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## Land Desertification Agronomy Sector and Livestock Sector

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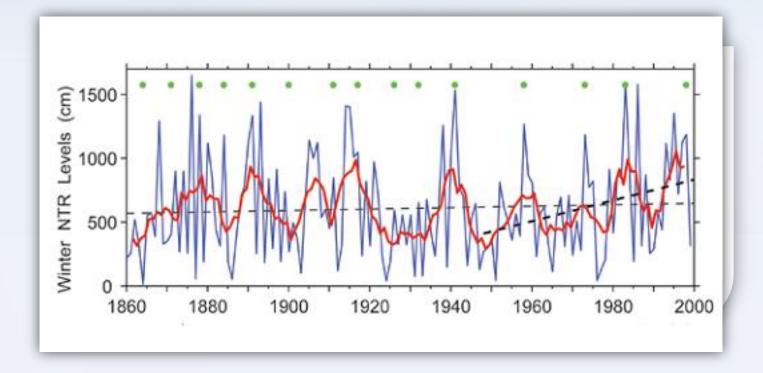
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### Winter sea water level at San Francisco



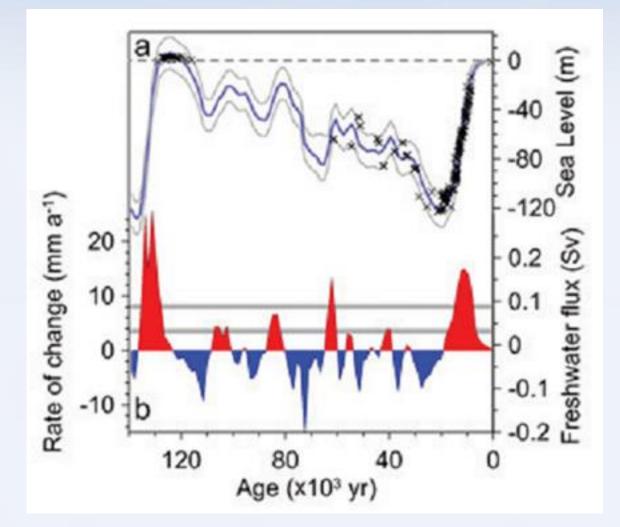
Adapted, from Bromirski et al., 2003

Weather and Climate Extremes in a Changing Climate, USCCSP, 2008

First Plenary meeting 22-25 November - Nauplion 2011



### Record of sea-level (130,000 years ago)



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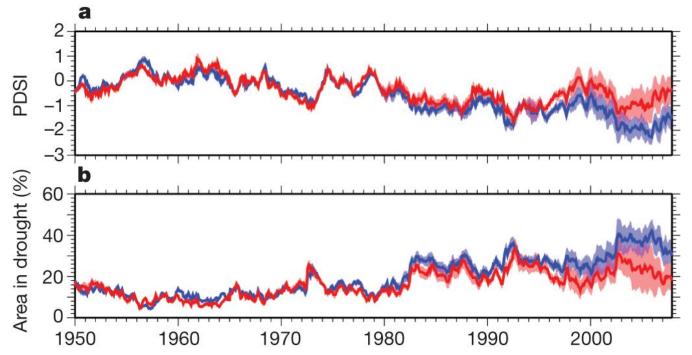
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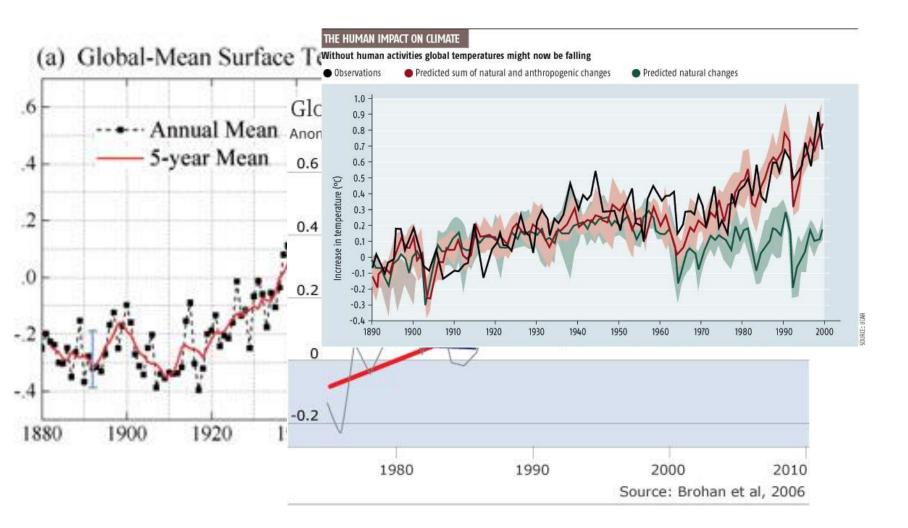
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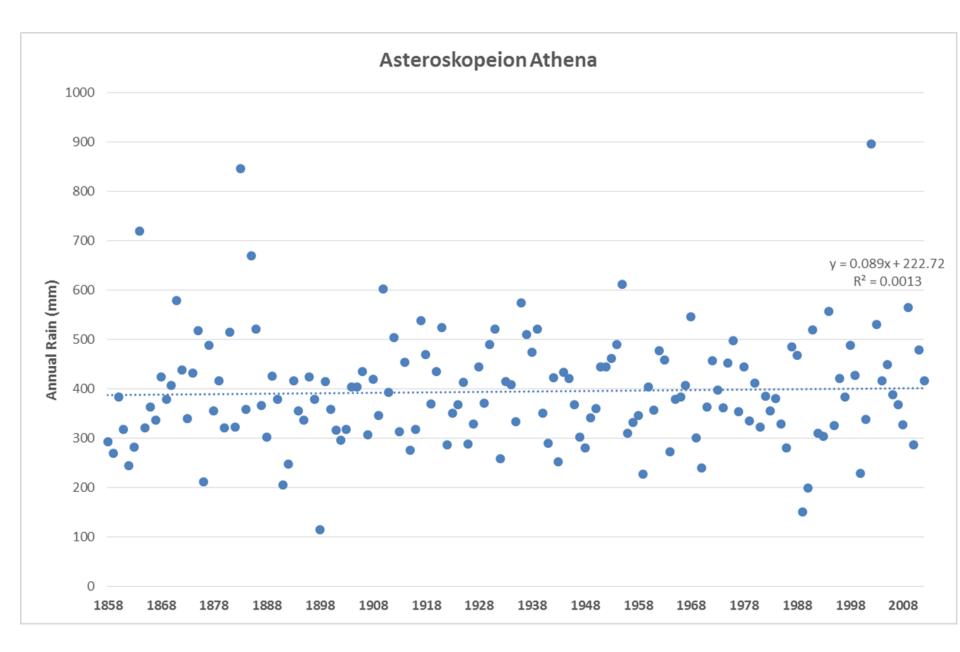
Global average time series of the PDSI and area in drought. Little change in global drought over the past 60 years



