



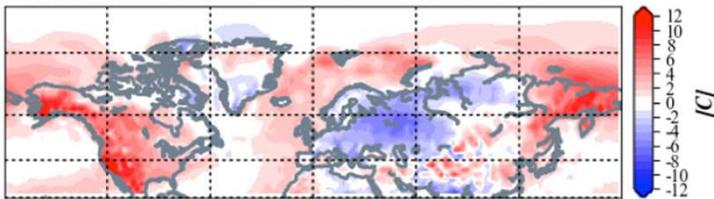
## ELIXENS GROUP & ITS PRODUCTIONS MARKET REPORT

– May 2017

### ROSE

Cold air masses that have been circulating in recent weeks in northern Europe are worrying Rose farmers right when harvest is due to start in Bulgaria. This is indeed a critical time for the evolution of the flower buds since the plants had followed a normal growth until today, yet development could now be compromised.

**GEFS 11-15 Day Forecast T2m Anomaly**  
INIT: 00Z 04/21/17 FCST: 05/02/17 to 05/06/17



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As in the previous campaign, and because of the price levels attained by Rose essential oil, we call our customers to be vigilant about the qualities; such high costs in fact spark the development of adulterated qualities. At **ELIXENS France** we propose Rose Substitute, a natural, reconstituted oil that is a very convincing (fragrance wise) and economical alternative.

Also, the market conditions for essential oil will influence the availability and price of Rose Hydrolate. We clearly advise to anticipate your needs with our sales department.

### CITRUS

News from the United States is still not good about the Citrus harvest forecast. The Orange trees are still very seriously affected by a disease called the Yellow Dragon. Of bacterial origin, conveyed by insects, this disease makes the leaves of the trees turn yellow, leads to their falling and ultimately the death of the trees. Production surfaces are diminishing and crops are reduced as a result of the disease. Also linked to this phenomenon, producers are gradually losing interest in citrus growing, which is becoming less and less attractive in comparison to other crops. In consequence, Citrus volumes produced have been divided by more than half in 20 years' time.



The first estimates of the 2017 harvest announce a further decline in production in the United States for both Oranges and Grapefruits.

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