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## Integrated Climate forcing and Air pollution Reduction in Urban Systems

### AIR POLLUTION HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND COST-BEENFIT ANALYSIS OF WIN-WIN POLICY SOLUTIONS AT THE URBAN SCALE IN THE CITY OF MILAN

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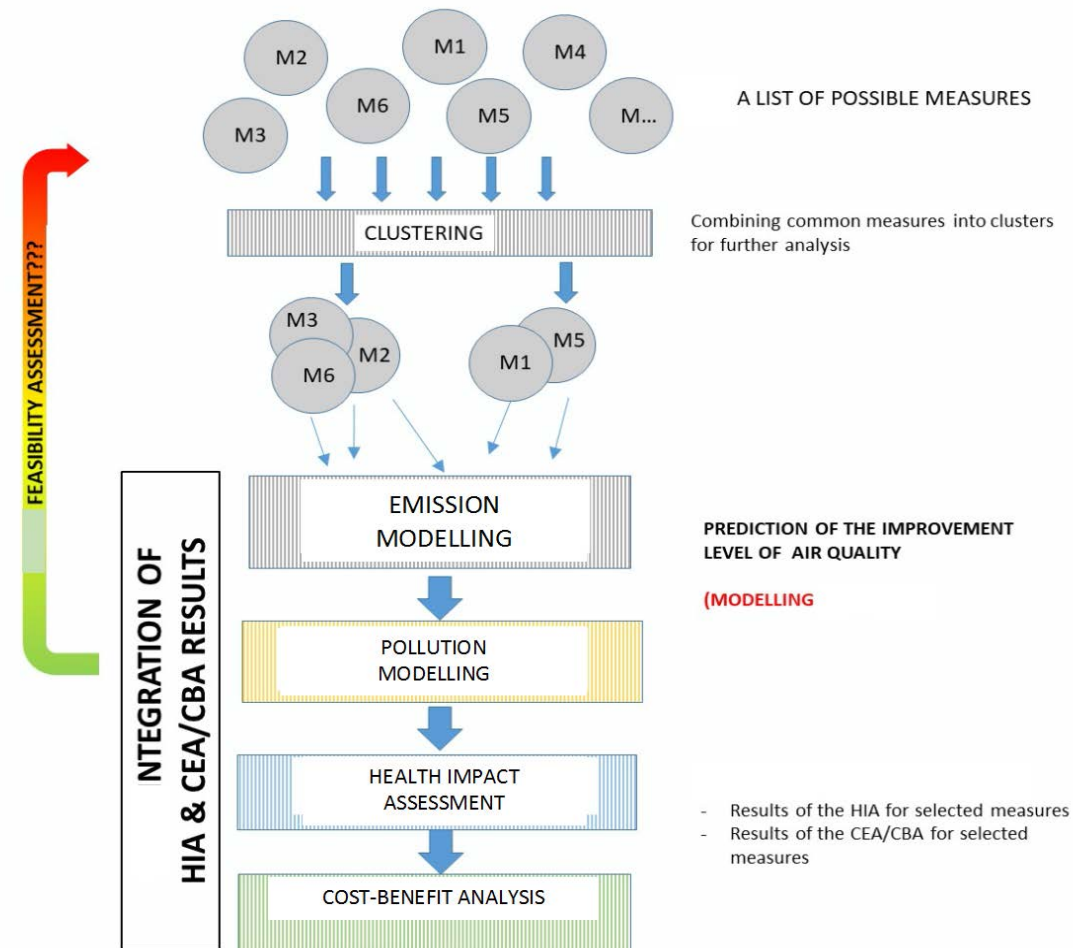
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## Schematic representation of the concept and related work

potential implementation of selected measures and policy options towards integrated win-win solutions (2020 – 2030)

- (1) emissions of air pollutants;
- (2) emissions of greenhouse gases;
- (3) ambient concentration of (1) and (2);
- (4) Exposure of people to air pollutants;
- (5) associated impacts on human health (HIA);
- (6) Cost – Benefit Analysis (CBA)

