



# The Salut'air-Project: Assessment of European Air Quality in 2050 in the Context of Climate Change

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## The Salut'air project

- **Salut'air**
  - Evaluation of strategies mitigating long-range transboundary air pollution in the context of climate change \*
- **Funded by the French research programme PRIMEQUAL**
  - financed by the French Ministry for Ecology and ADEME
  - bringing together different scientific communities concerned with air pollution and its impacts
- **Project tasks**
  - downscaling of global climate and chemistry fields to regional scale (Europe)
  - modelling of air pollution scenarios under climate change
  - assessment of impacts on air quality and health in 2050
  - cost-benefit analysis for 2050

**=> presentation of preliminary results**

\* Evaluation des StrAtégies de LUTte contre la pollution de l'AIR à longue distance dans le contexte du changement climatique

## Institutes involved

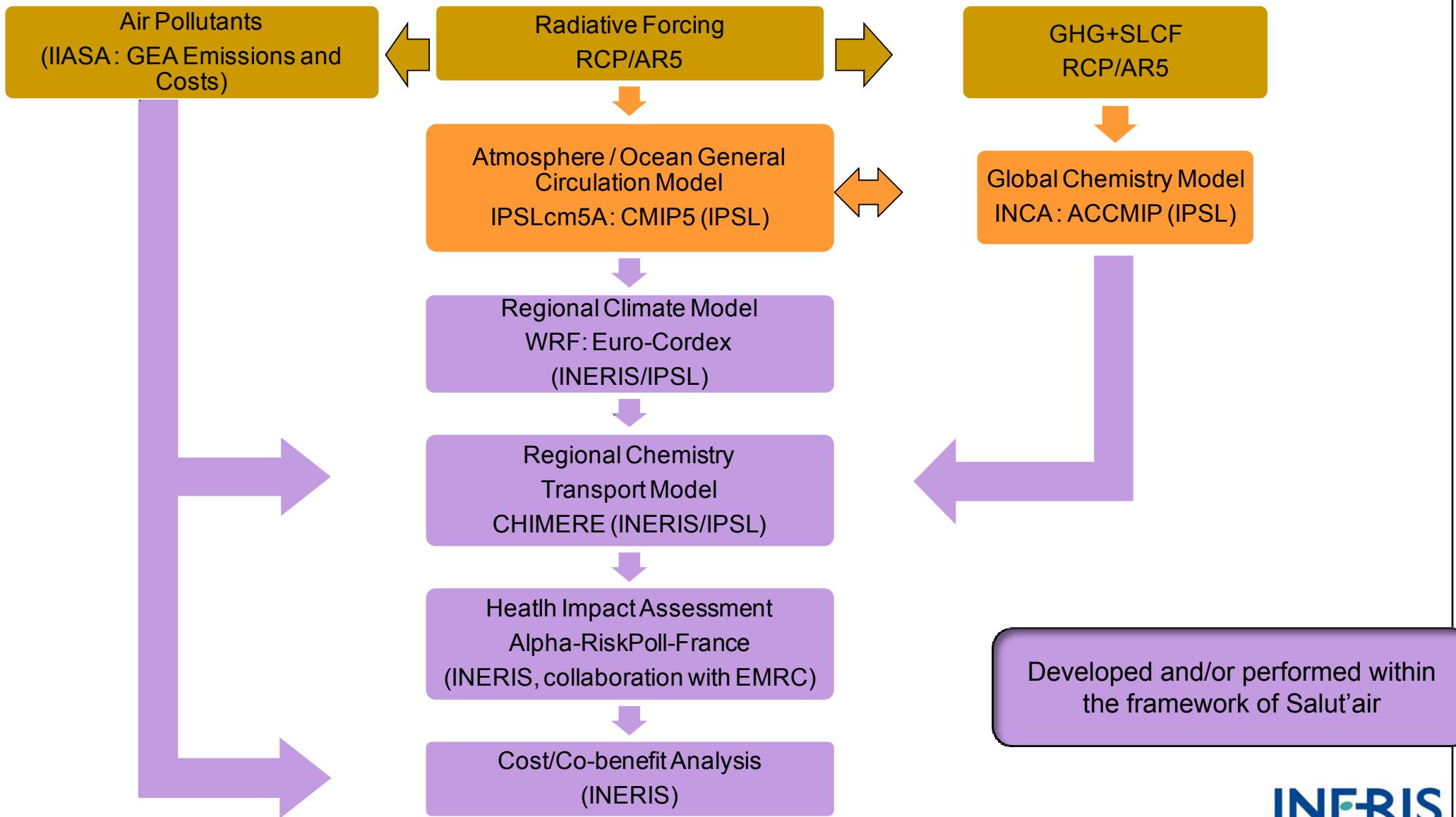
### Project partners

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  - Simone Schucht (EDEN - Economics and Decision for the Environment Unit)
  - Laurence Rouil (DECI – Environmental Modelling and Decision Department)
- **Laboratoire des Sciences du Climat et de l'Environnement**
  - Sophie Szopa, Robert Vautard, Gaëlle Clain (LSCE/IPSL/CEA/CNRS)
- **Laboratoire de Météorologie Dynamique**
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### Further collaboration with

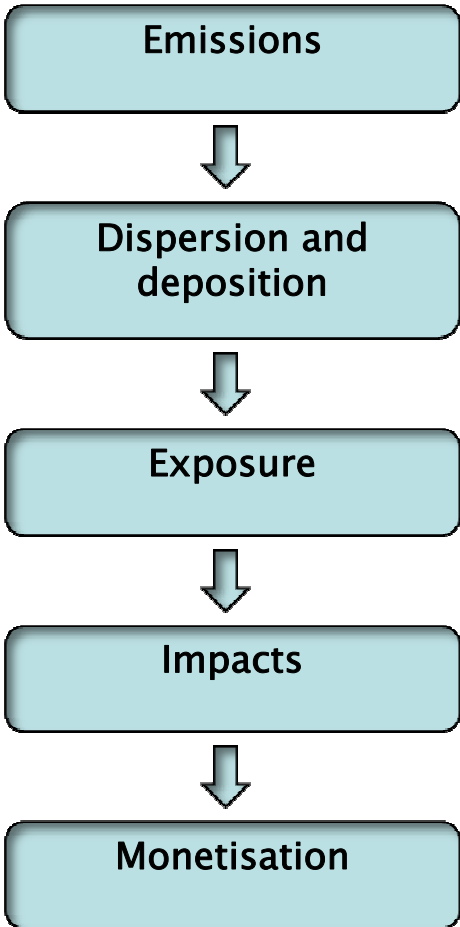
- **IIASA**
  - Shilpa Rao, Keywan Riahi, Peter Kolp (ENE – Energy Program)
  - Zig Klimont, Wolfgang Schöpp (MAG - Mitigation of Air Pollution & Greenhouse Gases)
- **EMRC**
  - Mike Holland