**a**, PDSI\_Th (blue line) and PDSI\_PM (red line). **b**, Area in drought (PDSI <-3.0) for the PDSI\_Th (blue line) and PDSI\_PM (red line). The shading represents the range derived from uncertainties in precipitation (PDSI\_Th and PDSI\_PM) and net radiation (PDSI\_PM only). Uncertainty in precipitation is estimated by forcing the PDSI\_Th and PDSI\_PM by four alternative global precipitation data sets. Uncertainty from net radiation is estimated by forcing the PDSI\_Th offer the PDSI\_PM with a hybrid empirical-satellite data set and an empirical estimate. The other near-surface meteorological data are from a hybrid reanalysis-observational data set. The thick lines are the mean values of the different PDSI data sets. The time series are averaged over global land areas excluding Greenland, Antarctica and desert regions with a mean annual precipitation of less than 0.5 mm d<sup>-1</sup>

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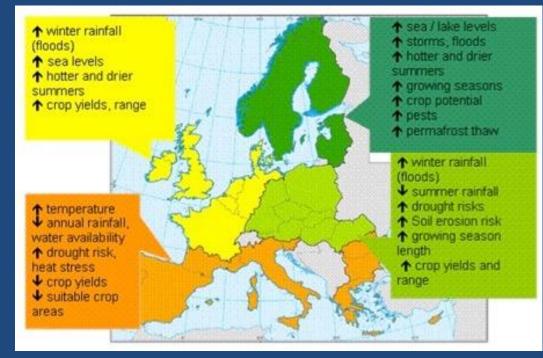


## **Agronomy Sector**

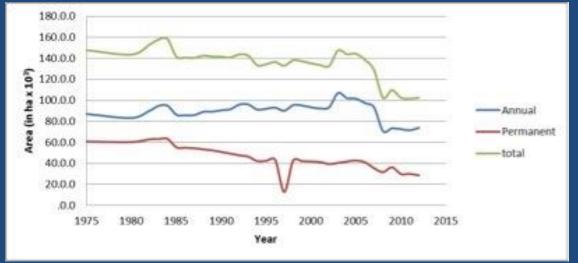
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# Description

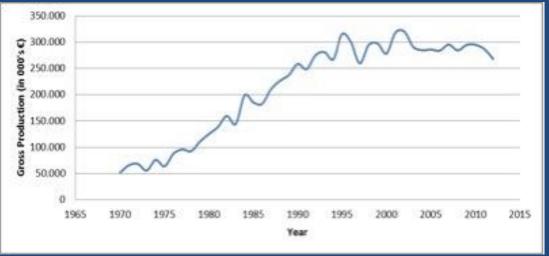
- According to E.U. Cyprus belongs to zone 4 which is the most vulnerable to climate change
- The combination of direct and indirect consequences of climate change on crop productivity in Cyprus is presented on the bases of a crop simulation model and indicative existing pertinent rules by CCRA



# The total surface for both annual and permanent crops from 1975 to 2012



# The annual gross agronomic production during the period 1970-2012

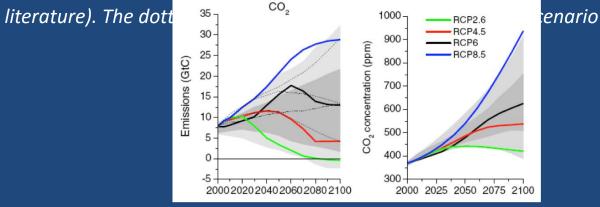


- List of Cyprus sub-regions studied in this report.
- WESTERN- Western Coastal Areas (the greater area of Paphos)
- SOUTHERN- Southern Coastal Areas (the greater area of Limassol)
- SOUTHEASTERN- Southeastern Coastal Areas (the greater area of Famagusta, Ayia Napa and Larnaca)
- INLAND- Continental Lowland Areas (the greater area of Nicosia)
- MOUNTAIN- Higher Elevation Areas (the central part of Troodos mountains).



- The risk metrics for the crop production sector (RM)
- RM1 Crop yield using wheat as a reference C3 rainfed arable crop
- RM2 Crop yield using potato (November sowing) as a reference irrigated vegetable crop for Spring-Summer production
- RM3 Crop yield using potato (July sowing) as a reference irrigated vegetable crop for Autumn production
- RM4 Crop yield using maize as a reference C4 irrigated arable crop
- RM5 Crop yield using olive as a reference C3 tree
- RM6 Crop yield using grapevine as a reference C3 fruiting berry

•Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> across the RCPs (left), and trends in concentrations of carbon dioxide (right). Grey area indicates the 98th and 90th percentiles (light/dark grey) of the values from the



□ **RCP8.5** - a future with little curbing of emissions, with a CO<sub>2</sub> concentration continuing to rapidly rise, reaching 940 ppm by 2100.

