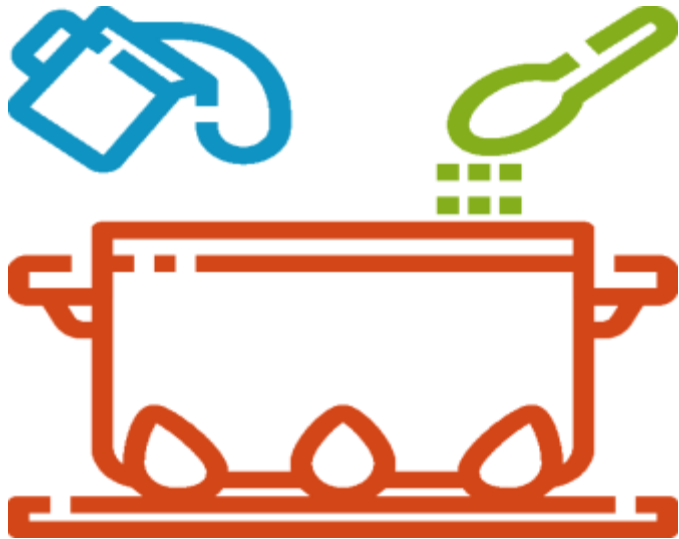
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STEP 4: Population Risk Assessment at UHI

- Analysis of night temperatures during the urban. This information represents the **HAZARD**.
- **VULNERABILITY INDEX** derived and normalized by ISTAT data (2011 census, published 2017): population over 70 and under 10 are categories at risk



RISK INDEX OF THE POPULATION SENSITIVE TO
TEMPERATURE ANOMALIES



*Refined analysis can be done considering
ECONOMIC SITUATION.*

STEP 4: How to Vulnerability Index – Input Data from CMM

Topographic Data Base

Developed on INSPIRE specifications, complete coverage of the territory, 14 cm accuracy, 3D of the territory and buildings. 2017 Edition.



Thematic Maps

- Land cover map with data Corine Land Cover III level
- Soil sealing Map



Territorial Index

At the municipal level, homogeneous areas, census sections, isolated

- Morphological
- Socioeconomic

STEP 4: How to Origin and Type of Data

DECIMETRO: Data Base Topografico CMM and derivate Maps

<http://www.cittametropolitana.mi.it/DeCiMetro/DBT/index.html>

DECIMETRO -> DBT -> DATABASE TOPOGRAFICO (D.B.T.)

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DATABASE TOPOGRAFICO (D.B.T.)

Elenco servizi disponibili:

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| Intero territorio di Città Metropolitana di Milano (con sbordo grafico) | | | | | |
| Comuni | | | | | |
| Comuni (con sbordo grafico) | | | | | |

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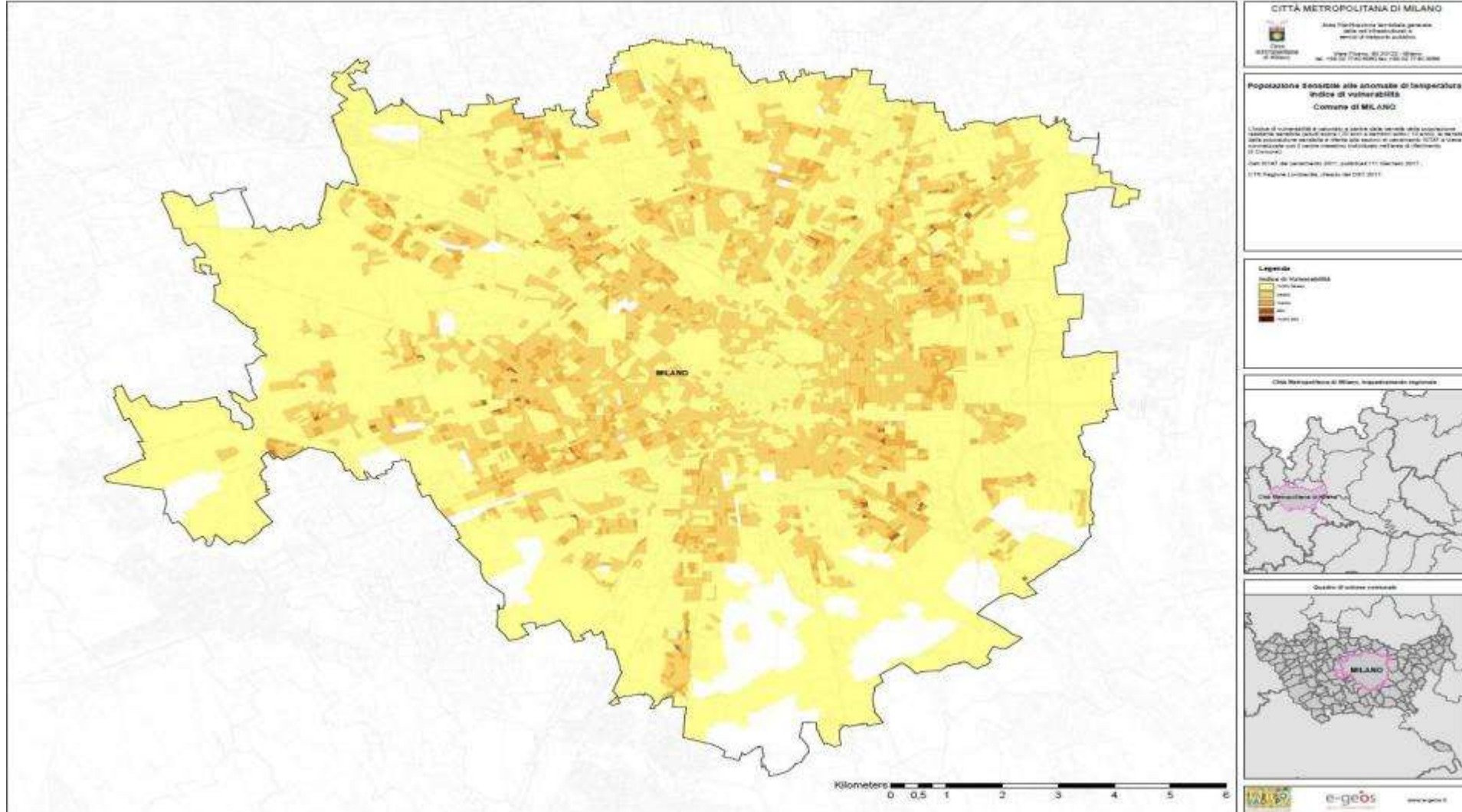
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STEP 4: second ingredient Vulnerability Index – Sensible population



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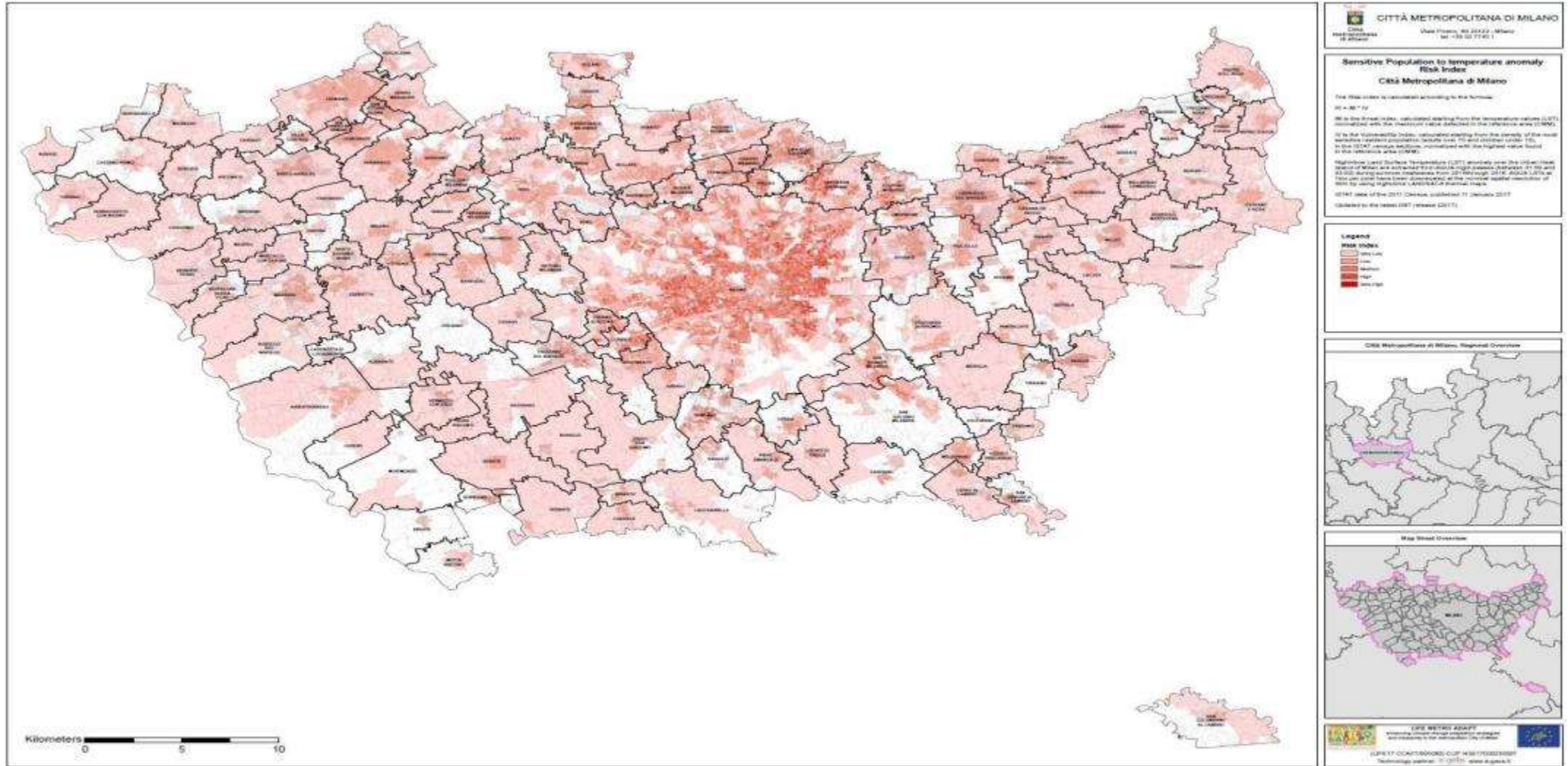
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STEP 4: the result

Risk Index - Città Metropolitana di Milano



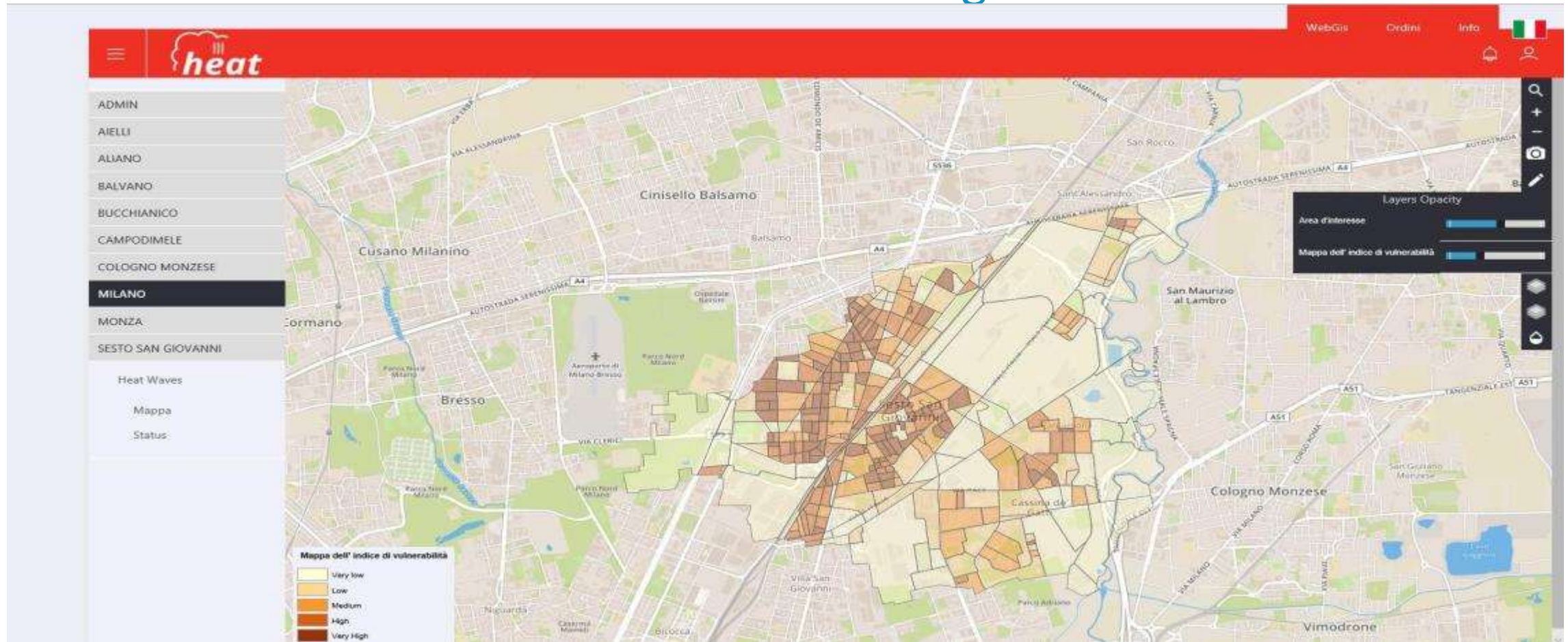
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APPs-EO – framework for requesting services based on remote sensing



Example of the [Service Platform](#) screen available from the [e-GEOS website](#) for the provision of Urban Heat Island Maps and Vulnerability Map



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APPs-EO – framework for requesting services based on remote sensing

The screenshot displays the 'e-Geos APPSEO' web application interface. The browser address bar shows the URL 'appseo.neats.it/#/status/sesto%20san%20giovanni/isole'. The application header is red with the 'heat' logo and navigation links for 'WebGIS', 'Ordini', and 'Info'. A left sidebar lists various municipalities, with 'MILANO' selected. The main content area is titled 'Service AOI: SESTO SAN GIOVANNI' and features a 'Isole di Calore' section with a green checkmark and the word 'DISPONIBILE'. Below this, a descriptive paragraph explains the heat island phenomenon and the data sources used. A table lists four services, each with a green checkmark and the status 'DISPONIBILE':

| Service | Status |
|---|-------------|
| Area d'interesse | DISPONIBILE |
| Mappa dell'indice di rischio | DISPONIBILE |
| Mappa dell'indice di vulnerabilità | DISPONIBILE |
| Mappa delle anomalie di temperatura superficiale [°C] | DISPONIBILE |