# The project setup - regional air quality and climate impact assessment



# The modelling chain allowing to compare costs and benefits of emission reduction strategies

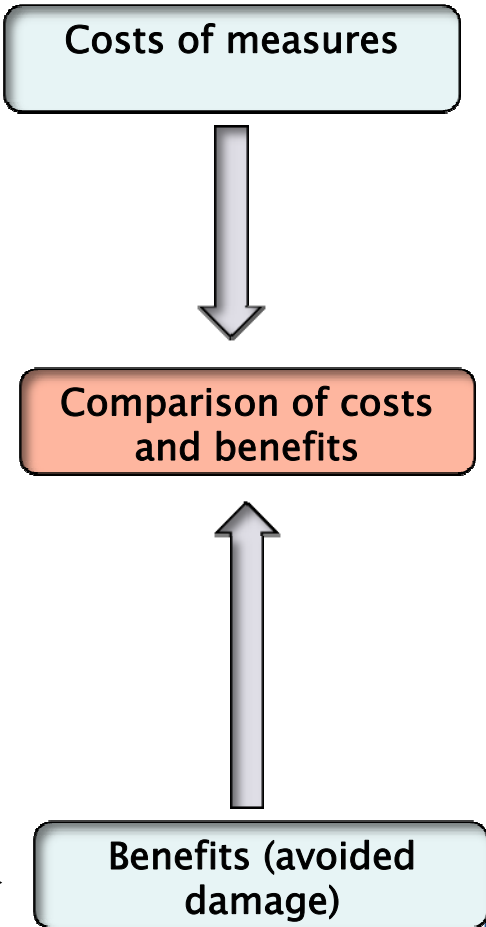
## Impact pathway approach



## Models used



## Comparison of costs and benefits

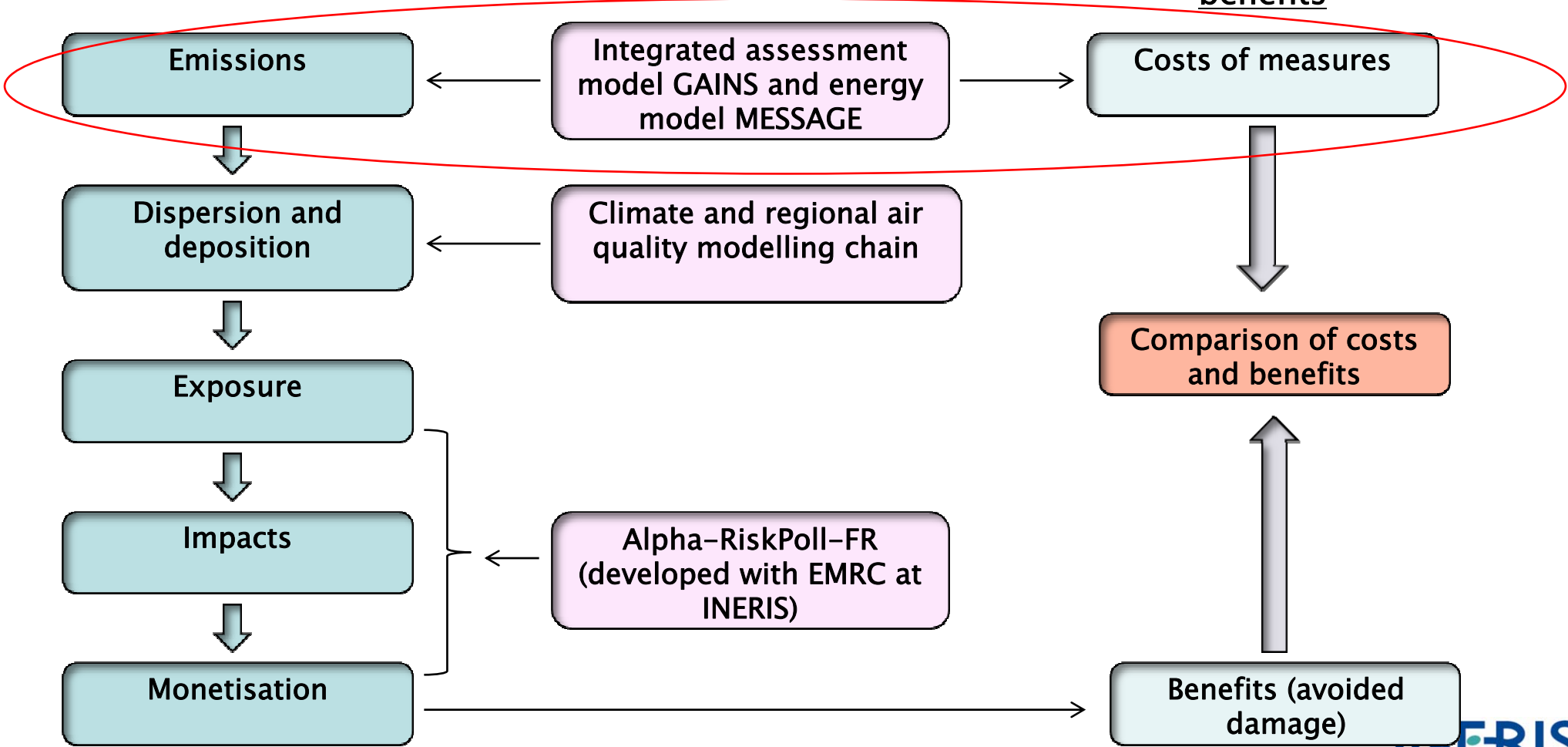


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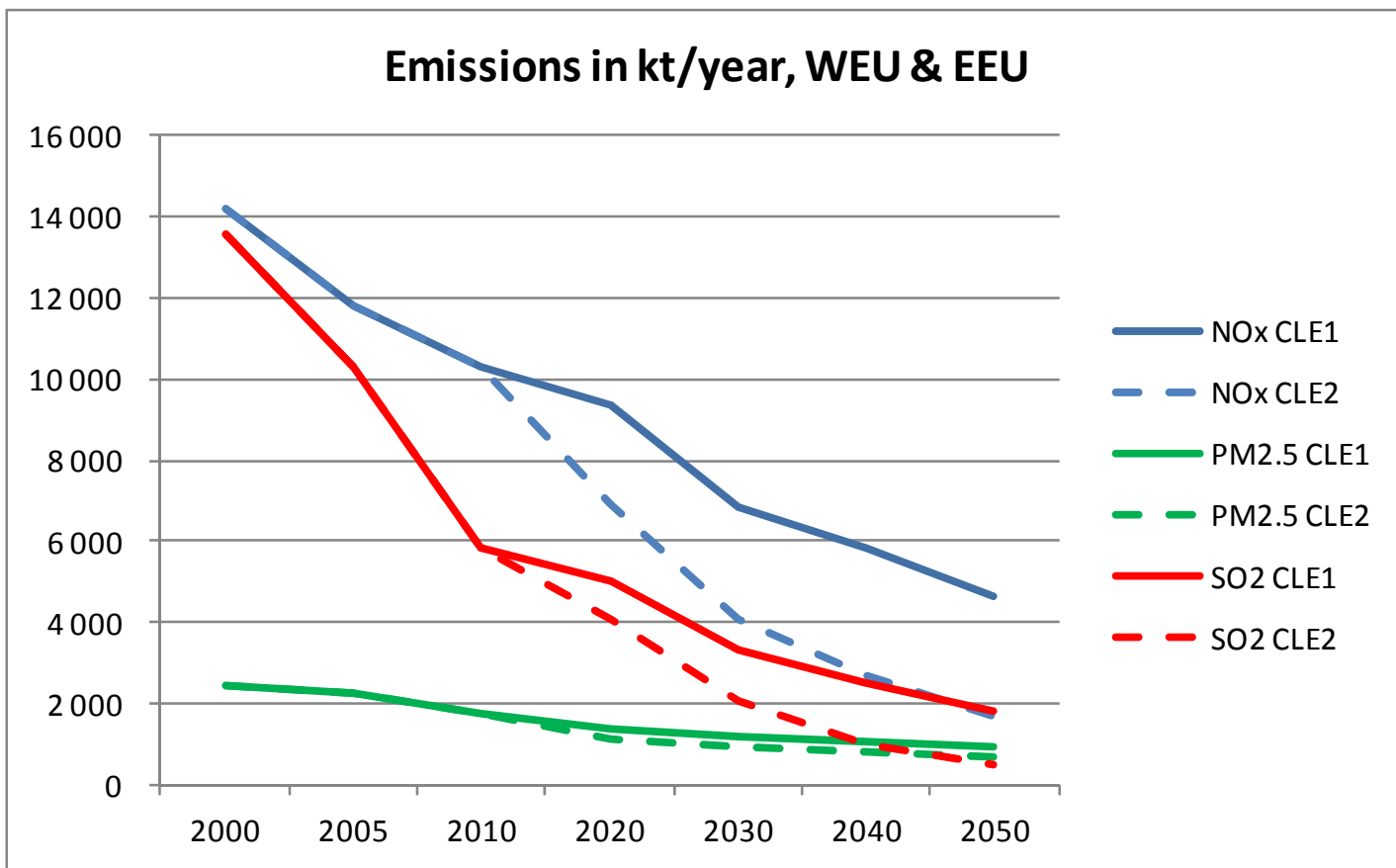
## Two emission scenarios from GEA used for AQ and health impact assessment

- Match RCPs in terms of global radiative forcing
- Revised handling of air pollutant emissions
  - detailed assumptions on air pollution abatement in 2030 provided by the integrated assessment model GAINS and fed into the global energy model MESSAGE
- Through collaboration with IIASA access to
  - spatial pollution maps for NO<sub>x</sub>, VOCs, NH<sub>3</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, CO, BC and OC
  - global CO<sub>2</sub> trajectories for the two climate contexts (REF and MIT)
  - expenditures (investment and O&M costs) for air quality and climate/energy policy
  - data for MESSAGE regions WEU & EEU

Scenarios		Policies				Climate context
		Air pollution	Climate change	Energy efficiency	Energy access	
CLE-1	Reference case (climate policy) with current air pollution legislation	all current and planned air quality legislation implemented by 2030;	no climate change policy	annual energy intensity reduction of 1.5% until 2050	no energy access policy; medium improvement in quality of cooking fuels	RCP8.5
CLE-2	Sustainable climate policy with current air pollution legislation	further improvement of emission factors with economic growth	limit on temperature change to 2°C in 2100	annual energy intensity reduction of 2.6% until 2050	policies to ensure global access to clean energy by 2060	RCP2.6

**GEA:** Global Energy assessment, coordinated by IIASA, [http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/ENE/GEA/index\\_gea.html](http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/ENE/GEA/index_gea.html)  
**GAINS:** Greenhouse gases – Air pollution Interactions and Synergies model (IIASA, MAG team)  
**MESSAGE:** Model for Energy Supply Strategy Alternatives and their General Environmental impact), model selected for producing the AR5 RCP8.5 (IIASA, ENE team)

## NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions in kt/year – WEU&EEU



### Air pollution policy

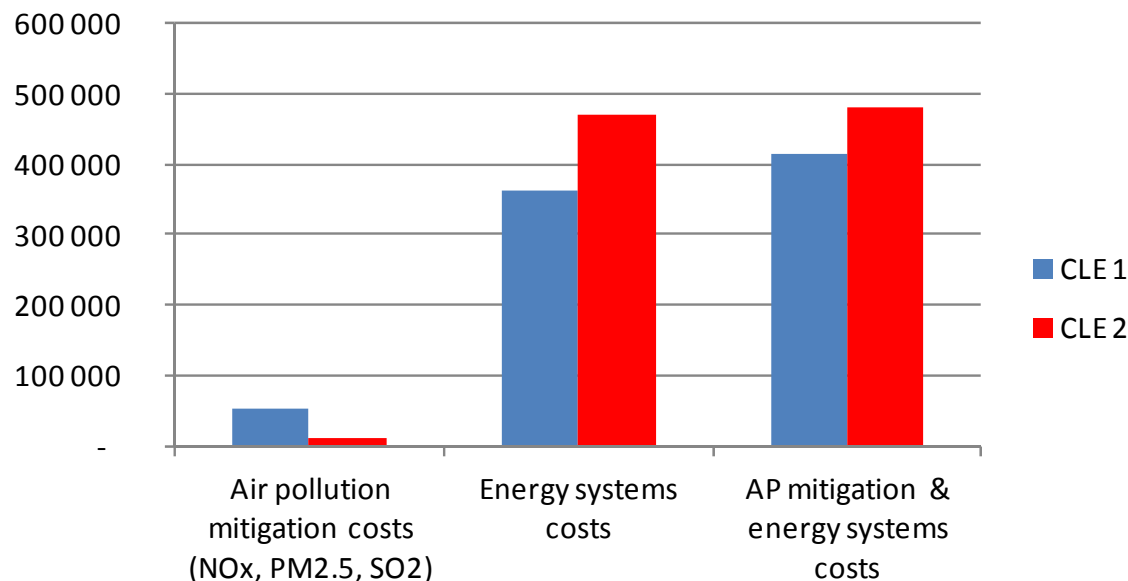
- CLE in 2030
- further improvement of emission factors with economic growth until 2050

### Climate change policy

- reference scenario (CLE1)
- mitigation scenario (CLE2)

## Energy/climate and air pollution mitigation expenditure in the GEA scenarios

Costs in M€/year, 2050 - WEU & EEU



### MIT (CLE2) relative to REF (CLE1)

#### Energy costs

- ambitious energy/climate policy increases energy expenditure  $\approx 110$  billion € ( $\approx 30\%$ )
- increase in energy efficiency; reduction in energy demand
- lower investment costs on energy supply side; higher investment costs on energy demand side

#### AP costs (NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>)

- cost savings  $\approx 42$  billion €
- same air pollution objectives require less emission reduction measures
- structural changes between energy types; reduction of final energy demand