□ **RCP4.5** - CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations are slightly above those of RCP 6.0 until after mid-century, but emissions peak earlier (around 2040), and the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration reaches 540 ppm by 2100.

For the six plant cases studied in this research, AquaCrop was applied in wheat, potato (November and July sowing) and maize, while olive and grapevine were investigated on the context of the current literature research.

The following climatic parameters on a daily base were used for estimating climate change impacts on annual crops using AquaCrop.

- 1. Temperature (Higher and Lower)
- 2. Relative Humidity
- **3.Solar Radiation**
- 4. Air velocity
- 5.Rainfall
- 6.CO<sub>2</sub> concentration



# Results of the analysis

Y<-20% -20% <Y<-5% -5%<Y<0 %Yield change 0 >Y> 5% 5% >Y> 20% Y>20% (Y)

#### -RCP4.5

#### RCP8.5

RCP4.5	§ - 1			8	
1991-2010 / 2041-2060	Western	Southern	Mountain	Inland	Southeastern
Wheat					
Potato (November sowing)				-	
Potato (July sowing)					
Maize					
Olive					
Grapevine					

RCP8.5	8 8			8	
1991-2010 / 2041-2060	Western	Southern	Mountain	Inland	Southeastern
Wheat					
Potato (November sowing)			-	-	
Potato (July sowing)					
Maize	5				
Olive					
Grapevine					

RCP4.5	8 8				1
1991-2010 / 2071-2090	Western	Southern	Mountain	Inland	Southeastern
Wheat					
Potato (November sowing)				-	
Potato (July sowing)					
Maize	1				1
Olive					
Grapevine					

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Potato (July sowing)			Ĩ		
Maize	1				
Olive					
Grapevine					

### A second level of evaluation of climate change impacts was the confidence assessment of the metrics

2	Confidence assessement	Level
	Crop yield	+
RCP4.5	Extreme climatic events	-
	Pests and Weeds	228
	Aridity/drought	223
	Confidence assessement	Level
RCP8.5	Crop yield	-
	Extreme climatic events	-2
	Pests and Weeds	
	Aridity/drought	

Confidence assessement of the consequences	Level
High consequenses (positive)	+++
Medium consequenses (positive)	++
Low consequenses (positive)	+
Low consequenses (negative)	-
Medium consequenses (negative)	
High consequenses (negative)	

#### Limitations

- Climate scenarios and models are future cases affected by multiple factors, which cannot be defined precisely, particularly when studying periods that reach the end of the century
- •The estimation of climate change impacts on yields is provided without the effect of other factors affected by climate change such as diseases, pests and weeds that are indirectly taken into account
- •Changing climate parameters will affect accordingly and rather positive the development of weeds that will act to compete with crops.
- Similar changes are expected to occur in attacks by various pests and diseases due to the change in the geographical distribution and spread to other regions than today and the competition that would exist with other beneficial insects or organizations making unspecified changes to existing biocontrol mechanisms

- The complex mechanism of photosynthesis and the effect of future changes in various climate parameters such as CO2 and the temperature creates difficulties in exact simulation of the various standards and generates uncertainty.
- In many cases, especially at local level, climate change is only one aspect of future change but not necessarily the most important. For example some impacts of climate change on agriculture, such as the increase in extreme weather events cannot be determined precisely, but it is almost certain that other factors affecting agricultural production such as water resources, transport, infrastructure will be affected immediately

# Adaptive capacity

•Assessing structural and organisational adaptive capacity

i. implementation of integrated crop management systems in order to reduce inflows in agro-ecosystems

- A reduction of 30% of the applied amount of fertilizers that will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions, especially nitrogen oxides and reduction of nitrate pollution

- Minimize tilling

- Reduction of plant protection products

ii. expansion of organic agriculture and livestock which aims to improve the balance of greenhouse gases by increasing the organic matter of the soil and the reduction of methane and nitrous oxide emissions.

iii installation of manure management systems

iv. promotion of renewable energy both to meet the energy needs arising from agriculture and for the production of energy to be allocated to other production processes.

v. afforestation of agricultural land and restoring forestry potential

# Adaptation practises

#### Short-term measures

- These measures are actions that can be applied directly and are the first "line of defense" against climate change. Some of them are:
- -Change In crop establishment date (sowing or planting).
- -Change Inputs.
- -Measures to conserve water.

#### Long-term measures

Long-term measures are major structural interventions to address the adverse effects of climate change.

- -Change the choice of crops and the use of agricultural land.
- -Crop Breeding.
- -Change and development of farming methods and management.

# Conclusions

•Five reference crops (wheat, maize, potato, olive, grapevines).

- •wheat was simulated under<u>rainfed</u> conditions, while maize was simulated as a <u>full irrigated</u> cultivation. Potato was projected in <u>two different growing periods</u>, the first established in <u>November</u> and the second in <u>July</u>. Finally, **olive** and **grapevines** were estimated based on previous research and literature findings.
- •RCP4.5 scenario, showed that wheat is going to be <u>favoured</u> in the areas of <u>Mountain and Inland Cyprus for</u> <u>both periods 2041-2060 and 2071-2090</u> compared to the reference period.

