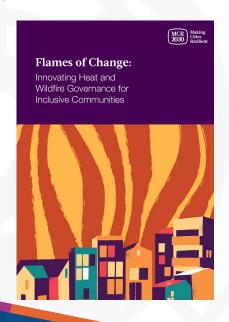
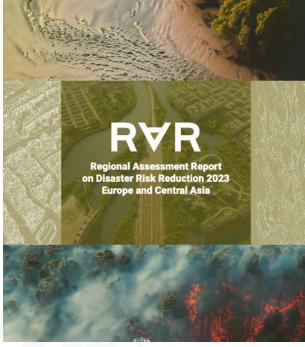
## **Evolving nature of wildfire risk in Europe & Central Asia**

USA - May 2024









**Climate change: drier, warmer, windier** Lack of strategic planning Rural exodus **Growing Wild Urban Interface Outdoor activities Human behaviours** 

Frequency and intensity increased

Northern areas becoming exposed

> Fire season extended

Over 900k hectares burned in **Europe in 2022 (equal to Corsica)** and 500k in 2023\*

**Most destructive wildfires (< than 2%** of events) induce disproportionate socioeconomic and ecological impacts.

Enhance public awareness and behavioural change

Integrate science, risk assessment and governance

Adopt proactive land management, urban planning and nature-based solutions to adapt and mitigate

Manage fuels effectively to regulate the extent and impact of fires

Integrate satellite imagery, weather data analytics, and Al-driven models

Leverage technology for better prediction and monitoring

**Human & Economic losses** 

**Respiratory and cardiovascular issues** 

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**Air Pollution** 

**Internal displacements** 

## Prevention is an investment, not a cost!

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