#### Net aggregate costs

- increase in costs  $\approx 65$  billion € (decrease for AP costs, increase for energy/climate policy costs)

# The modelling chain allowing to compare costs and benefits of emission reduction strategies

## Impact pathway approach

Emissions



Dispersion and deposition



Exposure



Impacts



Monetisation

## Models used

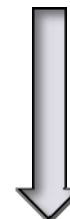
Integrated assessment model GAINS and energy model MESSAGE

Climate and regional air quality modelling chain

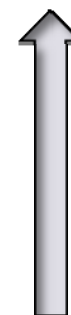
Alpha-RiskPoll-FR (developed with EMRC at INERIS)

## Comparison of costs and benefits

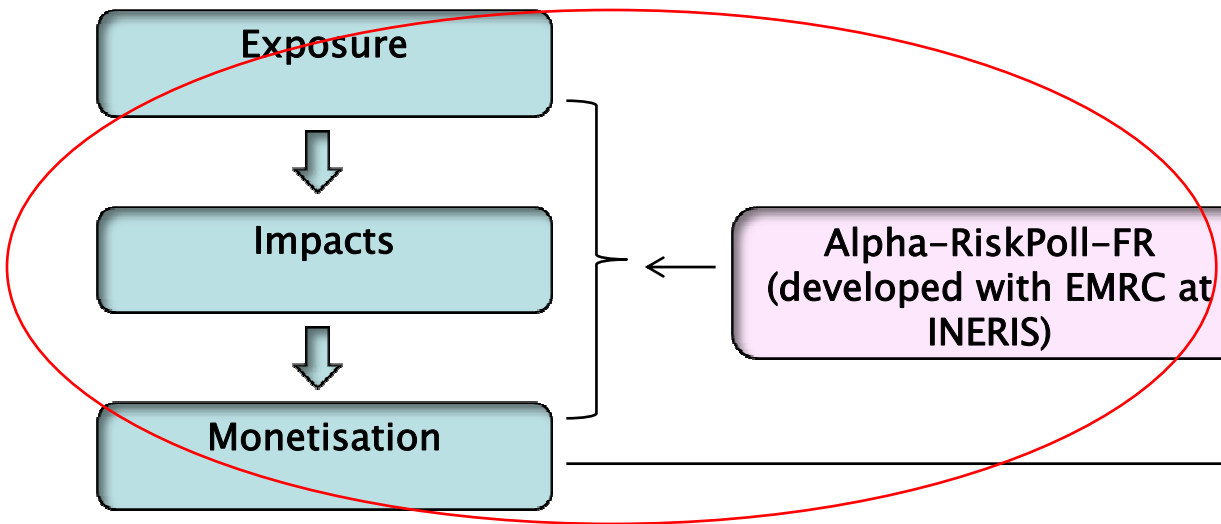
Costs of measures



Comparison of costs and benefits



Benefits (avoided damage)



## Assessment of health impacts from air pollution

- **Implementation of Alpha-RiskPoll-France (ARP-FR) at INERIS**
  - collaboration with Mike Holland (EMRC)
  - ARP-FR designed for taking pollution data generated by CHIMERE model
  - approach coherent with the one used by the EC and UN/ECE
  - impact pathway approach
- **Health effects taken into account**
  - exposure to fine particles
  - exposure to ground level ozone
  - mortality (adults, children)
  - morbidity (different indicators)

**Alpha/RiskPoll Models** : developed by M. Holland & J. Spadaro, used by AEA & EMRC (for CAFE / CLRTAP)

## Indicators and monetary values used to quantify health impacts

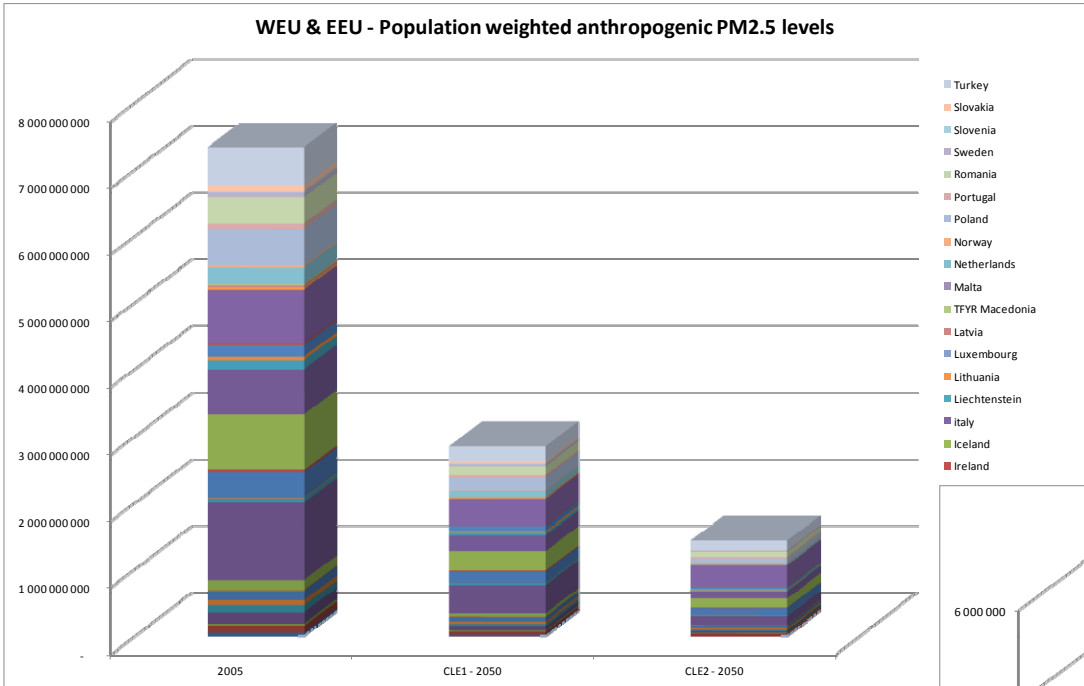
### Core indicator

End point	Population	Impact	Pollutant	Exposure metric	Valuation (€ 2005)
Acute Mortality median VOLY	all ages	Premature deaths	O3	SOMO35	57 700
Respiratory Hospital Admissions	over 65 years	Cases	O3	SOMO35	2 220
Minor Restricted Activity Days (MRADs)	15 - 64 years	Days	O3	SOMO35	42
Respiratory medication use	over 20 years	Days	O3	SOMO35	1
Chronic Mortality LYL median VOLY	all ages	Life years lost	PM	PM2.5 annual average	57 700
Infant Mortality median VSL	0-1 years	Premature deaths	PM	PM2.5 annual average	1 635 000
Chronic Bronchitis	over 27 years	Cases	PM	PM2.5 annual average	208 000
Respiratory Hospital Admissions	all ages	Cases	PM	PM2.5 annual average	2 220
Cardiac Hospital Admissions	all ages	Cases	PM	PM2.5 annual average	2 220
Restricted Activity Days (RADs)	15 - 64 years	Days	PM	PM2.5 annual average	92
Respiratory medication use	5-14 years	Days	PM	PM2.5 annual average	1
Respiratory medication use	over 20 years	Days	PM	PM2.5 annual average	1
LRS symptom days	5-14 years	Days	PM	PM2.5 annual average	42
LRS among adults with chronic symptoms	over 15 years	Days	PM	PM2.5 annual average	42

### Sensitivity analyses

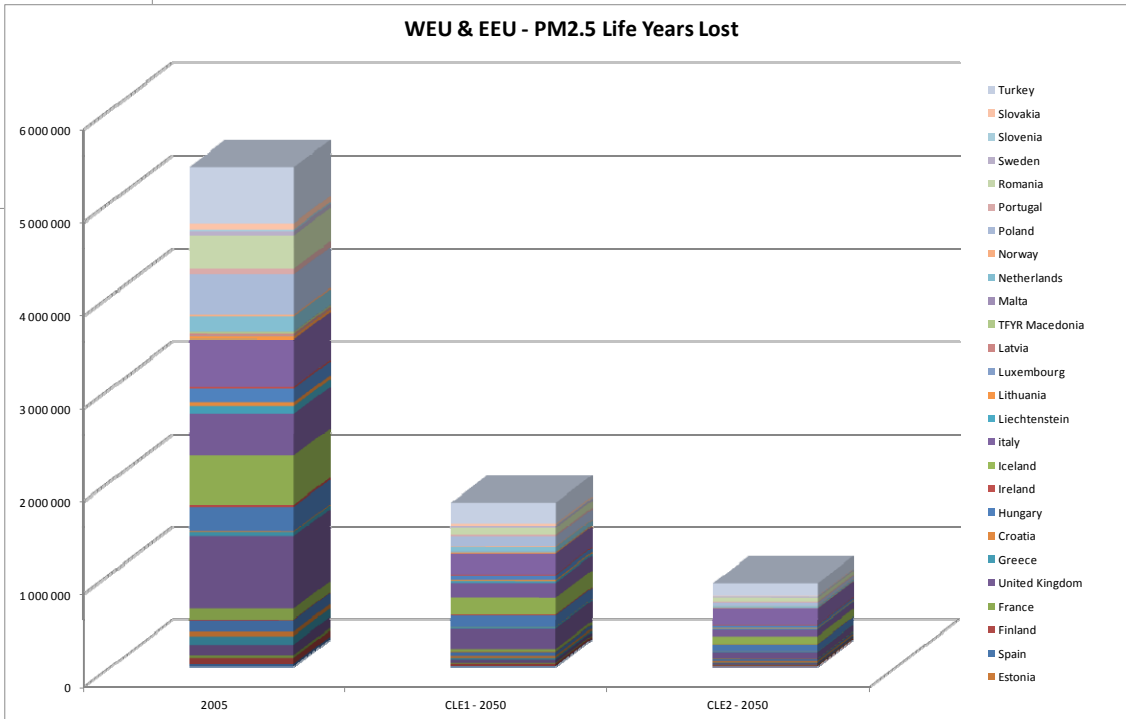
- Ranges for mortality valuation data
  - acute mortality (ozone), chronic mortality (PM), infant mortality (PM)
- Additional indicators for sensitivity analyses
  - ozone: minor restricted activity days; respiratory symptoms
  - PM<sub>2.5</sub>: restricted activity days; asthma consultations ; consultations for upper respiratory diseases