•In the case of **RCP8.5 scenario** the positive effect of climate change on **wheat** was <u>even higher</u> and <u>was</u> <u>expanded to the Western area too.</u>

- •A serious limitation of the current study was that the impacts of climate change on the <u>quality of the grain</u> were not defined because of the constricted research and field information. Ludwig and Asseng (2006), in the case of Australia, argued that elevated CO<sub>2</sub> reduced grain protein concentration and lower rainfall increased protein levels at all sites. Also, higher temperatures could both increase and decrease protein concentrations.
- •Regarding **maize**, for <u>all the scenarios and areas</u>, the proportional yield change <u>was restricted under 5%</u>. This result is generally explained by the fact that maize is a <u>C4 photosynthetic plant</u> with limited absorption ability under higher concentration of CO<sub>2</sub> causing lower net photosynthetic rates than wheat which is a C3 plant. <u>The decrease in precipitation could not directly affect maize's productivity due to the fact that the plant was simulated under full irrigation conditions.</u>
- •In the case of **potato**, the projection <u>for the two growing periods</u> (November and July sowing), gave quite <u>controversial</u> results. Specifically, in almost all the cases <u>yields of the July sowing were significant lower</u> <u>compared to November indicating that potato growing in summer is going to face serious climatic restrictions.</u>
- •Olive trees and grapevines are going to shift their main production areas moving to higher altitudes now considered relatively cool as the Western or Mountain Cyprus. The magnitude of the projection is expected to be greater in the RCP8.5 scenario than RCP4.5.
- •Grapevines face greater level of uncertainty regarding <u>yield's quality</u> due to the fact that the projected conditions are going to <u>downgrade late varieties</u> which are more <u>sensitive to higher temperatures and</u>

# CONCLUSIONS (cont.)

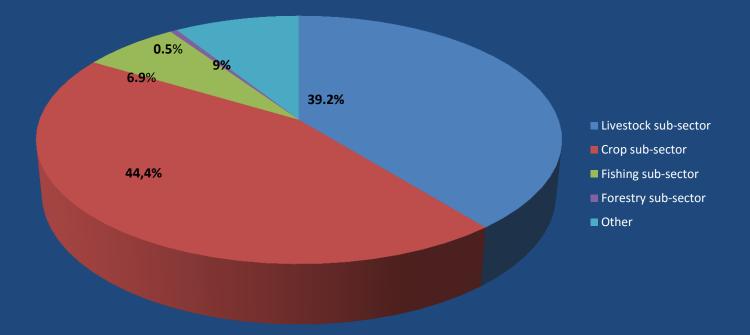
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### **Livestock Sector**

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According to the Statistical Service of Cyprus (2012), the value added of livestock sub-sector for 2012 in Cyprus was 39.2% at current prices.



- In CCRA climate change report five sub-regions of Cyprus island were studied.
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- 4. Continental Lowland Areas (the greater area of Nicosia)
- 5. <u>Higher Elevation Areas (the central part of Troodos mountains).</u>
- Data related with the present climate of Cyprus, reffering to temperature, precipitation, winds and relative humidity were taken into consideration
- Moreover, based on future stimulations the climatic future changes for 2050's and 2080's, for temperature, precipitation, winds, relative humidity, and sea level were studied according to <u>Climatic Change report for CCRA of Cyprus</u>.

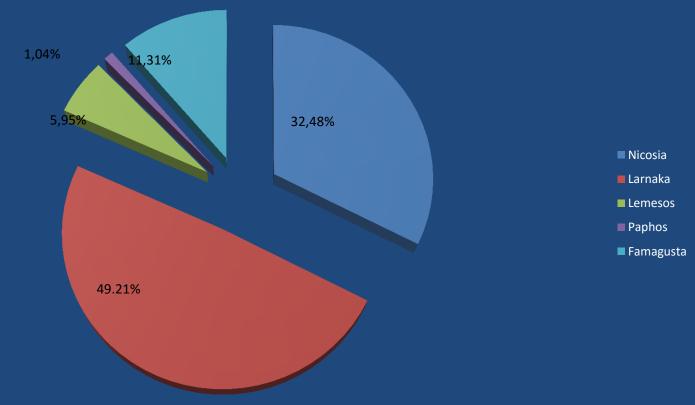
#### Animal related impacts

Climate impacts in livestock sector are related with:

- 1. Heat stress
- 2. The need for supplemental feed due to grassland productivity problems

Direct impacts of heat stress on livestock productivity was chosen as an illustrative sector, and were related with the types of livestock production of Cyprus island and changes in temperature and their impacts on animal welfare and productivity.

Percentage number of cattle in Cyprus per district for 2013 (Cyprus Department of Environment, 2015).



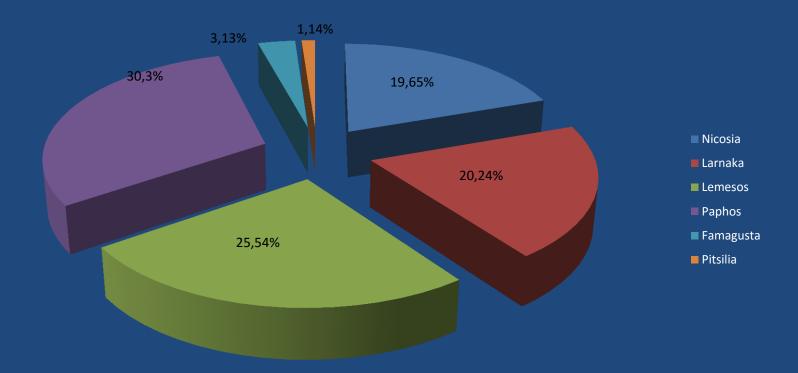
#### Heat stress impact on cattle milk production

- The majority of changes for heat stress are larger in 2080 than in 2050 an for this reason the projections suggest that losses to heat stress only begin to become relevant in the 2050s and the losses will be greater for the 2080s due to greater magnitude of temperature changes.
- 32,48 % of total cattle production is located in Nicosia in which the strongest climate changes will occur, and for this reason will receive the strongest impacts from heat stress.

