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Agriculture and Rural Development in the context of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans: Overcoming the Impact of the Global Challenges

Working Group 1: Regional cooperation on legal harmonisation and market development in the wine sector

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Main Purpose of the WG

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- Evaluation, exchange of views and policy recommendations regarding the general and specific wine topics for the Western Balkans;
- Providing recommendations for sustainable grape and wine production;
- Raising the awareness on the overcoming the environmental impact on the wine sector.

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Key Assets/Opportunities

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- Harmonization and adaptation with the latest EU wine legislation
- Assessment of the future impact of the climate change
- Close follow-up of the market situation and developments
- Specific policy formulation and legislation
- Focus on the small grape and wine producers
- Promotion of the Western Balkan wine region

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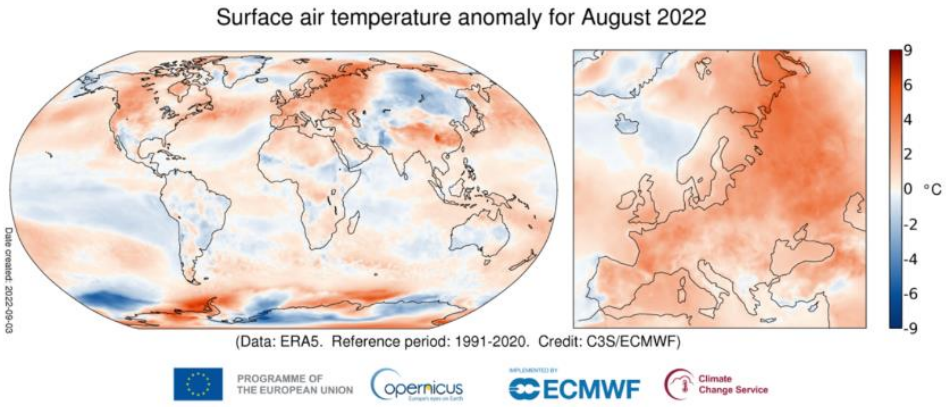
- Assessment of the future impact of the climate change

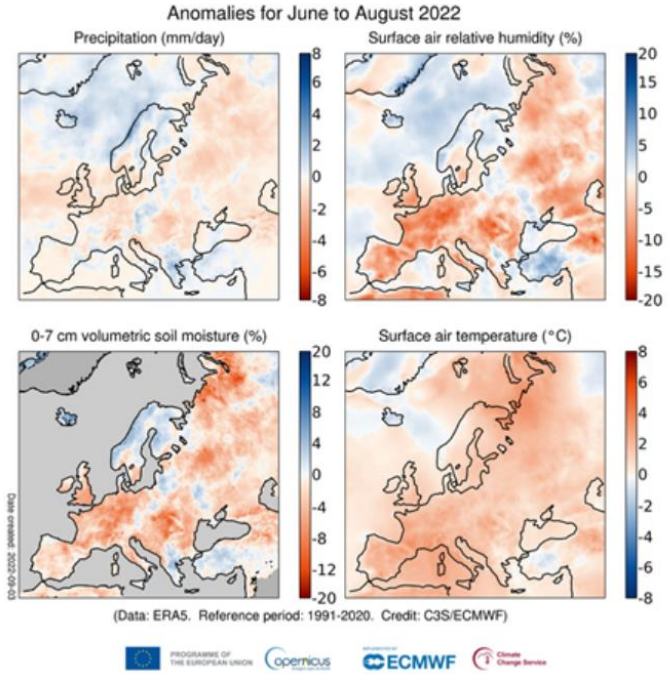
European Climate Change Service "Copernicus": This summer is the hottest in the history of European measurements!

Temperature anomalies in Europe are generally larger and more variable compared to the rest of the world!

- Average temp. for August: 0.3°C higher than the 1991-2020 average;
- Average temp. for August in Europe: 1.72°C higher than the 1991-2020 average.



Surface air temperature anomaly for August 2022 relative to the August average for the period 1991-2020. Data source: ERA5. Credit: Copernicus Climate Change Service/ECMWF.



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Key Barriers

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Complexity of EU legislation and requirements for the wine sector

Lack of capacities for the implementation of the adopted regulation

Lack of winegrowing zoning of the climate zones in the WBs

Deteriorating environment for doing business in the wine sector (price increase of inputs, energy etc.)