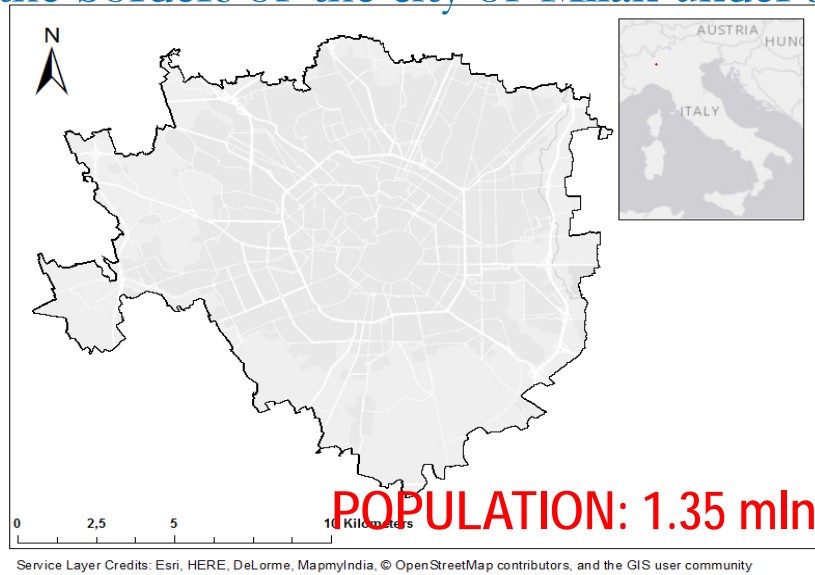


- Baseline (2015)
  - BAU 2020 and 2030
- EMISSION =*  
*ACTIVITY*  
*X*  
*EMISSION FACTOR*
- spatially distributed within the city area  
(1 km x 1 km grid)
- BOTTOM-UP and TOP-DOWN approaches

List of pollutants and GHGs for which emission factors are available

Greenhouse gases	“Classical” air pollutants	Heavy metals, PAH, dioxins
1. CH <sub>4</sub>	1. PM <sub>10</sub>	1. Cadmium
2. CO <sub>2</sub>	2. PM <sub>2.5</sub>	2. Arsenic
3. N <sub>2</sub> O	3. Black carbon	3. Mercury
	4. Organic carbon	4. Lead
	5. NO <sub>x</sub>	5. Benzo(a)pyrene as marker substance for total PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons)
	6. SO <sub>2</sub>	
	7. CO	
	8. NH <sub>3</sub>	
	9. NMVOC	6. PCDD/PCDF as indicator for dioxins and furans

the borders of the city of Milan under study

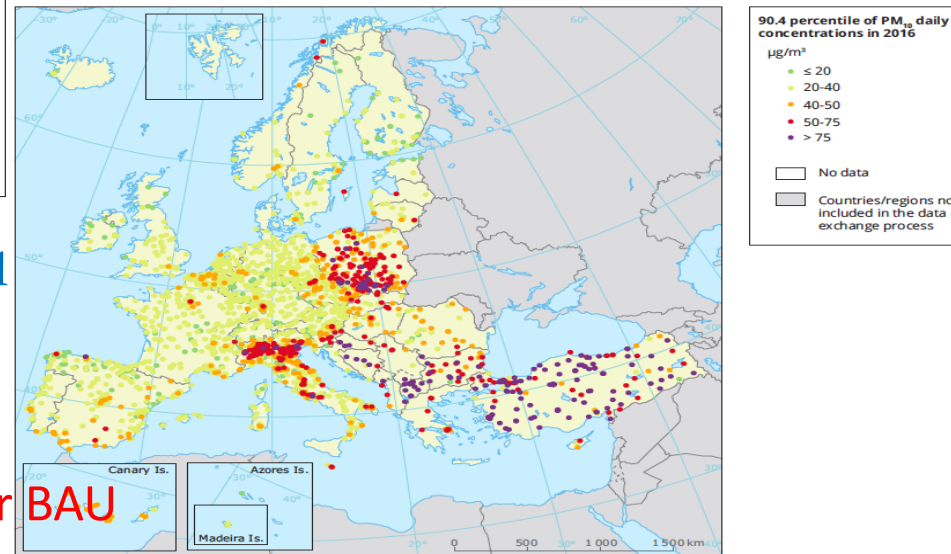


Bottom-up data:  
**INEMAR** emission inventory  
 (SNAP 97 nomenclature  
 → translated into NFR09 = top-down )

