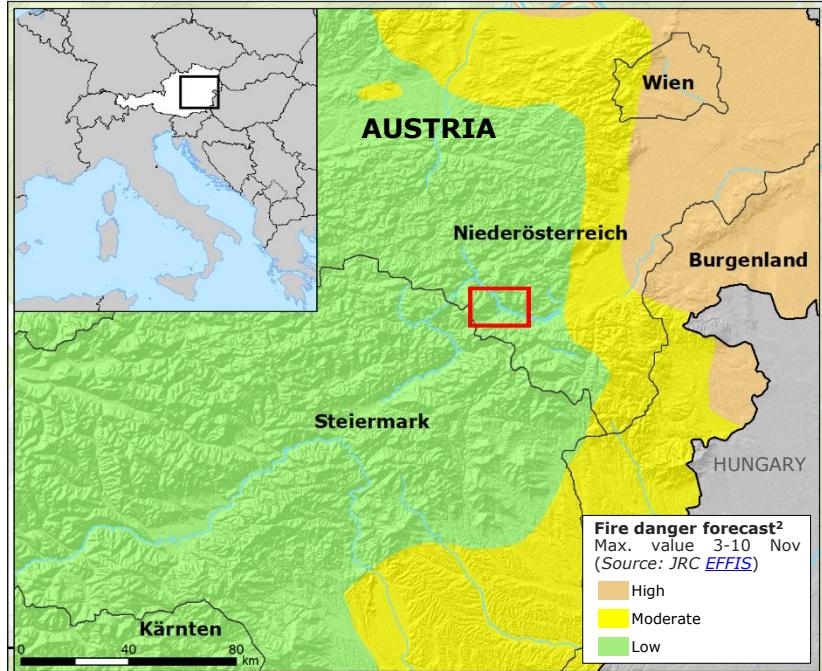


# Austria | Forest fires and EU response



**UCPM RESPONSE**

On 25 October, a forest fire broke out in the District of Neunkirchen (Niederösterreich) in eastern Austria. On the 29 October, Austria activated the EU Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM) requesting aerial forest fire fighting support. UCPM assets were deployed from 30 October until 2 November and performed a total of 46 drops/missions using 184,000 liters of water in Hirschwang region.

	<b>2 aerial forest firefighting planes</b> operated from 30 Oct to 2 Nov	
	<b>1 helicopter</b> operated from 30 Oct to 1 Nov	
	<b>2 helicopters</b> operated from 31 Oct to 2 Nov	

**Copernicus EMS detection [EMSR549](#)** (rapid mapping)

Activation date: 30 October

First estimation of burnt area (as of 29 Oct)

**JRC-EFFIS detection**

Burnt area<sup>1</sup> (as of 3 Nov)

Road      River/canal

Forest/semi-natural      Built-up area

<sup>1</sup>The burnt areas mapped in EFFIS represent, on average, about 80% of the total area burned by wildfires, since only fires larger than 30 ha are mapped. The areas burnt by fires smaller than 30 ha represent about 20% of the total burnt area in each country, but this area is not mapped in EFFIS. More info on limitations and the use of these data on: [JRC EFFIS Rapid Damage Assessment](#).

<sup>2</sup>The map represents the maximum value of the fire danger forecast module of EFFIS, which generates daily maps of forecasted fire danger level using numerical weather predictions. More info on limitations and the use of these data on [JRC EFFIS Fire Danger Forecast](#).

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