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New approaches to better drought management in Slovenia and Danube region

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DriDanube – Drought Risk in the Danube Region Project co-funded by European Union funds (ERDF, IPA)

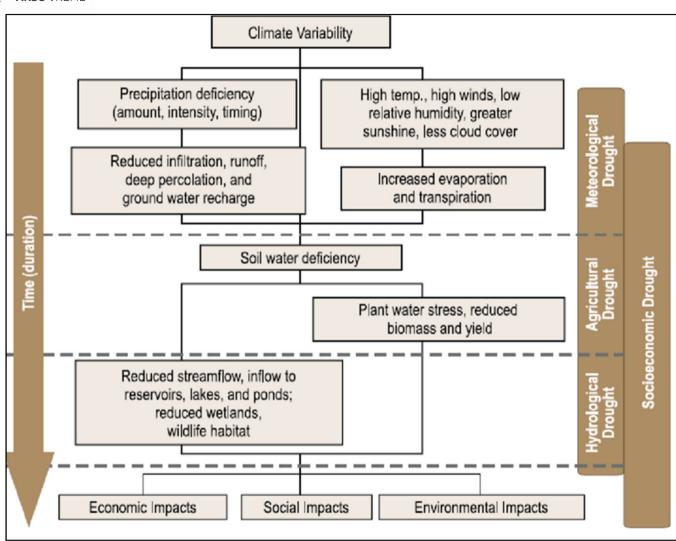
Slovenia faced with more frequent droughts

3 pillars of drought preparedness

Project DriDanube

Foundation for better drought management

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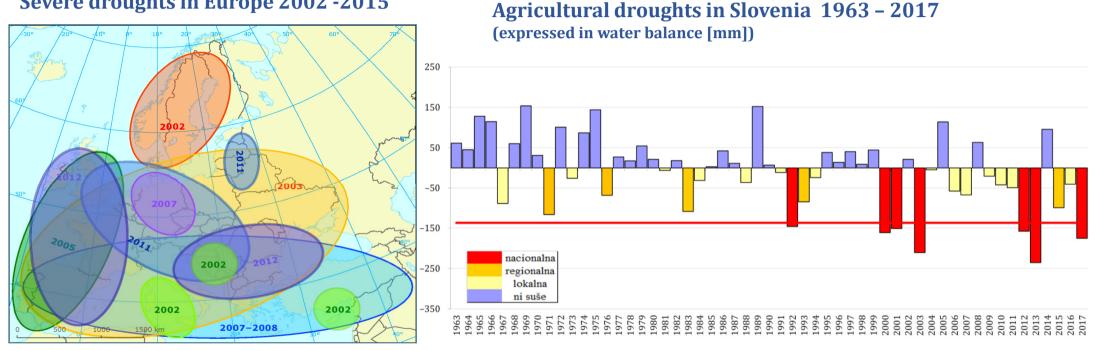


- Drought typology
- Emphasis on water
 resource management
- Increasing complexity of impacts and possible conflicts



Drought reality in Europe and Slovenia

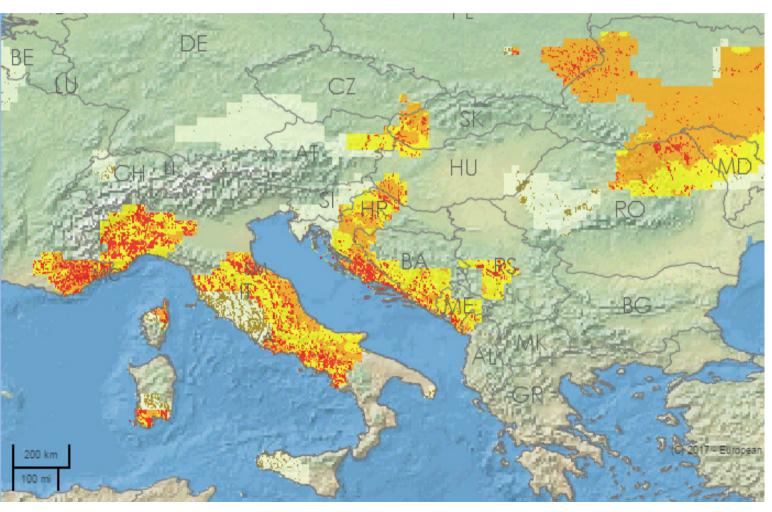
Severe droughts in Europe 2002 - 2015



Vir: EEA, 2012; EEA, 2017

Intensity and severity of droughts is increasing in Slovenia and in Danube region (2003, 2007, 2015, 2016, 2017).

Drought in 2017 – European Drought Observatory Combined Drought Indicator, August 2017



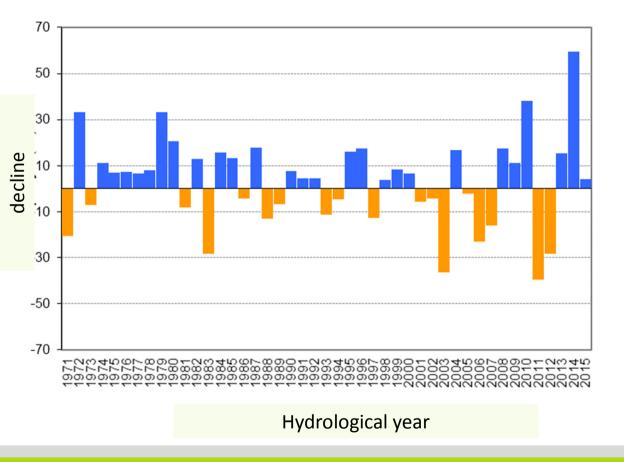
Source: Joint Research Center, EDO – European Drought Observatory, URL, <u>http://edo.jrc.ec.europa.eu/edov2/php/index.php?id=1111</u>), August 2017

