Air Quality Monitoring and Management

Training Course

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Preface

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Country Offices in Western Balkans has developed a regional environmental programme in nine locations in the Western Balkans countries/territories suffering from the legacy of polluting industries and requiring industrial renewal, environmental cleanup and new economic initiatives.

Effective environmental monitoring is essential to understanding, managing, and improving the quality of air of Albania. Monitoring is a crucial factor to improving the quality of the decision-making that will, lead to human health protection, and will support a healthy sustainable economy.

NILU has been asked to conduct a training course in Tirana, Albania, which meets the needs for training consisting of elements that will improve air pollution understanding linked to monitoring and management of the air quality. The programme for this course is presented in this report.

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Air Quality Monitoring and Management

Training course

1 Introduction

The objective of this training course is to raise the standard in monitoring of air pollution in Albania towards internationally accepted standards through a 3 day training course. The participants should be practitioners and experts from environmental monitoring institutes.

The training course is being presented as lectures in a workshop over three days covering monitoring and sampling methods and equipment, EU legislation and directives, WHO guidelines and EU legislation, key air quality parameters, methods of data collection, validation, analysis and reporting and air quality planning.

The schedule for the presentations are presented in Appendix A and a summary of the topics in thefollowing:

Day 1, 19 May 2010

Air quality management Monitoring programme design Air quality legislation **Discussions**

Day 2, 20 May 2010

Instrumentation; monitoring and sampling
Monitoring and sampling, network operation
Quality systems
Presentations from Albania (existing AQ monitoring)
Discussions

Day 3, 21 May 2010

Air quality assessment and reporting Data dissemination
Air quality management planning Summary,
Conclusions and discussions

The transparencies used during the course are presented in Appendix B.

2 Air quality management

An air quality management plan must within the domain of the relevant national department, province or municipality seek to:

- Give effect, in respect of air quality, and relate to National Environmental Management Plans;
- Improve air quality;
- Identify and reduce the negative impact on human health and the environment of poor air quality
- Address the effects of emissions from the use of fossil fuels in residential applications;
- Address the effects of emissions from industrial sources;
- Address the effects of emissions from any point or non-point source also other than the ones stated above;
- Implement the nation's obligations in respect of international agreements and
- Give effect to best practice in air quality management;

The Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) should also describe how the relevant national department, province or municipality would comply with such other requirements as may be prescribed.

The main purpose of the AQMP development process is to establish an effective and sound basis for planning and management of air quality in the selected area. This type of planning will ensure that significant sources of impacts are identified and controlled in a most cost-effective manner. The best air quality management tools and practices may be used in order to assure the most adequate solutions. The ultimate goal will thus be to assure that health effects and impact on building materials and the environment will be avoided in the future.

The development of the AQMP will take into account:

- Air Quality Management System (AQMS) requirements
- Operational and functional structure requirements
- Source identification through emission inventories
- Source reduction alternatives, which may be implemented
- Mechanisms for facilitating interdepartmental cooperation in order to assure that actions are being taken
- Institutional building and training requirements

Important elements of the AQMP is the identification of sources and development of a complete emission inventory, the development and operations of an air quality monitoring programme and the development and application of dispersion models.

Major tasks in this work is to collect the necessary input data. The programme starts with preliminary assessments based on available data and the identification of zones into which the country will be divided. We assume that the setting of standards and regulations is already available.

3 Monitoring programme design

The typical approach to network design involves placing monitoring stations or sampling points at carefully selected representative locations, chosen on the basis of required data and known emission/dispersion patterns of the pollutants under study. This scientific approach will produce a cost effective air quality monitoring programme. Sites must be carefully selected if measured data are to be useful. Moreover, modelling and other objective assessment techniques may need to be utilized to ''fill in the gaps'' in any such monitoring strategy.

Another consideration in the basic approach to network design is the scale of the air pollution problem:

- The air pollution is of predominantly local origin. The network is then concentrated to within the urban area. (e.g NO₂, SO₂, PM₁₀, CO, benzene)
- There is a significant regional contribution to the problem and more emphasis will be on the regional part. (e.g. Ozone, PM).