Weak producers groups in the wine sector

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Decrease of the wine consumption due to the economic crisis/war

Treaty of the Functioning of European Union
Declaration of Principles of Common Organization of Agricultural Markets

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Regulation (EU) 2017/625
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Wine/Wine Products
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Common Market Organization

PDO/PGI + Traditional terms

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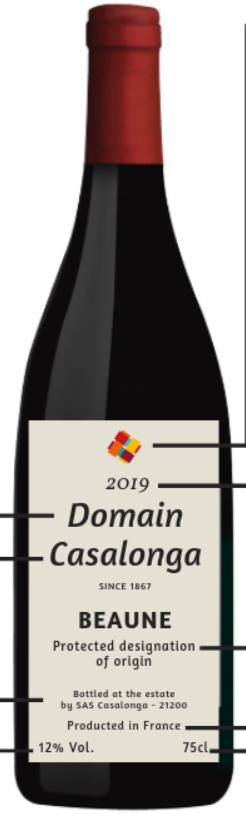

THE NAME OF THE HOLDING
The reference to a holding (Château, Domaine, Clos, etc.) is reserved for wines benefiting from an AOC/AOP or IGP. The wine must be produced exclusively from grapes harvested in the vineyards operated by this holding and the winemaking must be carried out within it.

THE WINE-MAKING MARK
The wine mark is a geographical mark referring to a geographical place or more precisely to a holding.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BOTTLER
The information about the bottler must appear on the label and is supplemented by the words "bottler" or "bottled by…".

THE ACTUAL ALCOHOLIC STRENGTH BY VOLUME (TAVA)
The label must indicate the alcoholic strength of the beverage, and the differential cannot be more or less than 0,5%of the strength desermined by analysis.

THE FIGURATIVE MARK
The logo may be protected by the registration of a figurative mark.

THE VINTAGE
Indication of the vintage is possible if at least 85% of the grapes used to produce the wine were harvested in the year indicated.

DESIGNATION OF ORIGIN CONTROLLED OR PROTECTED(AOC/AOP)
The wines benefiting from such a designation may make it appear supplemented by the geographical name.

THE INDICATION OF ORIGIN
This information must appear on the label of all wines. It guarantees the consumer the origin of the grapes and the country where the wine was made.

NOMINAL VOLUME
It is compulsory to indicate the volume of the bottle of wine.

Aromatized Wine Products
Regulation (EU) 25 /2014

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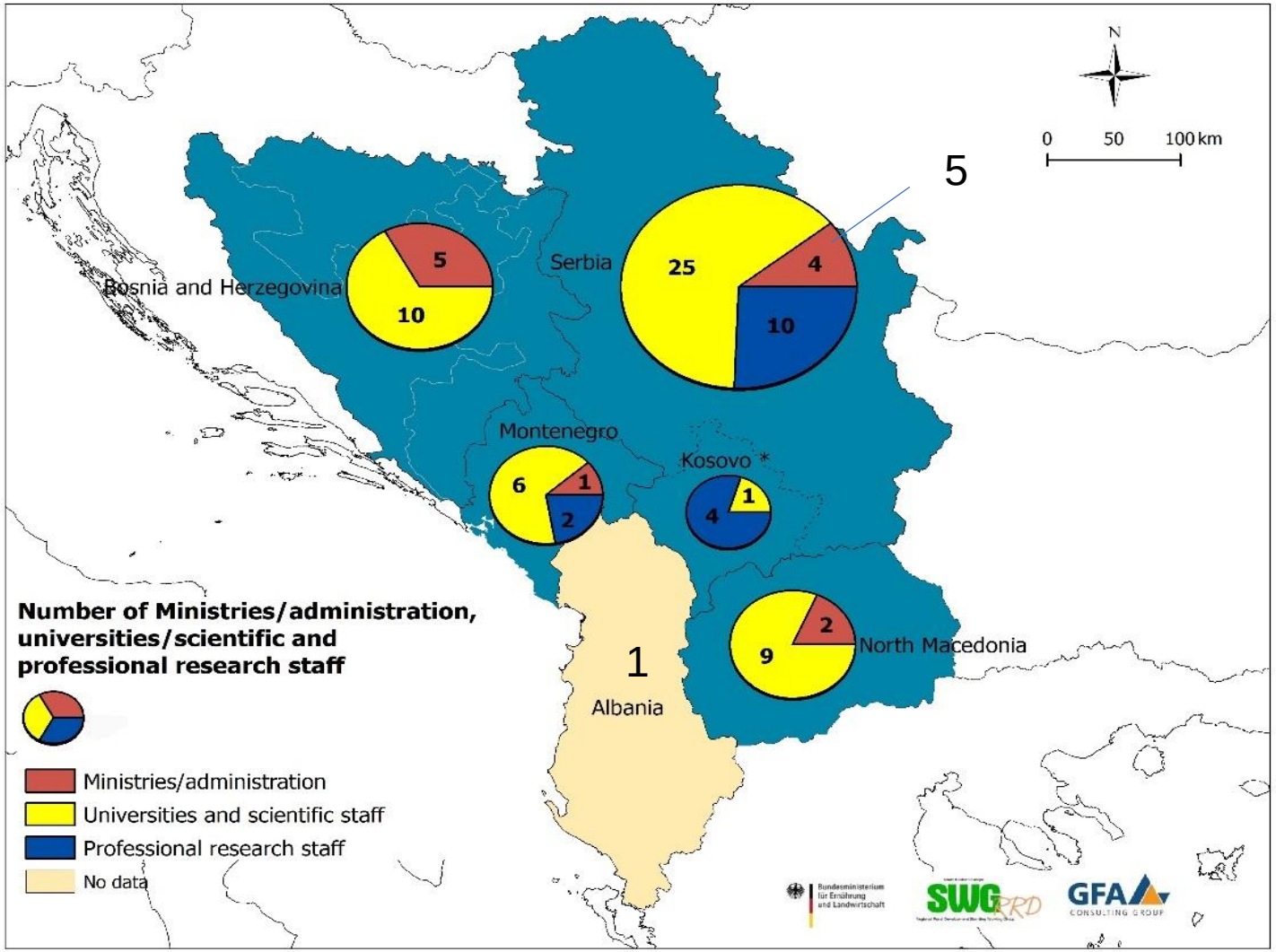
Key Barriers