- Watch: rainfall deficit
 Warning: soil moisture deficit
 Alert: vegetation stress following rainfall / soil moisture deficit
 Partial recovery of vegetation
- Full recovery of vegetation to normal conditions

Hydrological droughts in Slovenia



Decline of groundwater recharge (%), hydrological year (Nov-Oct) in comparison to 1981 - 2010



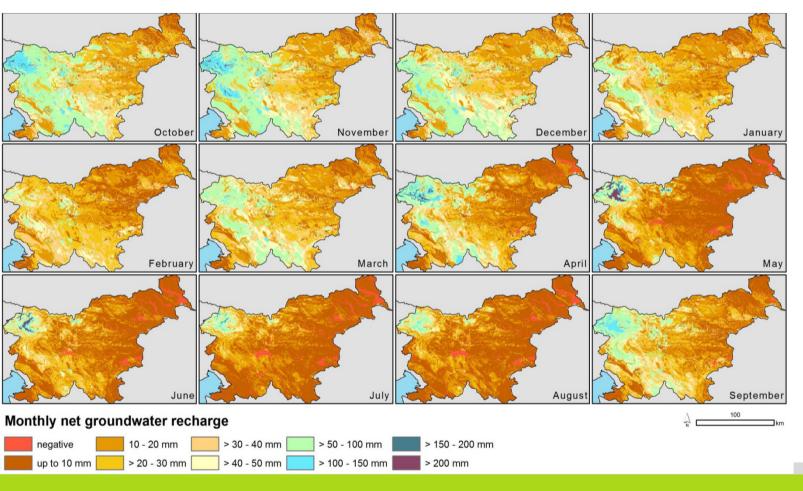


- Droughts in the runoff regimes were observed in the 1980s and are becoming more intense in winter and in summer
- Decrease in mean flow
- Longer and more frequent dry periods

Groundwater recharge - hydrological droughts



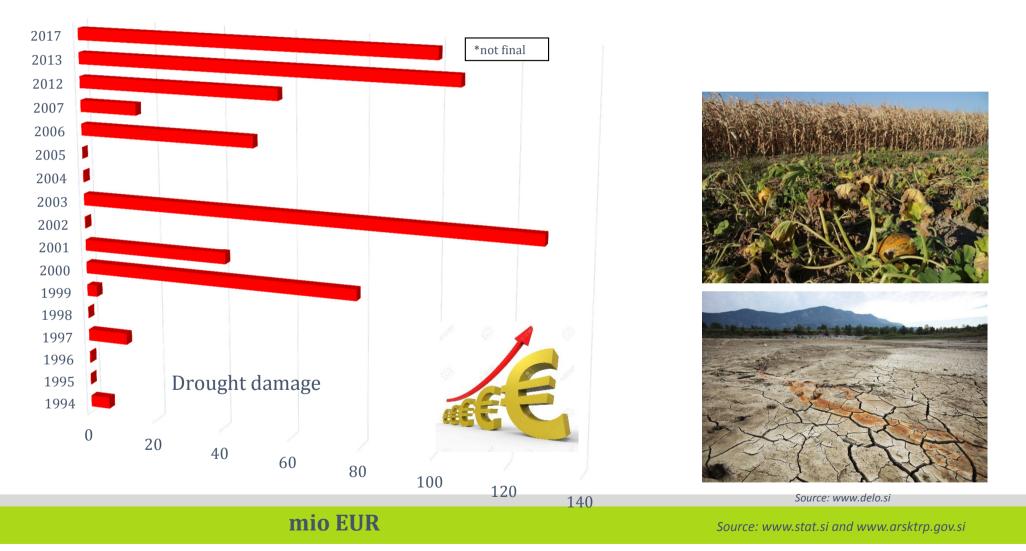
Long term average 1981-2010



 Hot spots of weak groundwater recharge in Slovenia

Source: P. Frantar, ARSO, 2017

Economical losses due to drought in Slovenia





3 pillars of drought preparedness in Slovenia



Drought management plan (DMP) in Slovenia

still doesn't exist; foundation for some elements of DMP are included in RBMP (WFD) containing actions to determine drought indices and thresholds

Pillar 1

Monitoring products/ EWS/decision support system

Drought monitoring (emphasis on agriculture, less on hydrology), including remote sensing technologies and some applications, drought reports and Hydrometeorological bulletin;

Drought early warning system (DEWS): SPI, water balance, GROWA model, IRRFIB model, DISS (crop specific indicator) ;

Drought forecast (agrometeorological forecast, irrigation forecast, seasonal forecast via SEECOF).

Pillar 2

Risk assessment

Civil protection mechanism – EU Directive for natural disaster; task related to risk assessment / impact assessment (system AJDA – post disaster evaluation of damage in place in the country);

Drought vulnerability study of agri crops (initiated by Ministry of Agriculture with aim to include it in agricultural policy).