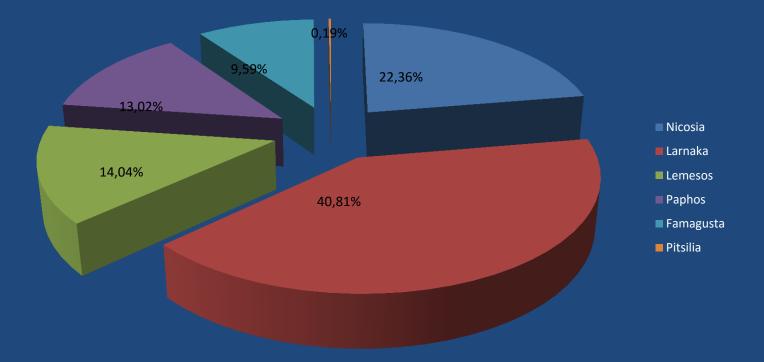
#### Heat stress impacts on meat cattle production

- The breedings for meat cattle production and milk cattle production according 2013 data, are generally occured at 49.21% in Eastern Coastal Areas and 32,48% in Continental Lowland Areas
- Paphos and Nicosia will experience the major temperature increases until the 2080s (High severity scenario) and the lower increases of temperature in 2050s
- For this reason cattle meat production in Cyprus have a possibility to be affected from heat stress in 2050's and in greater magnitude in 2080's, in a similar way with cattle milk production

Percentage number of goats in Cyprus per district for 2013, respectively (Department of Environment, 2015).



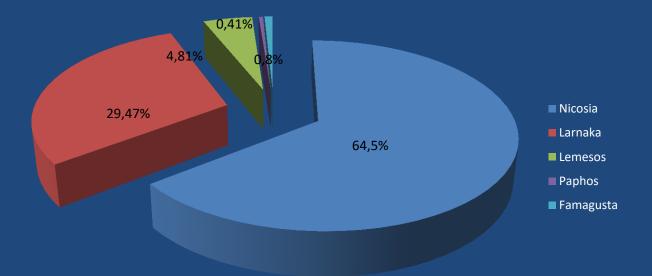
Percentage number of sheep in Cyprus per district for 2013, respectively (Department of Environment, 2015).



#### Heat stress impacts on sheep and goat milk and meat production

- The striking increases of precipitation in the high elevation and continental lowland areas found in 2050 are absent in 2080.
- The strongest changes are found in high elevation areas, but they are negative and smaller in magnitude than for 2050.
- For the above reasons, the prediction of the climate change impacts on goat and sheep milk and meat production are low confident and the only factor which may has the potential to affect it, is heat stress only for 2080s in which the temperature changes will be greater and more extreme than 2050s.

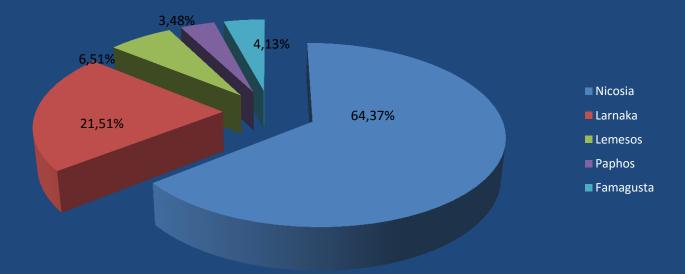
Percentage number of pigs in Cyprus per district for 2011 (Department of Environment, 2013).



#### Changes in pork meat production due to heat stress

- Heat stress will have an important impact in pig production of Cyprus, because of the higher increases of temperature in 2050s and 2080s, at continental lowland areas (Nicosia) which have the biggest percentage of pig production (64.50%) in the island.
- This impact will be more important in 2080s than in 2050s due to the magnitude of changes which will occur in these time periods.

Percentage number of poultry in Cyprus per district for 2011 (Department of Environment, 2013).



#### Changes in poultry meat and egg production due to the heat stress

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#### Heat stressimpacts on animal transports

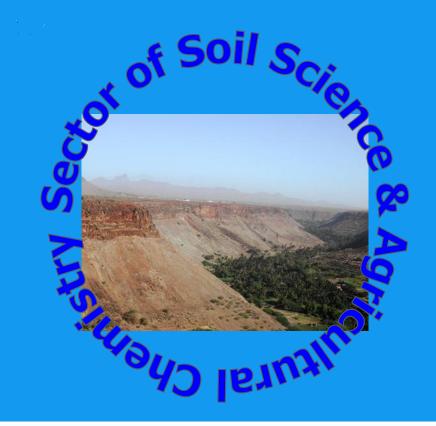
- In Nicosia is gathered 32.48% of cattle, 19.65% of sheep, 22.36% of goat,
  64.5% of pig and 64.37% of poultry production of Cyprus.
- The impacts of heat stress will be greater in Nicosia as it was predicted in CCRA climate change report for Cyprus, with having greater magnitude in 2050s compared to 2080s.
- As a result, heat stress and high temperatures may have a greater impact on animal transportation at Nicosia in 2080s and in a lower level in 2050s

#### **Climate change and cross sectoral risks**

- Summer high temperatures and the increase in winter precipitation may have a low effect on changes in crop, grass permanent pasture and meadow in 2050
- Heat stress may affect invasive species, pests and diseases risks and their impact on livestock productivity as well as wildfire due to the changes of summer temperatures and winter rainfalls.
- Water quality impacts on livestock for Cyprus, may be linked with the increase of winter precipitation in 2050, only if toxic blooms of blue-green algae are present.