- Lack of capacities for the implementation of the adopted regulation



- **69** scientific/teaching and professional staff and professional staff:
  - **51** scientists engaged in viticulture and oenology science;
  - **16** professional staff.
- **12 (15)** civil servants.

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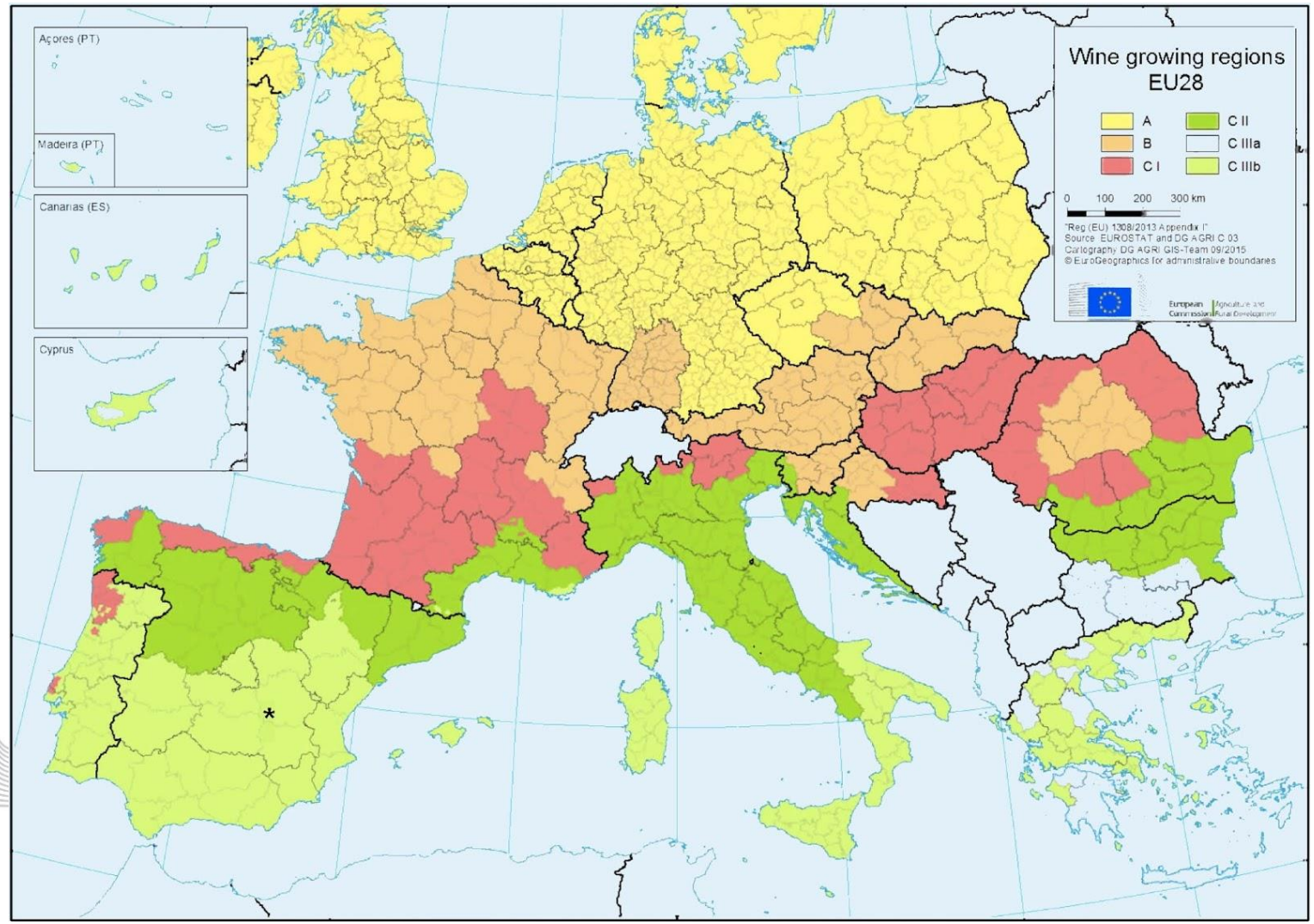