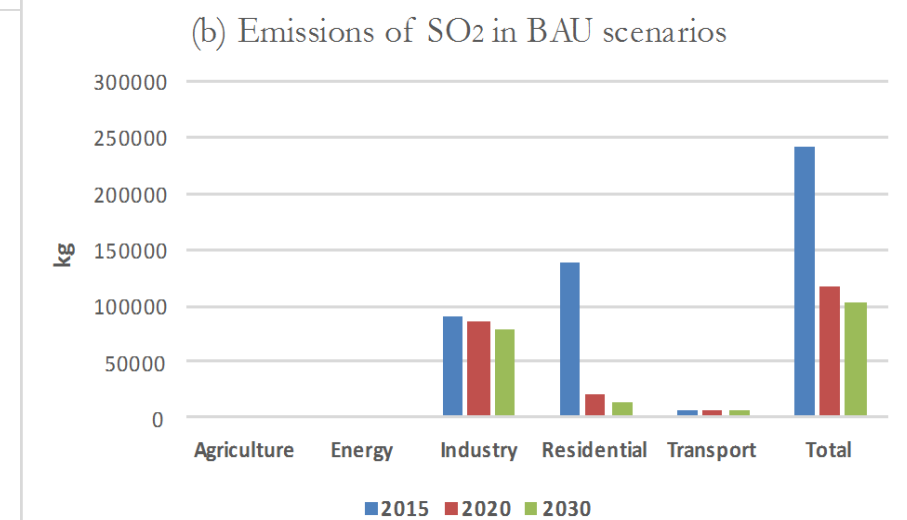
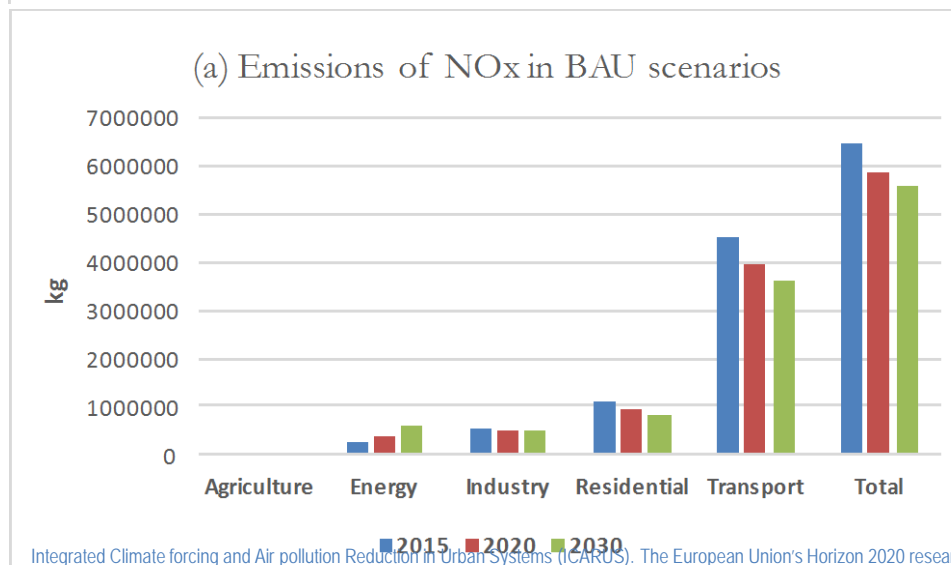
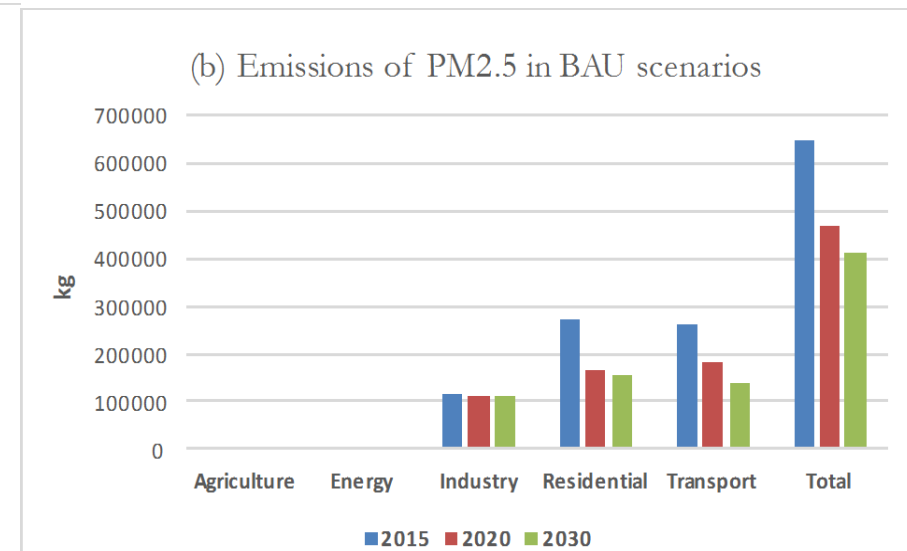
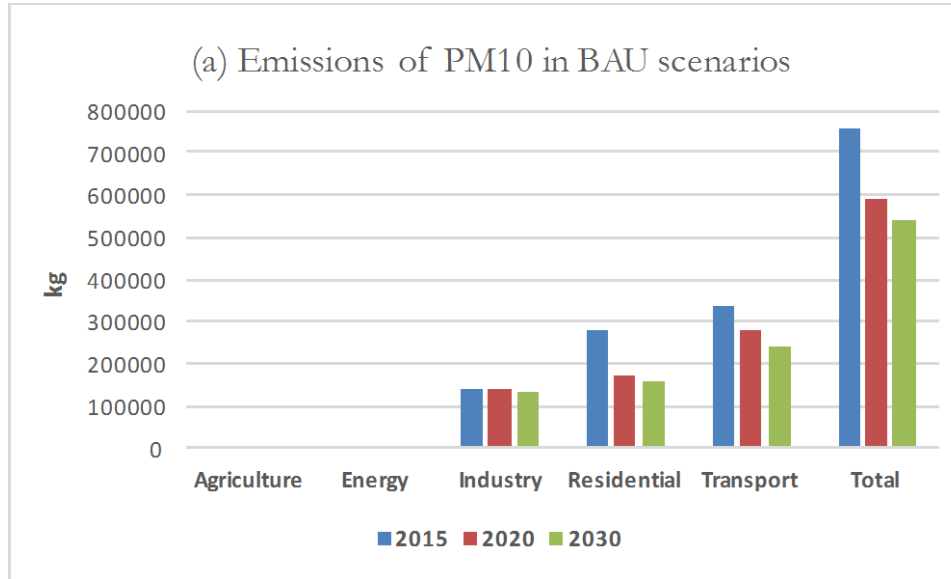
SPATIAL DISAGGREGATION 1 km \* 1

