

## Appendix 2

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## **QGIS Short Tutorial - Windows 10 / 11 systems**

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#### ➤ *Download*

QGIS is a free and open source geographic information system. The latest version can be found on <https://www.qgis.org/en/site>

The lessons manual refers to QGIS 3.22.1. If this version is not available on the portal, you can find it on the FUTURE SPACE webpage together with the lessons scenarios / ideas.

#### ➤ *Installation*

The installation process was described in the QGIS documentation and user's manual, see: <https://www.qgis.org/en/docs/index.html> or [https://docs.qgis.org/3.22/en/docs/user\\_manual/](https://docs.qgis.org/3.22/en/docs/user_manual/)

The user is guided through the installation process by the installer, no changes or modifications are needed. The installation ends with creation of the QGIS 3.22.1 folder on a desktop.

#### ➤ *First start of the application and change of the language (if needed)*

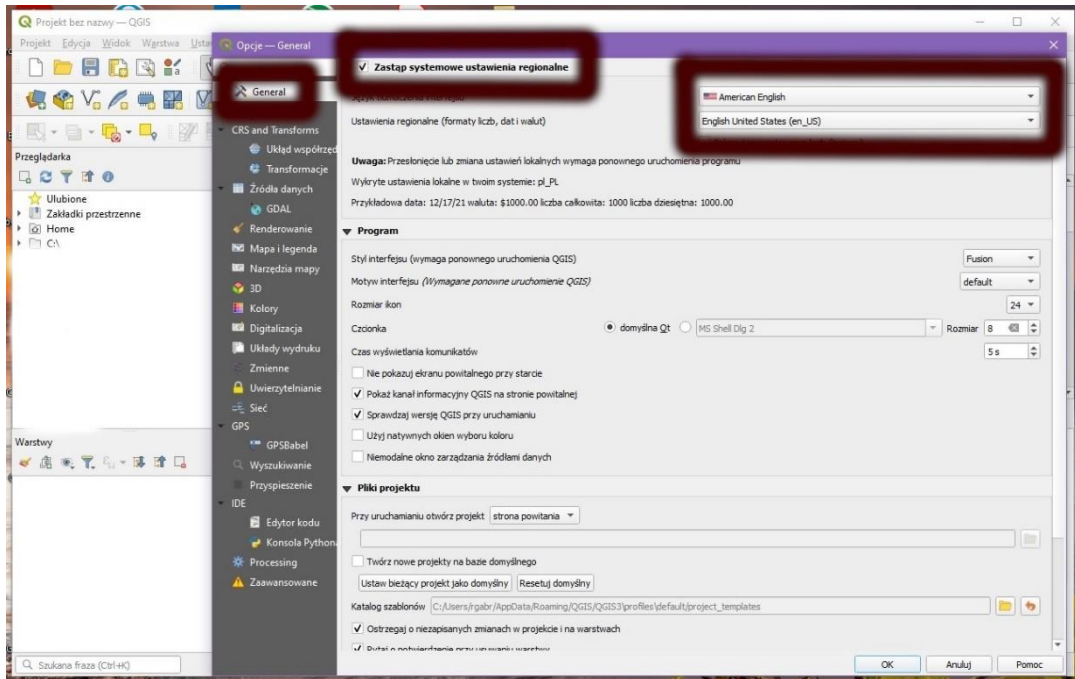
Go to the QGIS 3.22.1 folder on your desktop and double-click QGIS DESKTOP 3.22.1 icon. The application will use the same locale settings as your Windows. The lesson tutorial uses English language QGIS commands so it is highly recommended to change QGIS locale settings to English.

#### ➤ To change the settings go to the tabs (in your language):

SETTINGS -> OPTIONS -> GENERAL

and tick OVERRIDE SYSTEM LOCALE.

Then set USER INTERFACE to AMERICAN ENGLISH and LOCALE to ENGLISH UNITED STATES (en\_US), see the graph below.



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## Short tutorial how to present NDVI changes on a chart using Excel 2016/2021/365

QGIS application allows to create a CSV file with the information on NDVI indexes on the area of choice for last 20 years at 16-day intervals. This data should be presented in a graphic form to be analysed. Follow the instructions below.

### ➔ INSERT THE CSV DATA TO EXCEL

Open a blank spreadsheet and go to:

- FILE -> OPEN -> choose your CSV data file
- Click DATA tab
- Mark the A column
- Click TEXT TO COLUMNS option
- when a new window appear click NEXT, then choose COMMA in Delimiters, click NEXT and then FINISH.