Pillar 3

Mitigation and response/measures

Pre–drought program – only technological guidelines by Ag Chamber for some measures, support for investments in irrigation by National Irrigation plan;

Post–drought program – compensation / tax reductions;

Research initiatives & on-going projects (DriDanube project);

Drought related climate change projections;

International activities (EDO & DMCSEE)

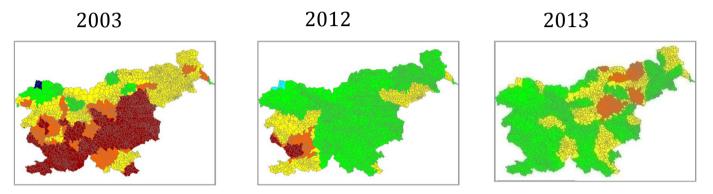
Insurance



Three-level concept of agricultural drought detection in Slovenia

Phase	Activity	Description	Indicator
Phase 1	Early drought warning	Precipitation deficit	SPI3 < -1,
		(meteorological drought)	Share of cumulative precipitation in the vegetation
			period (% of long-term average)
Phase 2	Alerts for first signals of	Meteorological water balance	Meteorological water balance under the
	agricultural drought	(reference crop)	thresholds (percentile analysis):
			- 75th percentile – dry
			- 90th percentile – very dry
			- 98th percentile – extremely dry
Phase 3	Agricultural drought	Agricultural crop drought	DISS _k for specific agricultural crops
		stress (water balance for	- 75th percentile – dry
		specific agricultural crops)	- 90th percentile – very dry
			- 98th percentile – extremely dry

Example of phase 1 Standardised precipitation index – SPI-3 and SPI-4 (support for insurance company)



SPI-4 in the vegetation period for summer crops (SPI4, calculated on September 1).

2012

2003



SPI-3 in the vegetation period for spring crops (SPI3, calculated on June 15) in the year 2003, 2012 and 2013 for cadastrial municipalities.

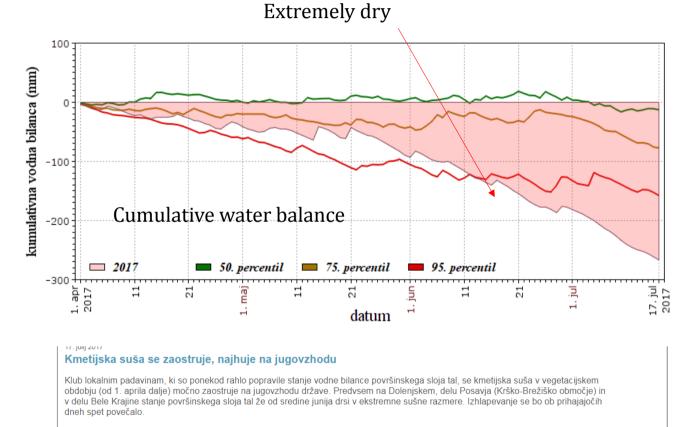
2013



Example of phase 2 Extreme agricultural drought in SE Slovenia in 2017



Meteorological water balance, Novo mesto, 1.4.-17.7.2017



Obeti ne kažejo obilnejših padavin, zato se bo stanje vodne bilance kmetijskih tal še poslabševalo.

Povezane strani

Pripete datoteke

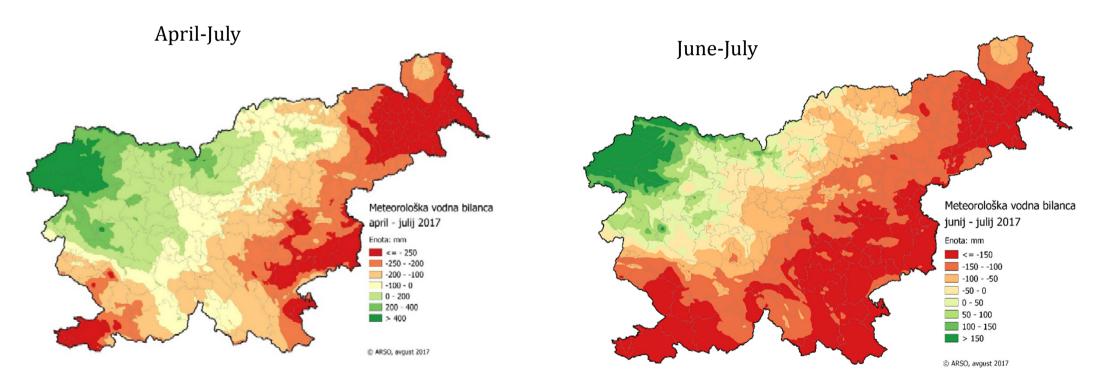
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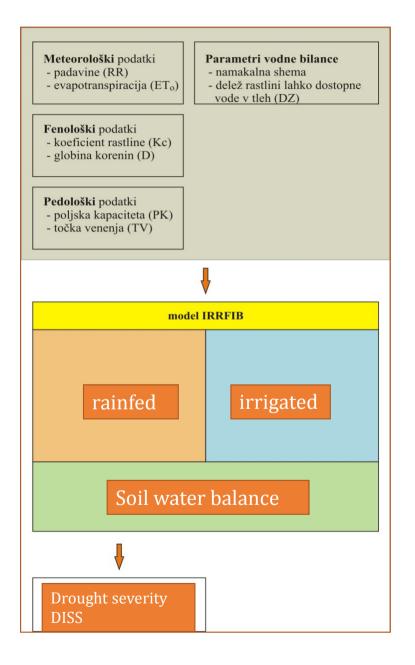
Awareness of public

<u>Celotno sporočilo za javnost</u> [pdf, 190.6 KB]

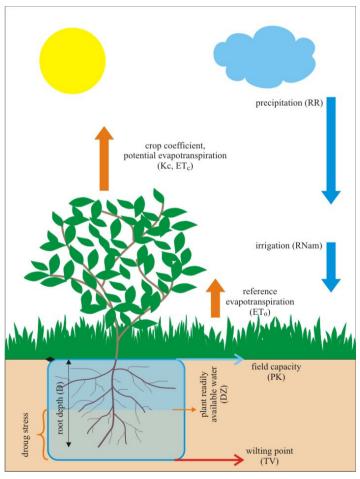


Example of phase 2 Agricultural drought 2017 Drought development using meteorological water balance as an indicator