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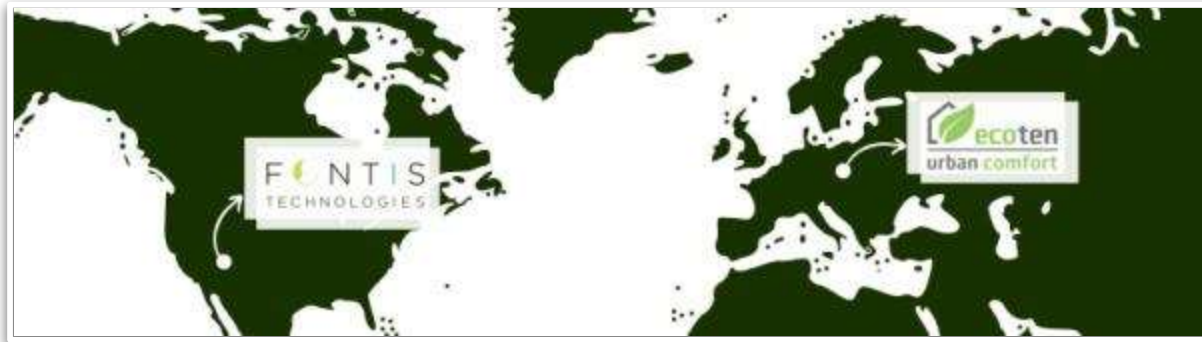
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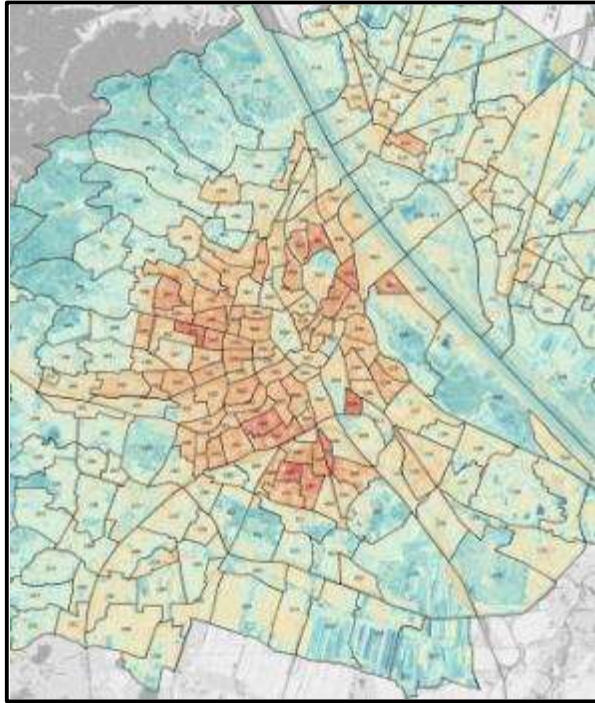
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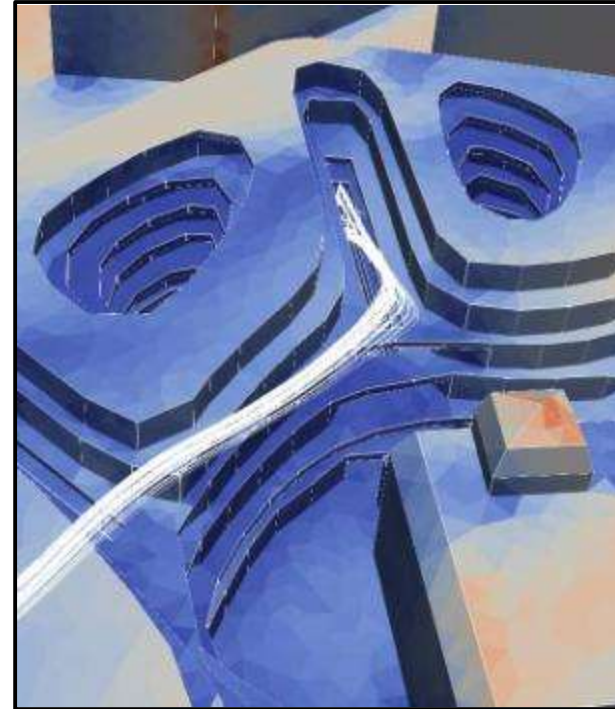
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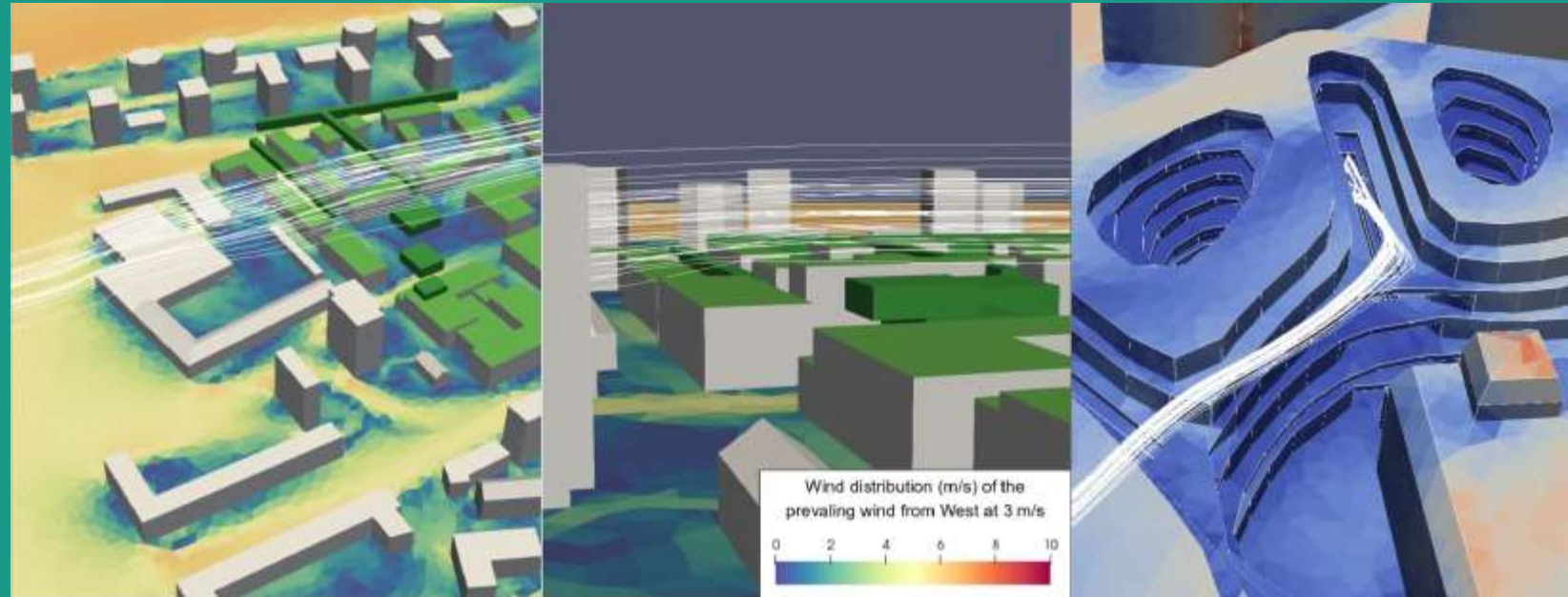


**Urban Heat Vulnerability
Mapping & Assessment**



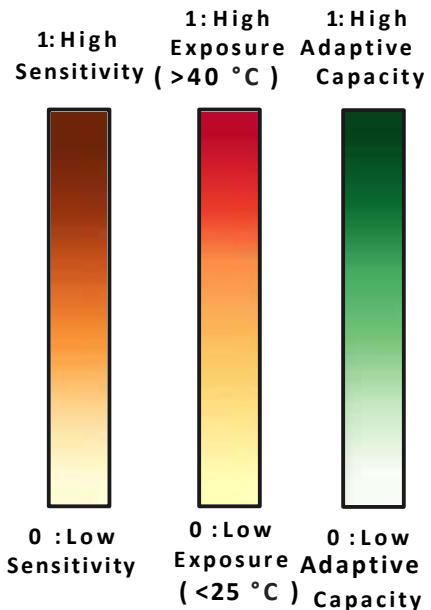
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URBAN HEATVULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT



Urban Heat Vulnerability Assessment

Identifying critical hotspots



Surface Temperatures (During Summer / Heat Day)



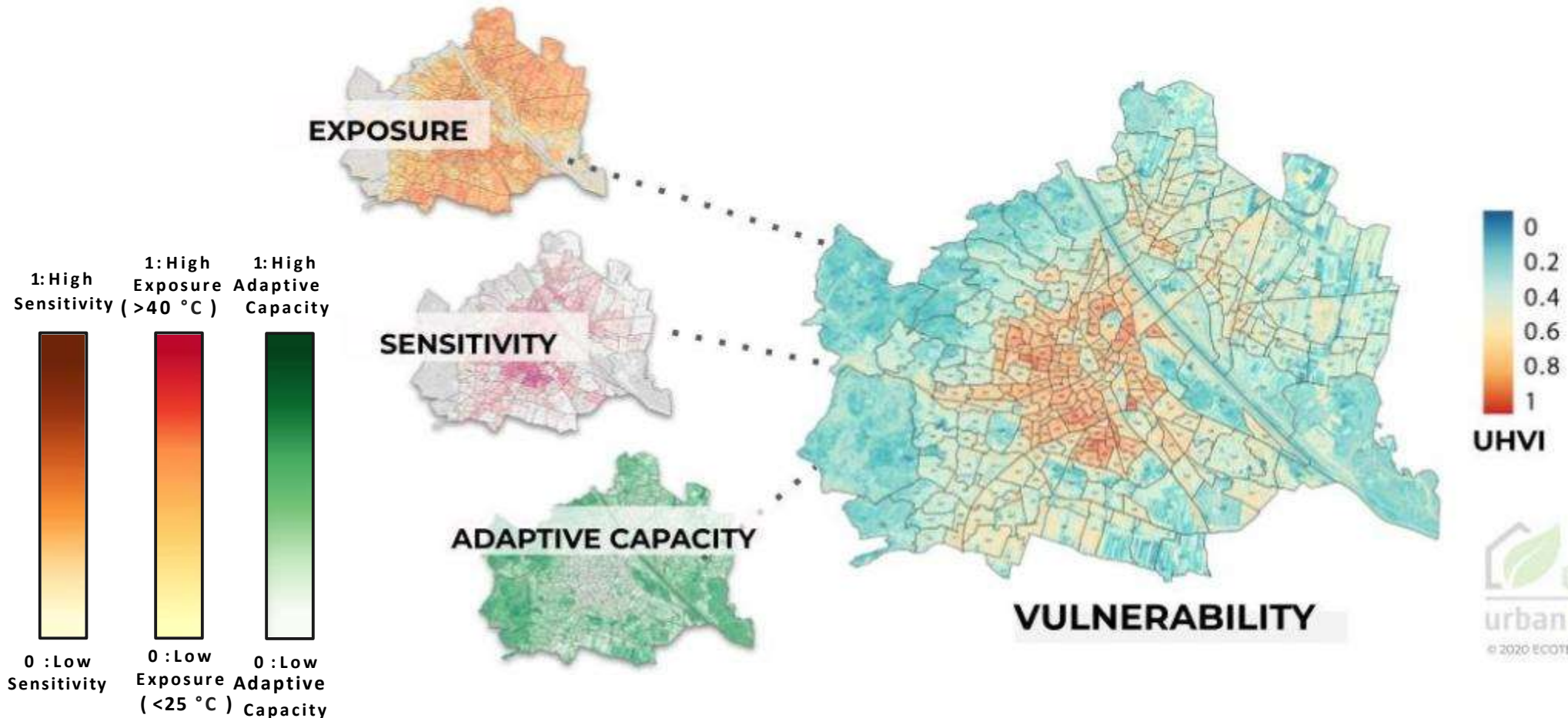
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Adaptation to Extreme Heat (Greenery & Water Bodies)

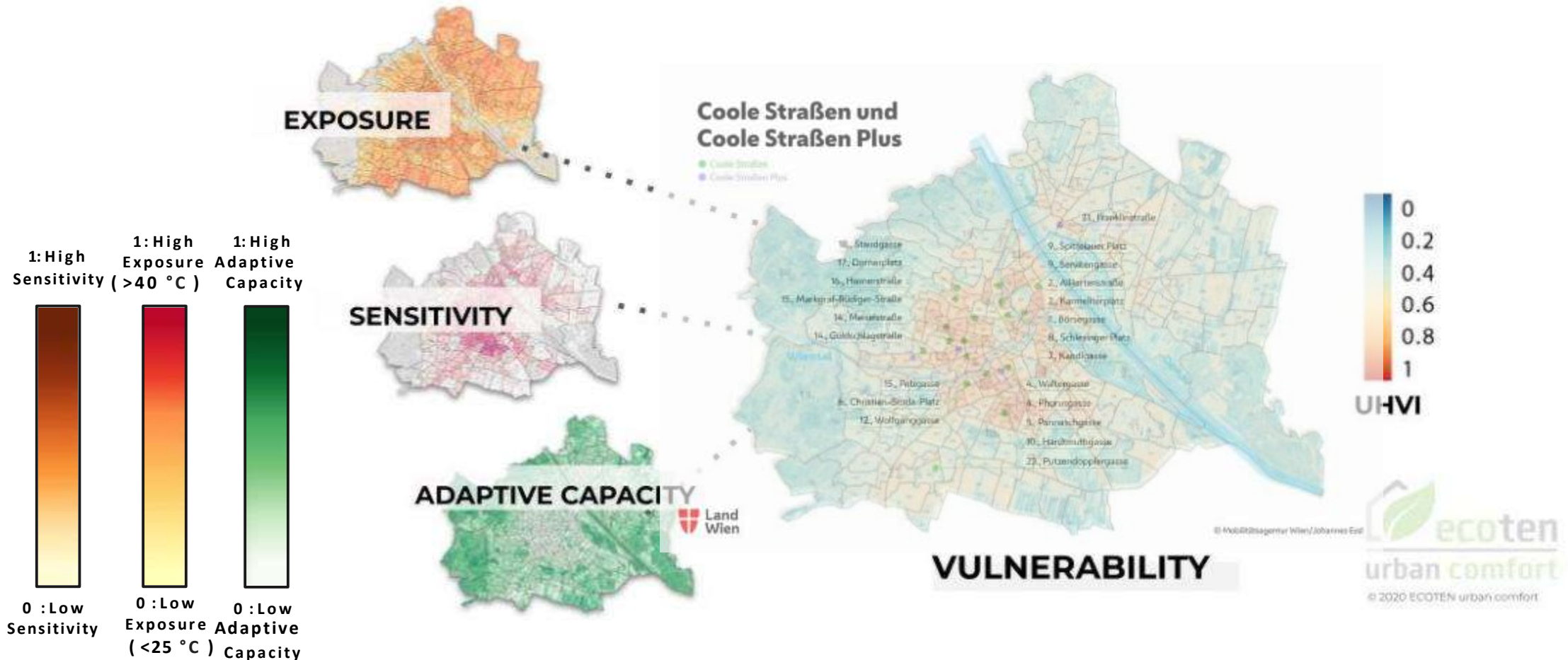
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EXPOSURE



ECOTEN's Vulnerability Map can be used to highlight areas where people are most vulnerable to heat, and it can inform government's plans to protect people's health more effectively.