This allows all the CSV data to be put to separate cells. Now you can save the spreadsheet in the Excel format.

### ➔ DOTS TO COMMAS

This step is important only for languages in which Excel uses a comma as a decimal delimiter, e.g. Polish language. You have to change dots to commas for all NDVI indexes so they can be treated as values not strings.

- Mark all the cells with NDVI values
- Type CTRL-F and choose REPLACE option
- In a FIND WHAT field type .
- IN a REPLACE WITH field type ,
- Click REPLACE ALL button.

Done ! You can now close the window.

### ➔ INSERT A NEW COLUMN

Mark the A column, click the right button of your mouse and choose INSERT option. All the columns will be moved to right and an empty A column appear.

Fill the column with the dates (years only) starting from 2001 in a A2 cell to 2020 in a A21 cell.

### ➔ ORGANIZE THE DATA

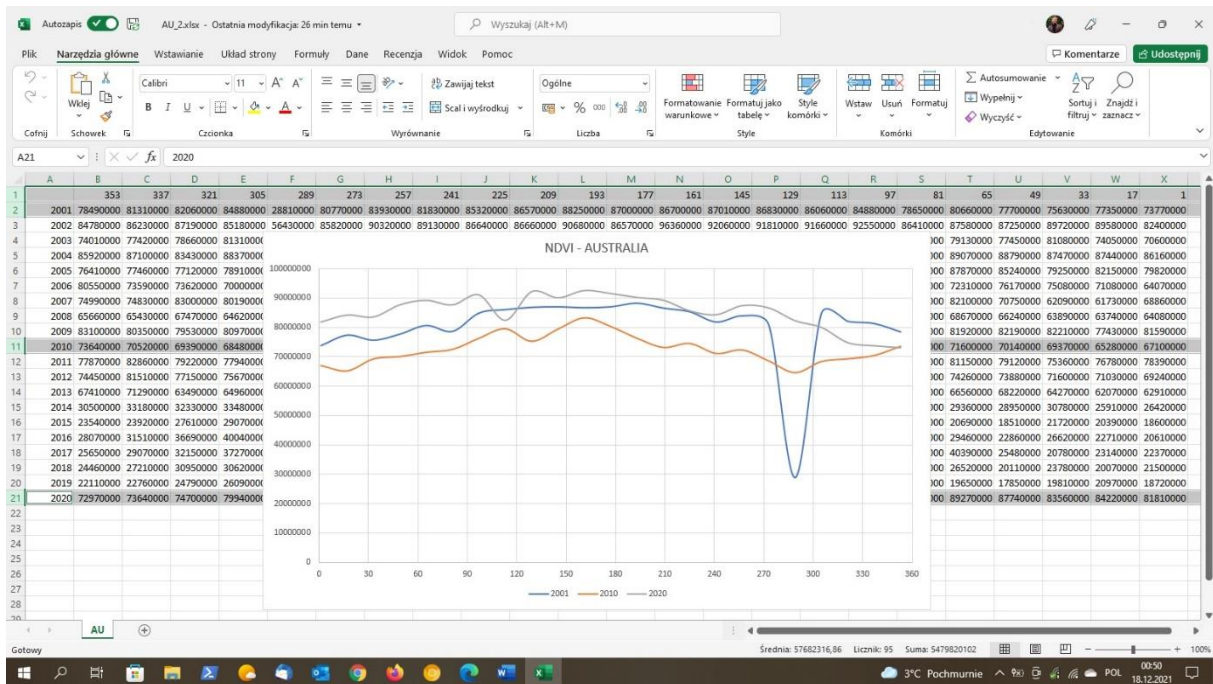
The last step before creation the chart is to organize the data. As you see the days of the year (the first row in the spreadsheet) are not arranged sequentially. You have cut a fraction of a spreadsheet and put it on the left or right side to arrange the data sequentially, from 353 to 1. This re-organisation allows you to prepare a chart easy to analyse.

### ➔ CREATING THE GRAPHIC CHART

- Mark all the cell in the spreadsheet or just choose the rows with years and the first row
- Go to INSERT tab
- In CHART section choose the SCATTER WITH SMOOTH LINES type

**That's it ! You have done it.**

*To create a chart for only a few years, e.g.: 2001, 2010 and 2020, mark the following rows: 1, 2, 11 and 21.*



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