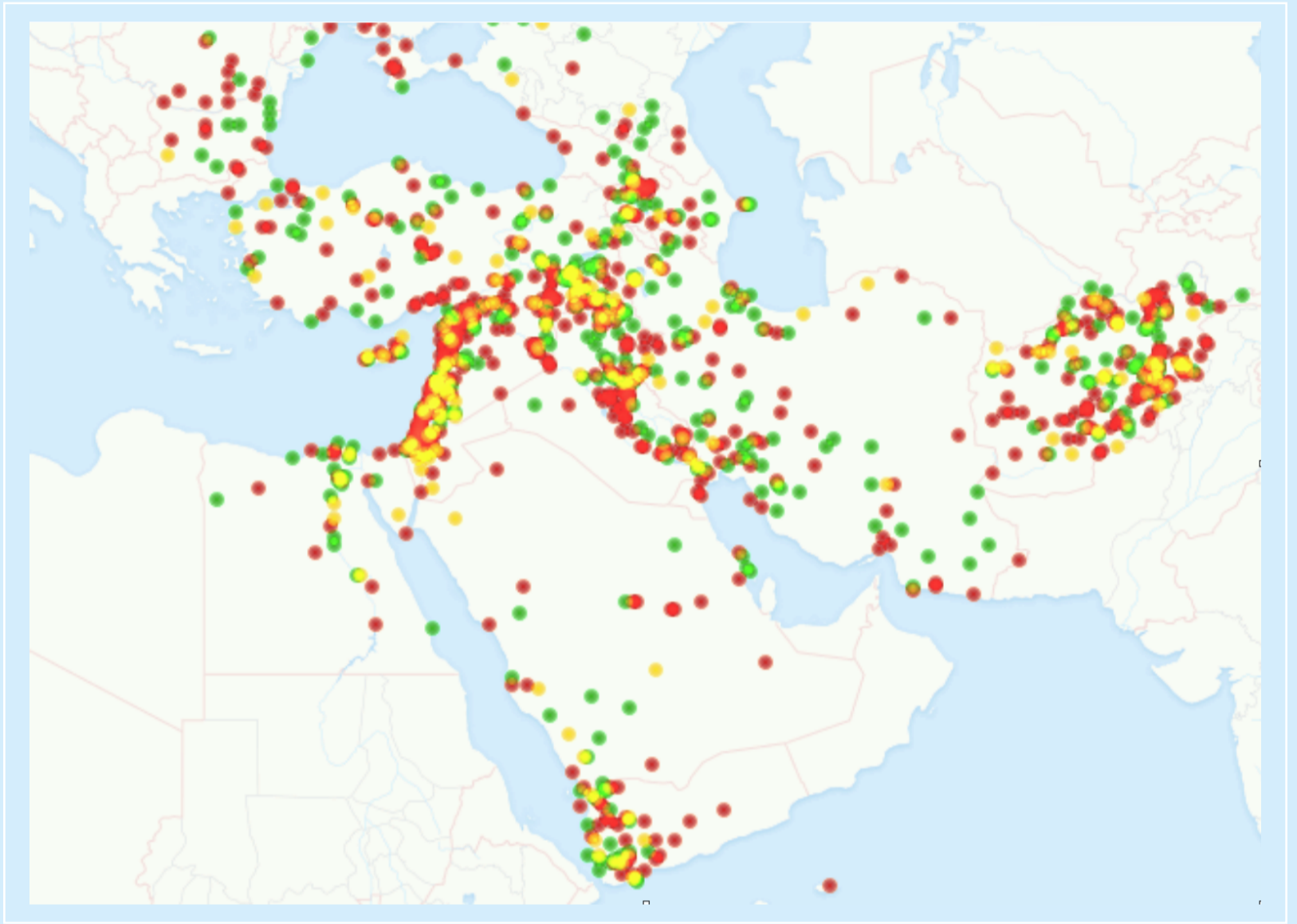


Geo-World: Conflict & Protest

October 2019

BBVA Research **Middle East conflict index evolution** september vs october 19*



Source: BBVA Research & www.gdelt.org.

- *Conflict has increased during the month
- Conflict has decreased during the month
- Conflict has remained at similar levels than in September



Middle East geopolitical agenda was dense. UK granted Brexit extension

Middle East: Protests and geopolitical uncertainties dominated the agenda in October. Syria, Iraq and Lebanon related developments increased uncertainties in the region.

United States: House of Representatives approved impeachment inquiry procedures. Impeachment inquiry procedure dominated the political agenda in Washington.

United Kingdom: Elections will be held. A Brexit extension was acquired from the EU. The new parliament will set the Brexit policy before January 31.

Chile: State of emergency was declared due to violent protests. Rising cost of living fueled student protests.