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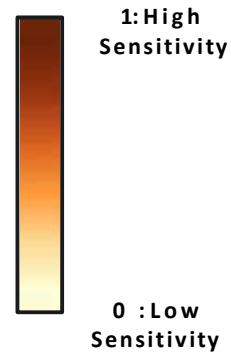
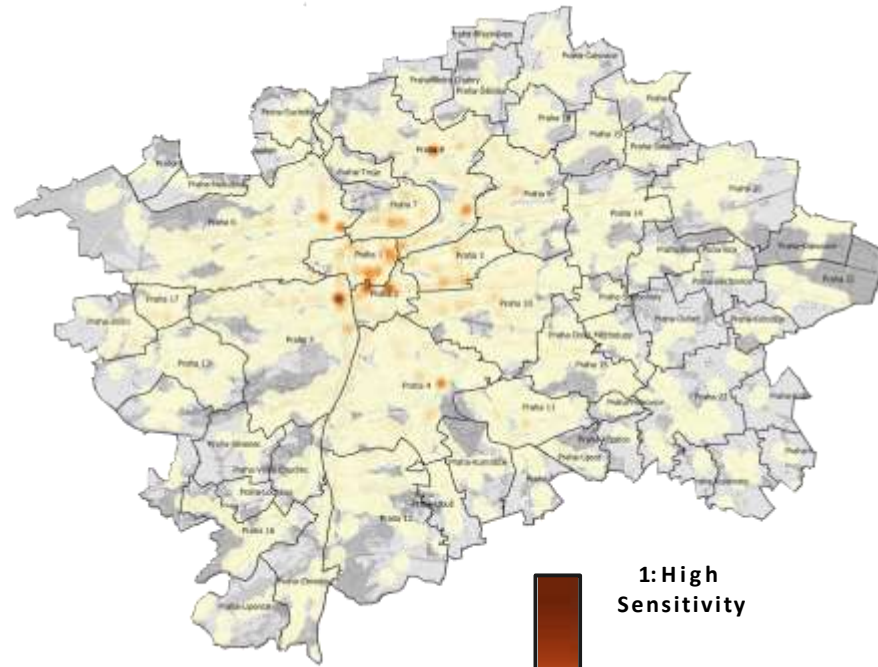
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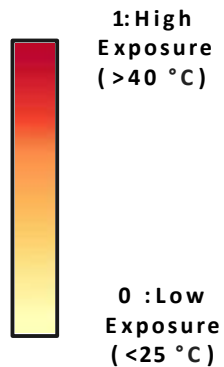
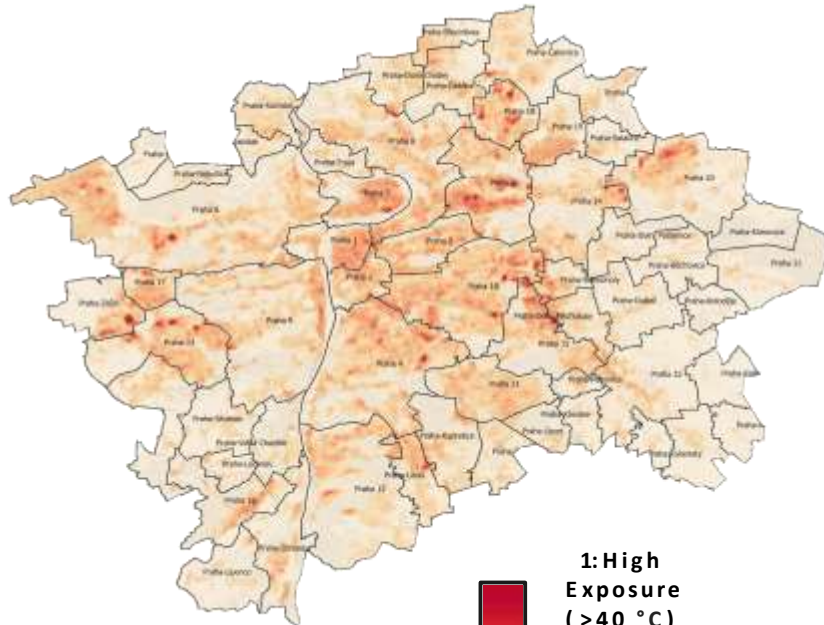


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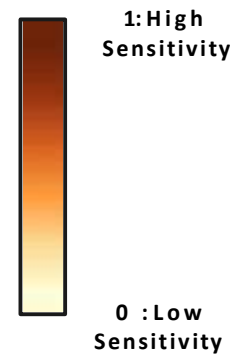
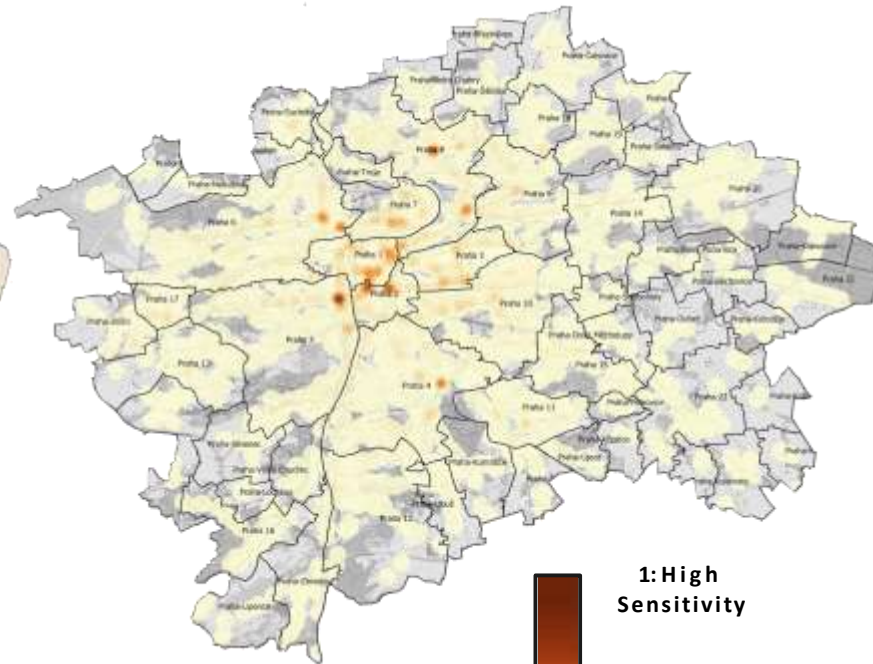
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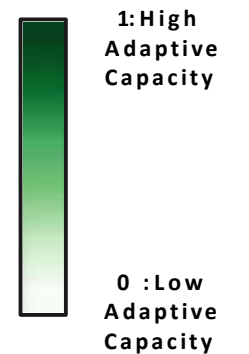
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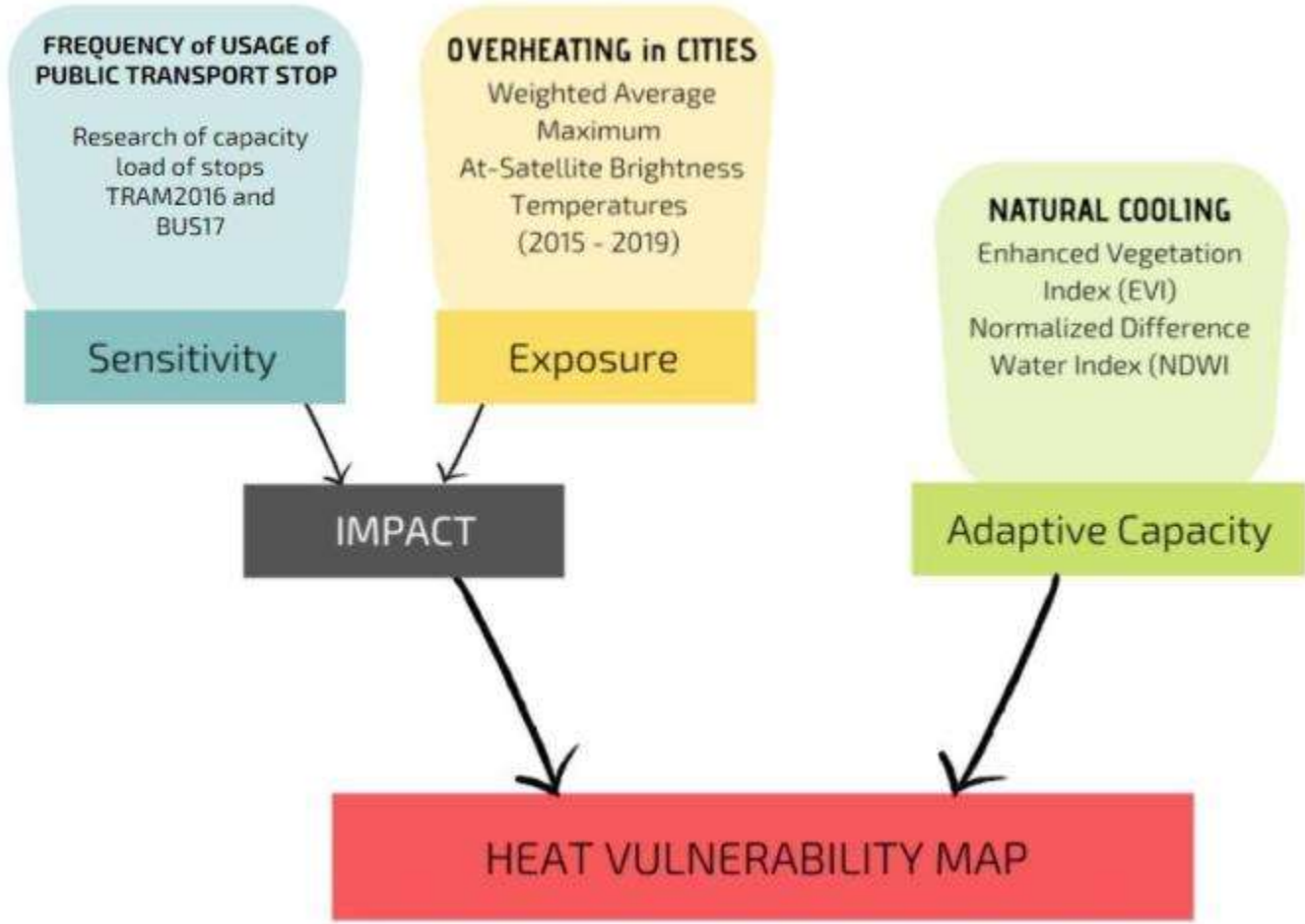
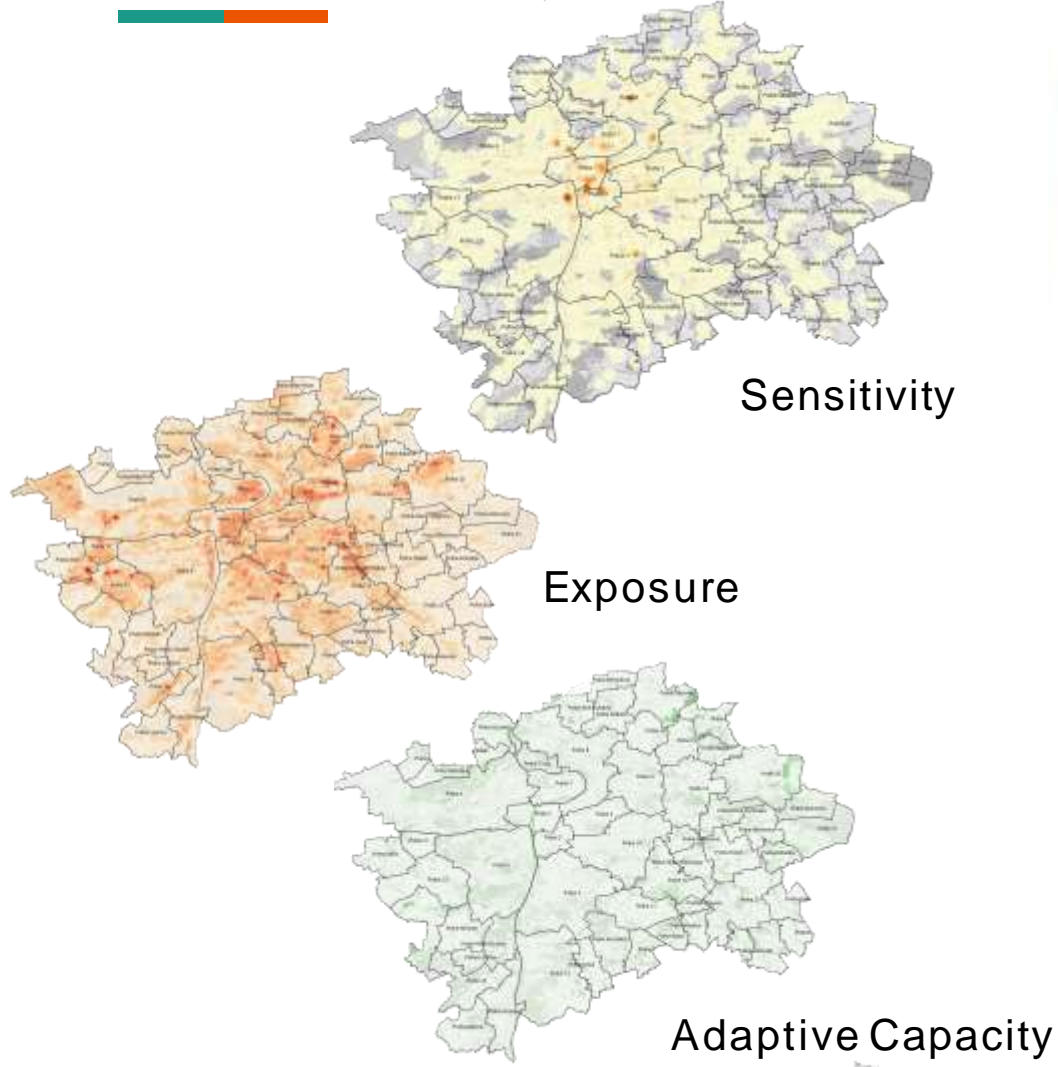
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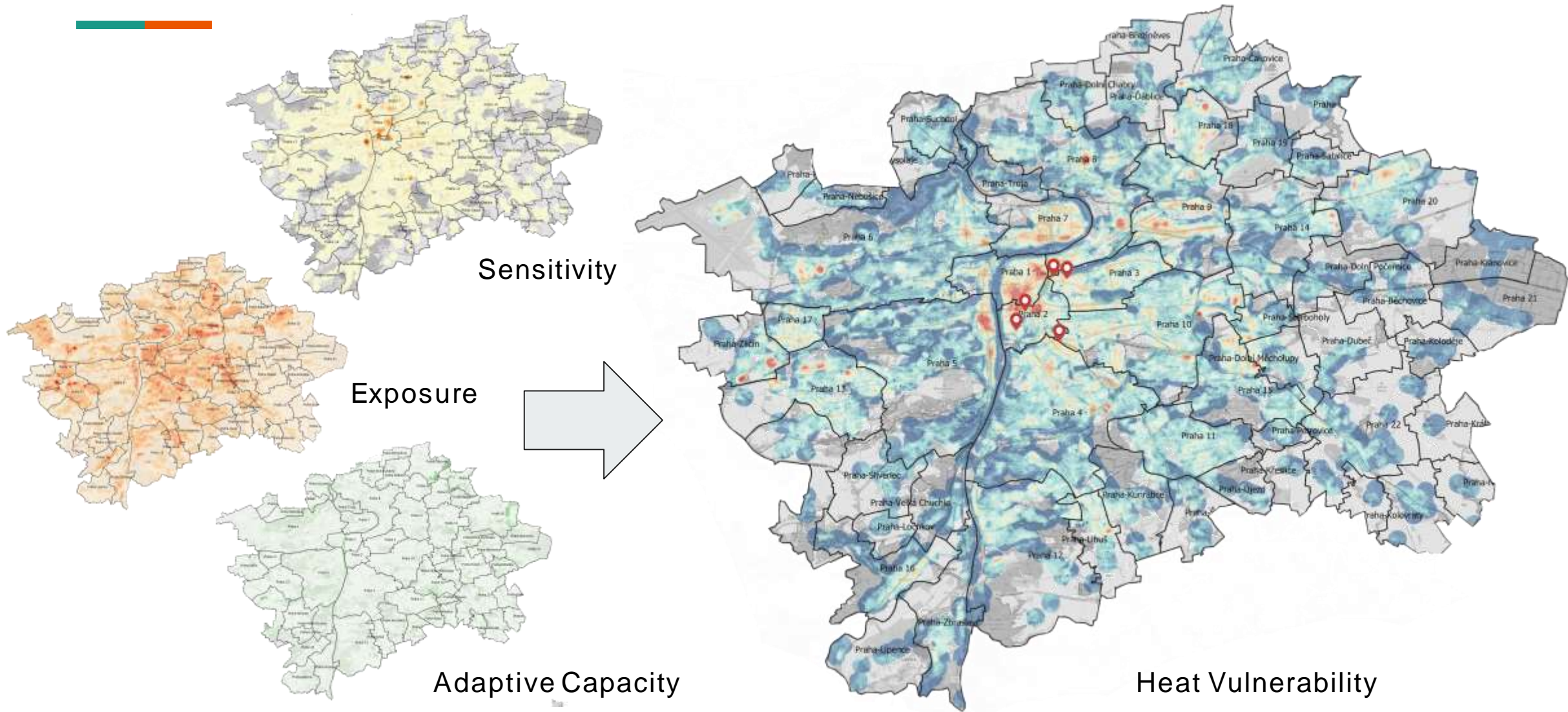
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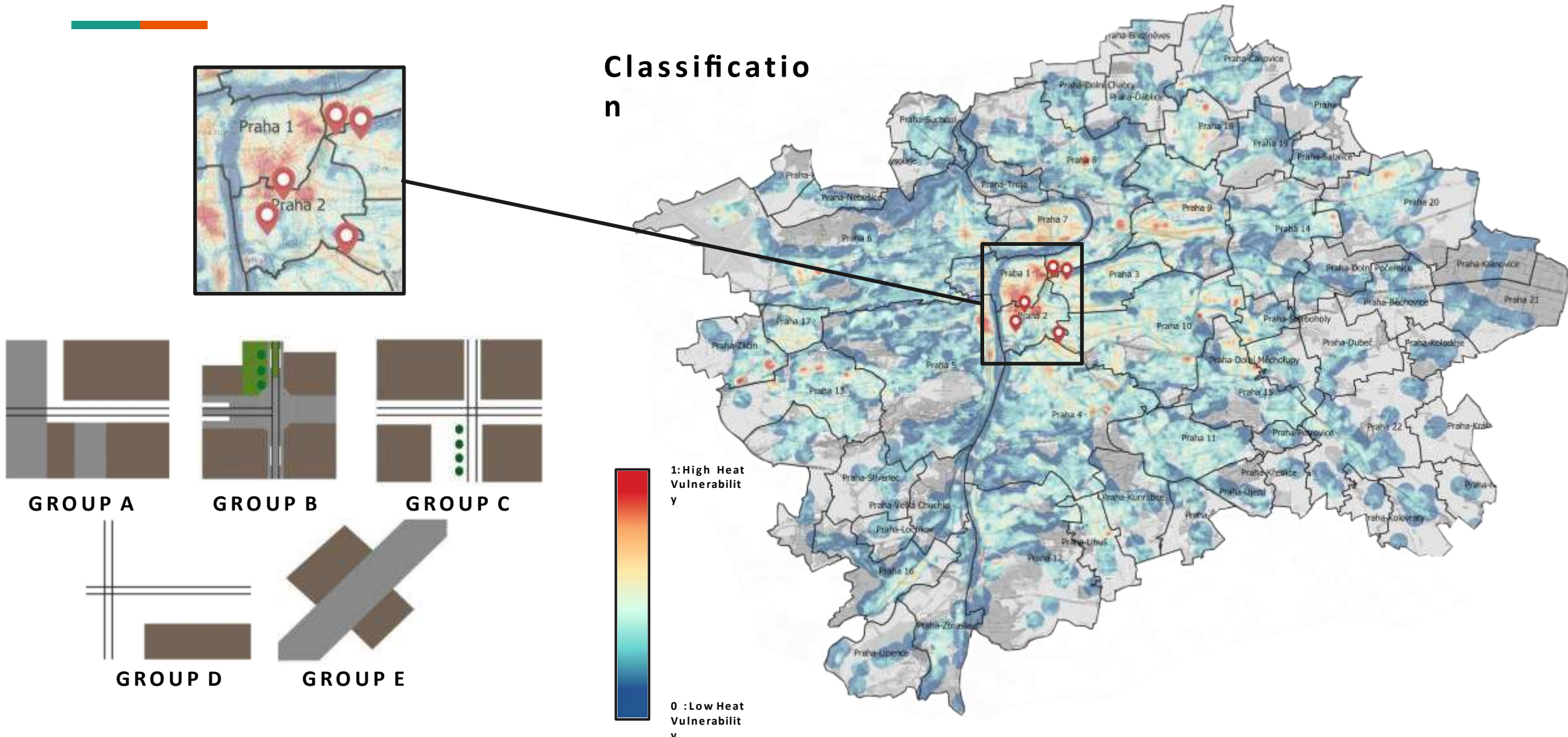