The design of the air quality monitoring programme will depend upon the measuring strategy, which again depends on the objectives of the monitoring, and the pollutants to be assessed. For the relevant air quality parameters or selected indicators the concentration of pollutants and associated averaging time need to be specified. Specifications are also needed on where, how, and how often measurements should be taken.

In the initial design phase we will have to evaluate:

- The variation of pollutant concentrations in space and time;
- The availability of supplementary information;
- The accuracy of the estimate, that is required.

It may be possible to derive, in quantitative terms, a measuring strategy from this information

The number of monitoring stations and the indicators to be measured at each station in the final permanent network may then be decided upon based on the results of the screening study as well as on knowledge of sources and prevailing winds.

Once the objective of air sampling is well-defined and some preliminary results of the screening study is available, a certain operational sequence has to be followed. A best possible definition of the air pollution problem together with an analysis of available personnel, budget and equipment represent the basis for decision on the following questions:

- 1. What spatial density of sampling stations is required?
- 2. How many sampling stations are needed?
- 3. Where should the stations be located?
- 4. What kind of equipment should be used?
- 5. How many samples are needed, during what period?
- 6. What should be the sampling (averaging) time and frequency?
- 7. What additional background information is needed:
- Meteorology,
- Topography,

- Population density,
- Emission sources and emission rates,
- Effects and impacts.
- 8. What is the best way to obtain the data (configuration of sensors and stations)?
- 9. How shall the data be accessible, communicated, processed and used?

4 Air quality legislation

Ambient standards define targets for air quality management and establish the permissible amount or concentration of a particular substance in or property of discharges to the atmosphere, based on what a particular receiving environment can tolerate without significant deterioration.

The relevant laws, regulations, standards and guidelines will be used as mechanisms to obtain information on atmospheric impacts, which in turn will be used to evaluate predicted impacts against the ambient standards.

Part of the development of the air quality management programme includes training, institutional building and information management.

Air quality management education should be integrated in all education programmes, at all levels, in all curricula and disciplines of formal and non-formal education in the national qualification framework.

The EU limit values specify for most of the compounds a certain number of hours or days when the limit value may be exceeded. The Directives also clearly specify the proportion of valid data needed as well as margin of tolerance. A summary of limit values is presented in the Table below.

| Pollutant | Averaging time | Limit- and Guid | delines Values | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| | | EU 1) | WHO | |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO ₂) | 1 hour | 350 (24 x) | 500 (10 min) | |
| | 24 hours | 125 (3 x) | 50 * | |
| | Year | - | | |
| Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂) | 1 hour | 200 (18 x) | 200 | |
| | Year | 40 | 40 | |
| Ozone (O ₃) | 1 hour | - | 150-200 | |
| | 8 hours | 120 *) | 120 | |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO) | 1 hour | - | 30 000 | |
| | 8 hours | 10 000 | 10 000 | |
| Particles <10 µm (PM10) | 24 hours | 50 (35 x) | (150) 50 | |
| | Year | 40 | (50) 20 | |
| Particles < 2,5 µm PM2,5) | 24 hours | - | (75) 25 | |
| | Year | 25 | (25) 10 | |
| Benzene | Year | 5 | - | |
| Lead (Pb) | Year | 0,5 | 0.5-1,0 | |

More details concerning EU limit values is presented in Appendix B. The EU Directives also specify lower and upper threshold values which indicate levels at which air quality assessment and measurements has to be undertaken.

The development of information dissemination systems could be important elements in the awareness campaigns initiated for air quality management planning, together with training of the provincial environmental departments. The campaigns should be implemented by local government for general air pollution, and the provincial environmental departments for hazardous and industrial emissions.

5 Instrumentation; monitoring and sampling

Instruments for measurements of air pollutants may vary strongly in complexity and price from the simplest passive sampler to the most advanced and most often expensive automatic remote sampling system based upon light absorption spectroscopy of various kinds. The following Table indicates four typical types of instruments, their abilities and prices.

| | ** | | - | |
|--------------------|--|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Instrument type | Type of data collected | Data availability | Typical averaging time | Typical price (US \$) |
| Passive sampler | Manual, in situ | After lab analyses | 1-30 days | 10 |
| Sequential sampler | Manual /semi- automatic , in situ | After lab analyses | 24 h | 1 000 |
| Monitors | Automatic Continuous, in situ | Directly, on-line | 1h | >10 000 |
| Remote monitoring | Automatic/Continuo us, path integrated (space) | Directly, on-line | <1 min | >100 000 |

Different types of instruments, their abilities and price.

