



### Energy, climate and environmental change in the Mediterranean Basin Wolfgang Cramer (CNRS)

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# 2. Expected change in the Mediterranean energy system

- a) The industry perspective
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#### Industry expectations on energy ENERGY DEMAND OUTLOOK



40% increase in overall demand by 2030.

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#### Industry expectations on energy HEAVY RELIANCE ON FOSSIL FUELS WILL ENDURE



To 2030 the Mediterranean region will remain a net importer of fossil fuels regardless of the Scenario.

Gas production could nearly double and demand increase between 40% and 70% from 2010 to 2030 Mtoe: megaton oil equivalent

#### Industry expectations on energy

#### **MEDITERRANEAN WIND OUTLOOK**



### Wind generation to increase six fold and South to supply one third of the total by 2030.

TWh: Tera watt hours

#### Industry expectations on energy SOLAR MARKETS: OUTLOOK FOR SOLAR PV



### Solar PV is expected to grow at a yearly rate of 15.5% in the Mediterranean region (faster in the South).

**PV:** photovoltaics

#### **Industry expectations on energy**

#### SOLAR MARKETS: OUTLOOK FOR SOLAR CSP



### South Med countries are expected to produce half of total CSP-based electricity in the region.

CSP: concentrated solar power

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FIGURE-2 PRIMARY ENERGY DEMAND BY SCENARIO



Source : MEDENER/OME, 2015.

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#### Figure 23 : Share of renewable sources in electricity generation (2000, 2010)

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**FIGURE 23** Per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by country (2010)



Tagliapietra 2015

FIGURE 24

Trend in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions growth by country (1980-2010)



Source: own elaboration on World Bank, World Development Indicators, accessed in May 2014.

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#### **Actual change in fossil fuel production**

FIGURE 8

Total primary oil production in SEMCs (1980-2010)



Source: own elaboration on International Energy Agency, Extended World Energy Balances Database, accessed in May 2014.

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#### Actual change in fossil fuel production

FIGURE 9

Total primary natural gas production in SEMCs (1980-2010)



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#### The battle for oil and gas



Libya

Lorenzo Tondo in Palermo

and Patrick Wintour

Mon 12 Nov 2018 20.38 GMT

#### Italian summit on Libya in disarray as Trump and Putin stay away

Diplomats try to salvage conference aimed at cementing Italy's role as power broker



Italy's prime minister, Giuseppe Conte, had planned to use the conference in Palermo on Monday to confirm his country as the leading European power broker in Libya and timed it to follow the <u>weekend armistice ceremonies</u> in Paris, in the hope that Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin would travel on to the Sicilian city.

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## The Mediterranean basin warms faster than the world overall



#### global mean temperature regional mean temperature (Mediterranean)

Cramer et al. 2018 Nature Climate Change

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**Regional Environmental Change** 

#### Mediterranean warming makes people suffer

#### Climate models project particularly severe warming in large cities in the Eastern Mediterranean

Recent and end-of-century temperature anomalies. Model calculated frequency histograms (%) of **summer (JJA) daytime maximum temperature** (TX) anomalies relative to the period 1961-1990, based on the A1B scenario. Blue is for the period 1961-1990 (hence cantered around 0°C) and red for the period 2070-2099





## For every degree of warming, Mediterranean rainfall declines

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

Lionello & Scarascia 2018, Regional Environmental Change

## Sea-level rise accelerates, in the Mediterranean and worldwide

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## Sea-level rise accelerates, in the Mediterranean and worldwide

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#### **Coasts and world-heritage sites are at risk of flooding**

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Reimann et al. 2018

## Sea-water becomes more acidic, in the Mediterranean and worldwide

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### Climate change and interconnected risks to sustainable development in the Mediterranean

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Recent accelerated climate change has exacerbated existing environmental problems in the Mediterranean Basin that are caused by the combination of changes in land use, increasing pollution and declining biodiversity. For five broad and interconnected impact domains (water, ecosystems, food, health and security), current change and future scenarios consistently point to significant and increasing risks during the coming decades. Policies for the sustainable development of Mediterranean countries need to mitigate these risks and consider adaptation options, but currently lack adequate information — particularly for the most vulnerable southern Mediterranean societies, where fewer systematic observations schemes and impact models are based. A dedicated effort to synthesize existing scientific knowledge across disciplines is underway and aims to provide a better understanding of the combined risks posed.

n the Mediterranean Basin, human society and the natural environment have co-evolved over several millennia, experiencing significant climatic variations and laying the ground for diverse and culturally rich communities. The region currently lies in a transition zone between mid-latitude and sub-tropical atmospheric eastern Mediterranean, heatwave return periods may change from once every two years to multiple occurrences per year<sup>13</sup>. A global atmospheric temperature increase of 2 °C will probably be accompanied by a reduction in summer precipitation of around 10–15% in Southern France, Northwestern Spain and the Balkans, and up

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#### Figure 7 : Breakdown of final energy consumption by sector (2010)

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#### Figure 51 : Share of transport in final energy consumption

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#### Figure 53 : Transport energy consumption by mode (2000, 2010)

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### Automotive industry

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inquiry over emissions

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"These technologies aim at making passenger cars less damaging to the environment," the European competition commissioner, Margrethe Vestager, said in a statement. "If proven, this collusion may have denied consumers the opportunity to buy less-polluting cars, despite the technology being available to the manufacturers."

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Source: own elaboration on DLR (2005).

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#### **Conclusions**

- Energy use is at the core of recent climate change
- Climate change is more intense in the Mediterranean than globally, posing severe risks for people in the future
- Current views on possible energy transition are inadequate and incoherent with the Paris Agreement
- Without full decarbonization by 2050, there will be no sustainable development in the Mediterranean
- Decarbonization requires significant reductions in energy use

Thank you very much for your attention!

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