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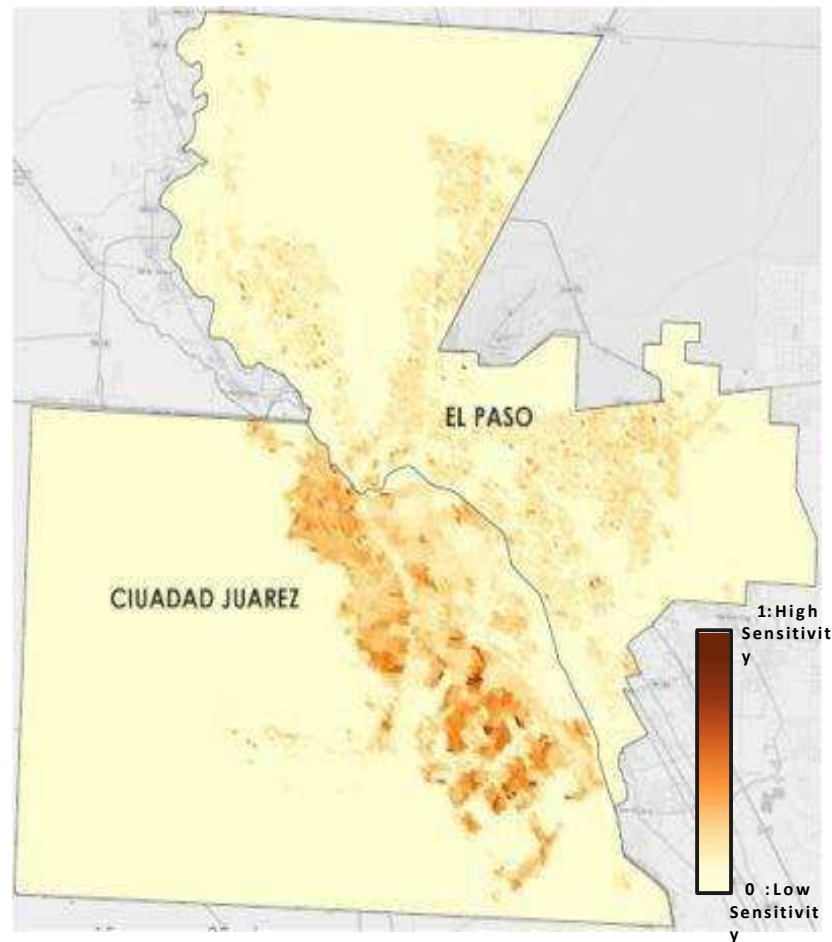
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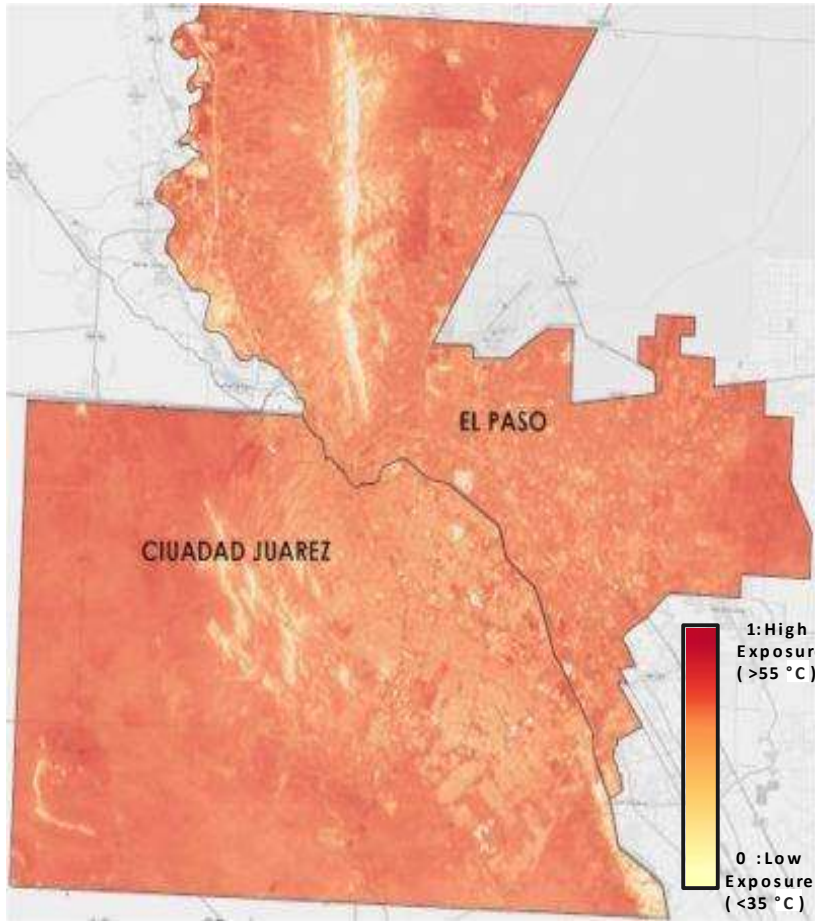
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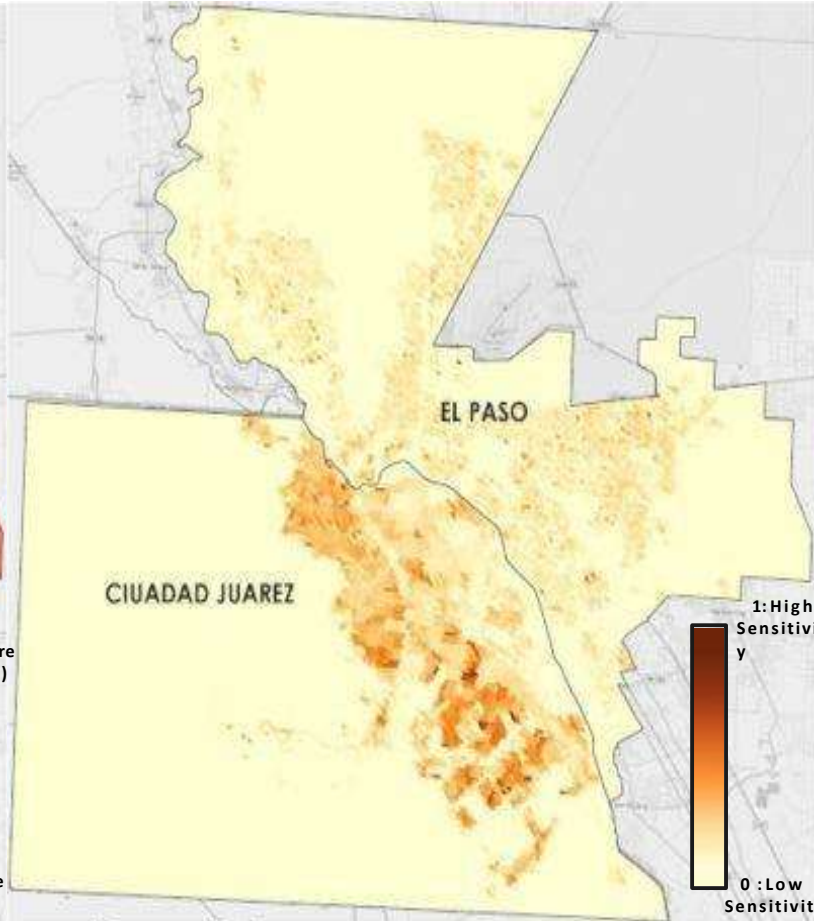
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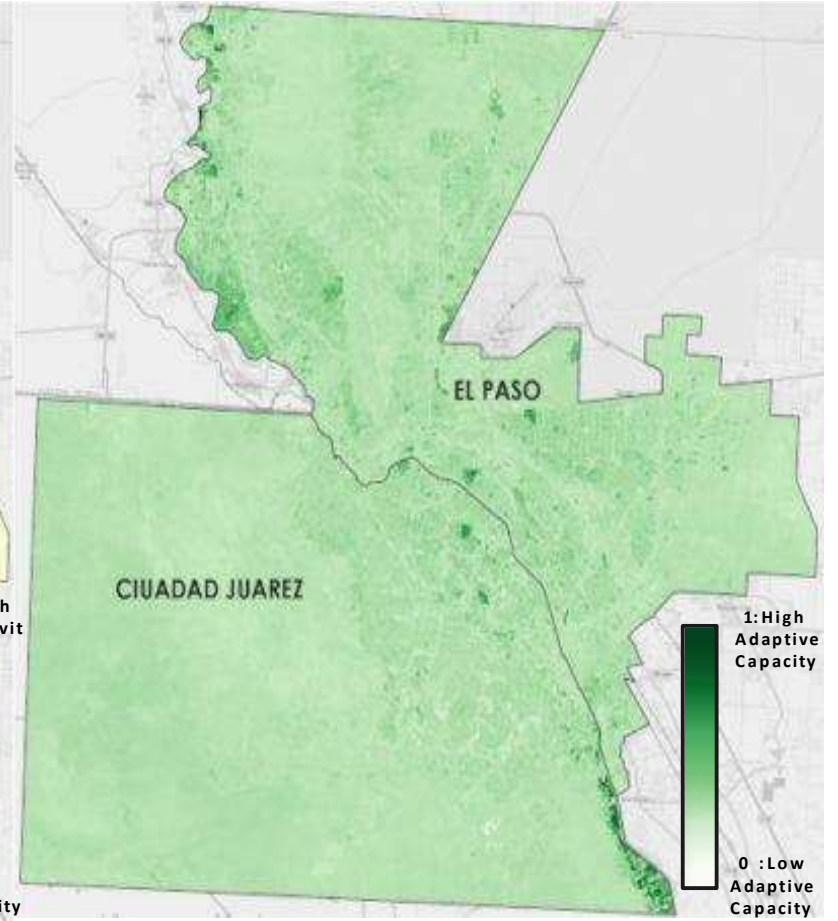
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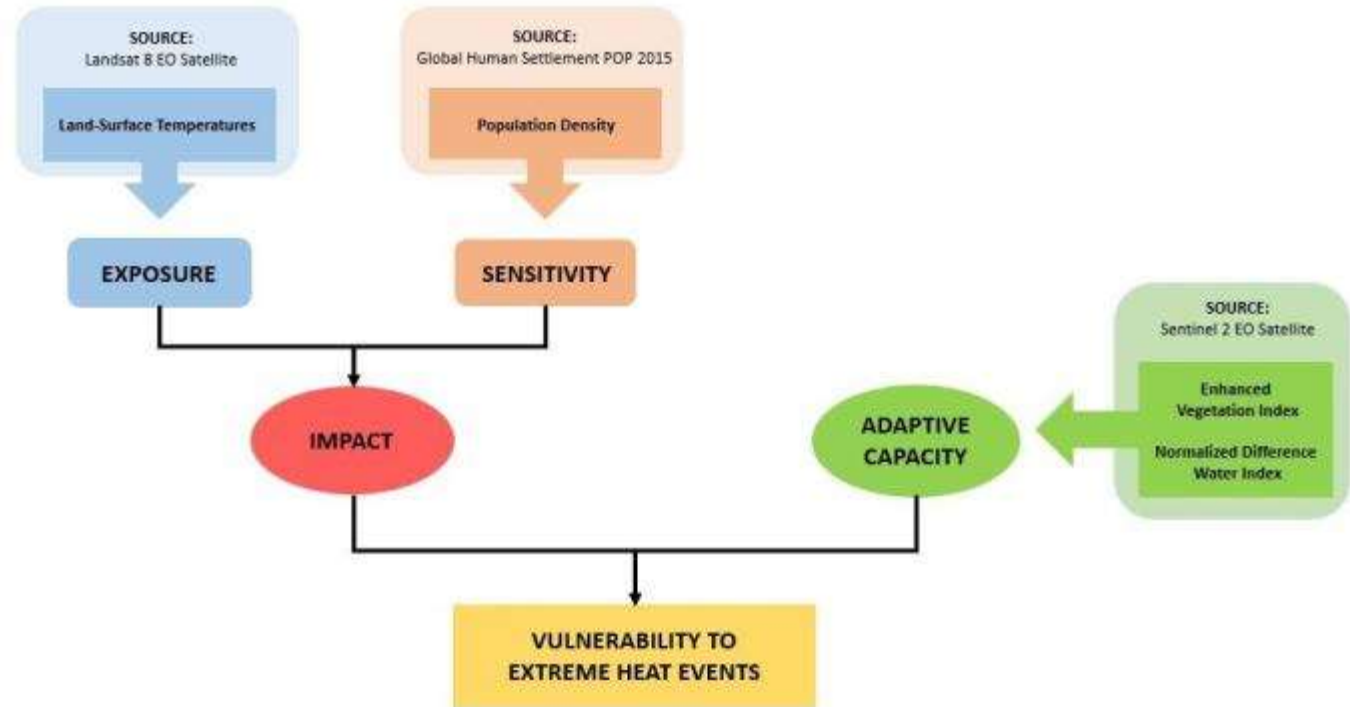