#### **Conclusion**

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### **Land Desertification**

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### **Methodology used**

A list of 30 indicators has been identified using the following sources:

DEISIRE PROJECT-EU

European Environmental Agency (EEA) - DPSIR (Driving forces, Pressure, State, Impact, Responses indicators)

>MEDALUS projects - Mediterranean Desertification and Land Use

MEDRAP – Mediterranean Desertification Regional Action Plan

DESERTLINKS – DIS4ME

## **Methodology used**

Each indicator has been described using existing classes based on existing classification systems and research results.

#### Weighing indices have been assigned in each class.

CLIMATE											
Annual air	<12		12-1	5	1	5-18		18-21			>21
Temperature (°C)	1.0	)	1.2 1.5		1.5	5 1.8			2.0		
						1				-	1000
Annual rainfall		80	2	280-650			650 -1000				>1000
(mm)	4	4		2			1.5			1.0	
BG aridity	<50	50-7	75	75-1	00	100	-125	12	5-150		>150
index	1.0	1.2		1.4			-125 .6		1.8		2.0
much	1.0	1.2	-	1.4		1.	.0		1.0		2.0
Annual pot.	<500		500-800		800-1	800-1200		1200-1500		>1500	
evapotranspiration	1.0		1.2 1.5		5	1.8			2.0		
(mm)											
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Rain seasonality	<0.19	0.20-0.3	.4 0.4	0-0.59	0.60	-0.79	0.80	-0.99	1.00-1	.19	>1.20
	1.0	1.2		1.4	1	.6	1	.8	1.9		2.0
Rain erosivity	<60		0 -90	_	91-120			121-160			>160
(mm/h)	1.0		1.2		1.:	5	1.8			2.0	
				WATE	D						
Water quality	WATER        <400      400-800				800-1500				>1500		
(μS)		0			.3			1.6			2.0
(μ0)	1.			1				1.0			2.0
Water quantity	Adeo	juate		Mode	rate			Low			None
and America	1.			1.3			1.6			2.0	

#### Indicators with the corresponding weighing indices for the assessme erosion risk in agricultural areas, pastures, and forests

	Water erosion					
Indicators	Agricultural areas	Pastures and shrubs	Forests			
	CLIMATE					
Rainfall	0.348					
Rainfall seasonality	0.245	0.654	0.41			
Aridity index			0.225			
	SOIL					
Slope aspect	0.191					
Slope gradient	0.359					
Soil depth	0.082	0.167	0.225			
Soil texture		0.115				
Organic matter	0.17					
	VEGETATION					
Vegetation cover type	0.089		0.369			
Plant cover	0.089	0.305	0.169			
	FIRES					
Fire risk			-0.417			
Burned area		-0.182	0.309			
	AGRICULTURE					

## Methodology used

A forward stepwise multiple regression analysis was applied for each process or cause with dependent variable the desertification risk and independent variables all the indicators assigned for each process using the following linear model:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 \mathbf{X}_1 + \boldsymbol{\beta}_2 \mathbf{X}_2 + \dots + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{\kappa} \mathbf{X}_{\kappa}.$$

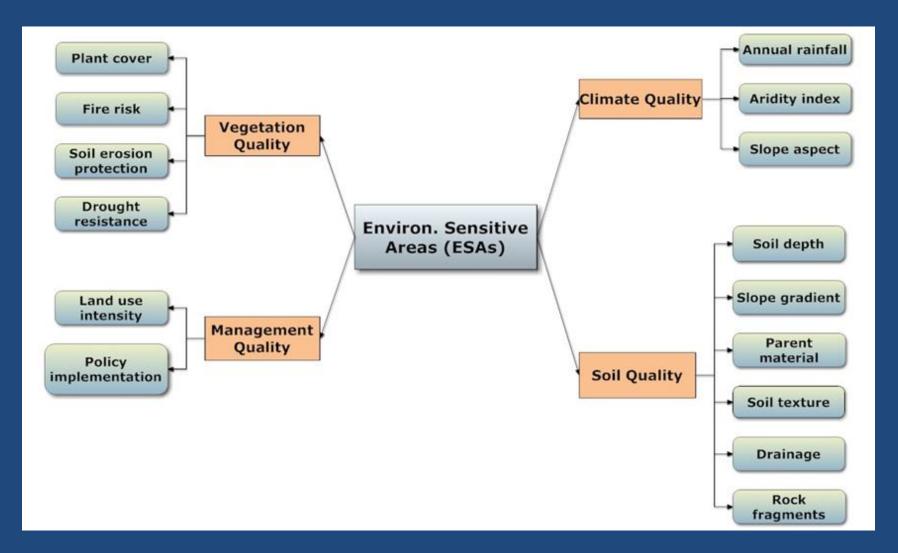
Where: Y is the dependent variable of desertification risk,  $\beta_0$  is the Y intercept  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ , etc. are slopes of the regression plane, X1, X2, etc. are the independent variables of indicators used.