# Exposure to fine particles and life years lost from chronic exposure to PM<sub>2.5</sub>



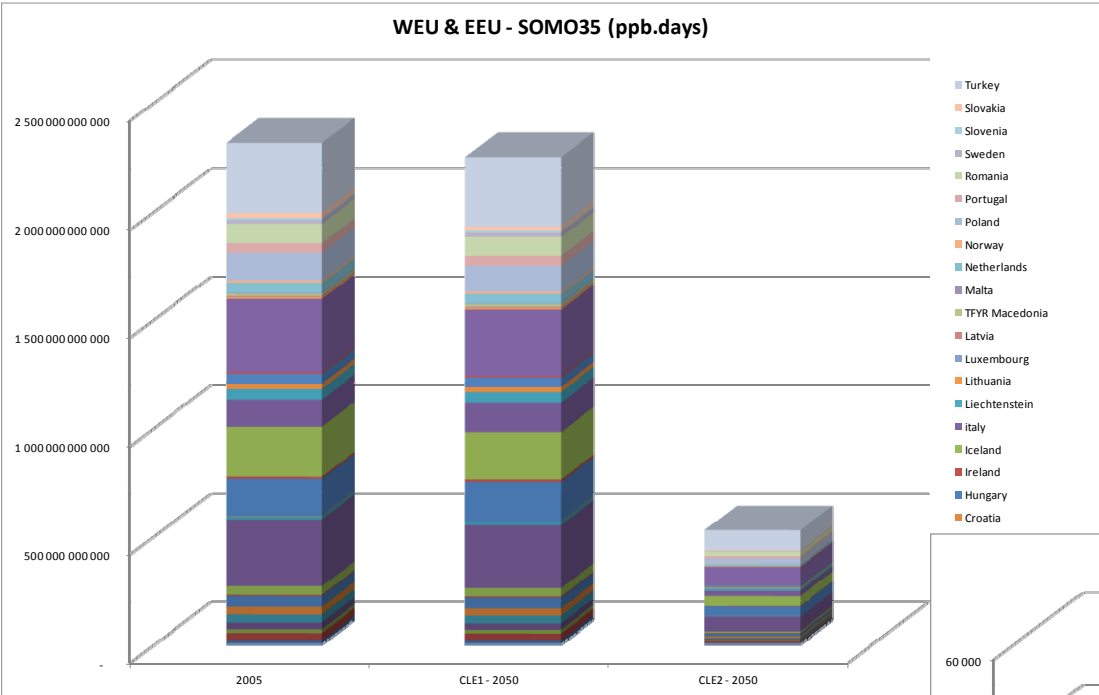
Important reduction in exposure between 2005 and 2050 (CLE 1 vs. 2005) due to atmospheric policy (and despite climate change) ;

Additional reduction brought about by climate policy (CLE 2 vs. CLE 1)



Similar results for Life Years Lost

# Exposure to ozone and premature deaths from acute exposure to ozone

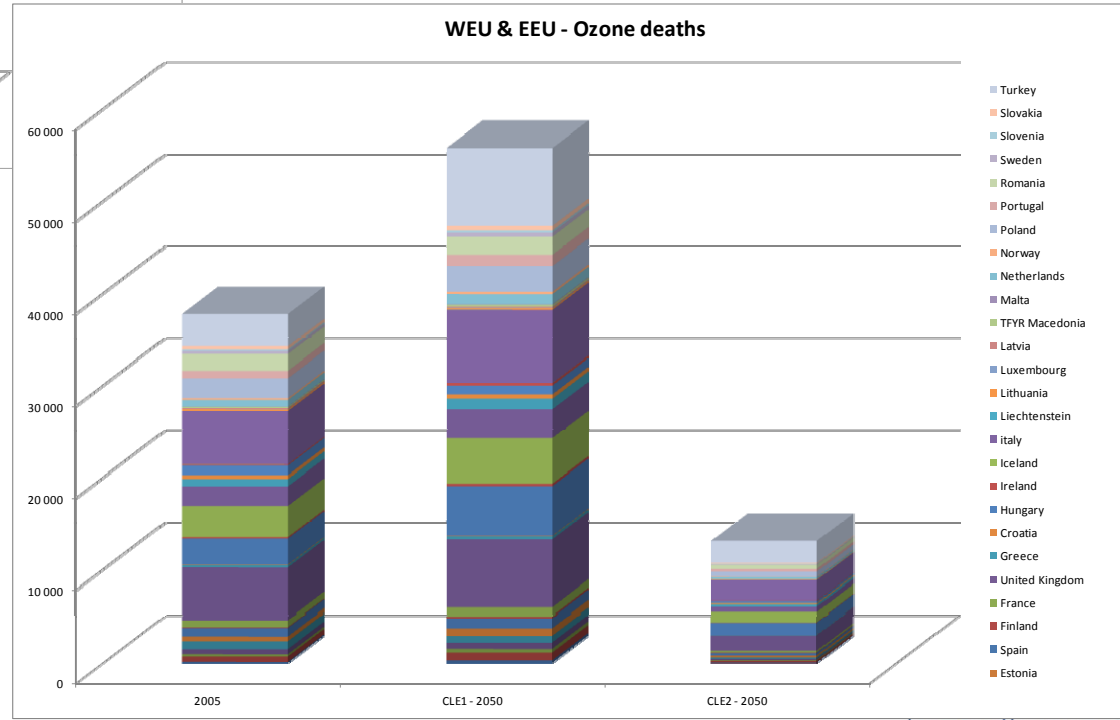


Small reduction of exposure between 2005 and 2050 (CLE1 vs. 2005) - effects of atmospheric policy counterbalanced by climate change & hemispheric transport ;

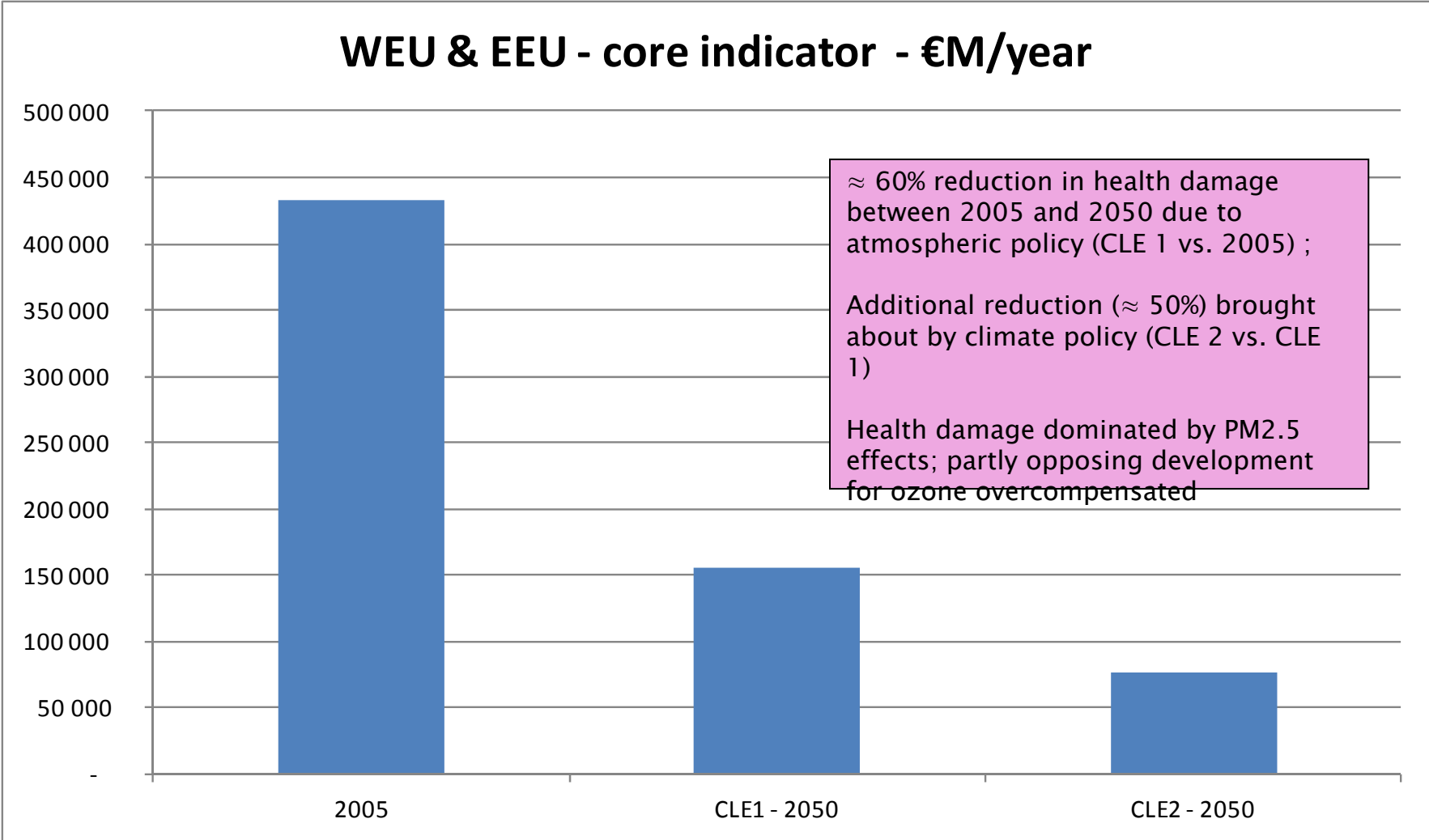
Important reduction brought about by climate policy (CLE 2 vs. CLE 1)

Health effects from ozone increase between 2005 and 2050 (CLE 1 vs. 2005) despite a low reduction in exposure => effect of population increase;

Important reduction brought about by climate policy (CLE 2 vs. CLE 1)