$$E_i = A * EF_i$$

+ Backward calculation for 2020 -2030 for **BAU**



**Notes:** Observed concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub> in 2016. The possibility of subtracting contributions to the measured concentrations from natural sources and winter road sanding/salting has not been considered. The map shows the 90.4 percentile of the PM<sub>10</sub> daily mean concentrations, representing the 36th highest value in a complete series. It is related to the PM<sub>10</sub> daily limit value, allowing 35 exceedances of the 50 µg/m<sup>3</sup> threshold over 1 year. Dots in the last two colour categories indicate stations with concentrations above this daily limit value. Only stations with more than 75 % of valid data have been included in the map. The French overseas territories' stations are not shown in the map but can be found at <https://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/dashboards/air-quality-statistics>.



The impacts of the five selected policy options were carried out under the assumption of RCP4.5 scenario for climate change

	Resolution (sectors)	Resolution (geographical)
Emissions of greenhouse gases		
CO <sub>2</sub>	Energy/industry, land	Global and for 5 regions
CH <sub>4</sub>	12 sectors	0.5°×0.5° grid
N <sub>2</sub> O, HFCS, PFCS, CFCS, SF <sub>6</sub>	Sum	Global and for 5 regions
Emissions aerosols and chemically active gases		
SO <sub>2</sub> , black carbon (BC), organic carbon (OC), CO, NO <sub>x</sub> , VOCs, NH <sub>3</sub>	12 sectors	0.5°×0.5° grid
Speciation of VOC emissions		0.5°×0.5° grid
Concentration of greenhouse gases		
(CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O, HFCS, PFCS, CFCS, SF <sub>6</sub> )	-	Global
Concentrations of aerosols and chemically active gases		
(O <sub>3</sub> , aerosols, n deposition, s deposition)	-	0.5°×0.5° grid
Land-use/land-cover data	Cropland, pasture, primary vegetation, secondary vegetation, forests	0.5°×0.5° grid with subgrid fractions, (annual maps and transition matrices including wood harvesting)

**RCP4.5** Stabilization of radiative forcing without overshoot pathway to 4.5 W/m<sup>2</sup> (~650 ppm CO<sub>2</sub> eq) at stabilization after 2100

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representative days for the  
clusters with high [air pollutants]  
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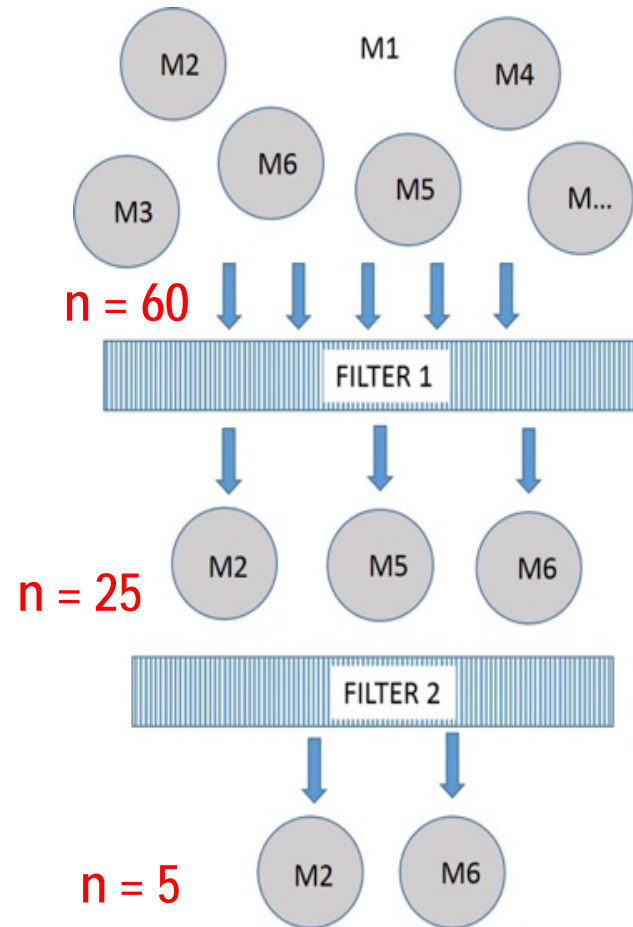
$N$  = total number of Cluster  $s$