ESAI = (SQI \* CQI \* VQI \* MQI)1/4

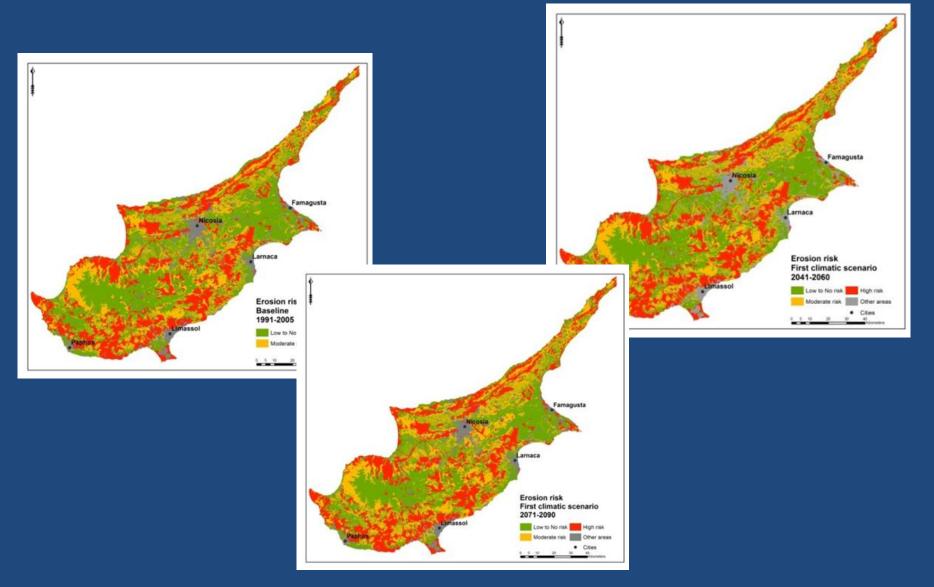
# Types of ESAs and corresponding ranges of indices

Туре	Subtype	Range of ESAI
Critical	C3	>1.53
«	C2	1.42-1.53
«	C1	1.38-1.41
Fragile	F3	1.33-1.37
«	F2	1.27-1.32
«	F1	1.23-1.26
Potential	Р	1.17-1.22
Non affected	Ν	<1.17

The indicators and qualities used for identification environmentally sensitive areas (ESAs) to desertification



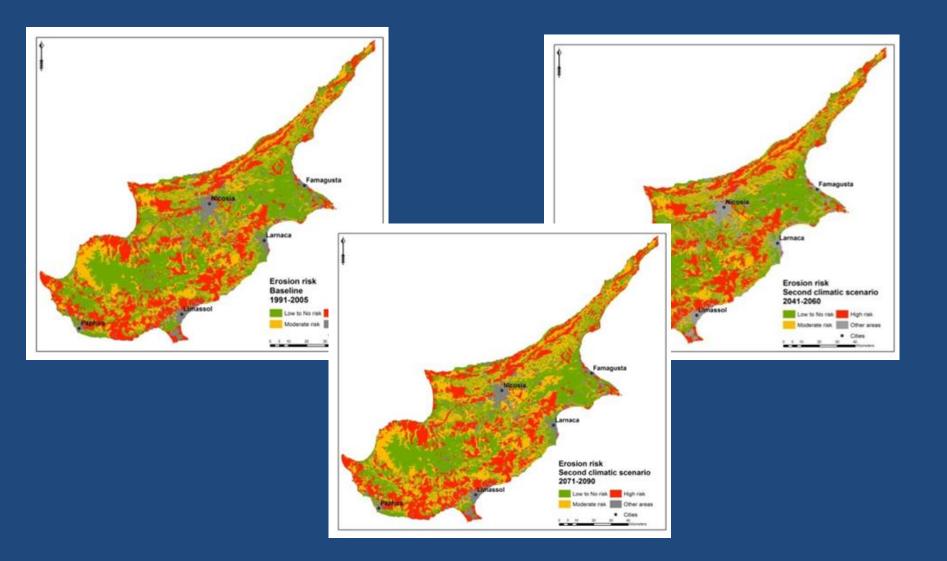
## Climatic scenario 1



### Distribution of erosion risk for the present period, period 2041-2060 and period 2071-2090 for the climatic scenario 1

Erosion risk			Scenario 1 ( 2060)	period 2041-	Scenario 1 (period 2071- 2090)		
	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	
High	244877,1	26,6	244318,4	26,5	246187,5	26,7	
Moderate	216772,9	23,5	223136,4	24,2	243223,6	26,4	
Low-no risk	399494,7	43,3	382450,7	41,5	359099,5	39,0	
Other areas	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	
TOTAL	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	

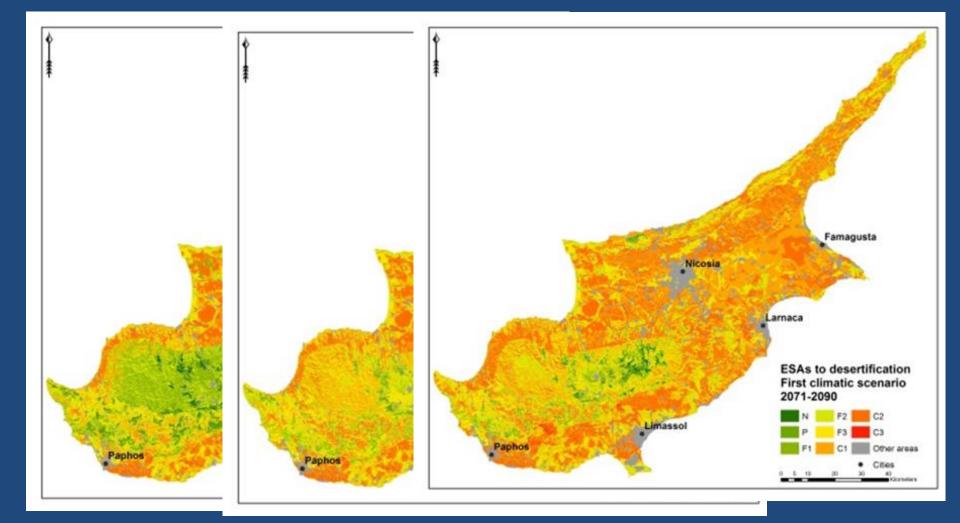
## Climatic scenario 2



### Distribution of erosion risk for the present period, period 2041-2060 and period 2071-2090 for the climatic scenario 2

