Climate change, the Paris agreement and the Mediterranean basin: challenges and future perspectives

THE CARBON BUDGET METHODOLOGY AND INDC ANALYSIS: MEDITERRANEAN CASE STUDIES AND PROPOSALS FOR THE NEXT NDCs

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#### THE GLOBAL 2°C REFERENCES

#### **1.** The World 2°C emissions scenario for all GHG: the RCP 2.6 scenario



2. The Global Carbon Budget: Cumulative CO2 emissions consistent with the goal of keeping the global average temperature rise below 2°C with > 66% probability According to AR5-IPCC, from 2011 to 2100  $\rightarrow$  1000GtCO2

### The current INDCs - Aggregate effect



There is a big gap (14 GtCO2eq) between the aggregate effect of the current INDCs and the level of compromises required to achieve the temperature objectives (2°C) set out in the Paris Agreement! 5

# The current INDCs – Aggregate effect

Until now 190 parties have communicated their intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs). On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Climate Convention published the latest update of its synthesis report on the aggregate effect of the INDCs (the 1<sup>st</sup> NDCs in the Paris Agreement context).

The Climate Convention uses the cumulative emissions concept – the Global Carbon Budget concept, in other words- to make its analysis.



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#### The need to translate the World 2°C references to regional and country levels

- The RCP2.6 scenario and the Global Carbon Budget are the World references that we have to follow in order to achieve the 2°C goal.
- It's necessary to translate, to specify, these two references for different regions and/or countries.
- These "country specific 2°C reference scenarios" have to be available before countries produce their second NDCs (2020) because they could be used as a common reference for everyone.
- These references have been designed using a model based on equity and Climate Justice. This model treats all inhabitants of the planet equally and taking into account the different historical responsibilities of each country, insofar as emissions are concerned.

# The "Mediterranean 2°C reference scenario" developed according to equity criteria (MCJ)











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#### The "Mediterranean 2°C reference scenario" for countries which submitted INDCs with Quantifiable Compromises (AM-wQC)



#### The assessment of the current INDCs for the Mediterranean countries

Aggregate of Mediterranean countries which submitted INDC with Quantifiable Compromises (AM-wQC)

	AM-wQC	
Albania	Greece (EU28)	Morocco
Algeria	Israel	Slovenia (EU28)
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Italy (EU28)	Spain (EU28)
Croatia (EU28)	Lebanon	Tunisia
Cyprus (EU28)	Malta (EU28)	Turkey
France (EU28)	Montenegro	



#### Staying below 2°C with >66% probability



### The OECD- Mediterranean countries

OCDE-Mediterranean	POPULATION - 2010
OCDE-Meuiterranean	(million people)
France (EU28)	63.2
Greece (EU28)	11.1
Israel	7.4
Italy (EU28)	60.5
Slovenia (EU28)	2.1
Spain (EU28)	46.2
Turkey	72.1
Total	262.6



1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050 2060 2070 2080 2090 2100 Year

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## The non OECD- Mediterranean countries

non OCDE-Mediterranean	POPULATION - 2010
non ocde-mediterranean	(million people)
Albania	3.2
Algeria	37.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.8
Croatia (EU28)	4.3
Cyprus (EU28)	1.1
Lebanon	4.3
Malta (EU28)	0.4
Montenegro	0.6
Morocco	31.6
Tunisia	10.6
Total	97.2



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## **Conclusions of the INDCs analysis**

- Generally speaking, the contributions of the Mediterranean countries (AM-wQC) are far away from the 2°C goal:
  - In 2030, there will be a gap of 1GtCO2eq = 1000 MtCO2eq between the 2°C reference scenario and the aggregate contributions of the INDCs.
  - 76% of their carbon budget (2011-2100) will be spent from now to 2030.
- There is a substantial difference when we look at the differences between developed and developing countries:
  - The OECD-members are mainly responsible for the 1GtCO2eq = 1000 MtCO2eq gap. 88% of their carbon budget (2011-2100) will be spent from now to 2030.
  - The Non OECD members are quite close to the 2°C track.

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- It's extremely important to have references in order to asses if a country (or a region) is on track for the 2°C global goal.
- Good 2°C references at a global level are the RCP2.6 future emission scenario and their associated Global Carbon Budget.
- Based on Equity and Climate Justice criteria it's fully possible to translate these two global references to the Mediterranean region and their individual countries.
- The Carbon Budget for the Mediterranean Region (M-CB) amounts to 68GtCO2, which has historically been and still is unequally emitted by the OECD and non-OECD Mediterranean countries.
- Using these approaches and methodologies it is possible and necessary to quantitatively formulate a specific Mediterranean Policy of cooperation in the fight against Climate Change! <sup>19</sup>