6 wine-growing climate zones

Oenological practices and restrictions

- Enrichment
- Acidification
- Deacidification

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- Weak producers groups in the wine sector

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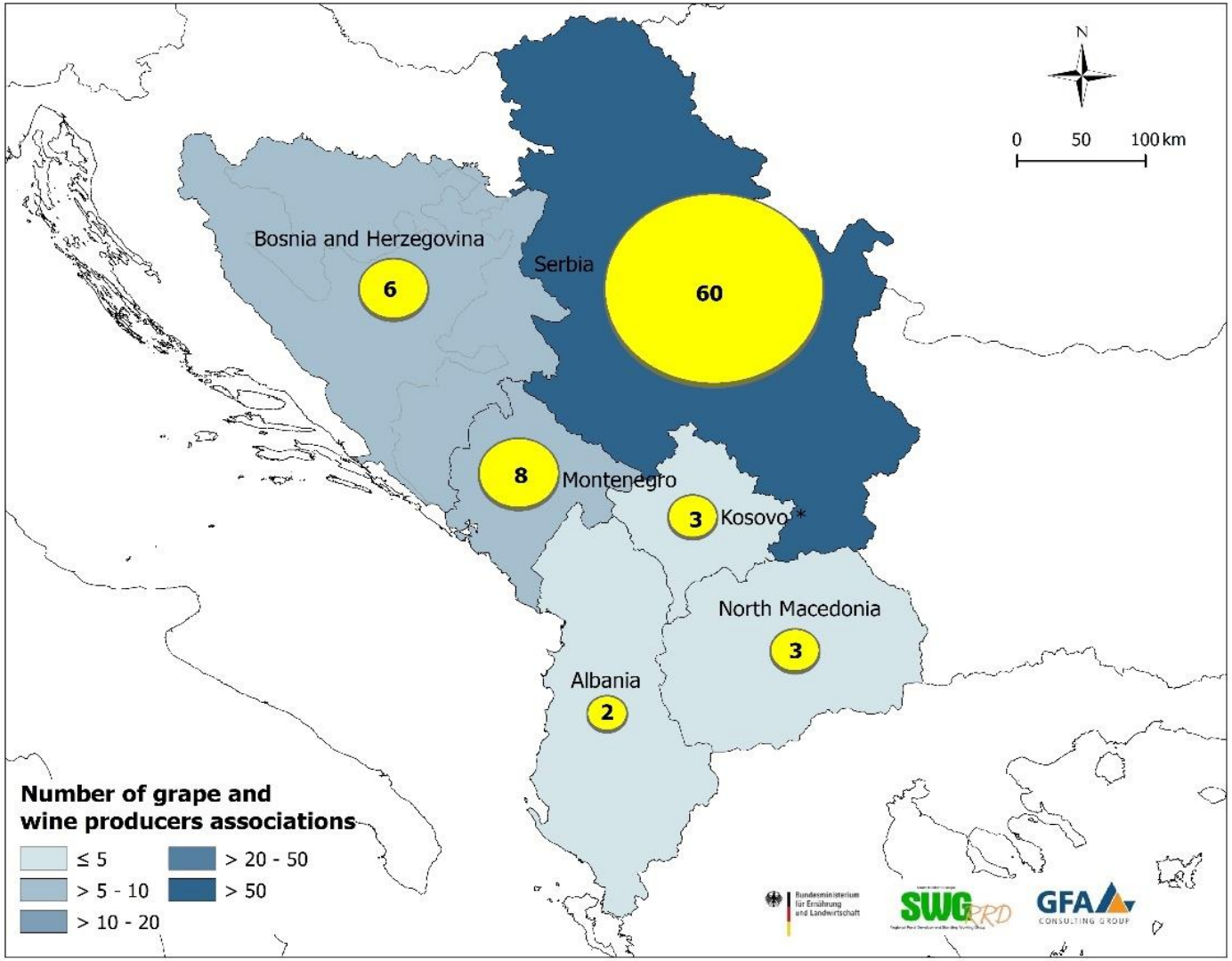
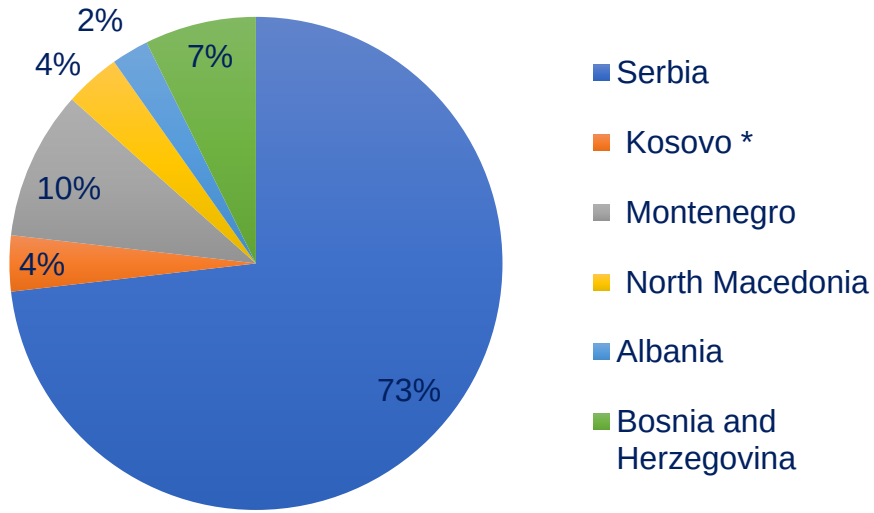


