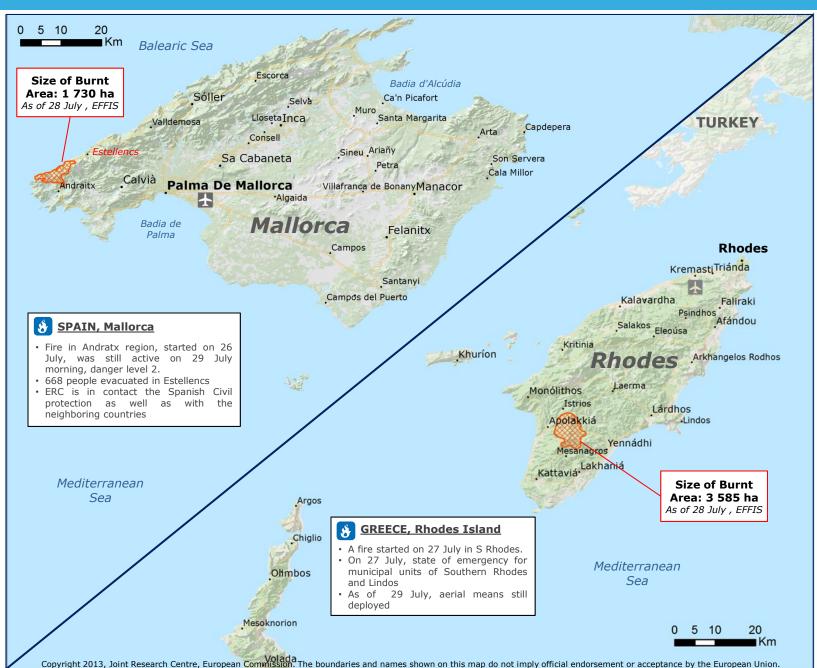
29 July 2013: Spain, Greece - Forest Fires





SITUATION

SPAIN, Mallorca

- A forest fire has been burning in the island of Mallorca since 26 July, in the region of Andraitx. On 29 July morning, it was still active, classified as Danger Level 2 (out of 3). As of 28 July, it had burnt an area of 1 730 ha (EFFIS).
- 668 people evacuated in the village of Estellencs (local Media).
- The ERC has been in contact with the Spanish Civil protection as well as with the neighboring countries, in order to ensure an effective response in case the European Civil Protection Mechanism is activated.
- No request for international assistance, as of 29 July morning.
- Very High fire risk forecast for 30 July for western Mallorca (EFFIS).

Sources: <u>EFFIS</u>, Civil Protection, <u>Local</u> Media

GREECE, Rhodes Island

- A fire broke out on 27 July in the forest in the area of Istria, southern Rhodes Island. As of 28 July, it had burnt an area of 3 585 ha (EFFIS).
- On 27 July the municipal units of Southern Rhodes and Lindos declared a state of emergency.
- As of 29 July aerial means were still deployed in the extinguishing effort.
- High/Very high fire risk forecast for S Rhodes area for 30 July (EFFIS)

Sources: <u>EFFIS</u>, <u>EFFIS FireNews</u>, <u>Hellenic</u> <u>Fire Brigade</u>, Local Media (<u>1</u>,<u>2</u>)