**Green House Gases (GHGs):**  
6-hour frequency 1951 to 2100  
CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> anthropogenic emissions  
(ICARUS db). Results 12\*12 km

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**STEP 1:**  
LIST OF POTENTIAL POLICIES & MEASURES

**STEP 2:**  
Selecting seemingly effective/ feasible policies & measures

**STEP 3:**  
SELECTION OF POLICIES & MEASURES FOR DETAILED EVALUATION

**STEP 4:**  
Prediction of the improvement of air quality, health & climate;  
COST-BENEFIT-ANALYSIS  
FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS

**PROPOSED MEASURES**

## INPUTS

- selected city measures
- activity-emission-factor DB or EI (spatially distributed)
- emission reduction potential

## STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGEMENT

## OUTPUTS

- New 5 EI scenarios (2020-2030)
- New Input in AQ modelling
- Input for Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA)



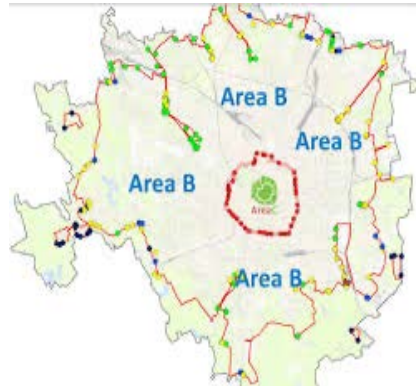
## TRANSPORTS

### (1) Low Emission Zone ("Area B")

Limitation to polluting vehicles  
Steps year-by-year 2019-2030  
Complete banning of diesel (2030)

### (2) Conversion of public buses to electric ones

From 2020 renewal: exclusively electric vehicles  
2030: whole bus fleet converted (1200 vehicles)



## BUILDINGS

### (3) Improvement of energy efficiency in residential flats

package of regulations (existing and new buildings)  
Financial incentives: renovation, energy savings, etc.

## ENERGY SUPPLY

### (4) Photovoltaic / solar power + district heating

Incentive measures of new building regulation  
city's district heating network, 730,000 people



## LAND USE

### (5) Planting of 25000 new trees per year

3 million trees by 2030 in metropolitan city  
green canopy area from 7% to 20%

**Selection Criteria: Effectiveness, Efficiency, Acceptability**

## Emission variation (%) in policies scenarios 2020 (a) and 2030 (b) compared to BAU

(a) Year 2020	NH3	NMVOC	NOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>25</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>
BAU						
AreaB	-4,21%	-0,68%	-10,80%	-6,81%	-6,24%	-1,19%
ElectricBus	-0,05%	-0,02%	-1,01%	-0,20%	-0,14%	-0,03%
Buildings	0,00%	-0,06%	-0,69%	-0,04%	-0,05%	-0,49%
Energy	0,00%	-0,06%	-1,29%	-0,18%	-0,23%	-4,60%
Trees	0,00%	0,00%	-0,01%	-0,16%	-0,03%	-0,21%
(b) 2030	NH3	NMVOC	NOx	PM <sub>10</sub>	PM <sub>25</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>
BAU						
AreaB	-7,25%	-4,71%	-54,67%	-19,87%	-16,60%	-4,89%
ElectricBus	-0,43%	-0,05%	-7,65%	-1,61%	-0,68%	-0,28%
Buildings	0,00%	-0,22%	-2,69%	-0,16%	-0,21%	-2,10%
Energy	0,00%	-0,15%	-3,06%	-0,27%	-0,36%	-1,59%
Trees	0,00%	0,00%	-0,09%	-2,06%	-0,45%	-2,75%

## Total greenhouse gas emission reductions for the city scenarios

Measure name	2020			2030		
	CH <sub>4</sub> [kg]	CO <sub>2</sub> [kg]	N <sub>2</sub> O [kg]	CH <sub>4</sub> [kg]	CO <sub>2</sub> [kg]	N <sub>2</sub> O [kg]
Buildings	-2876	-63281097	-1151	-10759	-236702720	-4303
Electricbus	-171	-3057103	-192	-426	-9759901	-1385
Energy	-4083	-89419270	-1250	-8188	-198908550	-2539
Trees	0	-800000	0	0	-8800000	0
Area B	-5085	-209950556	-8134	-16377	-653301684	-28283