- 82 grape and wine producers associations (non-profit associations)
- No producers organizations organized in line with Regulation 1308/2013



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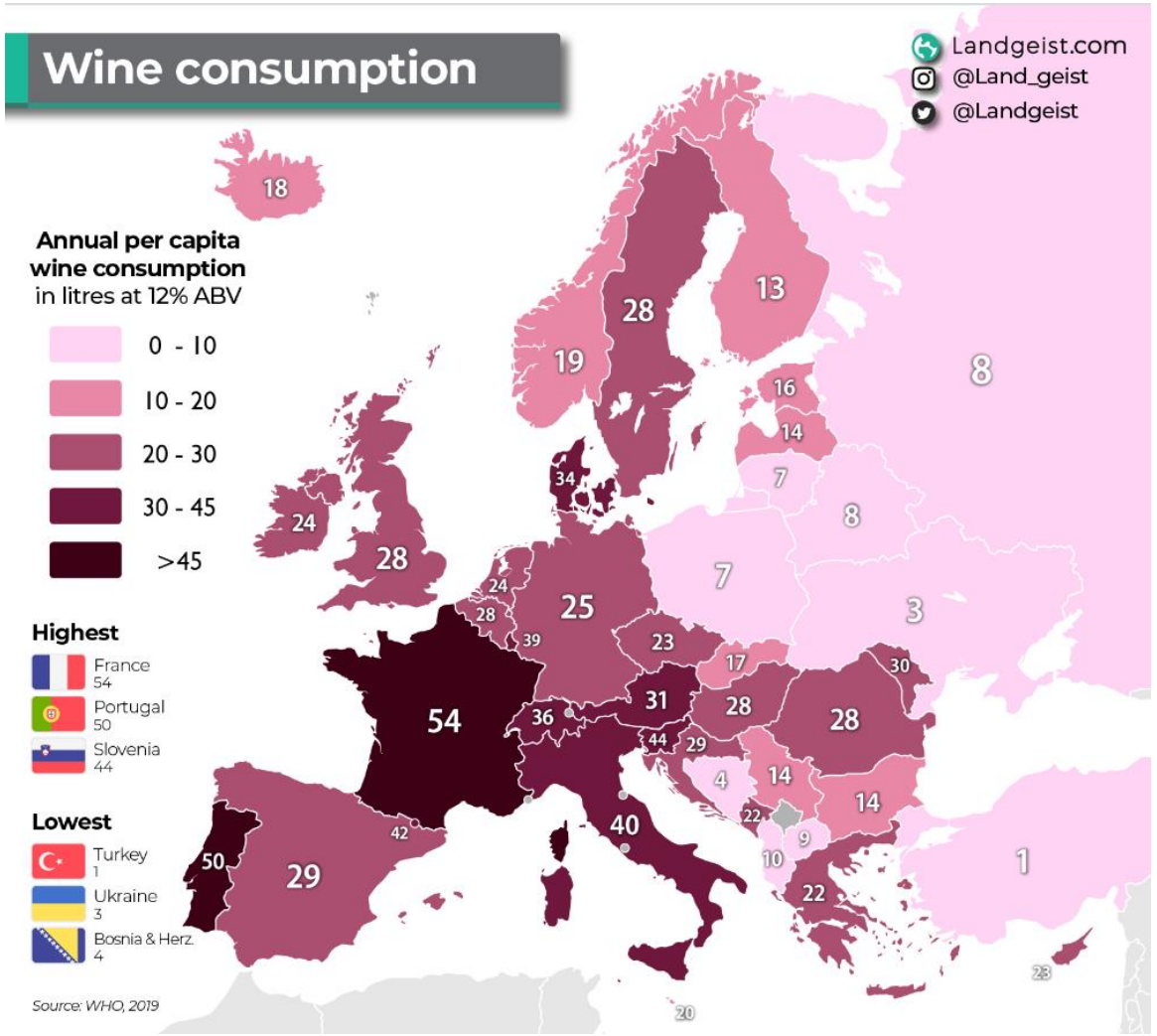