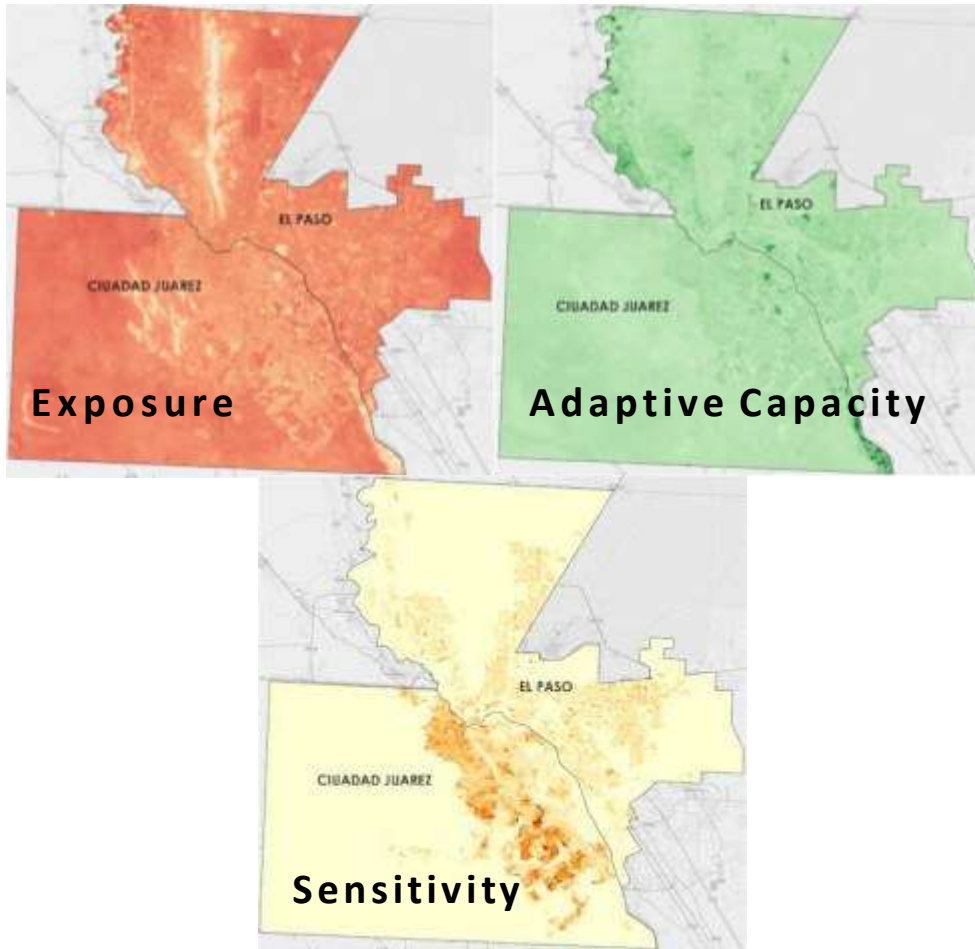
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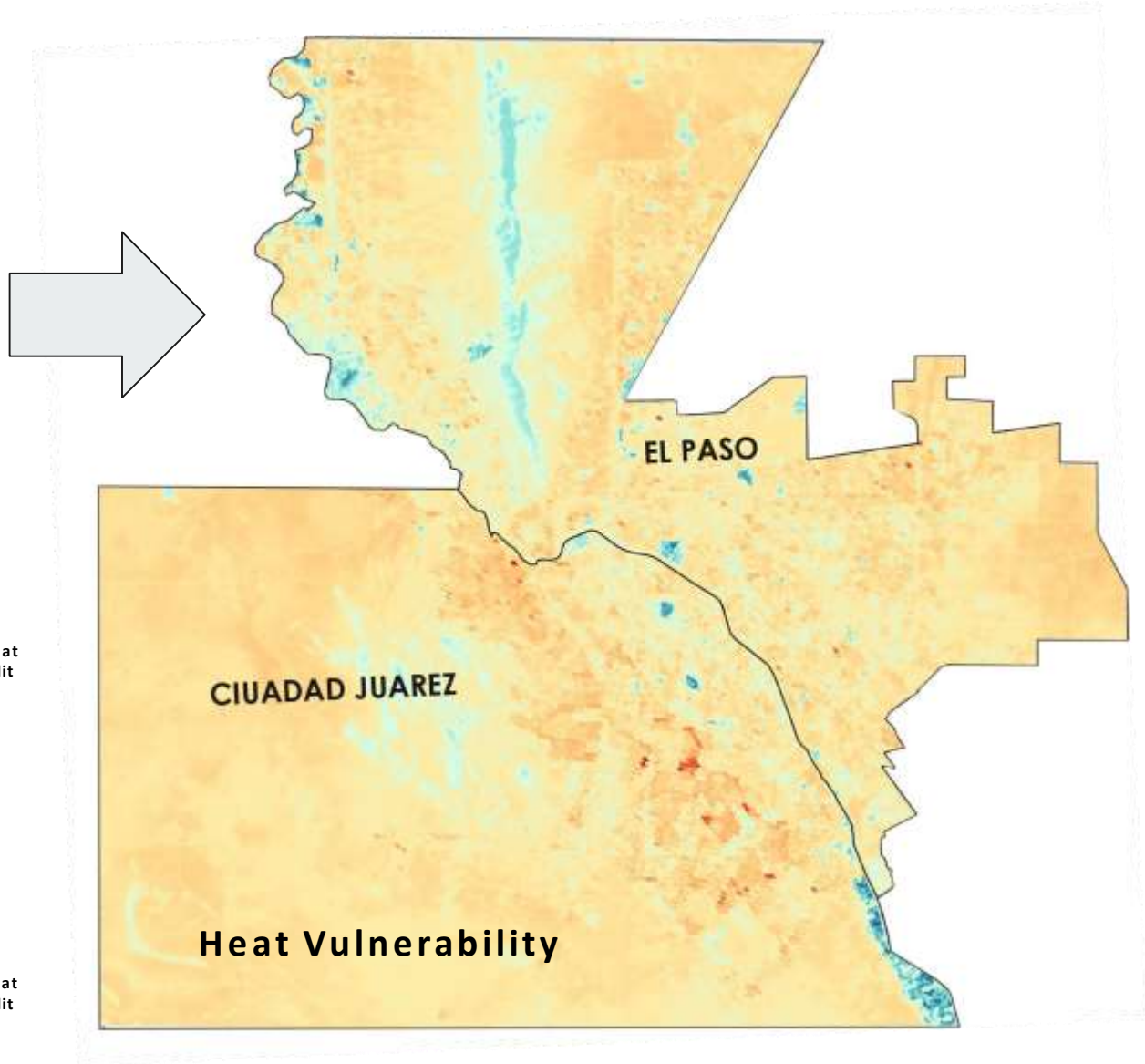
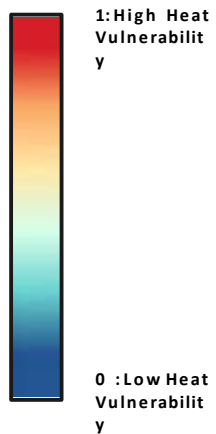
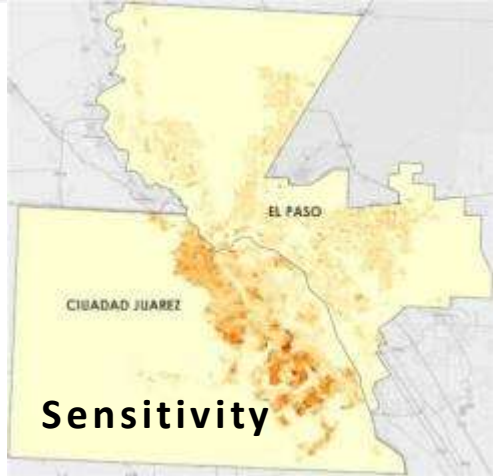
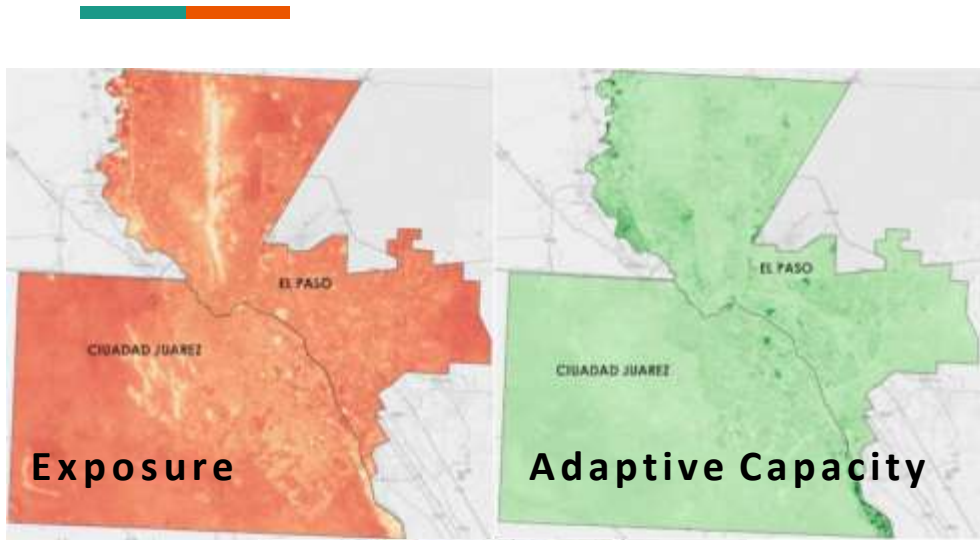
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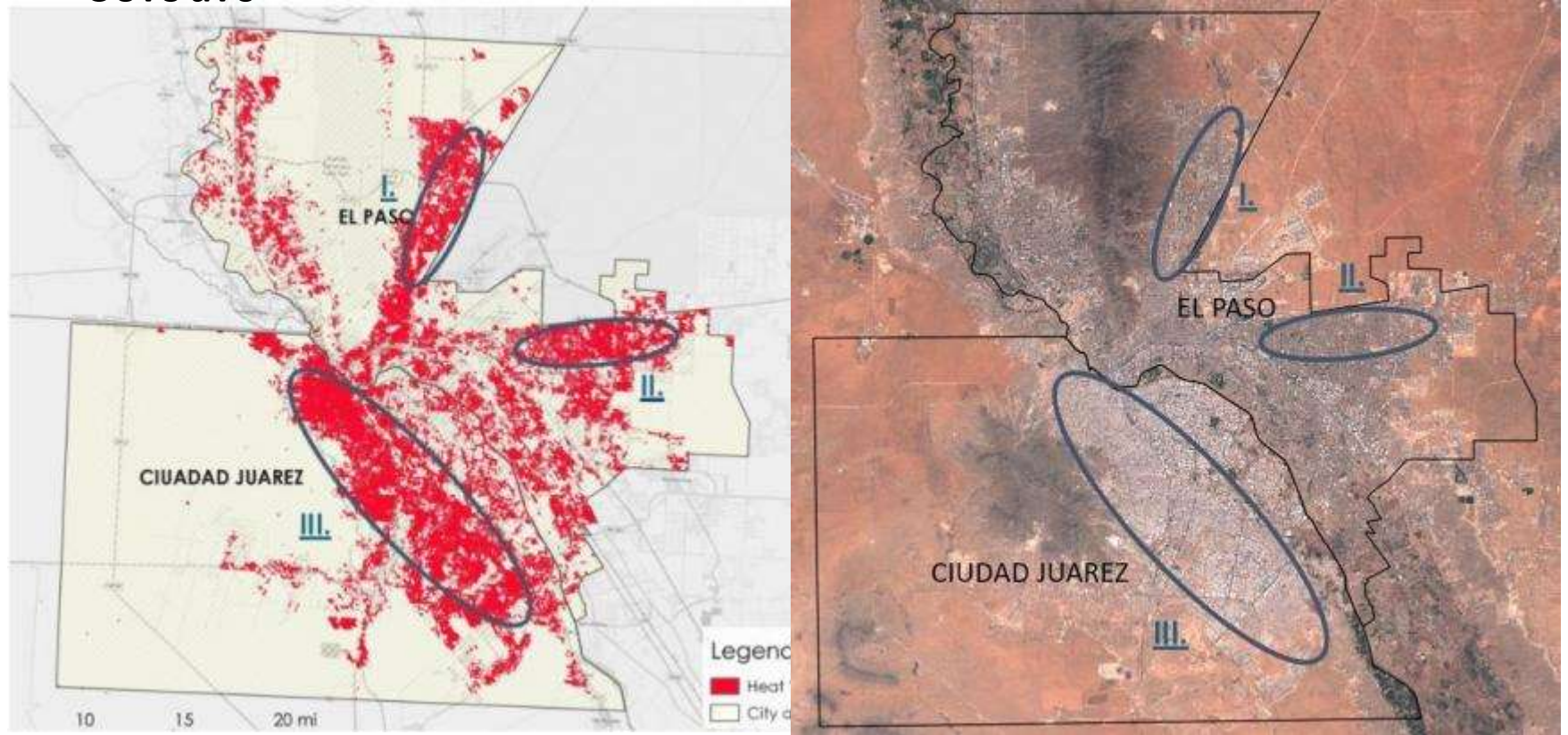
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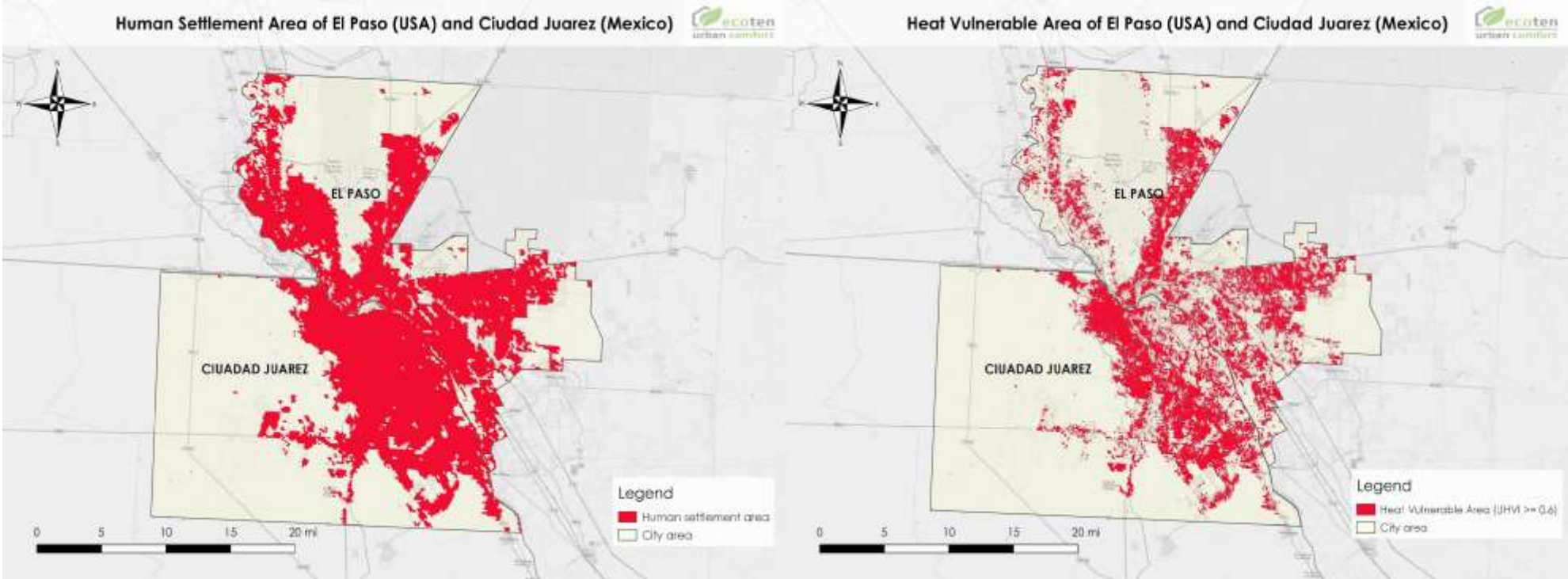


