

A large fire broke out west of Athens while a heatwave hits Greece

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Fig. 1 - S2 (14.07.2023) - View of the region north-west of Athens before the fires broke out.

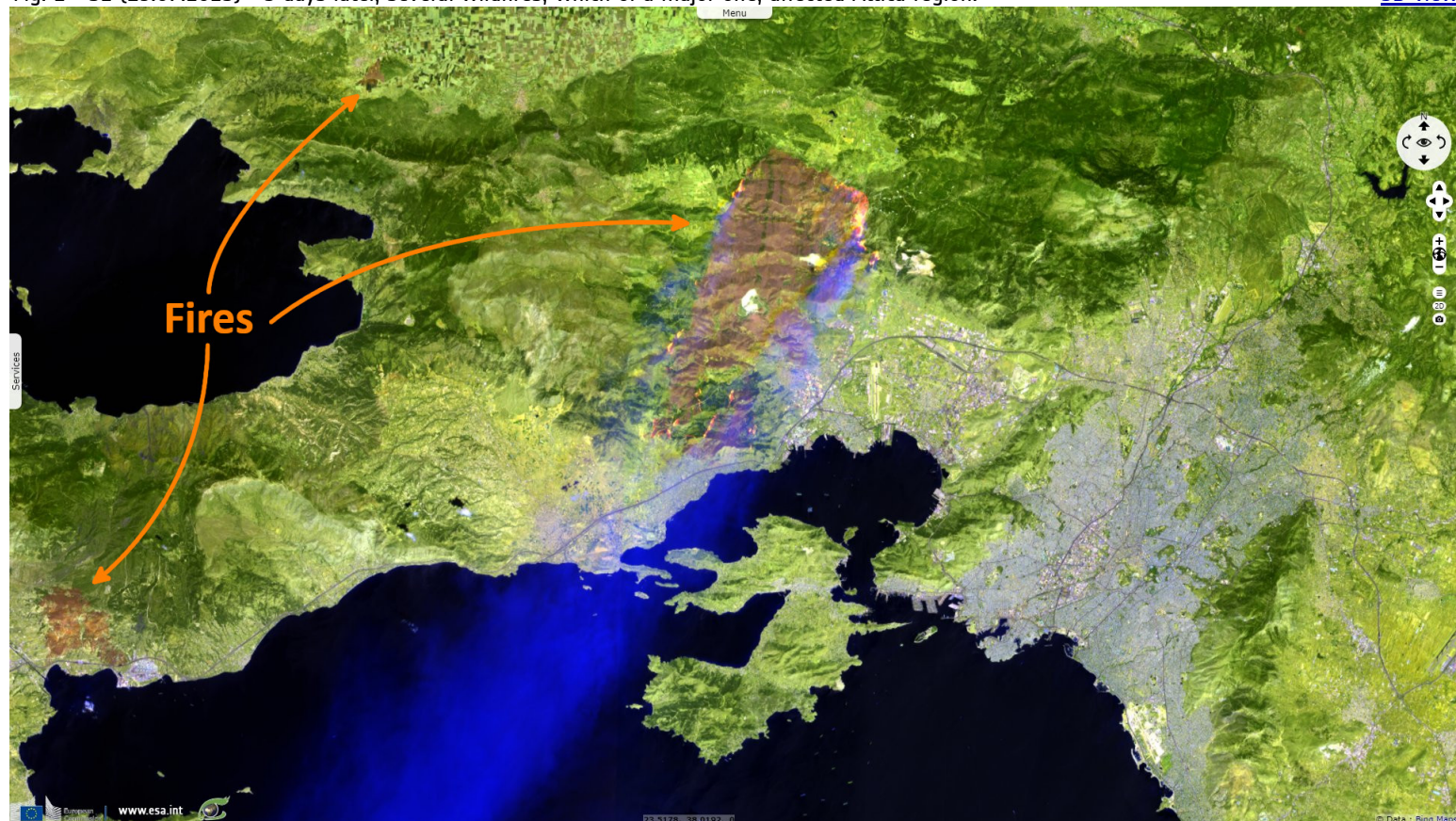
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Pushed by strong wind, a fire broke out about 30km north of Athens, spreading across vegetation turned dry by temperatures that surpassed 40C last week.

Fig. 2 - S2 (19.07.2023) - 5 days later, several wildfires, which of a major one, affected Attica region.