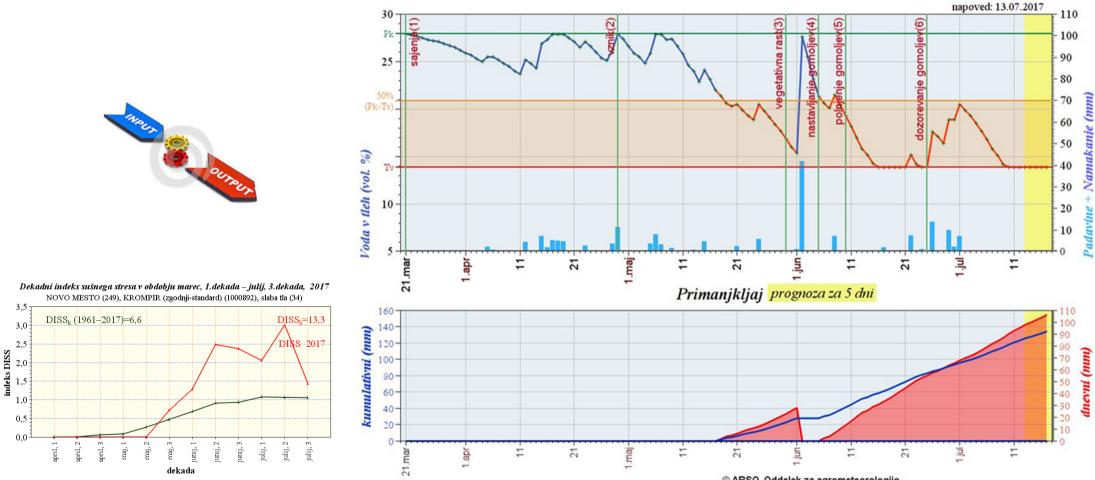




Example of phase 3 Crop water model IRRFIB 03.1.



Example 3 Potato drought stress identification by indicator DISS with forecast (Novo mesto, soil with low water retention capacity, year 2017)

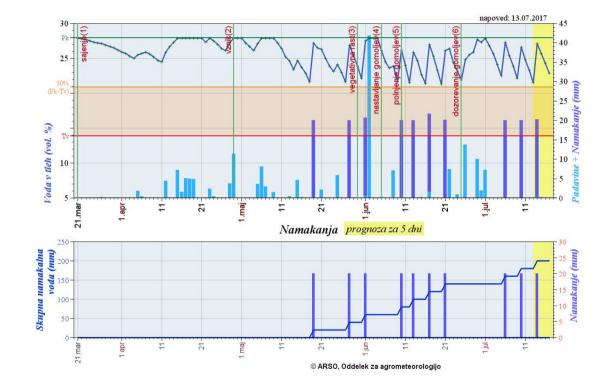


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Irrigation forecast for farmers based on IRRFIB model

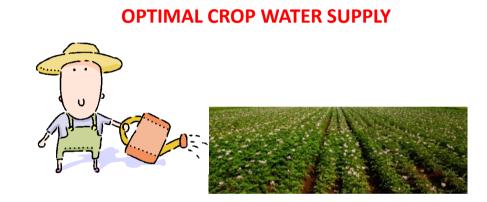


Real and forecasted crop water balance (potato var. Jelly) – from 21.3. till 17.7.2017, Krško field (SE Slovenia)



RR = 172 mm; **ETP= 527** mm. Crop water use **360** l of water.

Irrigation – 10 times/ total 200.0 mm.



FORECAST: 17.7.2017

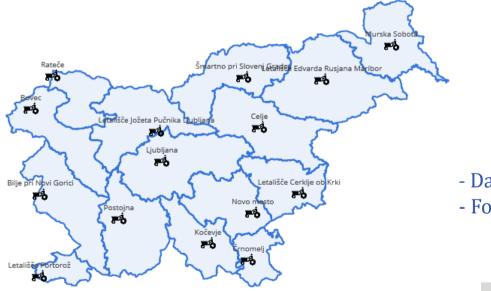
date	rr [mm]	etp [mm]	etr [mm]	irrigation [mm]
2017-07-17		5.3	4.2	0.0
2017-07-18		5.7	4.6	0.0
2017-07-19	0.1	4.8	3.8	0.0
2017-07-20	0.2	6.8	5.4	20.0
2017-07-21	0.4	4.3	3.5	0.0

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Decision support system for farmers Agrometeorological forecast – info related to drought Link:

http://meteo.arso.gov.si/met/sl/agromet/forecast/

15 regions in Slovenia







Vir: https://blog.donedeal.ie/2013/09/make-farming-21st-century/

- Daily meteorological information and

- Forecasts of different agrometeorological parameters

Temporal dynamics of drought monitoring products in Slovenia

Indicator	Time of calculation	Analysed period
Decline of cumulative precipitation	every 10-day period in the vegetation season	day
SPI1	every month	month
SPI3	every month	3-month period
SPI3 for spring crops	June 15	year
SPI4 for summer crops	September 1	year
Meteorological water balance with forecast	every 10-day period in the vegetation season	day
DISS_k for specific crop	every 10-day period in the vegetation season	day
DISS _k spatial	end of vegetation season	year