Density of Heat Vulnerable Areas and Building Roof Colours



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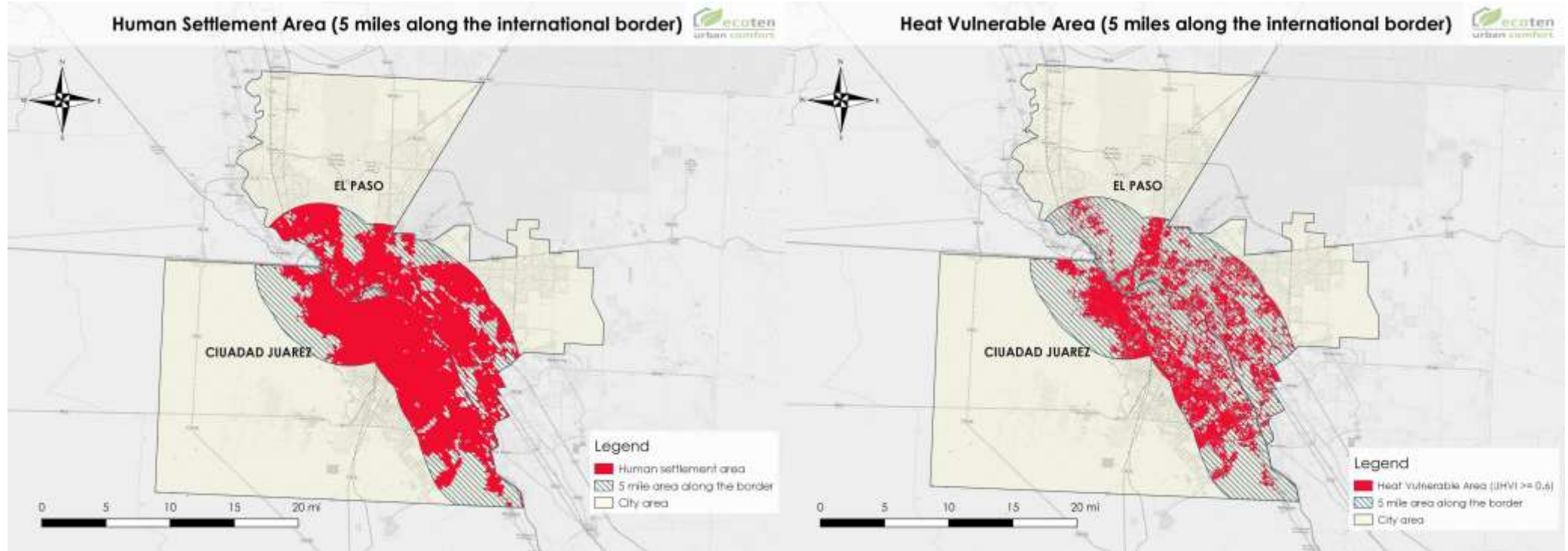
Overall Urban Heat



| | Total area, km2 | Heat vulnerable area, km2 | UHVI |
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Urban Heat Vulnerability along 5 Miles of the International



| | Total area, km2 | Heat vulnerable area, km2 | UHVI |
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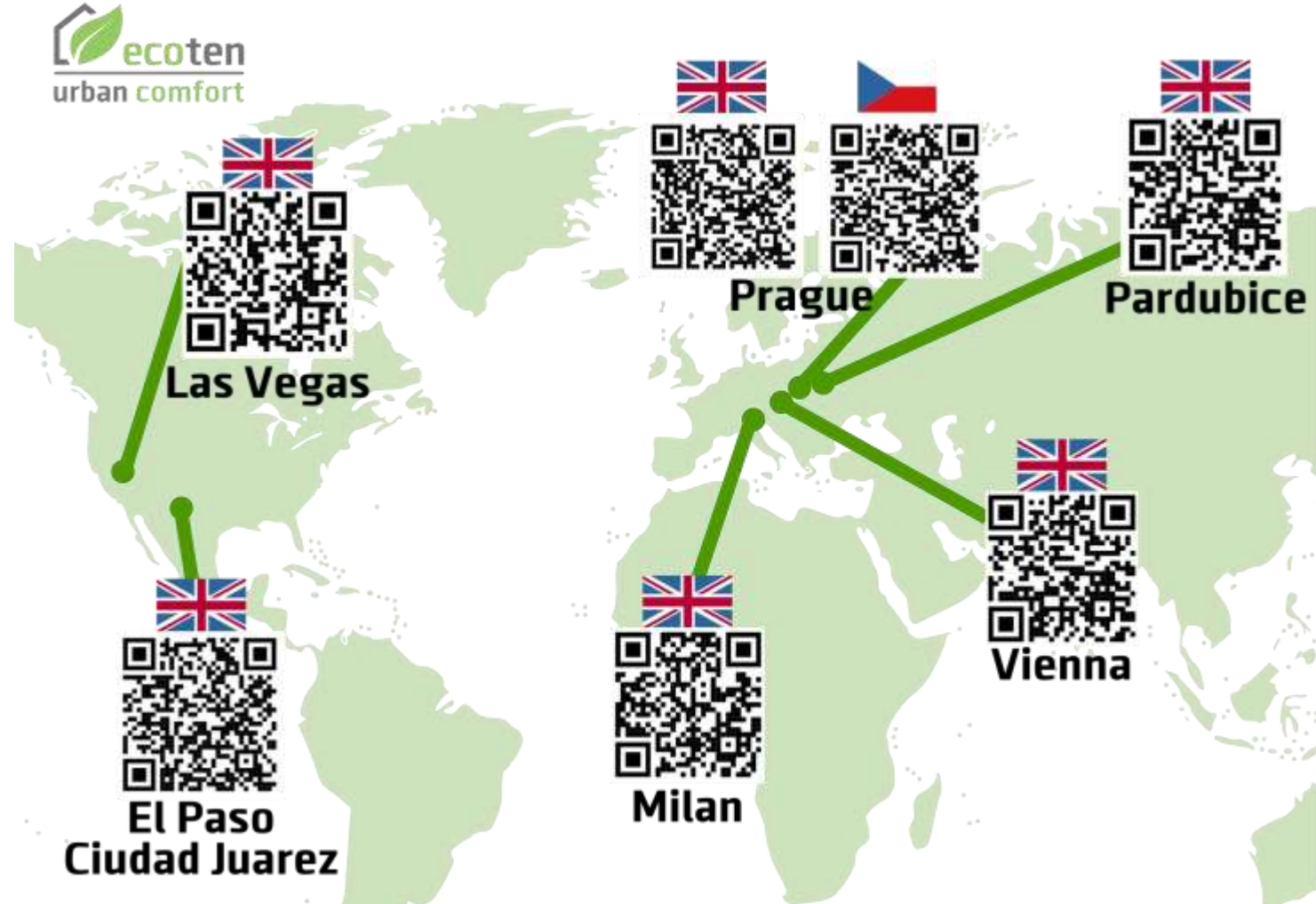


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**The LIFE DERRIS project – Public-private partnership to increase
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Why **DERRIS** ?

| The problem | The response |
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| <p>Italy is one of the European countries most vulnerable to climate change.</p> <p>The greater number of weather events we are witnessing with increasing frequency have particularly significant effects on small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).</p> <p>2 MAJOR GAPS TO FILL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → In Italy, SMEs do not have adequate tools for assessing and managing these phenomena. → Italy is one of the countries where the impact of extreme weather events on their businesses is most underestimated by companies. | <p>DERRIS is the first European project that combines public administration (PA), businesses, and insurers to reduce risks caused by exceptional climatic events.</p> <p>The project objectives were to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Test and implement innovative forms of public-private partnerships between insurers, PA and businesses to augment the resilience of local communities ▪ Promote greater risk culture, by transferring knowledge from the insurance sector to the PA and SMEs ▪ Make adequate climate risk prevention and management tools available to the SMEs ▪ Study innovative financial instruments that can mobilize capital dedicated to reducing risks |

LIFE DERRIS: Partnership



The **LIFE DERRIS** (Disaster Risk Reduction Insurance) project, led by Unipol Group together with the partners ANCI, CINEAS, City of Turin, Coordinamento Agende 21 Locali Italiane and Unipolsai, developed between September 2015 and September 2018.