### climatic trends (for all measure scenario) from 2021 to 2050:

- O<sub>3</sub> decrease in the years 2021-2035 and then an increase.
- PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> increase for years 2021-2035

*“scientific evaluation of potential adverse health effects resulting from human exposure to a particular hazard (i.e. air pollution);  
[...]*

*a comprehensive approach to the evaluation of the current state-of-the-environment and of future conditions following specific abatement scenarios”*  
(WHO)

- (i) amount of air pollution present, i.e. pollutant concentrations (CRFs);
- (ii) the amount of contact (exposure) of the targeted population to pollutants;
- (iii) how harmful the concentration is for human health, i.e. the resulting health risks to the exposed population.

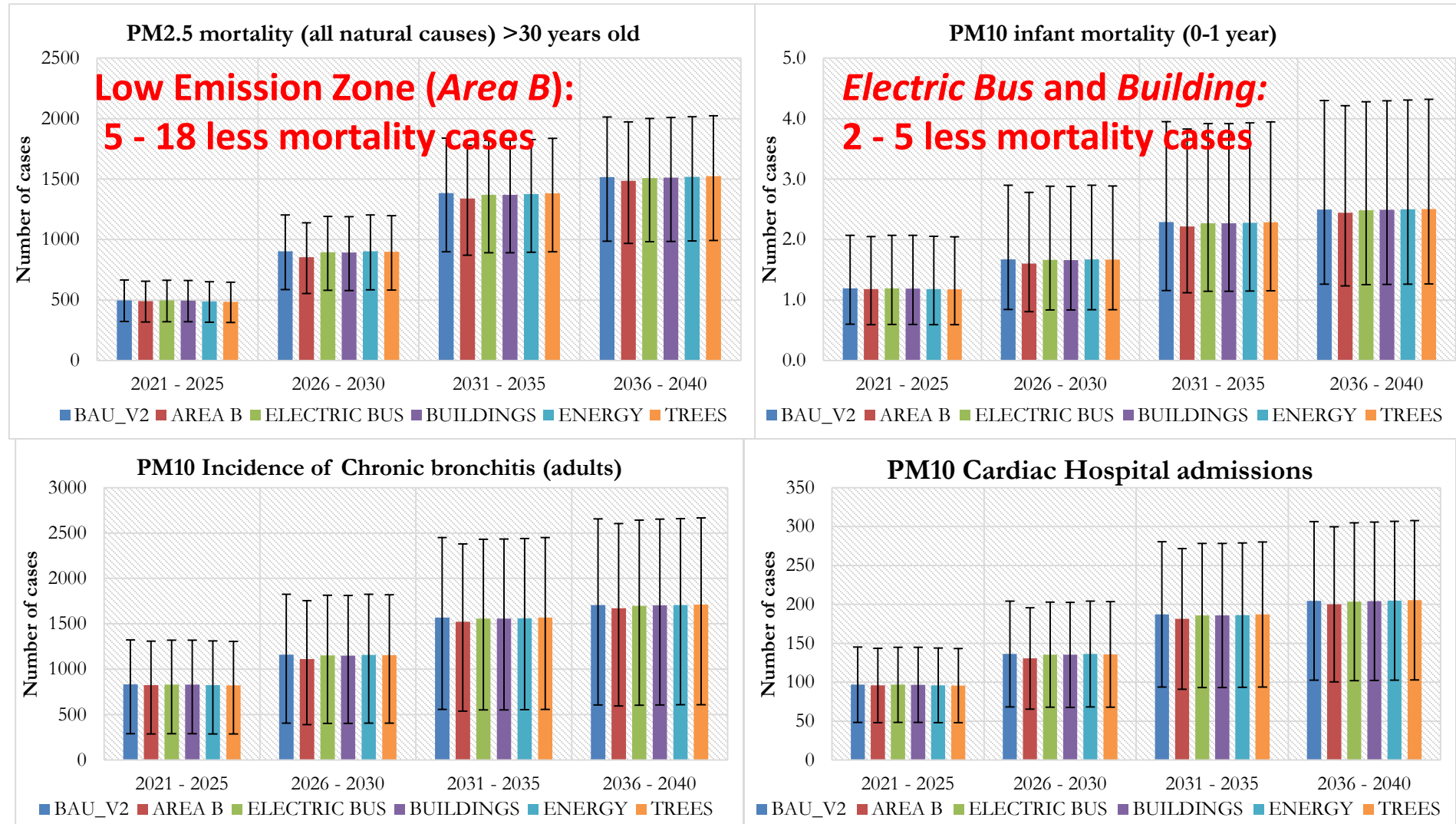
**+ Spatial /Geographic Information Science!**