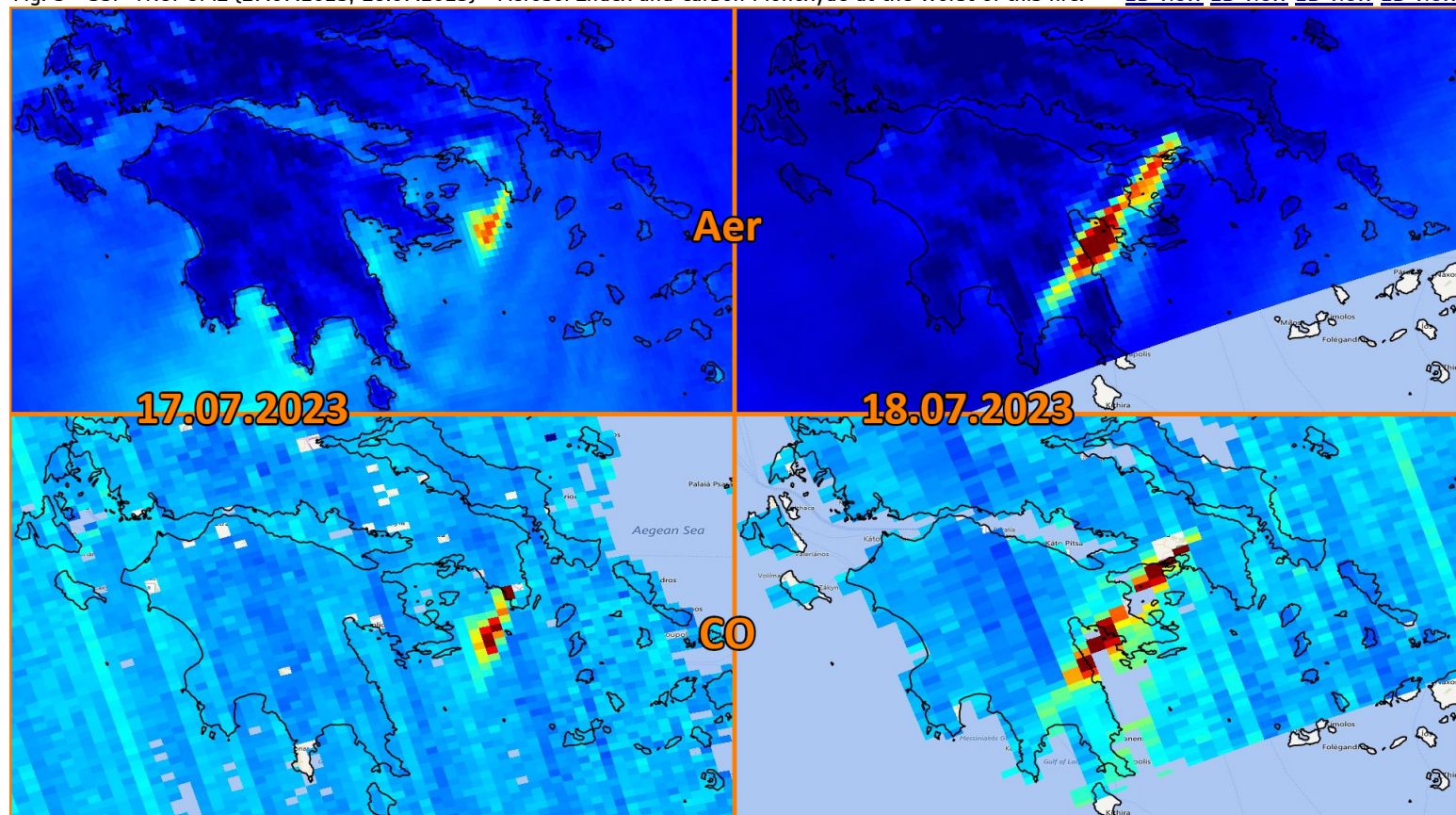
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Greek authorities evacuated 1200 children from holiday camps in the region.

Fig. 3 - S5P TROPOMI (17.07.2023; 18.07.2023) - Aerosol Index and Carbon Monoxide at the worst of this fire.

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The Acropolis in Athens was closed to the public when temperatures were deemed dangerously high. Greece is poised for other heatwave once winds drop, Greek meteorologists saying the worst is yet to come.

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