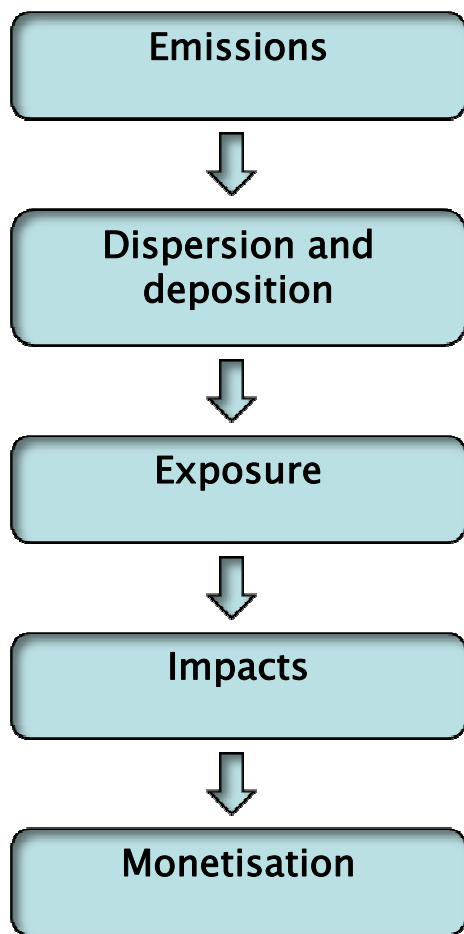


## Health damage (monetised)

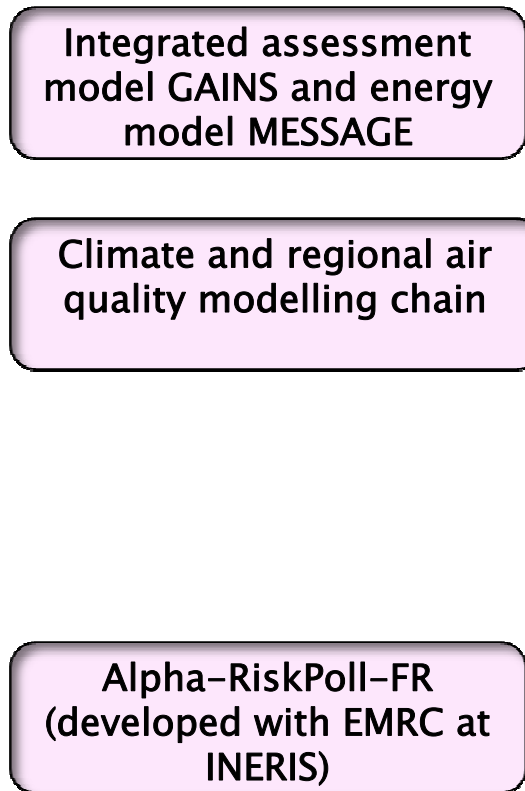


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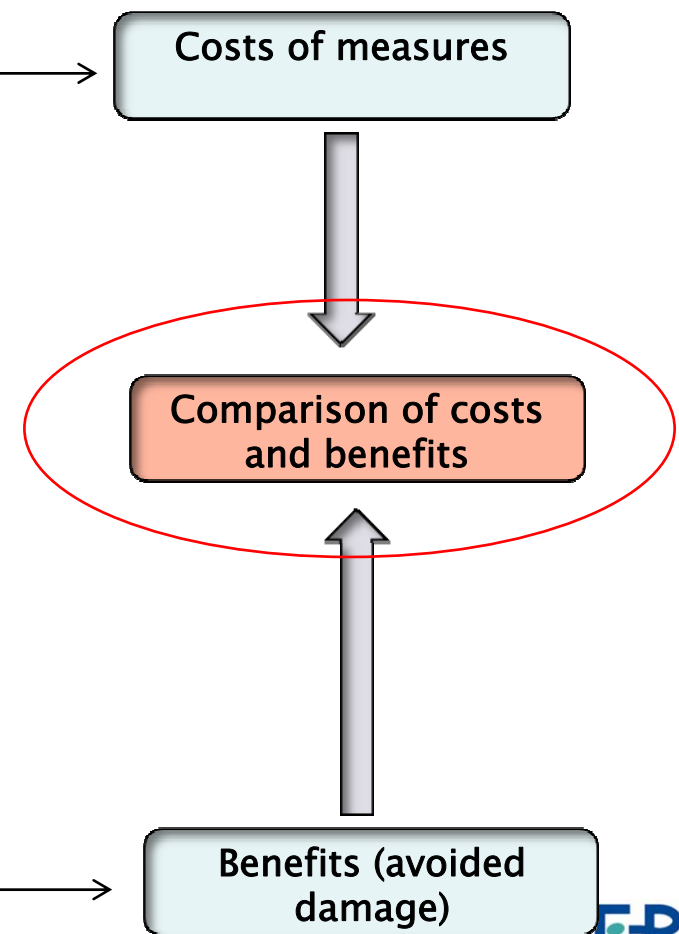
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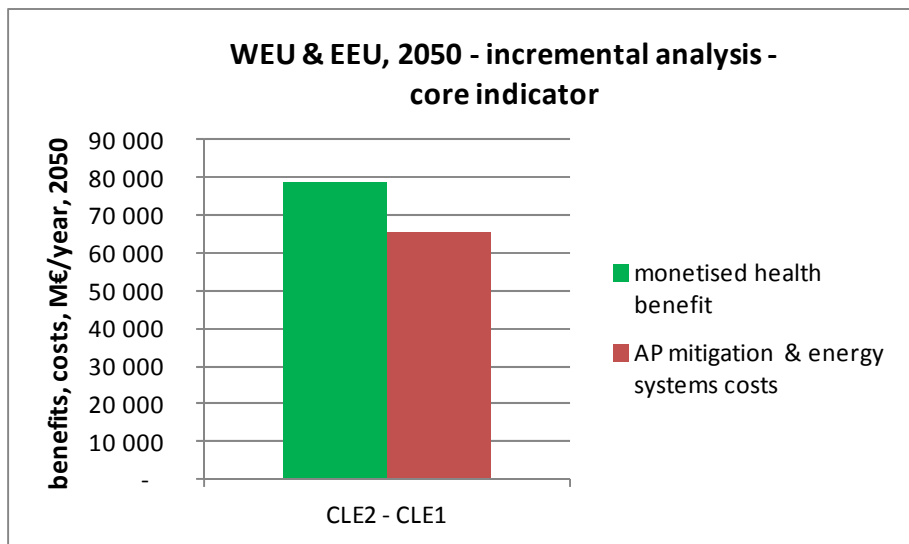
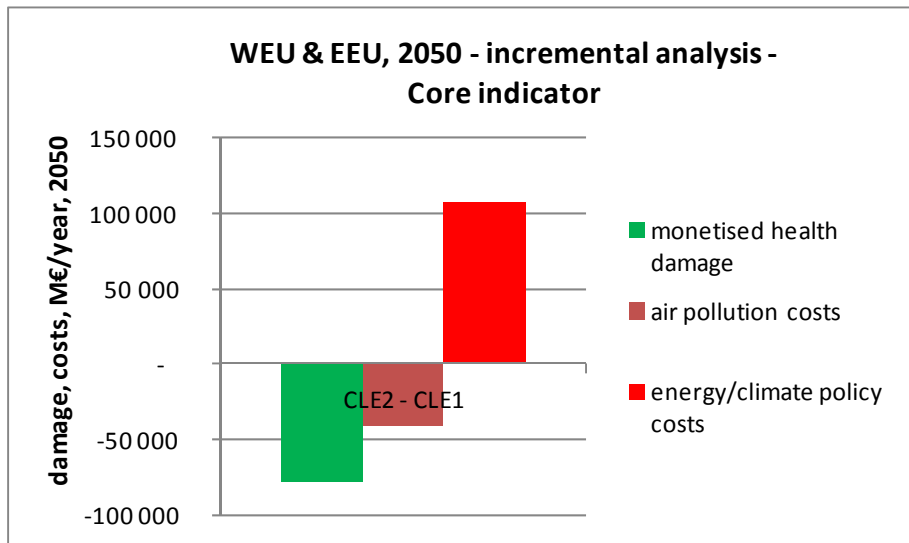
## Comparison of costs and benefits of the policies

### Assessment of the health effects of one air pollution reduction strategy under two climate/energy policy contexts

- No assessment of benefits relative to costs of air pollution policy in monetary terms
  - we do not have CLE costs in 2005, nor the costs for less ambitious AP policies
- Classical benefit/cost ratio not applicable
  - requires comparison of air pollution mitigation policies differing in their ambition levels
- Rather a co-benefits/cost ratio
  - increase of energy/climate policy costs versus decrease of AP policy cost and health damages

=> Preliminary results

# Comparison between costs and co-benefits of an ambitious climate policy (incremental analysis)



**Moving from the scenario without to the scenario with climate policy**

- additional costs for climate/energy measures  $\approx$  107 billion €/year in 2050
- co-benefits of the energy policy per year in 2050:
  - => air pollution reduction costs decrease relative to the scenario without climate policy (savings  $\approx$  42 billion €)
  - => avoided health damage (= benefits) from reduced air pollution  $\approx$  79 billion €
- co-benefits for the AP policy and for health impacts exceed the additional energy costs
- AP costs only NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>
- further benefits from the reduction of greenhouse gases not taken into account

Preliminary results

## Attribution study to understand what drives the results shown in the maps

- **Analysis of the impact of different processes playing a role in the future evolution of air quality**
  - the global and regional climate
  - air quality mitigation policies (=> emissions)
  - chemical background changes (contribution of long-range AP transport)
- **The question**
  - do regional (European) AP policies attain the expected effects or are these counterbalanced by long-range AP or climate change?
- **Isolation of the contribution of each driving factor to the overall projected change**
  - disentangling the main factors through sensitivity decadal simulations
  - replication of the decadal simulations, keeping two factors constant and varying the third
  - e.g. to investigate the impact of climate change use constant present day AP emissions and boundary conditions but change the climate forcing
  - 12 \* 10 runs to analyse the impacts of all drivers

## Results of the attribution study

- **Ozone**

- confirmation of the climate penalty (cf. literature) - not very strong, decreasing in the future
- a strong penalty (REF) or benefit (MIT) comes from chemical background
- air pollution policies (emission reductions) are effective

- **PM<sub>2.5</sub>**

- weak impact of long-range transport
- air pollution policies (emission reductions) dominate the overall result
- climate has a negative contribution - weak but statistically significant climate benefit