$$AF = \frac{\sum_i P_i \cdot RR_i - 1}{\sum_i P_i \cdot RR_i}$$

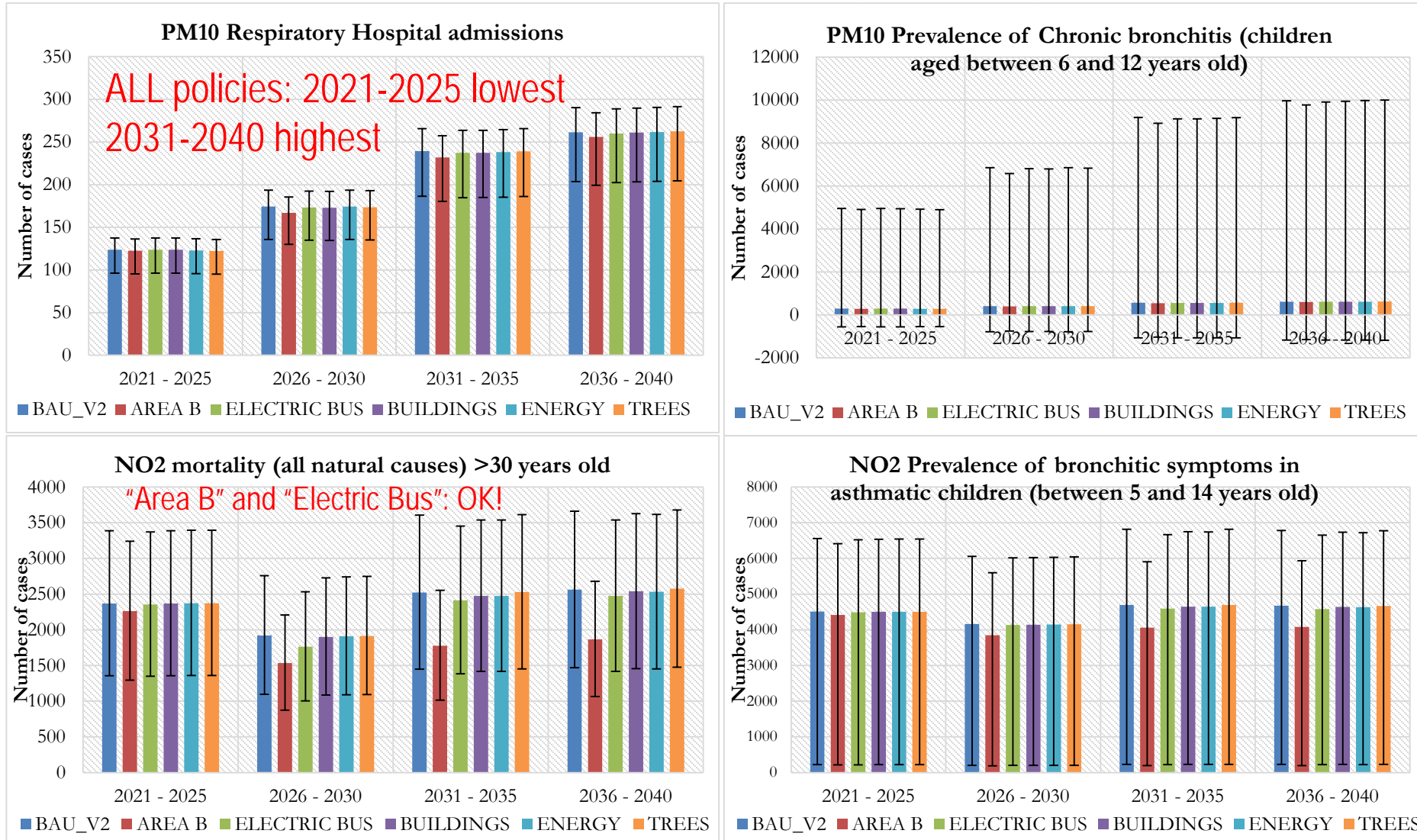
**population attributable risk fraction (AF):**

$P_i$  is the proportion of the population at exposure category  $i$   
 $RR_i$  is the relative risk at exposure category  $i$  compared to the reference level

## Whole Simulated Domain Area (50 x 50 km)



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## Results of the Cost-benefit analysis and Cost-effectiveness

