# Climate Watch (Serial No.: 20221212–48)

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Region of concern: southern Balkans, Turkey

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#### Monitoring

During the period from 4 to 10 December 2022, weekly precipitation sums were up to 100 mm along the Adriatic coast. In rest of the region, weekly precipitation totals were below 25 mm.

### Outlook

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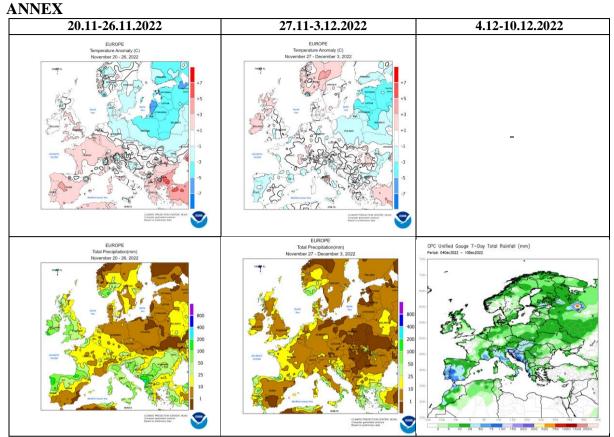
During the second week (19 to 25 December 2022), above average mean weekly air temperature is forecasted for the southern Balkans, Cyprus, Turkey, South Caucasus and Middle East, with anomaly up to  $+6^{\circ}$ C, and with around 80% probability for exceeding upper tercile. Average precipitation is expected for most of the region.

During the following three months (December 2022, January and February 2023), seasonal forecast predicts above average seasonal air temperature in the northern and central parts of the Balkans, Ukraine, Carpathian Mountains, along Adriatic and Black Sea coasts, some parts of central and eastern Turkey, as well as central South Caucasus. Precipitation surplus is expected along southern part of the Adriatic Sea coast, some parts of the Carpathians, northern Turkey and the South Caucasus region. Precipitation deficit is predicted for the western and southern Balkans, southwestern Turkey and Middle East.

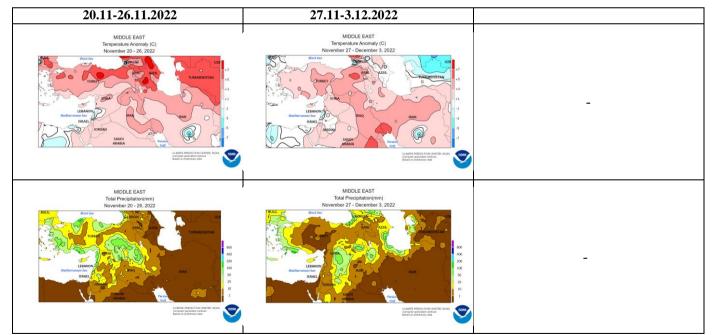
#### Update

An updated statement will be issued on 19-12-2022

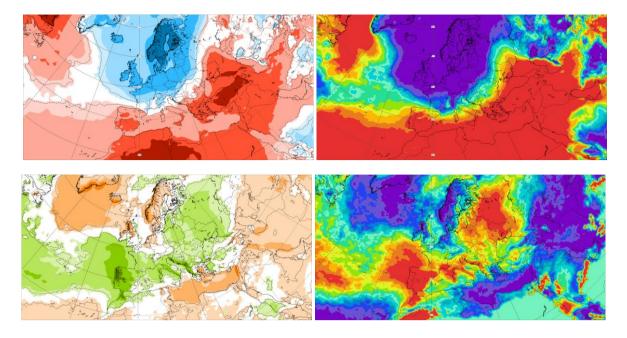
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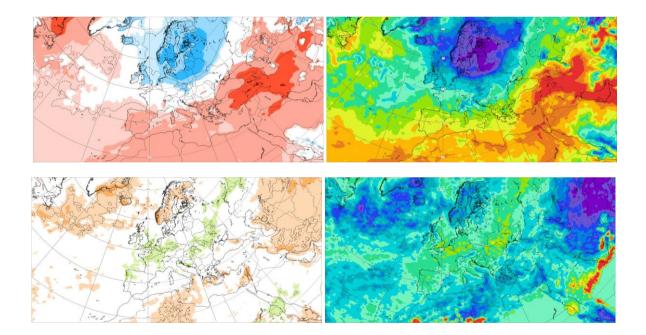
**Figure 1.** Temperature anomaly and total precipitation for recent weeks (source: Climate Prediction Center, USA)



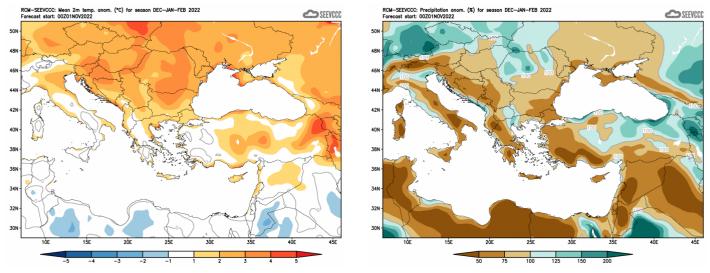
**Figure 2.** Temperature anomaly and total precipitation for recent weeks for Middle East (source: Climate Prediction Center)



**Figure 3.** Outlook for the temperature anomalies and probability for the upper tercile (upper row), along with the precipitation surplus/deficit and probability for the upper tercile (lower row) for the 12.12–18.12.2022 period



**Figure 4.** Outlook for the temperature anomalies and probability for the upper tercile (upper row), along with the precipitation surplus/deficit and probability for the upper tercile (lower row) for the 19.12–25.12.2022 period



**Figure 6.** Mean seasonal temperature and precipitation anomaly for the season DJF (seasonal outlook from RCM – SEEVCCC)

## Sources

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