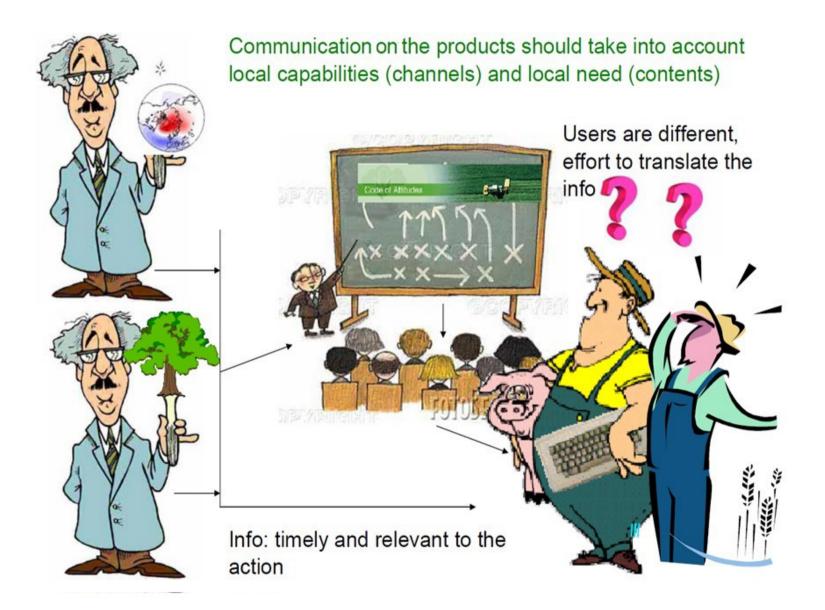
Potential users of drought indicators in agriculture

Important feedback of end users!



	INDICATOR	USER	
precipitation SPI	Early drought warning – stage 1 SPI1	 agricultural advisory service*, ecological agencies & institutes; insurance companies*, 	
Water balance	SPI3; SPI4 First sign of agricultural drought – stage 2	 water management, hydrological monitoring, 	
DISS _k	Agricultural drought – stage 3	 disaster prevention services*, research and education , general public , local and state policy: natural disasters*, water resources, agriculture*, hydroenergy, climate change adaptation etc 	

* using already



Hidrometeorološke razmere v Sloveniji

Stanje, 24. avgust 2017

Povzetek stanja

Nastopili so bolj vremensko prijazni dnevi, vročina je v zadnjih dneh nekoliko popustila. V preteklem vikendu je povsod po Stoveniji deževalo. Jutra so bila v začetku tedna sveža, najnižje jutranje temperature zraka so bile od 4 do 10, na Primorskem do 18 °C. Dnevi po prehodu fronte so se segreli le na od 22 do 27 °C. Za popolno slovo od suše je bilo dežja premalo. V večjem delu Slovenije so bile količine dežja med 20 in 30 mm, na Obali, v delu osrednje, jugovzhodne Slovenije ter severovzhoda pod 20 mm. Največ dežja, več kot 40 mm, je padlo le v višjeležećih predelih.

Na najbolj s sušo prizadetih območjih je dež namočil le površinski sloj tal. Količine dežja zadostujejo za nekaj dni, primanjkljaj meteorološke vodne bilance v sušno najbolj prizadetih območjih se je ponekod rahlo popravil, vendar poškodovanosti zaradi suše kmetijske rastline več ne morejo ubežati. Padavine so bile ugodne le za travinje, vznik strniščnih posevkov, jesenske zelenjadnice in trajne nasade. Še vedno pa padavine niso bile zadostne, da bi popravile padavinsko sliko letošnje vegetacijske sezone. Na jugovzhodu je v letošnjem poletju padlo le 48 % dolgoletnih padavin. Ker spet prihaja obdobje vročega vremena, se bo na najbolj ogroženih območjih stanje ponovno poslabšalo. Kmetijska suša se bo tam nadaljevala.

Vodnatost rek po državi je mala. Številni vodotoki v južni, vzhodni, jugozahodni in deloma osrednji Sloveniji imajo za poletje značilno sušno vodnatost. Najmanj vodnate, ponekod celo suhe, so manjše reke v Prekmurju, na Dolenjskem, v Slovenski Istri in na Obali ter na Vipavskem. Mura in Drava še ohranjata srednje pretoke. V prihodnjih dneh bo vodnatost rek ostala mala. Postopno zmanjševane pretokov se bo odražalo s sušno vodnatostjo na vse več rekah. V prihodnjem tednu se bodo običajne sušne razmere površinskih vodotokov stopnjevale. Sušne razmere se bodo na vseh izpostavljenih območjih do konca avgusta še nadaljevale. Postopno zmanjševane pretokov se bo odražalo s sušno vodnatostjo na vse več rekah. Vodnatost večine, predvsem manjših rek, bo zadnje dni avgusta predvidoma manjša od značilne poletne sušne vodnatosti.

Tudi v drugi polovici avgusta gladine podzemne vode večjega dela države ostajajo podpovprečne, izjemno nizke vodne količine pa v tem času spremljamo na prostorsko najbolj omejenih plitvih medzrnskih vodonosnikih, ki najhitreje reagirajo na primanjkljaj obnavljanja podzemne vode. Tako v Čatežu na Čateškem polju in v Šentjerneju na Šentjernejskem polju beležimo najnižje gladine podzemne vode dolgoletnega obdobja meritev, zelo nizko pa so se vodne gladine spustile tudi v Vipavskem Križu v Vipavski dolini. V odne razmere se v primerjavi s preteklim tednom niso bistveno spremenile, zelo nizko količinsko stanje podzemnih voda se še naprej ohranja v sušno najbolj izpostavljenih vodonosnikih Krško Brežiške in Dravske kotline, kjer je padavinski primanjkljaj daljšega obdobja največji. V Gorišnici na Ptujskem polju beležimo najnižje gladine značilne za ta letni čas, ki pa še ne dosegajo ekstremnih vrednosti. Kraški izviri so podpovprečno izdatni, zelo nizke pretoke spremljamo na izvirih nizkega Dinarskega krasa na jugovzhodu države. Vremenski izgledi do 1. septembra:

V celotnem obdobju bo nad južno polovico Evrope vztrajalo območje visokega zračnega tlaka. K nam bo od jugozahoda dotekal razmeroma suh in zelo topel zrak. Prevladovalo bo sončno vreme, več dnevne oblačnosti bo v hribovitem svetu severozahodne Slovenije. Najvišje dnevne temperature se bodo dvigale nad 30 °C. Nadaljevalo se bo suho vreme, največja verjetnost za krajevne nevihte je v četrtek, 24. avgusta in v ponedeljek, 28. avgusta, pa še to le v gorskem svetu.

