

Tackling Air Pollution and Climate Change looking for win-win air pollution policies

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Arctic haze layer over Svalbard, Spitsbergen



Source: Alfred-Wegener Instituite



NCO-P web-cam images of Khumbu valley





Source: CNR ISAC

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the FAst Scenario Screening Tool TM5-FASST

Based on global source receptor relationships (SRs) calculated with TM5



Calculates the effect of an emission reduction in one grid cell, on various impacts in all other grid cells. Aggregation to SRs between 56 world regions (a.o. WEUR, CEUR)

Emissions considered: SO2, NOx, NH3, Black Carbon, Primary Organic Matter, CH4

Impacts considered:

- PM2.5 impacts on human health,
- O3, impacts on agriculture
- Radiative forcing
- Absolute global warming potential



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Integrated Assessment of Black Carbon and Tropospheric Ozone

Summary for Decision Makers



Three groups of promising measures (UNEP, 2011)

"CH₄" measures

- 1. Recovery of coal mine gas
- 2. Production of crude oil and natural gas
- Gas leakages at pipelines and distribution nets
- 4. Waste recycling
- 5. Wastewater treatment
- 6. Farm-scale anaerobic digestion
- 7. Aeration of rice paddies

Technical "BC" measures Non-technical "BC" meas

- 1. Modern coke ovens
- 2. Modern brick kilns
- 3. Diesel particle filters
- 4. Briquettes instead of coal for heating
- 5. Improved biomass cook stoves
- Pellets stoves and boilers (in industrialized countries)

- 1. Ban of highemitting vehicles
- 2. Ban of open burning of agricultural waste
- Elimination of biomass cook stoves









Regional Climate Changes: Change in atmospheric forcing at 2030 relative to the reference case in the two models.



This is where the biggest energy change to the atmosphere occurs and this is what dirives weather patterns – relative distributution of energy.



Result for Global Temperature Change (hybrid of results from GISS and ECHAM models and assessment of literature) added to the historical record



Reducing emissions of air pollutants will have a fast impact on global mean temperature (GMT) : (80% of expected GMT within 20 yrs)

Favoring reductions in specific sectors or through specific measures (e.g. because of cost) might either lead to a win or a loose for global climate, but will all be beneficial for air quality and "saving the Arctic". Optimization needed.

A multi-species Mult-effect approach makes policy measures more robust

Known climate friendly PM measures in EU (wood pellets, diesel particulate filter, coal brickets) constitute only 10-20% of PM reduction potential in EU.

Ozone reduction measures, especially through CH4, are an absolute noregret policy for air pollution and climate

More information on the chemical fingerprint of individual control measures would be helpful to evaluate more accurately their climate impacts !







Annually avoided premature deaths (millions)



Annually avoided crop yield losses (total maize, rice, soybean and wheat, millions tonnes)

Radiative forcing of GHGs and air pollutants

Literature ranges of GWP100

	/	Mean value	Range	Reference
CO ₂	1	IPCC, AR4		
CH ₄	25	IPCC, AR4	16 - 34	IPCC AR4
СО	1.9	IPCC, AR4	1 - 3	Range from AR3, cited in AR4
VOC	3.4	IPCC, AR4	2 - 7	IPCC AR4, ref. to Collins et al. 2002
BC	680	Bond & Sun, 2006	210 - 1500	Bond & Sun, 2006
SO ₂	-40	Fuglestvedt et al., 2009	-2456	Schulz et al. 2006, (±40%)
OC	-69	Schulz et al., 2007	-25129	Bond et al. (2011)
NO _x	~0			UNEP, 2011



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change in PM2.5: 2005 to 2030 reference scenario

change in BC deposition 2005 to 2030 reference scenario



TOA RadFor (W/m2) 2030 - 2005



TOA radiative forcing (W/m2) due to methane, ozone, and the direct effects of aerosols. Reference scenario.





On air quality

BC is a part of Particulate Matter, which reduces peoples lifetime worldwide. Tropospheric Ozone leads to reduction of crop yields

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Tackling Black Carbon Emissions within a Multi-Pollutant Multi-Effect Framework

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a focus on solutions

- sectors and measures
- emissions rather than concentration levels

handling uncertainties through a *multi-species* approach - PM *and* ozone *and* methane (*and* CO2)

handling uncertainties through a *multi-effect* approach

- focus also on regional rather than just global climate impacts
- put them aside impacts on human health and ecosystems

"killing several birds with just 17 stones"







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IPCC 4AR, 2007

UNEP, 2011



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Measures to Limit Near-Term Climate Change & Improve Air Quality



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3 groups of measures



'Methane only': Measures that affect emissions of methane

- Extraction and transport of fossil fuel, waste management and agriculture
- to be implemented centrally by large multi-national and national energy companies, municipalities and through modified agricultural practices







BC Measures to eliminate the most polluting activities

- Transport (high-emitters), cookstove substitution, agricultural waste burning
- Through improved enforcement of legislation or economic and technical assistance to the poorest; biggest BC reduction is from cookstoves





BC, OC and CO reduced by 50-80%, methane by ~40%



BC Measures that reduce emissions of black carbon and co-emissions (e.g. OC, CO)

- Transport, residential, & industry
- mainly at small stationary and mobile sources;
- biggest BC reduction is from diesel particulate filters