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Ways Forward

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Regional initiatives and joint approach to common problems

Preserve small producers in challenging socio-economic environment

Introducing special measure(s) for small grape and wine producers

Prepare the studies of the simulation of the climate changing for the WBs (viticulture bioclimatic indexes), examination of the disease-resistant vine varieties within the new environmental conditions

Stronger participation of the sectoral stakeholders in the development of the AKIS and other knowledge structures

Diferent joint promotions

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- Prepare the studies of the simulation of the climate changing for the WBs (viticulture bioclimatic indexes)

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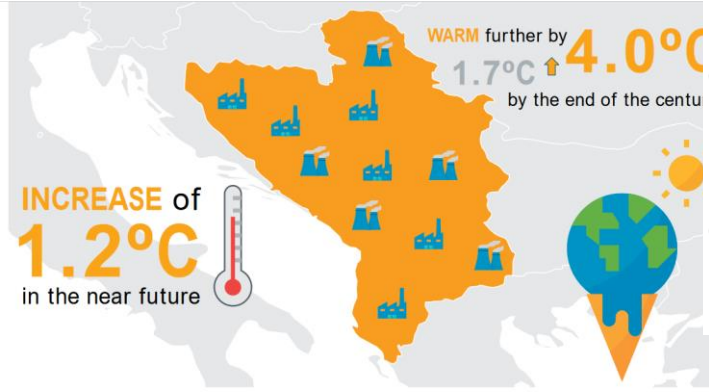
STUDY ON CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE WESTERN BALKANS REGION