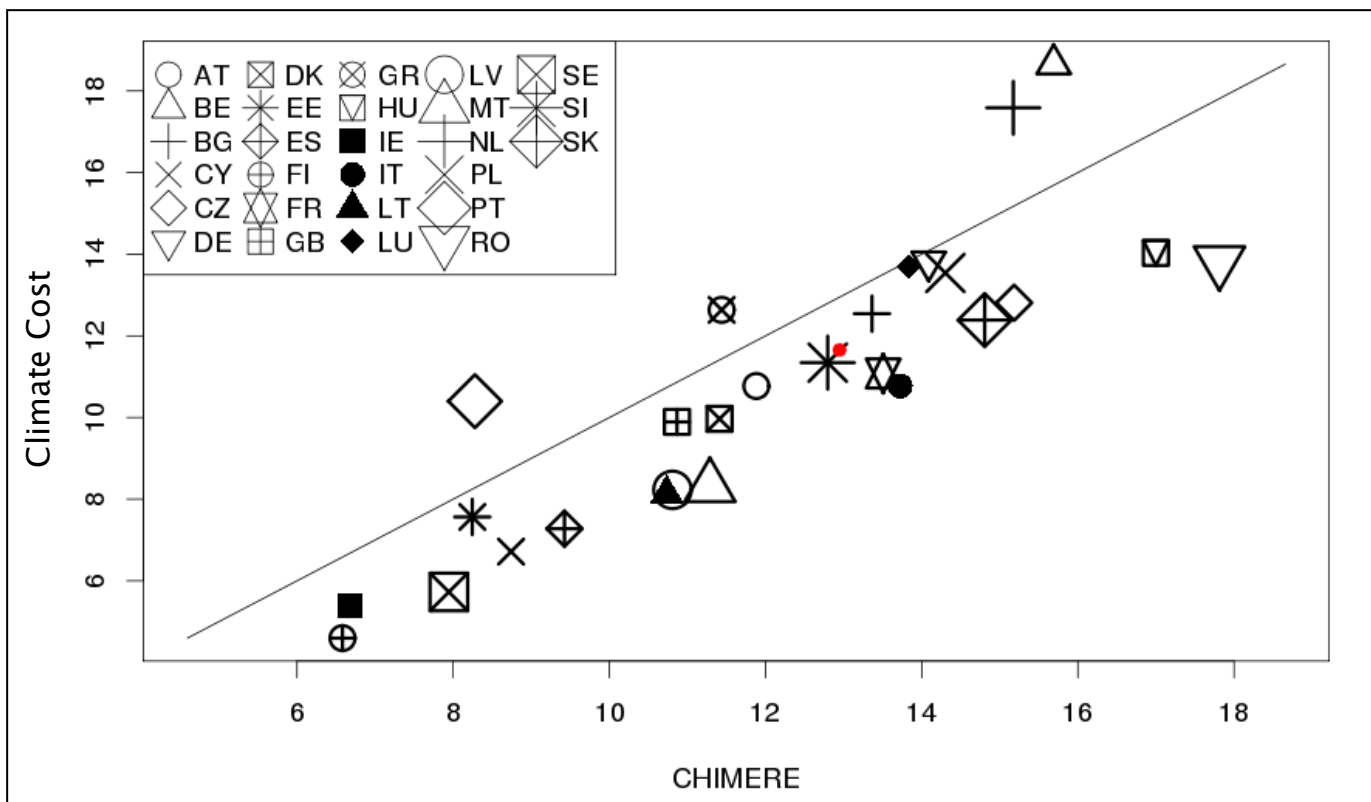
⇒ no consensus in literature on whether climate penalty or benefit for PM (model dependent) - uncertainty

⇒ impact of aerosols on climate change more often analysed than that of climate change on aerosols

⇒ advocates for attribution studies to be done by other modelling teams

⇒ results might be used in health impact assessment/CBA?

# Average PM2.5 exposure (2005) per capita from the Climate Cost & Salut'air projects



- CHIMERE exposure slightly higher than Climate Cost exposure
- Possibly due to a PM composition issue

=> CHIMERE might have more natural dust in the PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations than the Climate Cost data

- Is there natural dust in the Climate Cost project concentrations (GAINS using EMEP SRMs)?
- How to deal with this in health impact assessment?
  - WHO advice for CBA (NECD): “exclude particles from natural sources as they are not controllable using the measures considered in the setting of emission ceilings” (TSAP Report 10, EMRC)

## Summary & conclusions

- **The Salut'air project uses**
  - most recent model runs of global and regional climate and atmospheric chemistry model inter-comparisons under IPCC/AR5
  - up-to-date projections for air pollutants and greenhouse gases
- **The Salut'air analysis found important co-benefits of climate policy for air pollution policy and health impacts**
- **The attribution study disentangling the relative impact on  $PM_{2.5}$  and ozone concentrations of climate change, atmospheric policies and chemical background changes**
  - confirmed the climate penalty for **ozone**; major influence of long-range transport
  - found a weak climate benefit for  **$PM_{2.5}$**  (uncertainty!), and a strong impact of air pollution policies
- **More modelling teams performing attribution studies would be helpful to reduce uncertainty about the climate impact on  $PM_{2.5}$**
- **There might be a point in comparing particle composition across different models & analyses**
  - develop a template for modellers to complete?
  - composition of  $PM_{2.5}$ , origin of emission data, information on scenario development ...



# Thank you for your attention!

## Publication on the air quality modelling results

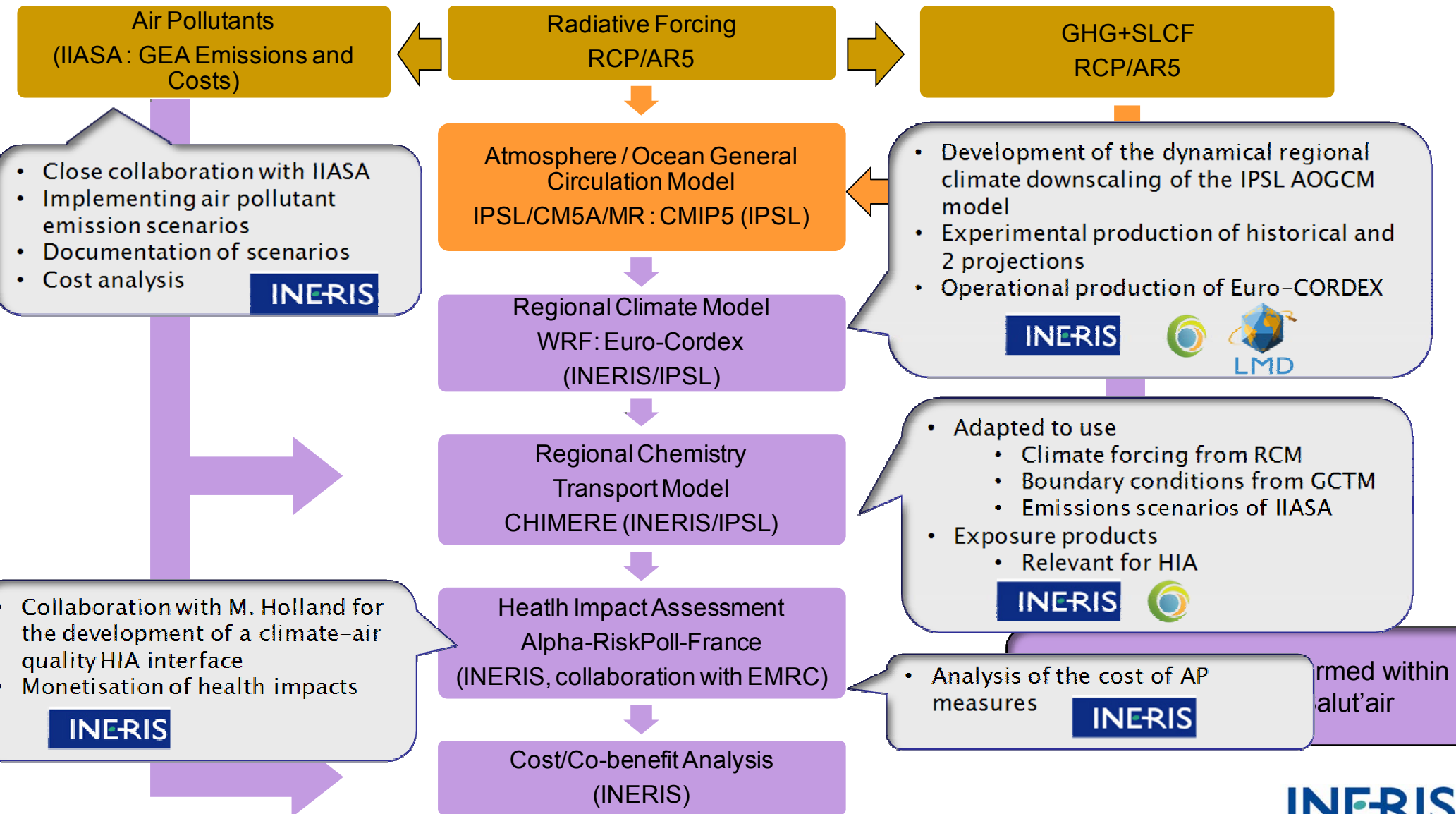
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# Annex

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## Data for MESSAGE regions WEU & EEU

### Western Europe

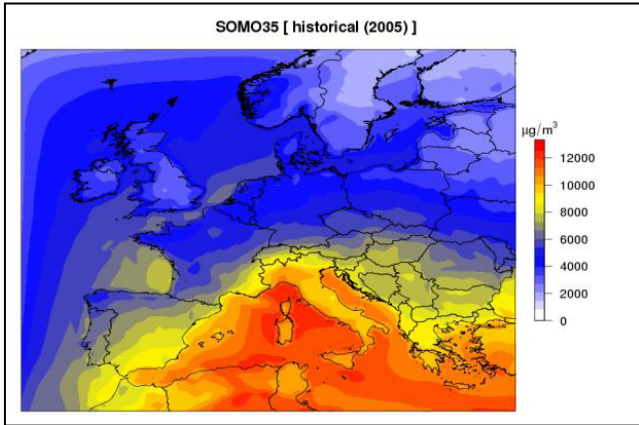
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### Central & Eastern Europe

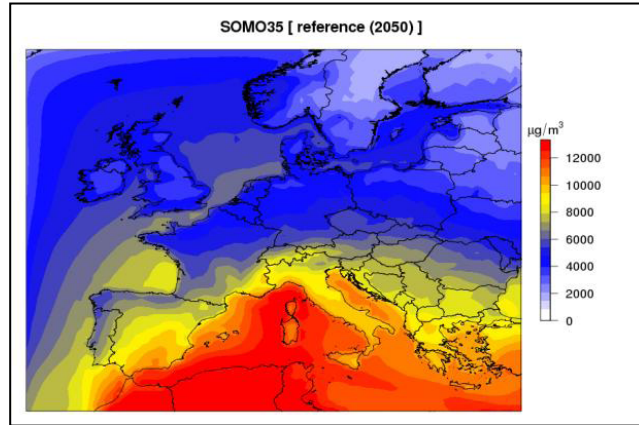
- Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Yugoslavia