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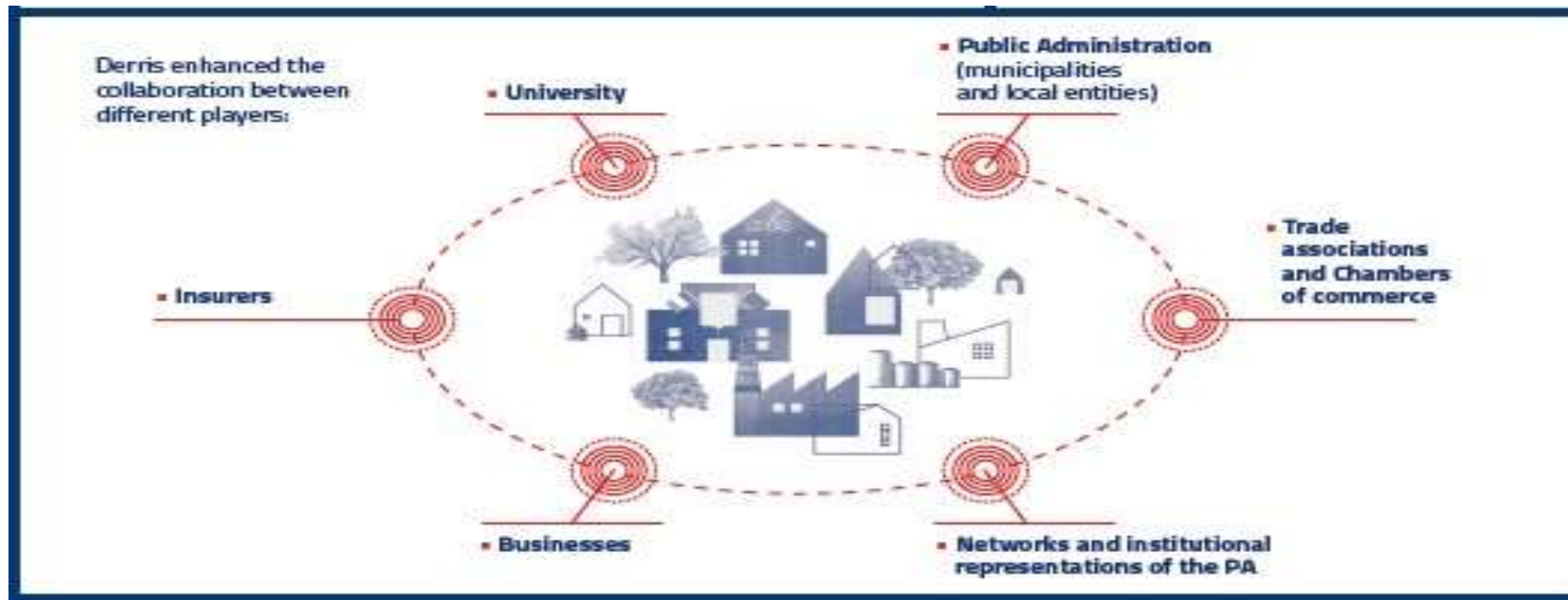
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PER UNA CULTURA DEL RISCHIO



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LOCALI ITALIANE

Public-private partnership

The DERRIS project tested and implemented innovative forms of local partnerships between the public administration, insurers and enterprises with the aim of increasing the resilience of local communities.



DERRIS model

Support SMEs to:

- Know and assess risks
- Manage risks and emergencies
- Manage residual risk

DERRIS TOOLS

- CRAM TOOL DERRIS
- TRAINING AND WEBTRAINING



Being ready to react quickly

The market doesn't wait!

If a company lacks the tools required to react to harmful events and quickly restore full operations, it will lose orders and customers, and will have a hard time recovering its lost market share.

In crisis situations, reaction time is a decisive success factor!

To be able to effectively react to a harmful event and return to prior conditions as rapidly as possible, every company should first define and then implement a **Business Continuity Management** plan.



INCREASE BUSINESS RESILIENCE

The CRAM tool - Objectives

The CRAM tool

Do you want to understand which perils your company is exposed to and what you can do to make it more resilient, safe and prepared?

The **Derris CRAM tool** was designed precisely for this purpose: it is an online tool that allows you to immediately analyse the risks your company is exposed to and select the measures you can take for your business.

On the basis of your company's positioning and the risks to which it is exposed, the tool will suggest some actions to be taken to make it less vulnerable to climatic events. At the end, you can check your resilience index and build your own **Adaptation Plan**: this is a document that summarises everything there is to do, who is responsible for it and when to intervene.

We can respond to climate change by taking mitigation measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (renewable energy, energy efficiency, transport, better scrap and waste management) **as well as with adaptation policies to increase community resilience.**

These interventions require significant effort and large investments, and are possible only if all sectors of society cooperate: governments, local authorities, citizens and businesses.

7 Climate perils

Derris analysed **7 of the main climate perils** that strike or could strike a significant number of businesses in various areas of Italy.



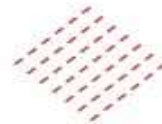
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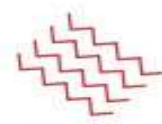
Lightning



Rain



Hail



Landslides



Wind



Temperatures



These climate events are those that DERRIS invites businesses to consider, regardless of whether they have been impacted by one of them. Indeed, the project's objective is to help SMEs become more aware of the risks to which they are exposed, so they can decide which initiatives to take. For each of these perils, Derris has developed a map, to provide each business with an indication of the hazard level of its specific geographical area in terms of the likelihood as well as the intensity of any events.

DERRIS in Italy

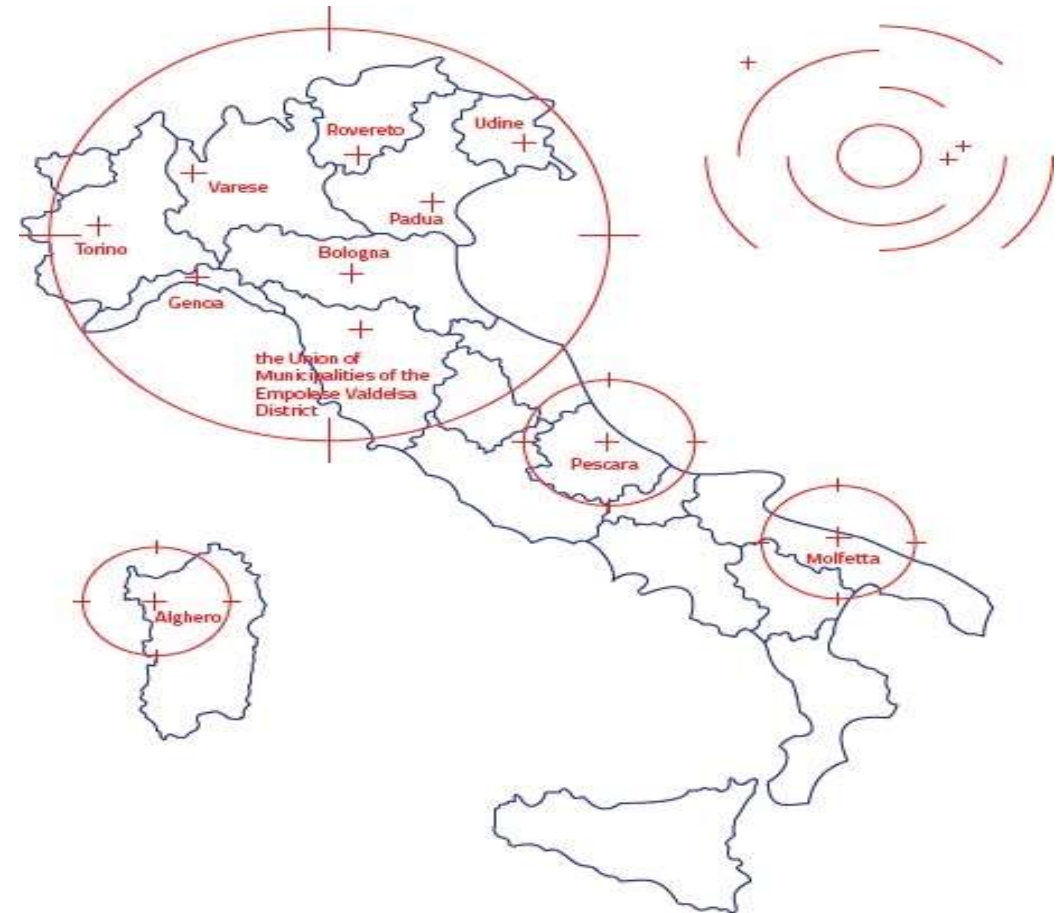
TURIN (PILOT)

30 SMEs involved in the pilot experiment



14 cities replicated the experiment

By the end of 2019: over **6.000 users** of the CRAM tool (8.000 sessions); **around 200 action plans** for adapting to climate change had been drawn up, containing over **4,000 climate-related risk prevention and management measures**



DERRIS PROJECT – *Lessons learnt*

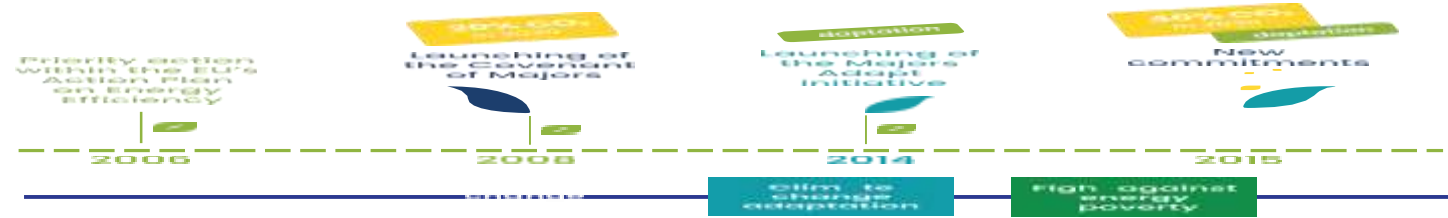
- **Difficulty in systematising existing data and knowledge** to make them usable by other actors (PA, businesses) and need to encourage greater exchanges between the various actors (research, PA and insurance);
- Necessity to **activate a widespread model of engagement on local territories of a wide range of actors** (public administration, trade organisations, Chambers of Commerce, agencies...) **to face the very low level of awareness on the impacts of climate change**;
- **Difficulty in reconciling public and private planning for resilience:** conflicting planned interventions and unaligned timing (short-medium vs long-term);
- **Difficulty measuring the costs and benefits of resilience interventions** (in terms, for example, of impacts on business competitiveness);
- The DERRIS project analysed the **possible financial instruments available to local entities** to adapt to climate change while assessing their expediency and critical nature in the Italian context, and conducted an in-depth study of possible incentive schemes (including tax incentives) that can create incentives for SMEs to implement interventions to reduce climate risks and increase their resilience.



MUNICIPALITIES HAVE AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION COVENANT OF MAJORS

This is the most important voluntary global initiative worldwide in the fight against climate change. It currently groups over 9,800 municipalities in 87 countries in all 5 continents, involving the participation of multiple stakeholders.

The Global Covenant of Majors develops key factors for the success of this initiative: a bottom-up governance approach, a multi-level cooperation model and a context-driven action pattern.



Covenant of Majors signatories commit to the following:

- Preparing an inventory of emission references. More specifically, all member municipalities in this initiative commit to emission reductions of at least 40% in their territories before 2020 through the increase of energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources.
- Preparing a climate change vulnerability and risk assessment.
- Drafting a Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plan (SECAP) and integrating aspects related to mitigation and adaptation of relevant policies, strategies and plans within two years after the City Hall's decision.

LIFE ADAPTATE Project



Application of a common methodology to develop a Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans in European municipalities and to deal with effects of climate change.

What is the problem faced by LIFE ADAPTATE?

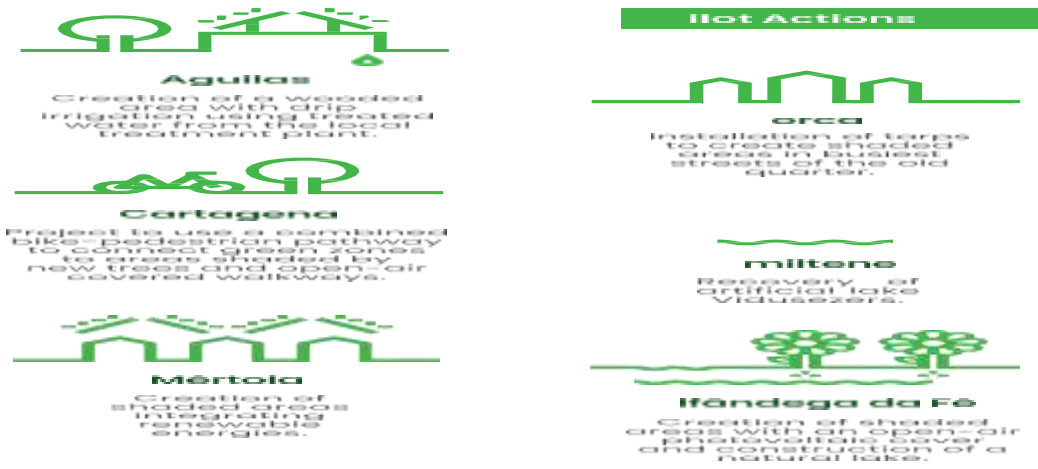
Urban areas are exposed to climate change consequences, including intense heat, sea level increase, extreme rainfall, flooding, landslides, atmospheric pollution, food problems and water scarcity. Impacts become increasingly worse in case of damages to the provision of services, infrastructures and housing.

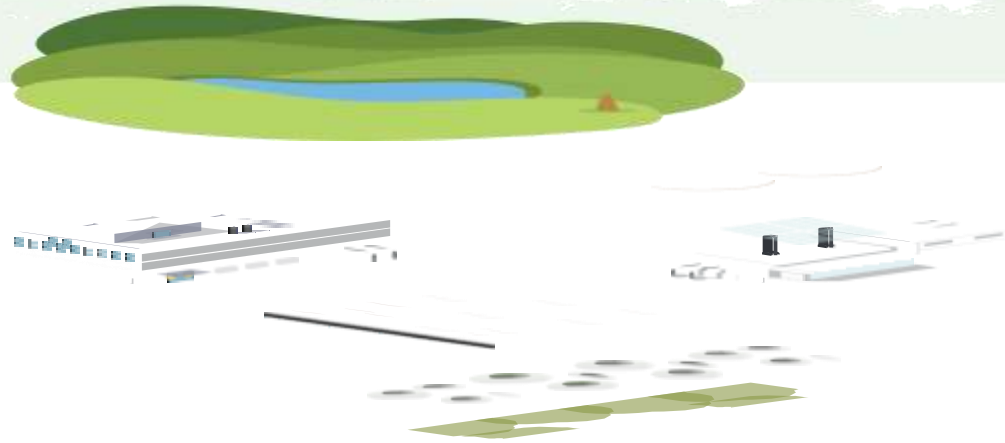
What actions are expected as part of the LIFE ADAPTATE project?