Več informacij:

Dnevna hidrološka napoved površinskih voda: http://www.arso.gov.si/vode/napovedi/ Trenutno hidrološko stanje površinskih voda – podatki avtomatskih hidroloških postaj: http://www.arso.gov.si/vode/podatki/amp/.

Spletni bilten Agrometeorološka napoved za 15 regij v Sloveniji: http://meteo.arso.gov.si/met/sl/agromet/forecast/ (aplikacija deluje v brskalnikih Google Chrome in Mozilla Firefox)

Hydrometeorological bulletin – foundation for integrated drought monitoring

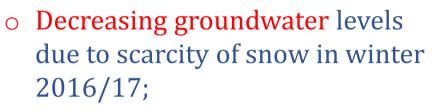
During the longer drought period Slovenian Environment Agency (ARSO) issues a weekly bulletin on "Hydrometeorological conditions in Slovenia":

- Meteorological situation
- Surface water status
- Groundwater quantity
- Water balance of agricultural soil
- o Outlook

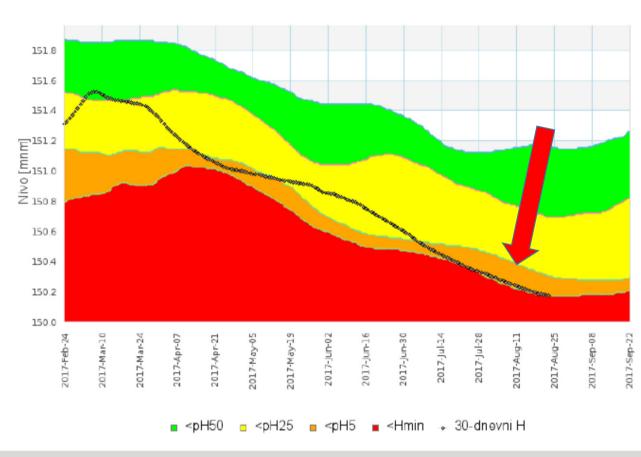
Distributed to public and professional institutions and sectoral ministries.

http://www.arso.gov.si/o%20agenciji/novice/arhiv.html

...includes info about eg. summer 2017 developed into hydro drought



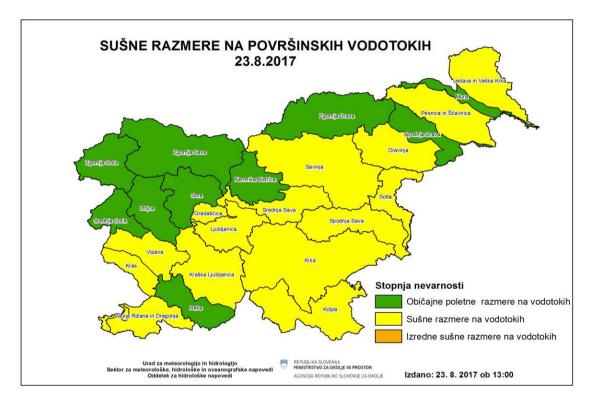
- Drying of wells reported in some regions;
- No restrictions to water supply due to interconnections but calls to save water in vulnerable regions;
- In few municipalities in SE drinking water shortage has occured.



Groundwater levels from March to August 2017 – Šentjernejsko polje (SE)



Hidroalarm – part of Hydrometeorological bulletin every week (monitoring & forecast) at ARSO (web, alerts, warnings)

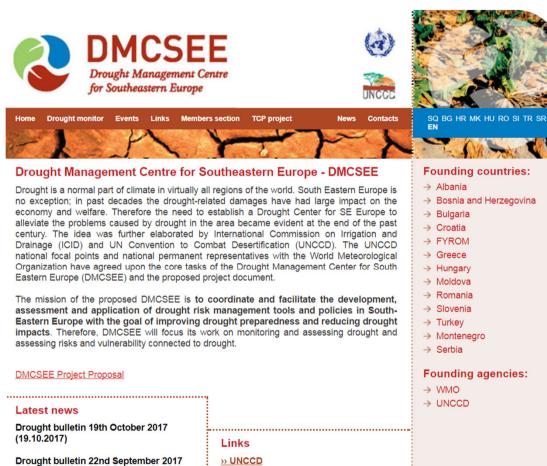




Low flow Krka, Podbukovje (SE)



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(22.09.2017)

Drought bulletin 21st August 2017 (21.08.2017) DMCSEE hosted by ARSO

- 10 years anniversary
- web-based platform: www.dmcsee.org



Monthly drought bulletin in SE Europe

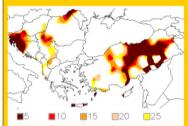
- Hot spot short summary, short insight of possible circumstances of drought at the time of issue.
- Additional and auxiliary information (such as methodology used, more detailed information on water balance or temperature situation)
- Report on drought impacts

 (scarce info about drought impacts
 in the region!)
- Outlook

DROUGHT MONITORING BULLETIN

21st August 2017

HOT SPOT



July was characterized by heat waves striking in all countries of the region. Accompanied extreme weather conditions brought air temperatures as high as 44.8 °C (Elefsina, Greece) and 46.8 °C (Bodrum, Turkey) and damaging thunderstorms in between lasting periods of hot and dry weather. Figure on the left shows **precipitation percentiles for July 2017**. Precipitation level in extensive part of eastern Turkey, Croatia and Slovenia as well as in northern Romania, Moldova and northern Serbia classifies in lowest 5th percentile in respective country.