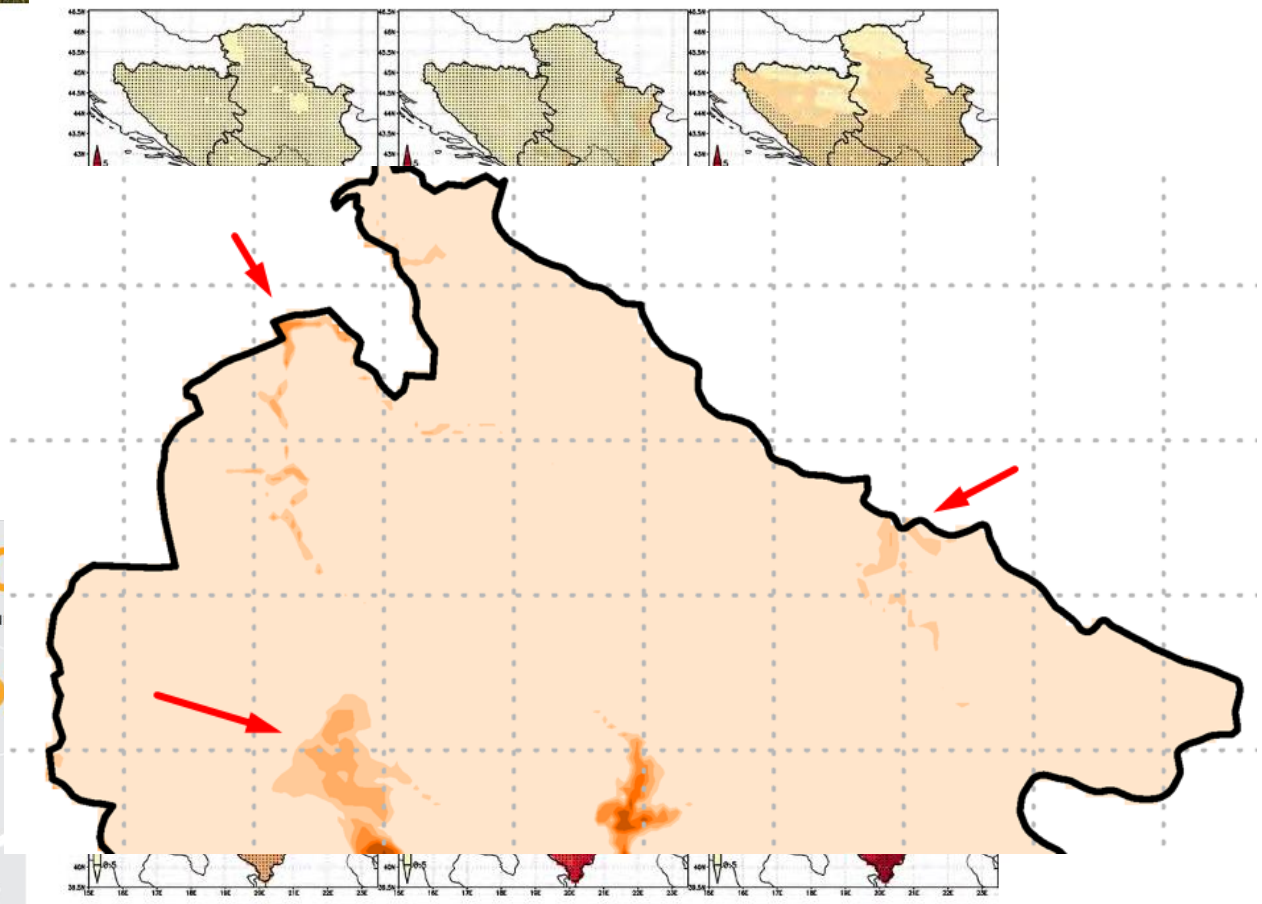
RegionalCooperationCouncil

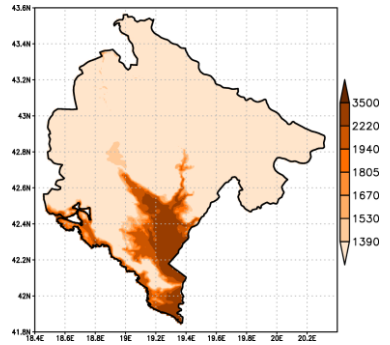
This project is funded by the European Union

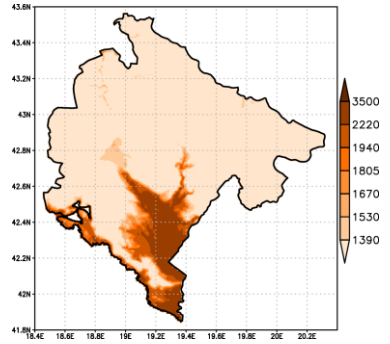


Basic information on climate change in the Western Balkans show alarming increase of temperature over the whole territory with observed temperature increase of 1.2°C in the near future and destined to warm further by 1.7 - 4.0°C by the end of the century, depending on the global effort in GHG emission reduction.

Data: RCC's Study on Climate Change in the Western Balkans Region, May 2018







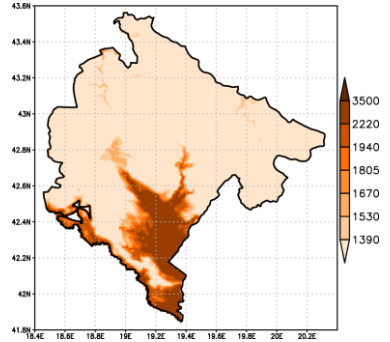


Figure 5. Temperature change (°C) for the near future (top row), mid-century (middle row) and end of the century (bottom row) periods with respect to the baseline period for mean annual values according to RCP4.5 (left), to RCP8.5 (middle) and mean JJA maximum temperature according to RCP8.5 (right); statistical significance is marked with dots.