To develop Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAP) in 6 municipalities of 3 different countries (Latvia, Portugal and Spain), taking advantage of synergies and know-how of different entities supporting technical development and public participation

Main project objectives

- to develop, implement, monitor and assess Sustainable Energy and Climate Action Plans (SECAP).
- to develop demonstrative pilot actions.
- to test cooperation schemes among municipalities.
- to evaluate local initiatives for climate change adaptation and mitigation.
- to promote specific resources and guidelines, transferring and replicating them at a European level.

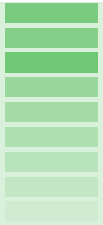




Creation of a 30.000 m² wooded area distributed in 5 bioclimatic areas of native vegetation irrigated with reused water from the municipal water treatment plant. The goal is to reduce local temperature, lower the amount of solar radiation reaching the ground and achieve reduced runoff by means of a sustainable Urban Drainage System. The irrigation system includes the catchment, pumping, storage and transport of treated water from the municipal water treatment plant for usage in the area around Aguilas' bike lanes and bypass. Water is stored into two 25 m³ in the highest elevation of an old dump site, from where it is pumped using renewable energy (by means of photovoltaic panels).

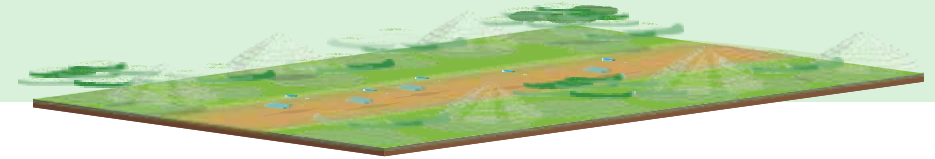
ES IN CARTAGENA (SPAIN)

Cartagena aims to link green areas by means of a pedestrian promenade and connection to existing bike lanes, trees and open-air covered walkways with green roofing, providing neighbors with a pleasant environment in which to walk and live together. The action, called "Conditioning and connection of green areas from the surroundings of the Severo Ochoa square to the Insarcho Park", seeks to minimize climate-related risks in the daily life of neighborhoods by reducing air temperature in the area.

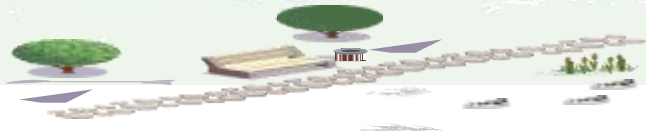


SHADED URBAN CORRIDORS OF LORCA (SPAIN)

Lorca aims to reduce the effects of heat waves and urban heat islands with the creation of shaded corridors. This is achieved by installing tarps in a number of business streets of Lorca's city center, such as Corredora and other adjacent streets. The project started from June to September, measuring temperature reduction and the benefits for people and the business area around these streets of Lorca.



SPECIFIC PROJECTS FOR ADAPTATION OF OUR CITIES TO CLIMATE CHANGE



MERTOLA (PORTUGAL)

CREATION OF SHADED AREAS

Mertola is creating shaded areas which integrate renewable energies, offering solutions for 3 types of urban areas: streets in the old quarter and a business area, in stores and restaurants, and in leisure centers. The main objective is to reduce the effects of heat waves and urban heat.

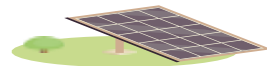
DEVELOPMENT OF A SUSTAINABLE TOURISM PLAN

Considering the strategic value of sustainable tourism planning and management instruments, collaboration with key local tourism stakeholders, local governance agencies and the community, Mertola is drafting a sustainable tourism plan to raise awareness on these protected areas, making people increasingly more interested in and supportive of them.



...face area of some 3,000 m², the construction of a lake in Alfindaga do Fe aims to achieve the following: Adapting to climate change and addressing water scarcity, supplying water for irrigation, rural usage and conservation measures, as well as allowing the storage of total water resources outside the rainy season. The lake, located in the Serra de Bornes and designed to support forest fire fighting, will store rainwater line.

...n e... d... Fe is installing a cover of about 20 m² (solar gain area) over an area of 262.5 m² covered with photovoltaic panels, this area will be shared with people, municipalities and citizens according to self-organization by two municipalities.



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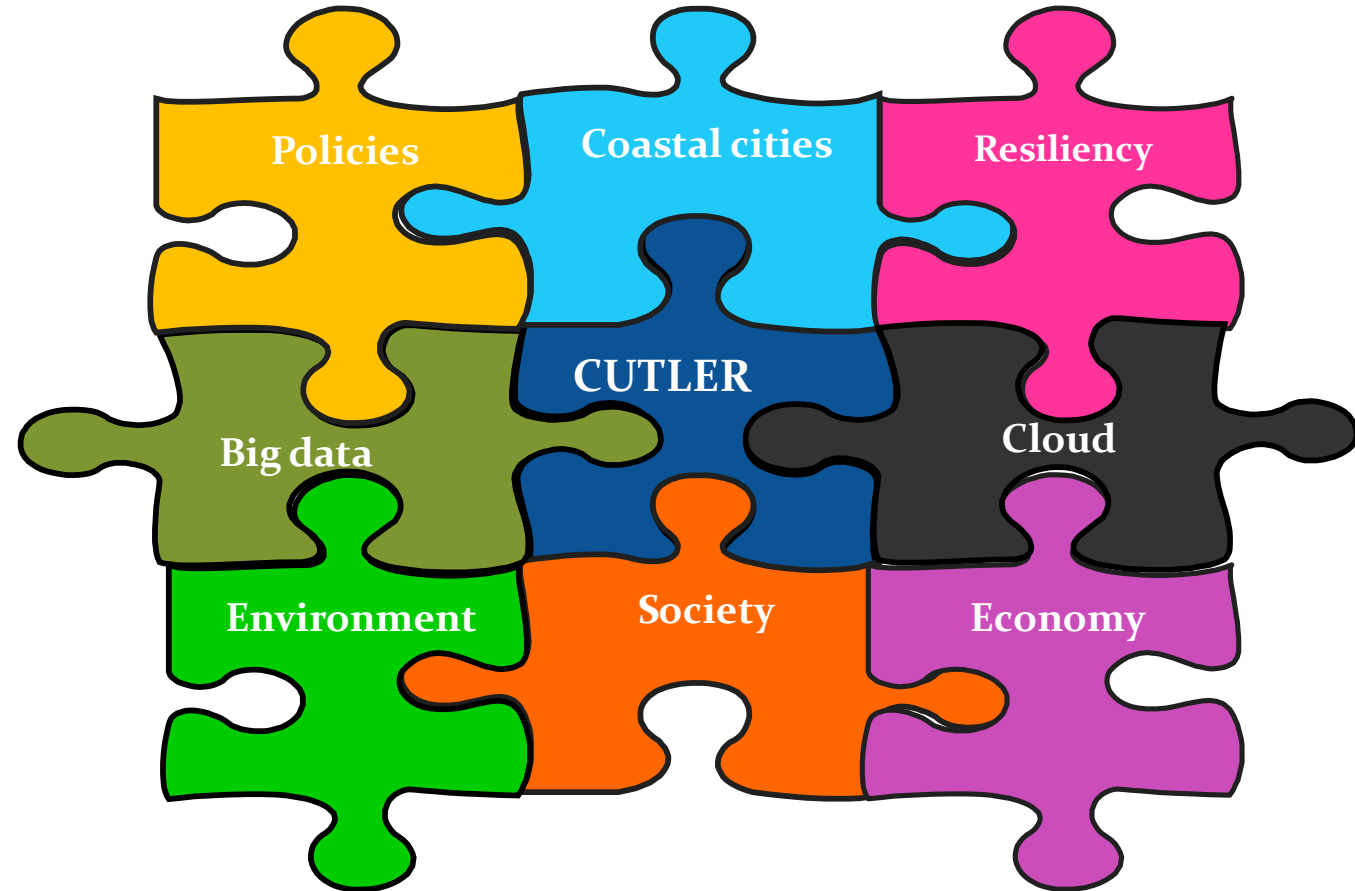
Coastal urban development - Motivation

- **Water element** in coastal cities (bay, lake, river, brook, etc.) constitutes the heart of the city
- Cities promote urban development policies to
 - **Foster economic development** in the coastal area
 - **Alleviate water-related environmental stresses** from floods, erosion, etc.
- However, the **surrounding ecosystem** is disturbed in terms of environmental impact and social cohesion
- Modern waterfront cities need policies that
 - Drive urban **development in the coastal area**
 - Balance effectively between **economic growth, environmental protection & social cohesion**
- Policy making is still **largely based on intuition**
 - Need for advanced **data integration, analysis and visualization tools**
 - Leading to **evidence-driven decision-making mechanisms**

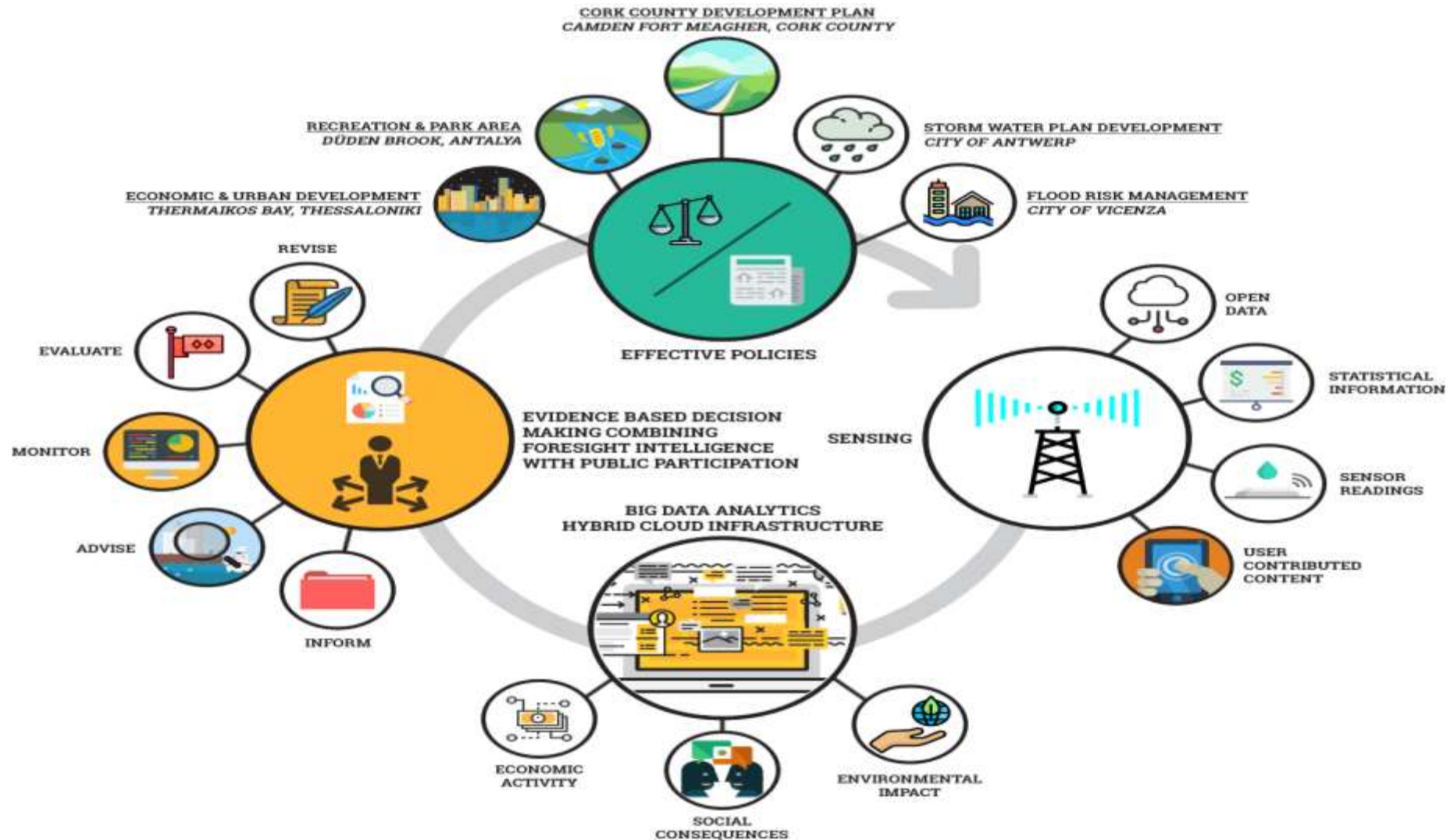


CUTLER in a nutshell

- Assists policy makers in urban development policies for coastal cities
- Exploits datasets and big data technologies
- Models the complex decision making processes
- Resiliency lens to balance between
 - Economic growth
 - Environmental protection
 - Citizen well-being



CUTLER – Conceptual Approach



Lessons Learned

- **Face the challenges of digital transformation of the public sector**
 - *Big data analysis requires understanding and cooperation between policy makers and data experts*
 - *Data visualisation: a graph is worth a thousand words*
- **Innovative actions to be taken up by governments in Europe**
 - *Exploit social media and online discussion platforms to sense the society*
 - *Develop a generic framework to assess policy impact in waterfront cities in a standardized way*
 - *The introduction of ICT in public administration necessitates Business Process Management logic*
- **Challenges and opportunities that public administration and citizens are facing regarding the use of data**
 - *Data exist but are not always accessible*
 - *Legal issues hinder data collection & processing*
 - *Not just big data. First of all, useful data*

Key enablers/strategies for digital public services

- **Data access and clearance**
 - *Negotiate and collaborate with data providers*
 - *Review of regulatory frameworks and create legal taxonomies*
- **Capacity building in data-driven analysis**
 - *Interdisciplinary team of experts*
 - *Extensive communication and collaboration is required to jointly design the system.*
- **Visualization**
 - *Comparison of different data over time and space*
 - *Interactive analytics*
 - *Tell a story*



Policy recommendations on data

- **Ensure that governments reap the opportunities of data?**
 - Offer regulatory frameworks so that can be cleared
- **Encourage governments to use data in decision-making**
 - Enforce in procurements that suggestions/decisions should rely on data-derived evidence
- **Encourage the reuse of data by governments?**
 - Allow building a business model around the use of open data
- **Ensuring that data helps providing user-centric digital public services and engage citizens?**
 - *Exploit social media and online discussion platforms to sense the society*



Thank you! Questions?

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