OUTLOOK

Comparison of 60 Days Accumulated Water Balance Time Period 30 Jun - 28 Aug 2017 with Historical Percentile Classes

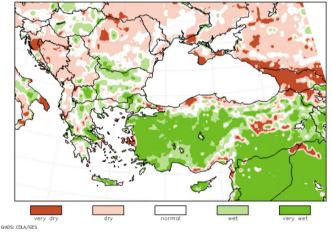


Figure presents the model simulations of the **60-day water balance anomaly** (mm) for the time period from **30th June to 28th August 2017**. Water balance conditions will improve across

IMPACT REPORTS

Hellenic National Meteorological Service issued heat wave alert in late June (29th June to 3rd July), available in pdf online, for the first heat wave this summer. General Secretariat for Civil Protection in Greece issued additional daily heat wave alerts [2, 3] as well as several extreme fire risk alerts over the month [3]. One death was reported due to extreme heat stress. Indirect consequence of hot and dry weather in Greece this July were several wildfires that hit extensive areas of coastal Greece and its islands [4].

Wildfire hit also southeastern coastline of Adriatic Sea and spread across southern Croatia and Montenegro [5-8].

In mid-July, Hungarian Meteorological Service reported that heat wave fattened the areas already experiencing drought conditions, especially its northern and northwestern part and the Great Plain have been severely to heavily affected by drought [9].

Agricultural drought in Slovenia whose roots go back to March this year, worsened over June and July as reported by Slovenian Environment Agency in mid-July [10]. Most affected were regions of northeastern and southern half of Slovenia where maize has completely stopped in growth and dry stream discharge was recorded on several rivers, described in Agency's Hydrometeorological report as of 20th July [11].

Reports on moderate to extreme drought conditions come from Serbia as well. According to Republic Hydrometeorological Institute, water levels of Tisa, Sava, Velika Morava and Danube rivers were in mid-low to low values as stated in Institute's weekly meteorological bulletins in July [12-15].

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WHY? Current status

Monitoring

- untimely delivery
- cross-border inconsistencies
- lack of integration of risk and impact data
- increase in the number and duration of droughts in the Danube region in last decades (in 2003, 2007, 2015, 2016, 2017)



Motivation for the DriDanube project

Drought is becoming one of the major challenges in water management in the Danube region.

Impacts and risk assessment

- no systematic collection of drought impacts
- lack and incomparable drought risk assessment methodologies
- despite the impacts on the economy and welfare of people, mainly in agriculture, drought is still not considered an issue of high priority

Management

- reactive, dealing mainly with losses and damages
- cooperation between key actors is missing
- formal legislation does not exist



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Drought Risk in Danube Region DriDanube

• Project financed by European fund for regional development (85%)

Lead Partner

Partners:

Slovenian Environment Agency (ARSO), Slove

Hungarian Meteorological Service (OMSZ), Hungary
 Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien), Austria

National Meteorological Administration (NMA), Romania

Meteorological and Hydrological Service (DHMZ), Croatia
 Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute (SHMU), Slovakia

Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad (FAUNS), Serbia
 Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Serbia (RHMSS), Serbia

Institute of Hydrometeorology and Seismology (IHMS), Montenegro

Szent Istvan University (SZIU), Hungary

Associated Strategic Partners:

The State Land Office (SLO), Czech Republic

Environment Agency Austria (EAA), Austria

Ministry of Agriculture (FM), Hungary

(BMLFUW) Austria

EODC Earth Observation Data Centre for Water Resources Monitoring GmbH (EODC), Austria

Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Republic of Srpska (RHMZ RS), Bosnia and Hercegovina

Agricultural Station/Forecasting and Warning Service of Serbia in plant protection (PIS), Serbia

Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management

Ministry of Environment and Energy, Water management directorate (MZOIE), Croatia

Global Change Research Institute CAS, (CzechGlobe), Czech Republic
 Global Water Partnership Central and Eastern Europe (GWP CEE), Slovakia

Centre of Excellence for Space Sciences and Technologies (SPACE-SI), Slovenia

International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR), Austria
 Administration of the RS for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief (URSZR), Slovenia

- Lead partner: ARSO/DMCSEE
- Project budget: 1.974.750,00€
- Duration of project: 30 months (January 2017 June 2019)



Danube Transnational Programme DriDanube

7 EU countries 3 Non-EU countries 15 partners 8 Strategic partners

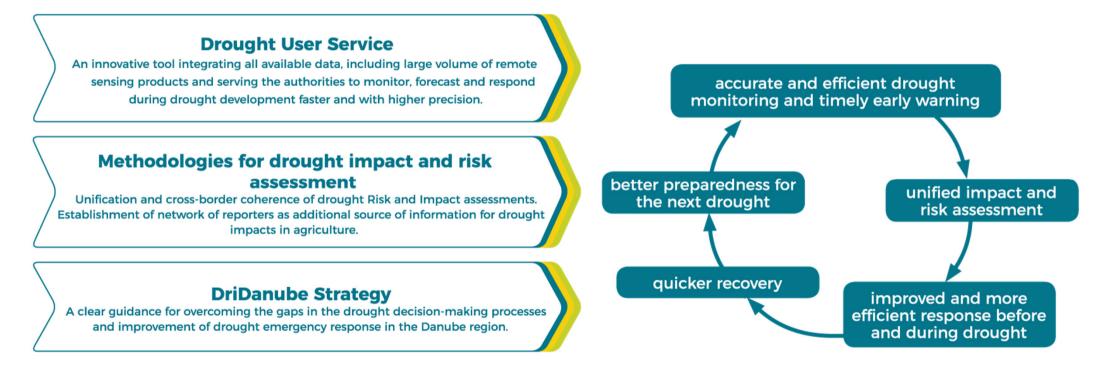
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Main Outputs

Improved drought emergency response and better cooperation among operational services and decision making authorities in the Danube region.



