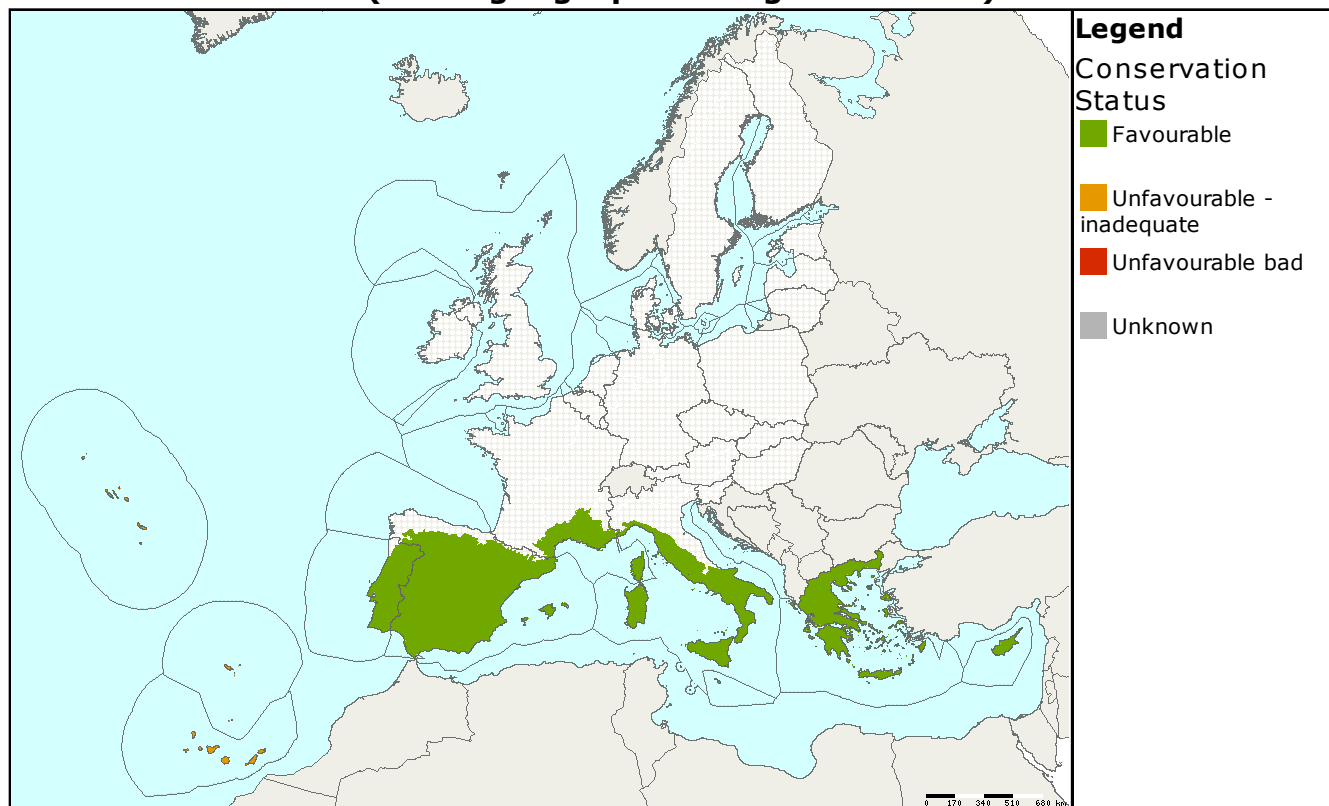


Habitat code: **8320**  
 Habitat name: **Fields of lava and natural excavations**