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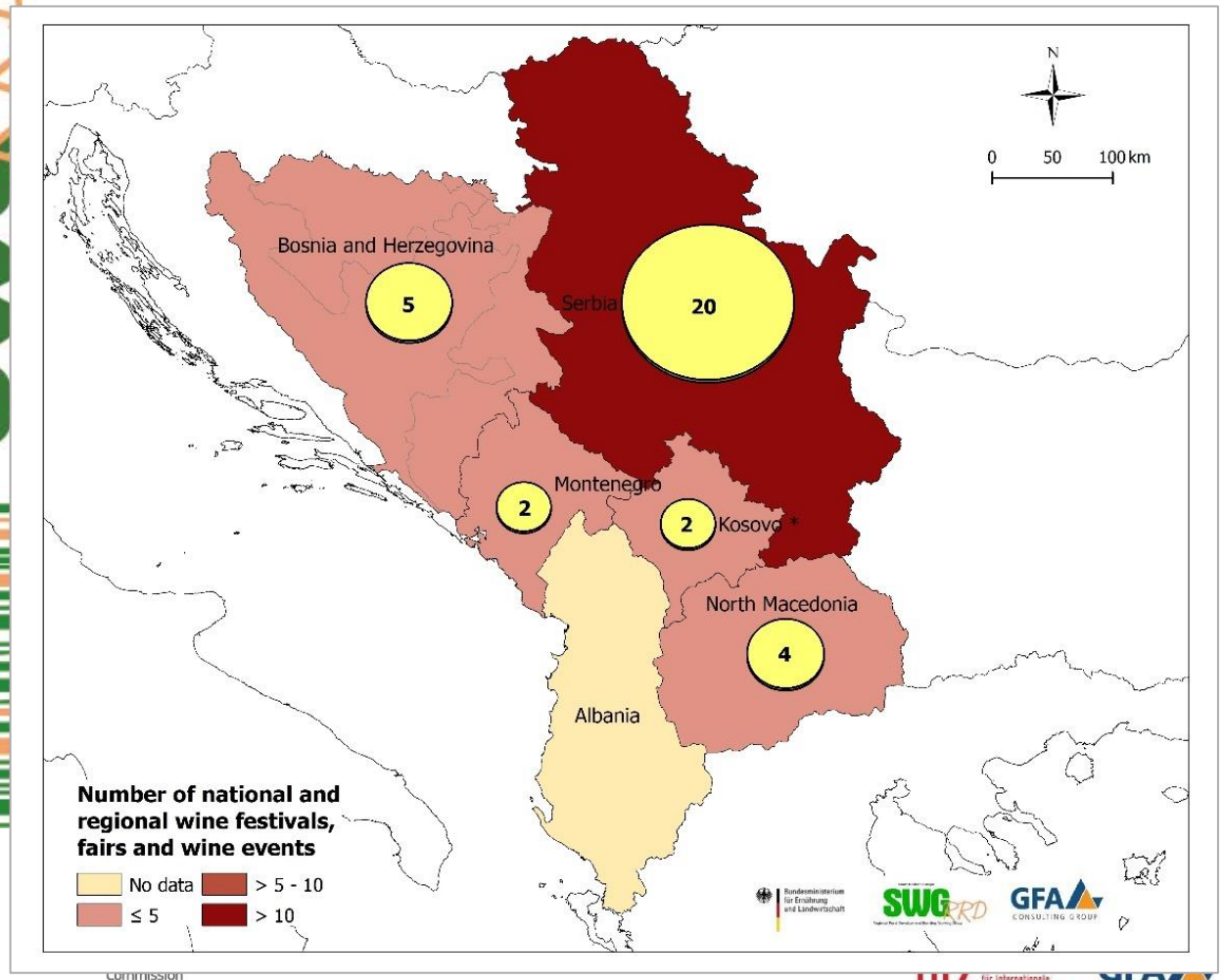

- **33** national and regional wine festivals, fairs, and wine events

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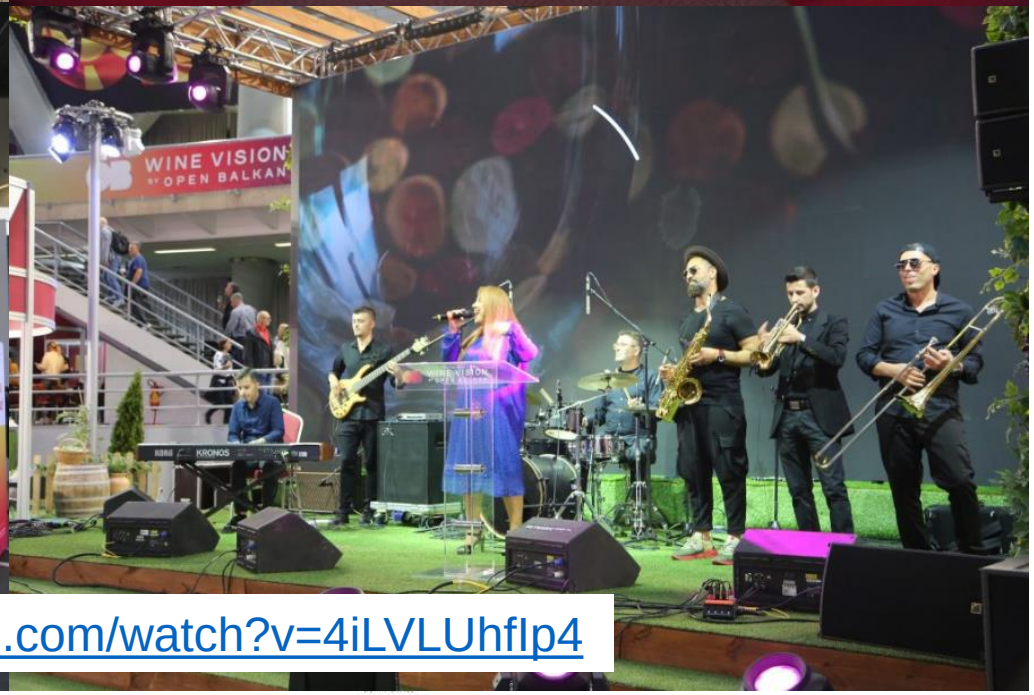
WINE EVENT OF ALBANIA-NORT MACEDONIA-SERBIA IN BELGRADE “WINE VISION BY OPEN BALKAN”



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iLVLUhfIp4

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