Result 1: Drought User service – DUS



- Web-based interface for drought monitoring in real-time
- Source of data: satellite (Big Data), meteorological data

Some integrated products:

SWI anomalies – product to express amount of water contained in soil (daily)

NDVI anomalies – Vegetation greenness/vigor (decadal) SWB – Surface Water Balance from numerical weather prediction (NWP) model

SWBSLO – Surface Water Balance from numerical weather prediction (NWP) model for the territory of Slovenia VegCon1 – Relative vegetation condition for crops and grasslands

VegCon2 – Relative vegetation condition for all vegetation types

- drought reporters.

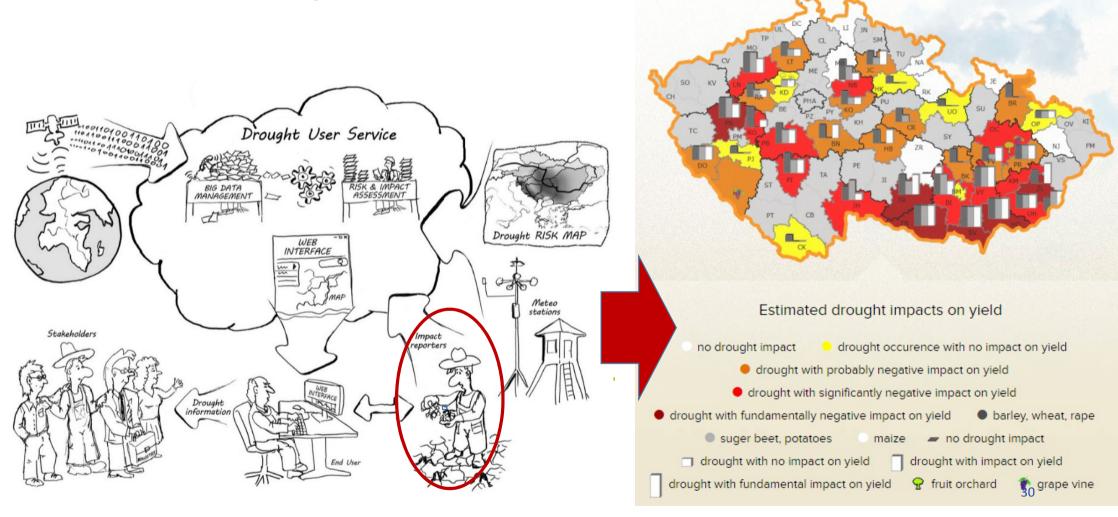


- ✓ Accurate drought monitoring and forecast in real time
- ✓ Faster response.

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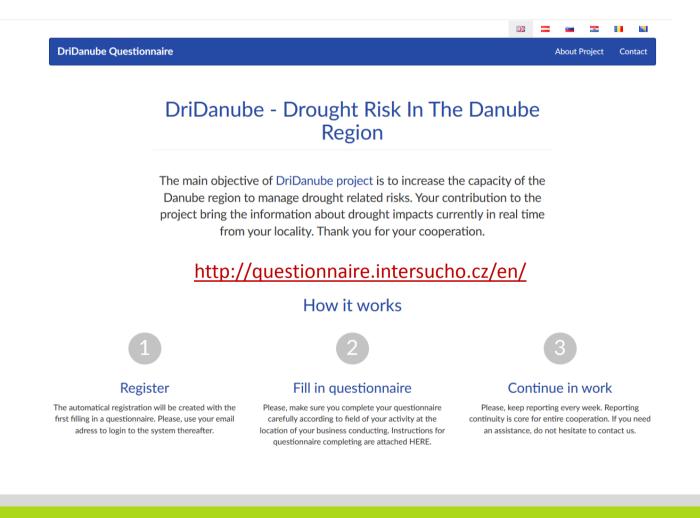
Result 2: Metodology for drought impacts assessment – interactions with reporters on weekly routine

In Danube region including Slovenia, already in place in CZ





DriDanube Questionnaire for reporters - entry



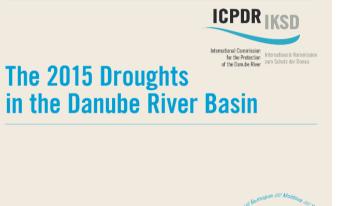


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Points for discussion







 active countries participation in existing platforms (global, regional – EDO, DMCSEE), exchange information inside/outside the countries, harmonized data collection, methodologies (impact & risk on EU level);

Networks

• DMCSEE and consortium partners, **Alpine countries**, **ICPDR**, **EUSDR**;

Common projects

- GWP/IDMP, WMO, Adaptation fund, FAO, LIFE, Adaptation Fund;
- project calls (enlarge DriDanube, DTP projects cooperation or **new initiatives?**).

Change of management paradigm /policy

- missing policy; DriDanube project has intention to increase technical capacities and elaborate more targeted water management policies taking into account water scarcity and droughts (DriDanube Strategy); results will be considered and used as input for further strenthening of RBMP (to the EU WFD);
- o Drought Directive???;

Public awareness / capacity building



Appine Water – Masser der Alpen – Allgemeingut oder Quelle für Konflikte? rence 4.-6. 6. 2018, Breitenwang, AT

- o drought news/impacts information sharing, media;
- o guidelines, manuals, trainings, publications, Forum Alpinum hot spot;
- DriDanube info at <u>www.interreg-danube.eu/dridanube</u> & leaflets.