# O<sub>3</sub> concentrations in Europe - SOMO35 (sum of O<sub>3</sub>max > 35ppb)

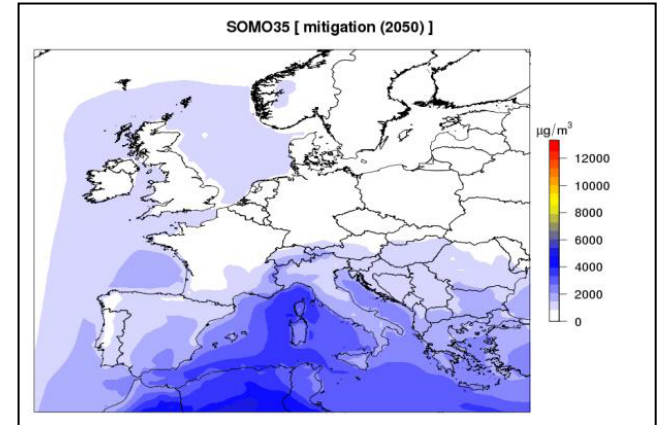
Historic climate model 2005



GEA CLE1-REF (~RCP8.5) 2050



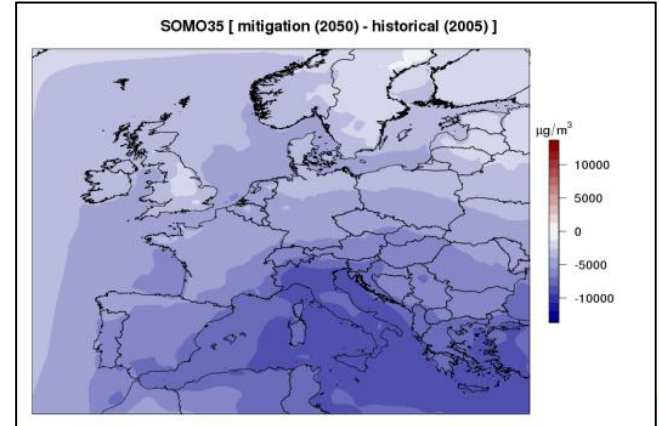
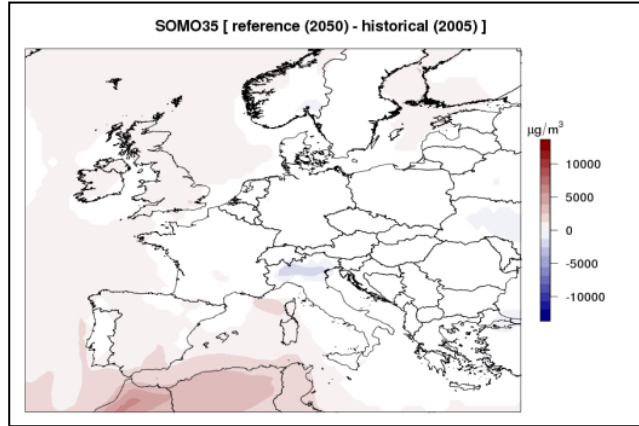
GEA CLE2-MIT (~RCP2.6) 2050



Difference to historic

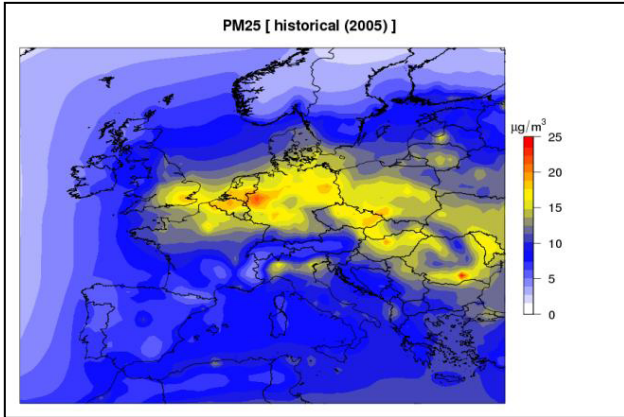
Projections:

- status quo for CLE1 (climate reference scenario) (joint effect of global climate & hemispheric transport => global ozone increases under RCP8.5)
- large decrease for CLE2 (climate mitigation scenario)

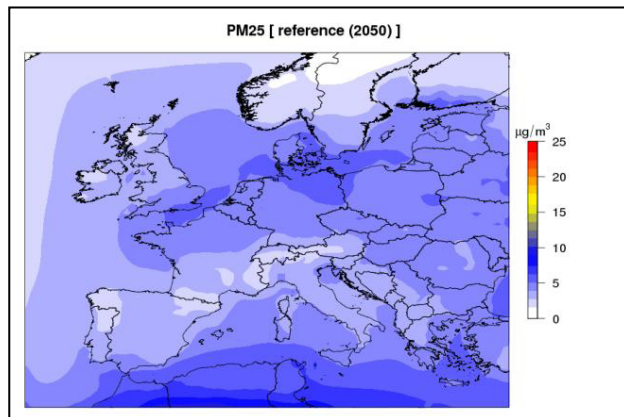


# PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations in Europe (annual mean)

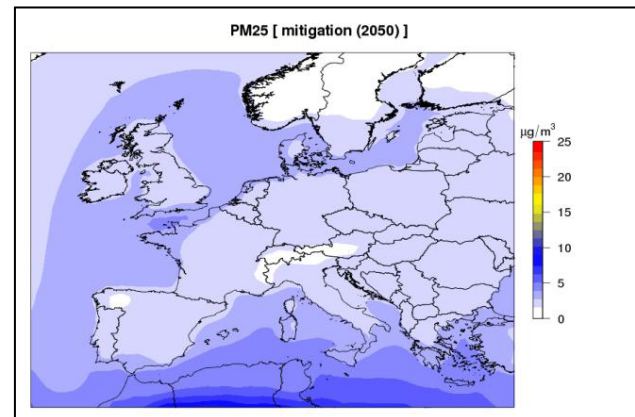
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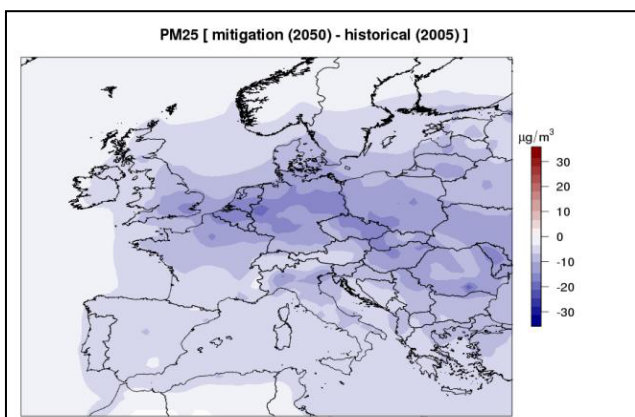
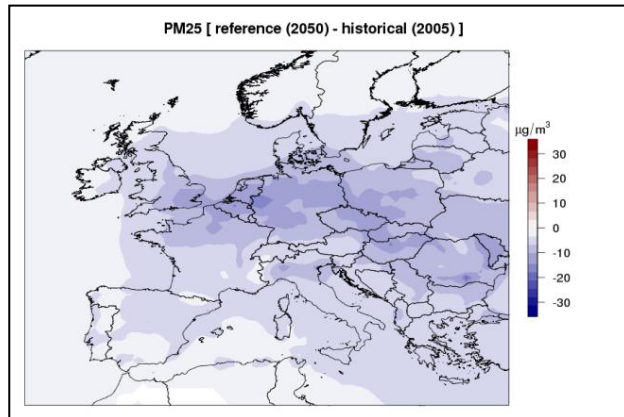


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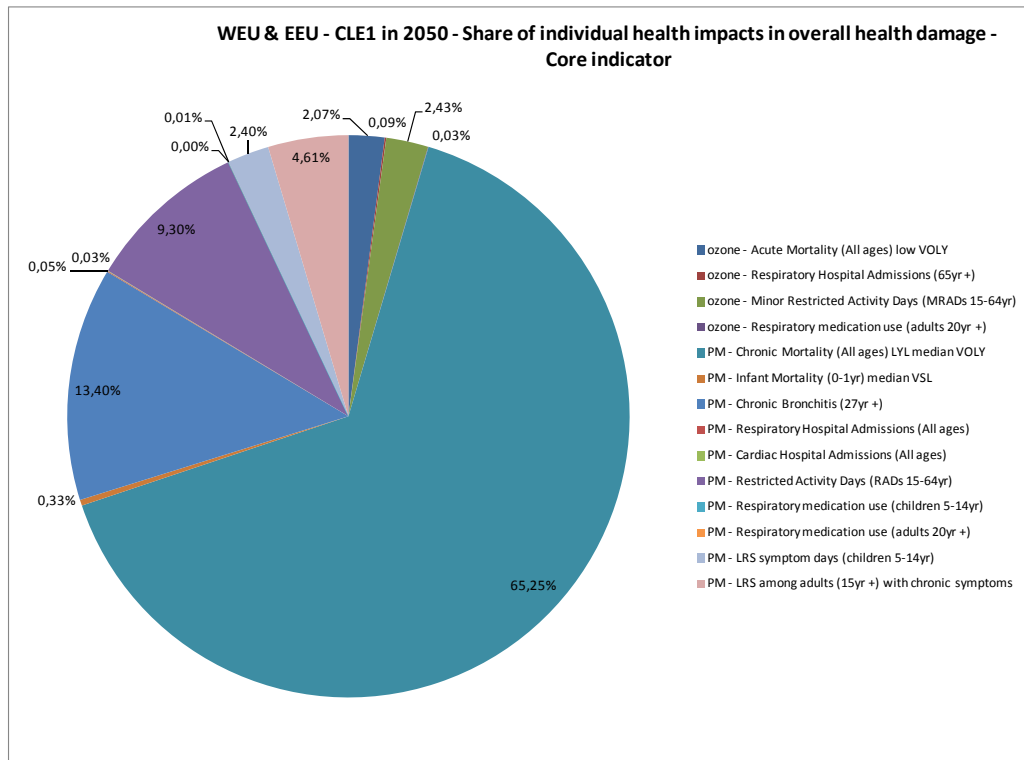


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Projections:  
➤ significant decrease under both scenarios