MEASURES/ POLICY SCENARIOS	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5
	Milan area B	Milan e-bus	(energy)*	(buildings)*	Milan trees
	Low Emission Zone	Replacement of entire bus fleet with electric buses	Energy efficiency improvements	Solar power in buildings	Green area and new trees
Net Present Costs (€)	14,272,436	77,187,492	unknown	unknown	49,496,900
Net present health benefits (€)	11,964,987,522	2,454,269,532	632,400,540	761,524,521	83,830,490
Net Present Other non-health benefits (€)	29,041,252				
Net Present Value Carbon savings (€)	158,871,091	2,402,922	55,898,495	56,134,451	1,641,954
Net present total benefits (€)	12,152,899,865	2,456,672,453	688,299,035	817,658,972	85,472,444
NPV (€)	<b>12,138,627,429</b>	<b>2,379,484,961</b>	<b>688,299,035</b>	<b>817,658,972</b>	<b>35,975,544</b>
B/C Ratio	<b>851.49</b>	<b>31.83</b>	* costs		<b>1.73</b>
FICOSTEF	<b>2.61</b>	<b>932.57</b>	missing information		<b>875.17</b>
FUCOSTEF	<b>- 2,189</b>	<b>- 28,719</b>	missing information		<b>- 607</b>

## Result of policies assessment

	Impacts				
Policies	Emissions	Air pollution	Health	CBA	GHG
Transport «Area B» (LEZ)	++	+	+	++	++
Transport Electric Bus	+	O	+	++	+
Buildings	O	O	O	(+) / unknown costs	++
Energy	O	O	O	(+) / unknown costs	+
Land use (trees)	n/a	+	O	+	O



- SET-UP methodology to create EI scenarios → Evaluation of Policies → AQ modelling → HIA → CBA
- Strategies which allowed the city partners and main polluters to engage with this issues, and settle to the win-win solution for AIR QUALITY and CLIMATE CHANGE
- Building ongoing communication and lifelong partnerships with parties
- "PEOPLE FIRST": Transfer ownership of the policies to citizens
- Assisted and trained stakeholders in urban impact assessment as well as educate them about the health and environmental benefits  
(engagement strategy – decision making process)
- Series of recommendations to policy makers:  
minimise the pollution and their consequent health effects
- Raised citizen awareness regarding the impacts of their activities on air pollution and climate forcing and increase societal acceptance of emission reduction policies



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# ADDITIONAL SLIDES

# AIR QUALITY MODELLING AND CLUSTERING

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**WRF-Chem** : Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) model coupled with Chemistry emission, transport, mixing, and chemical transformation of trace gases and aerosols simultaneously with the meteorology

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# COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS

- **Net Present Value (NPV)** of total discounted costs and benefits;
- **Benefit/Cost Ratio (B/C)**

## cost-effectiveness analysis:

- **Financial cost-effectiveness (FICOSTEF):** financial cost per tC saved (CO<sub>2</sub>equivalent)
- **Full cost-effectiveness (FUCOSTEF):** full cost (costs-benefit) per tC saved (CO<sub>2</sub>equivalent)

## **General assumptions and Monetary Valuation of Impacts**

**Discounting:** 3.5% discount rate (cost of capital) – all values in 2018 prices

**Time horizon of the CBA:** initial investment year – last HIA year available

**Value of Carbon:** Social Cost of Carbon (SCC) set at \$31 (€<sub>2018</sub>29.03)

**Health Endpoint valuation:** [Hunt, 2011] central figure, and a low and high estimate

**Health benefits from walking and cycling:** WHO Europe Health Economic Assessment Tool

**Noise:** traffic reductions; switching from conventional cars to electric vehicles [Litman, 2011]

**Accidents:** Benefit with shift from conventional car other transport modes [Litman, 2011]

**Travel time losses:** Costs with shift from conventional car other transport modes [Litman, 2011]

## Biomass burning issue – Pizza: the Italian “taboo”



In 2015 (official EI), PM10 from «pizzerie»:

**16% of the total emission in Milan**

(residential plants: 5.6%; industry sector: 1.5%)

Benzo[a]Pyrene: 33,4% of the total BaP emission

# FUTURE WORK

- A multi-objective optimization methodology will be devised encompassing high dimensional data fusion and refined tools for environmental and health impact assessment;
- Integration of complex systems dynamics that incorporate the interactions between activity sectors and the respective behavioural changes (**Agent Based Modelling – ABM**);
- Health impact assessment will incorporate internal dosimetry methodologies (PM sizes);

**SENSOR CAMPAIGNS** run in 2019 winter and summer in Milan (100 citizens)

Personal exposure to air pollutants – indoor & outdoor

- Results of the policy analyses will allow to determine the most sustainable GHG mitigation and AQ improvement strategies (**guidance for decision-making**): maximizing the net public health and wellbeing benefits while taking into consideration the costs associated with air pollution and climate change in the EU;
- **Decision Support System (DSS)**: interactive platform for selection, application and evaluation of the available datasets and tools for urban impact assessment + **web- and smartphone-based tool (lifestyle and carbon footprint)**