## **Climate Watch (Serial No.: 20130923 – 00)**

Initial/Updated/Final

No particular Topic: Warning: awareness

Potentially Organization issuing the SEEVCCC 1 dangerous statement:

Dangerous

Very dangerous Issued/ Amended / 23-9-2013 12:00 P.M. 3

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Region of concern: South-Eastern Europe

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## **Monitoring**

In the period from September 15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, temperature above normal 1981-2010<sup>1</sup>, with anomaly from +1 up to +5°C, was recorded in part of western and southern Turkey and south Caucasus. Temperature below normal with anomaly from -1 up to -3°C was registered in most part of Balkans, Romania and most part of Moldova. Most of Balkans received precipitation up to 100 mm, while elsewhere significant amounts were not observed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Reference climatological period is the 1981-2010 period

#### Outlook

Within the first week (September 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013), ECMWF monthly forecast predicts below normal temperature with anomaly from -1°C up to -4°C in the entire SEE region. The probability for this event is around 90%. Precipitation deficit with probability around 80% is expected in the Balkans. Precipitation surplus, with probability around 90%, is expected in most part of Turkey and South Caucasus.

During the second week (September 29<sup>th</sup> to October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013) Turkey and South Caucasus are expected to see temperature below normal, with anomaly up to -3°C, with probability around 70%. In rest of the SEE region average temperature is expected with less confidence. Precipitation deficit is expected along coastal Greece and east Turkey, while precipitation surplus is expected in central Turkey. Probability for these events is around 70%.

In the period from September 23<sup>rd</sup> to October 20<sup>th</sup>, below normal temperature, with anomaly up to -3°C, is expected in most part of SEE region, with probability around 80%. Precipitation deficit is expected in south and southeast Serbia, along Adriatic coast, in FYR of Macedonia, south Romania, southwest Bulgaria, south Albania and in north and south Greece. Probability is around 80%. Precipitation surplus is expected in east and south Turkey, with probability around 80%.

During the following three months (October, November, December) SEEVCCC seasonal forecast predicts slightly above normal temperature in most of western Balkans and temperature slightly below normal in some parts of Turkey. Normal to dry weather conditions are expected in most of SEE region, with the exception of the coastal regions where precipitation surplus is expected.

### **Update**

An updated statement will be issued on 30-9-2013.

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# **ANNEX**

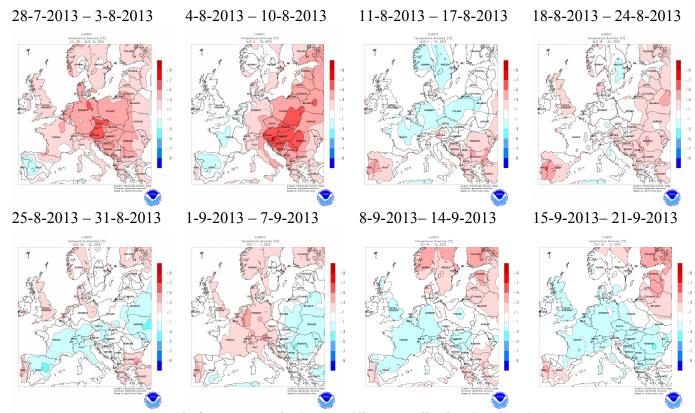


Figure 1. Temperature anomaly for recent weeks (source: Climate Predication Center, USA)

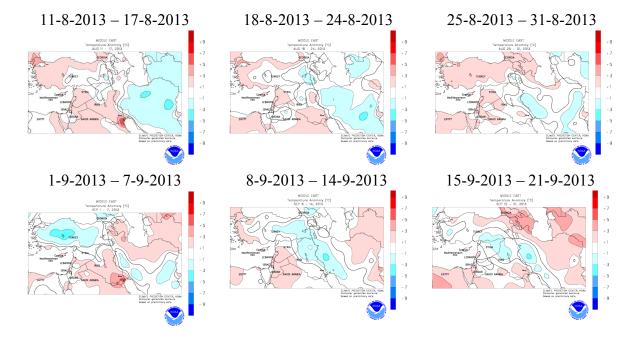
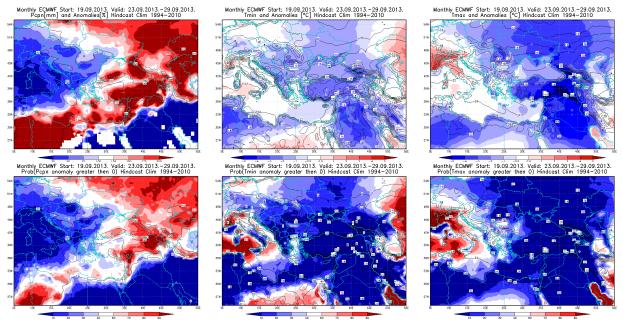
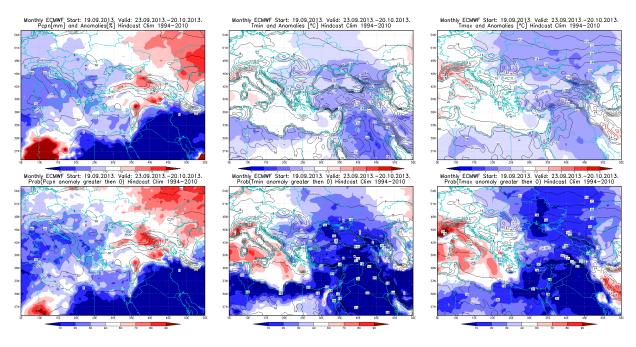


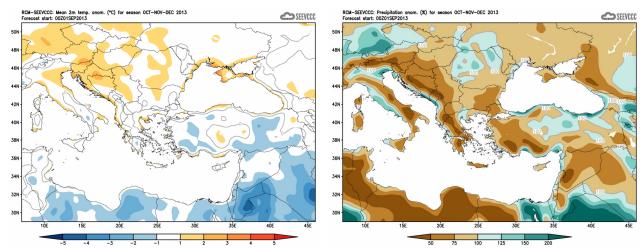
Figure2. Temperature anomaly for recent weeks for Middle East (source: Climate Predication Center, USA)



**Figure 3.** Outlook for the precipitation amount anomaly, minimum and maximum temperature anomalies (upper row), along with the probability of precipitation surplus and positive minimum and maximum temperature anomalies (lower row) for the 23 - 29.9.2013 period



**Figure 4.** Outlook for the precipitation amount anomaly, minimum and maximum temperature anomalies (upper row), along with the probability of precipitation surplus and positive minimum and maximum temperature anomalies (lower row) for the 23.9 - 20.10.2013 period



**Figure 5.** Mean seasonal temperature and precipitation anomaly for the season OND (seasonal outlook for RCM-SEEVCCC)

### **Sources**

- Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Serbia (www.hidmet.gov.rs)
- South East European Virtual Climate Change Center (<u>www.seevccc.rs</u>)
- European Center for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (<a href="http://www.ecmwf.int/">http://www.ecmwf.int/</a>)
- Climate Prediction Center USA (<a href="http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/">http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/</a>)
- Deutscher Wetterdienst (<a href="http://www.dwd.de/">http://www.dwd.de/</a>)