Erosion risk			Scenario 2 2060)	(period 2041-	Scenario 2 (period 2071-2090)		
	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	
High	244877,1	26,6	248753,5	27,0	242699,2	26,3	
Moderate	216772,9	23,5	204597,6	22,2	262659,7	28,5	
Low-no risk	399494,7	43,3	395059,5	42,9	344546,7	37,4	
Other areas	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	
TOTAL	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	

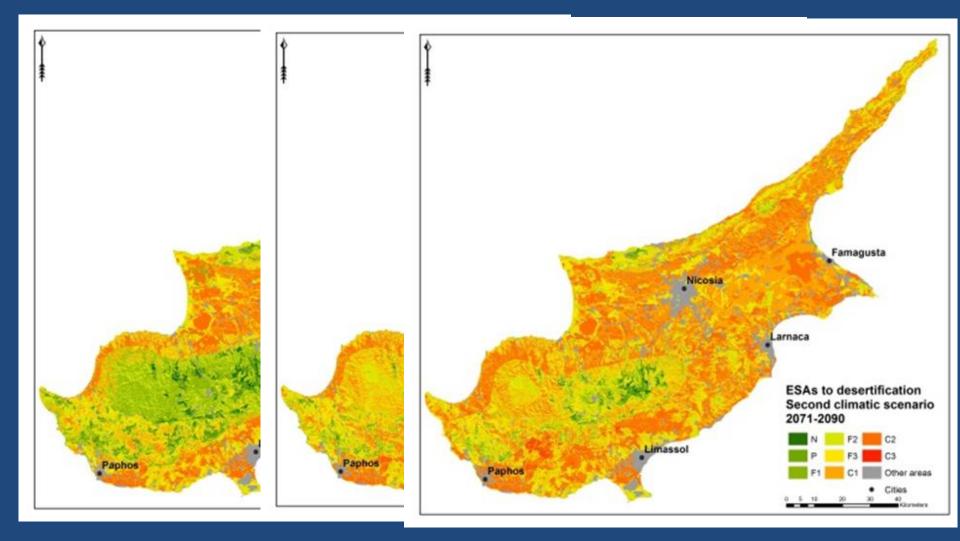
# Land desertification risk assessment Scenario 1



### Distribution of environmentally sensitive areas to desertification for the present period, period 2041-2060 and period 2071-2090 for the climatic scenario 1

Environmentally sensitive areas to	Present peri	iod	Scenario 2041-2060)	1 (period	Scenario 2071-2090)	1 (period
desertification (ESAs)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)
Critical-C3	452,1	0,1	646,7	0,1	1809,6	0,2
Critical-C2	181000,0	19,6	225305,0	24,4	249360,3	27,0
Critical-C1	214132,9	23,2	253736,2	27,5	255099,7	27,7
Fragile-F3	121303,9	13,2	168676,2	18,3	161389,3	17,5
Fragile-F2	185660,5	20,1	157161,3	17,0	144823,3	15,7
Fragile-F1	104167,7	11,3	30134,1	3,3	25615,9	2,8
Potential-P	36207,2	3,9	12694,3	1,4	9994,7	1,1
No threatened-N	6981,3	0,8	1551,8	0,2	1813,0	0,2
Other areas	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8
TOTAL	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0

# Land desertification risk assessment Scenario 2

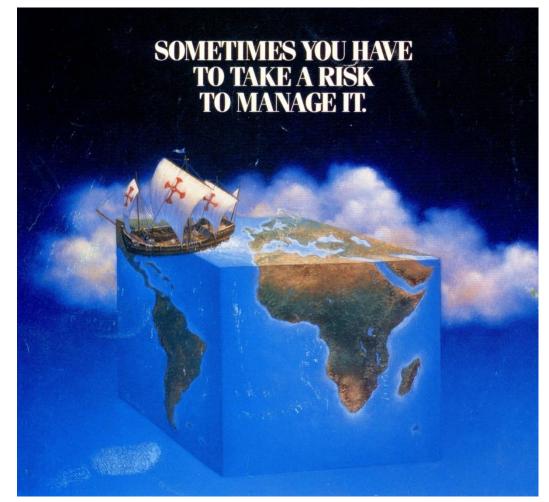


Distribution of environmentally sensitive areas to desertification for the present period, period 2041-2060 and period 2071-2092 for the climatic scenario 2

Environmentally sensitive areas to desertification	Present period		Scenario 2041-2060)	2 (period	Scenario 2 (period 2071-2090)	
(ESAs)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)	area (ha)	area (%)
Critical-C3	452,1	0,1	1014,5	0,1	2626,6	0,3
Critical-C2	181000,0	19,6	229834,5	24,9	253679,9	27,5
Critical-C1	214132,9	23,2	251991,4	27,3	253122,3	27,5
Fragile-F3	121303,9	13,2	166326,8	18,0	159089,6	17,3
Fragile-F2	185660,5	20,1	156405,7	17,0	146100,0	15,8
Fragile-F1	104167,7	11,3	30355,6	3,3	24241,6	2,6
Potential-P	36207,2	3,9	12129,6	1,3	9376,9	1,0
No threatened	6981,3	0,8	1847,5	0,2	1668,5	0,2
Other areas	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8	72144,9	7,8
TOTAL	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0	922050,5	100,0

# ΑΝΤΙ ΕΠΙΛΟΓΟΥ

- Climate uncertainty and nonstationarity are more than an intellectual discussion topic and need to be seen as such. The issues have economic, ethical, and moral dimensions.
- We may have live with today's infrastructure decisions for 50 to 100 years and must keep that in mind in our discussions.



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