# Contribution of different impacts to overall health damage (monetised) in 2050



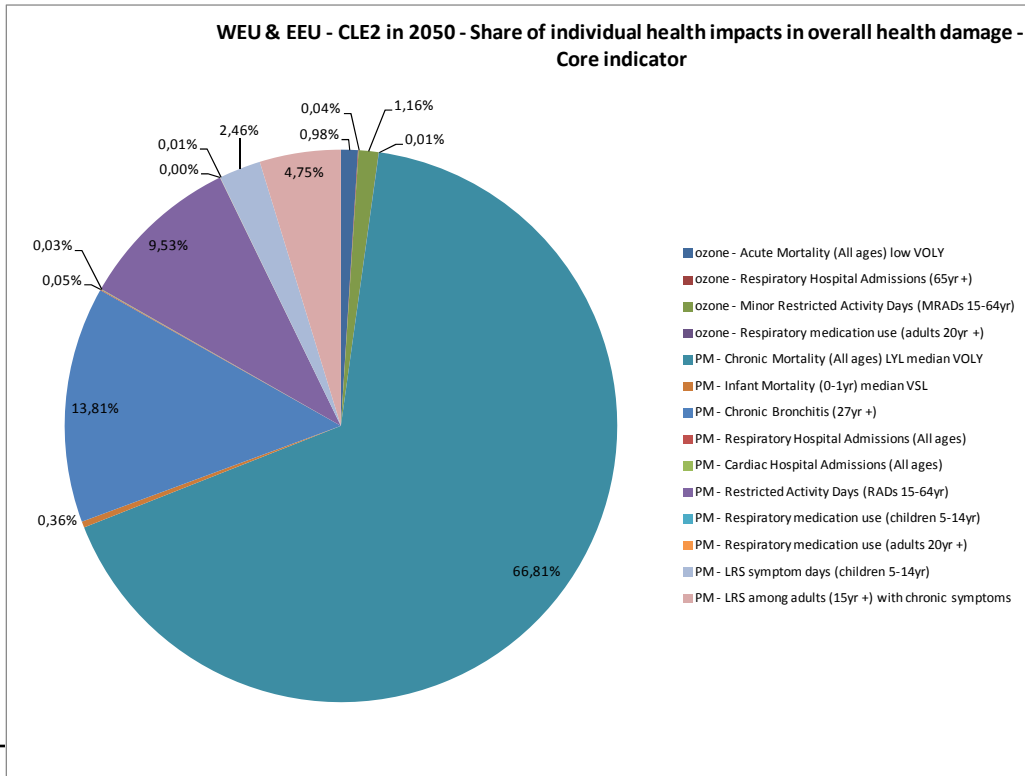
Health costs dominated by PM2.5 effects, especially :

- chronic mortality (≈ 66%)
- chronic bronchitis (≈ 13%)
- restricted activity days (≈ 10%)

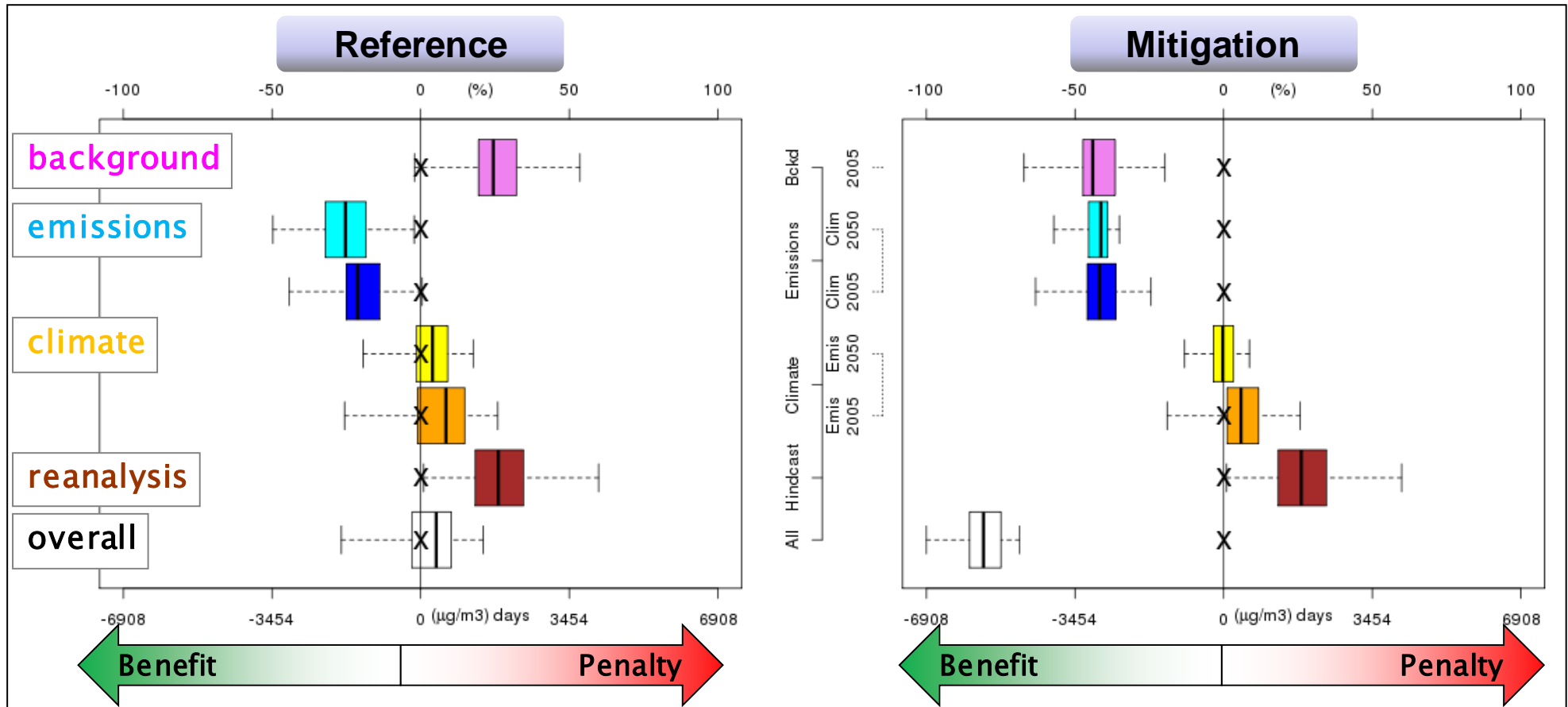
Health costs from ozone amount to:

- ≈ 1.5 % in 2005
- ≈ 4.6 % in CLE 1 2050 (=> effect of climate change & long range transport)
- ≈ 2.1 % in CLE 2 2050 (=> ambitious climate policy)

Model run with climate correction and urban increment (decrement)

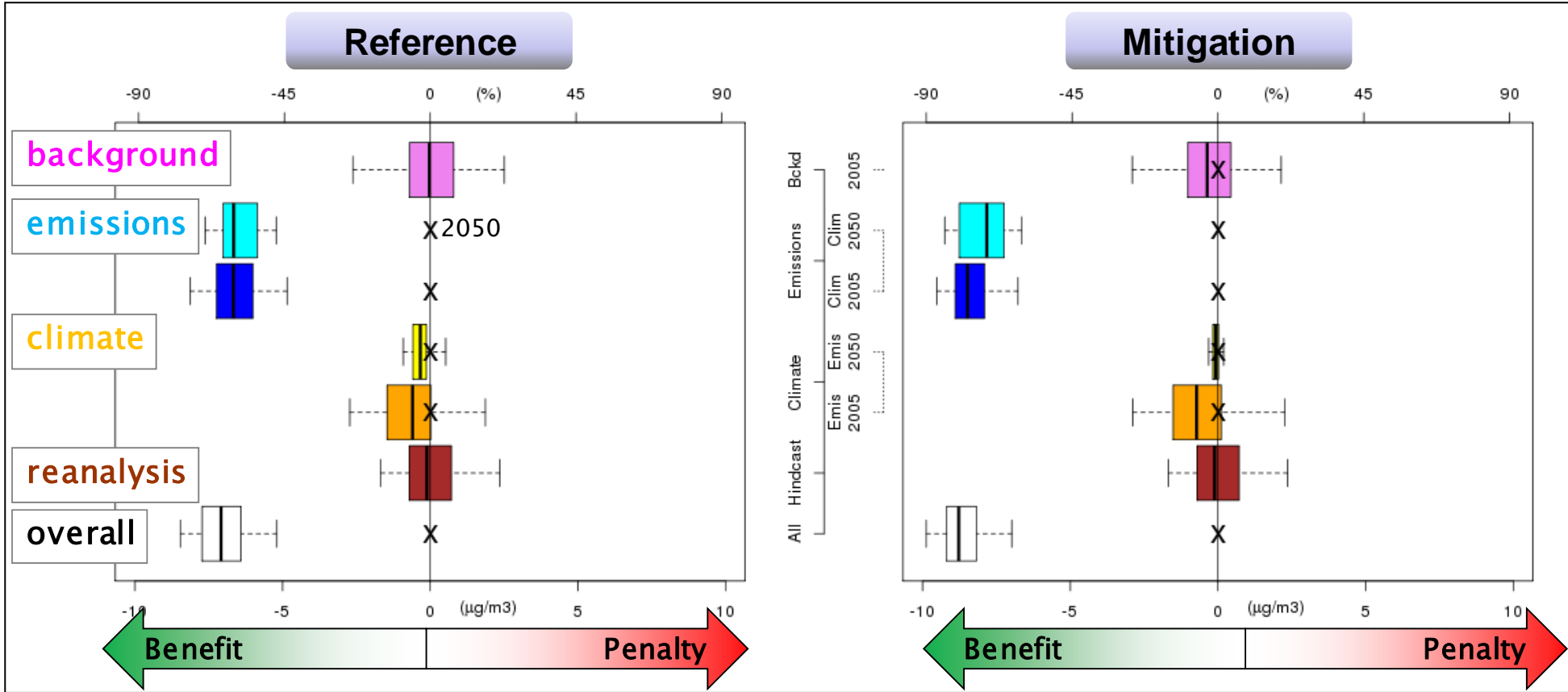


# Attribution study for SOMO35



- Climate penalty confirmed, decreasing in the future
- Effective air quality legislation
- Major chemical background penalty (REF)

# Attribution study for PM<sub>2.5</sub>



- Weak impact of long-range transport
- Air quality legislation dominates
- Slight climate benefit (not robust – cf. literature)