Habitat group: **rocky habitats**  
 Regions: **MAC MED**

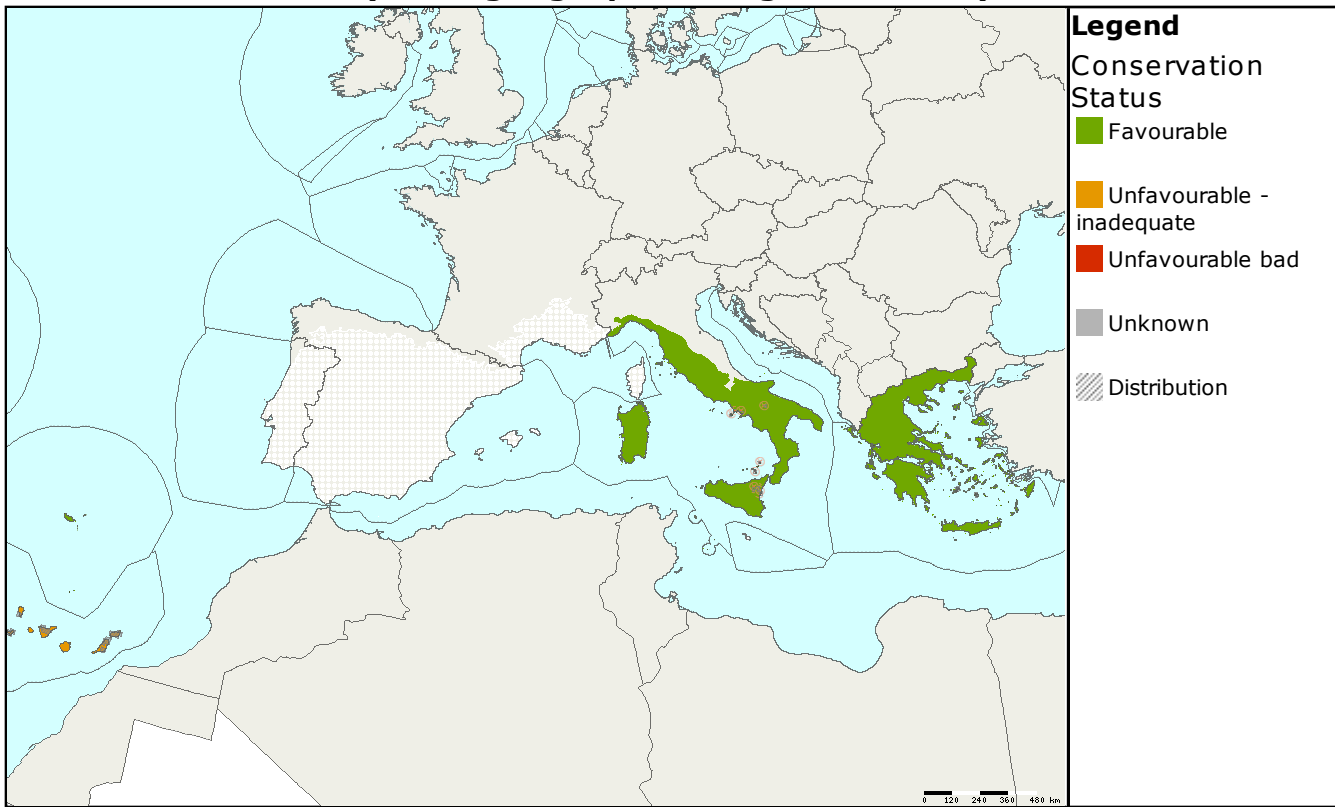
## Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km <sup>2</sup>	Trend in area
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	MAC	Unfavourable - inadequate	Unfavourable - inadequate	Favourable	Favourable	Unfavourable - inadequate	819	-
EU25	MED	Favourable	Favourable	Favourable	Unknown	Favourable	94	=

This habitat is formed by pioneer vegetation on recently deposited volcanic debris and lava flows. It is closely associated with areas of volcanic activity and within the European Union only occurs very locally in the Mediterranean and Macaronesian regions. Assessed as 'favourable' for the Mediterranean region but 'unfavourable-inadequate' for Macaronesia. The assessment for Macaronesia is based on the Spanish assessment which reports both range and area as poor but for both parameters the reference values are considerably smaller than the actual values although the trends are negative. No threats or pressures are reported by Spain for this habitat.

## Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km <sup>2</sup>	Trend in area	Data quality
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall			
ES	MAC						686	-	1
PT	MAC						133.2	=	2
EL	MED						3.5	=	1
IT	MED						91	=	2

Data quality is based on an assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>