

# EPCAC – Expert Panel on Clean Air in Cities

## Draft position paper

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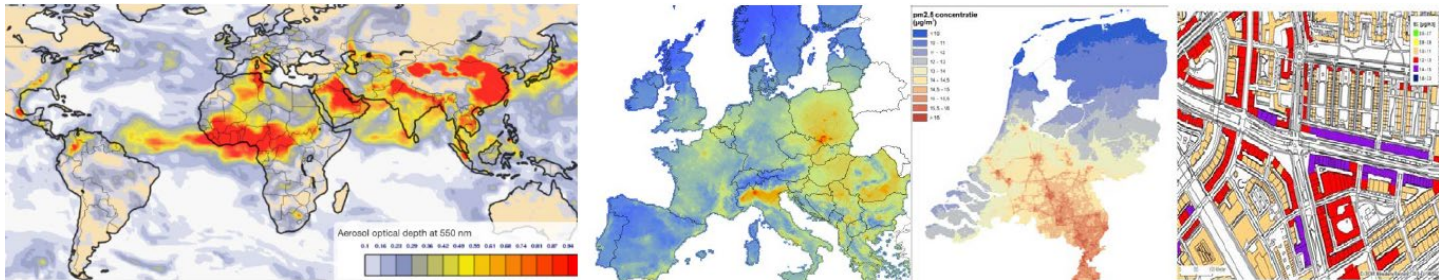
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# Expert Panel on Clean Air in Cities

- Adopted by the Executive Body of the UNECE Air Convention, Dec 14, 2018

- Revised TFIAM mandate:

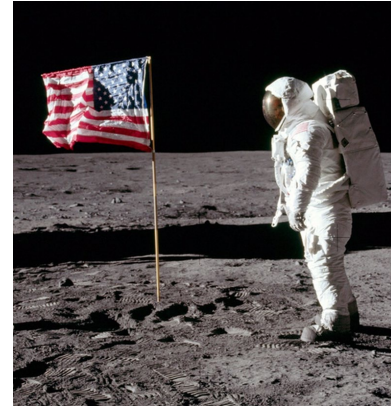
**“Multi-scale multi-objective assessment modelling aimed at cost-effective policy strategies that combine international, national and local actions as well as the links between air quality policy and other policy processes (e.g. on SDGs, climate, biodiversity).”**



# Mission and Task

- EPCAC will **provide a science-policy arena** for analysis of cost-effective multi-scale air quality strategies
- EPCAC will **highlight the interactions between geographical scales**, acknowledging that air quality on a local scale is affected by international policies whilst the impact of local policies is propagated to other cities, regions and countries

➔ **Involvement of cities is important**



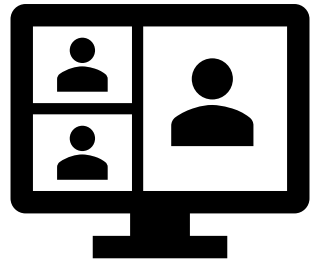
# Past meetings

Meetings held in Bratislava (2019), Online (2020, 2021, 2022)

- 100 participants: national governments, cities, scientific community, NGO's, industry, EC

Presentations and summary available:

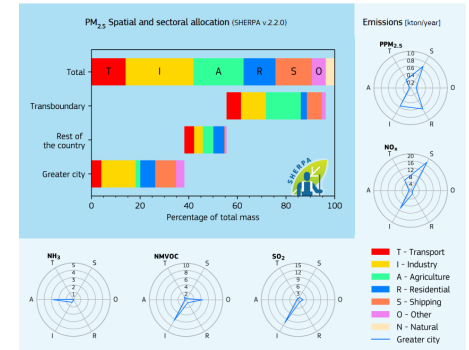
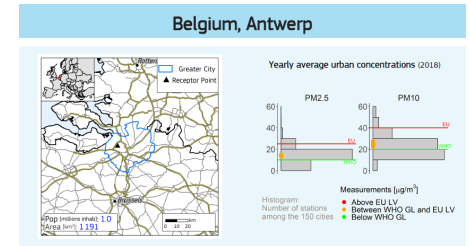
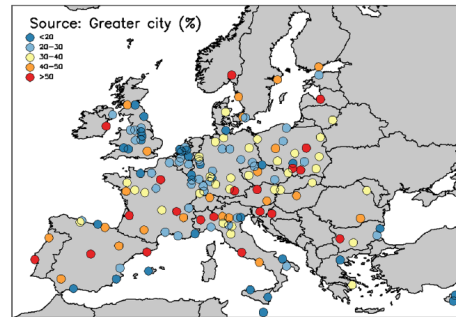
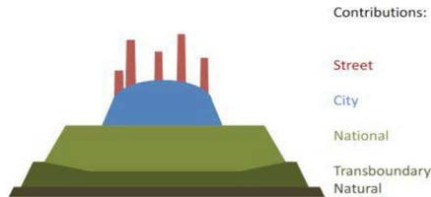
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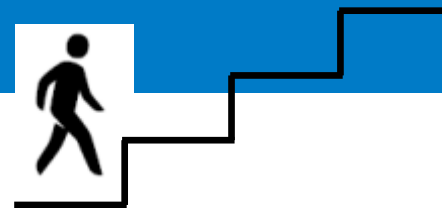
# EPCAC Position Paper

“Prepare a position paper to raise awareness among national and local policy makers of the multi-scale interactions. To be followed by other relevant guidance documents.”

Initial attempt in 2020



# In 2024: Steps for a Position Paper



1. Core writing team
2. Annotated outline (April) discussed at TFIAM in Paris
3. A few online meetings with core team (May, June, July, Sept)
4. **This EPCAC meeting in Sept 2024**
  - Day 1: Core writing team meet in Bilthoven at RIVM
  - Day 2: Online presentations and discussing the position paper
5. Revise position paper (Oct)
6. Circulate among EPCAC participants for written feedback (Oct/Nov)
7. Informal version available (end of Nov)
8. First formal version to be presented at WGSR63 (spring 2025)

# Outline of Position Paper



Preamble

Summary

1. Introduction: Air quality is still a problem, especially in cities
2. The air quality situation in cities
3. Sources of air pollution impacting cities
4. Measures
5. Conclusions

Annex 1: List of potential measures

Annex 2: How to develop air quality plan

Annex 3: Look into the future

# Program of today

- Presenting core of position paper (Gregor, Martin, Martine)
  - Collection feedback on position paper
  - Other presentations related to EPCAC activities
- **Position paper on behalf of whole EPCAC community**