Relatively simple equipment is usually adequate to determine background levels (for some indicators), to check Air Quality Guideline values or to observe trends. Also for undertaking simple screening studies, passive samplers may be adequate. However, for complete determination of regional air pollution distributions, relative source impacts, hot spot identification and operation of warning systems more complex and advanced monitoring systems are needed. Also when data are needed for model verification and performance expensive monitoring systems are usually needed.

The instruments most often applied to measure the main air pollution indicators are automatic monitors. These instruments are developed by several different providers, but they all should be using so called reference methods for analysing the air. Methods and instruments for measuring continuous air pollutants must be carefully selected, evaluated and standardised. Several factors must be considered:

- * Specific, i.e. respond to the pollutant of interest in the presence of other substances,
- * Sensitive and range from the lowest to the highest concentration expected,
- * *Stable*, i.e. remain unaltered during the sampling interval between sampling and analysis,

- * *Precise*, *accurate* and representative for the true pollutant concentration in the atmosphere where the sample is obtained,
- * Adequate for the sampling time required,
- * Reliable and feasible relative to manpower resources, maintenance cost and needs,
- * Zero drift and calibration (at least for a few days to ensure reliable data),
- * Response time short enough to record accurately rapid changes in pollution concentration.
- * Ambient temperature and humidity shall not influence the concentration measurements,
- * Maintenance time and cost should allow instruments to operate continuously over long periods with minimum downtime,
- * Data output should be considered in relation to computer capacity or reading and processing.

If one consider the typical air concentrations of some pollutants of interest in air pollution studies, it is seen that as we go from background to urban atmosphere, the concentration for the most common pollutants increase roughly by a factor 1000. In the next step from urban to emission we see another factor of about 1000. The specified range for the given instrument has therefore to be selected based on the purpose of the measurements.

The reference measurement methods as specified by the European Union was given in the EU Council Directive 2008/50/EC and described in CEN (European Standardisation Organisation) documents, see some examples below.

| Component | Measurement method | Reference to standard |
|-----------|--------------------------|---|
| NO, NOx, | Automatic | CEN/EN142111, Standard method for the |
| NO2 | Chemiluninecsence | measurement of the concentration of nitrogen |
| | | dioxide and nitrogen monoxide by |
| | | chemiluminescence |
| SO2 | Automatic | CEN/EN14212, Standard method for the |
| | Ultraviolet fluorescence | measurement of the concentration of sulphur |
| | | dioxide by ultraviolet fluorescence |
| O3 | Automatic | CEN/EN14625, Standard method for the |
| | Ultraviolet photometry | measurement of the concentration of ozone by |
| | | ultraviolet photometry |
| CO | Automatic | CEN/EN14626, Standard method for the |
| | Nondispersive infrared | measurement of the concentration of carbon |
| | spectroscopy | monoxide by nondispersive infrared spectroscopy |
| BTX | Automatic, GC | CEN/EN14662, Ambient air quality - Reference |
| | | method for measurement of benzene |
| | | concentrations |

6 Monitoring and sampling, network operation

To produce results of known and sufficient quality there is a whole range of tasks to be performed such as periodic status checking, maintenance, calibrations, data evaluation and so on. Failing to perform all or some of these tasks will reduce the data quality. To ensure unified operation both within a monitoring network and across several networks a documented quality system is necessary. All operations must be described in written procedures and documented for later reference. Only then will it be possible to assess the quality of the measured data as required in the EU Air Quality Framework Directive.

6.1 Routine site visit

Routine operation is important to make sure instruments are operating within their required specifications. Based on the equipment different procedures will be necessary.

A typical weekly maintenance procedure for a gas monitor would be:

- 1. Record time and date of arrival to the station, serial number of instrument and working gas standard and working gas concentration.
- 2. Record some status parameters, such as sample flow rate, sample temperature, reaction chamber temperature, light intensity.
- 3. Compare status parameters with last few weeks of status parameters to detect trends, e.g. falling light intensity in an ozone monitor. The objective is to change consumables and spare parts before they reduce the quality of the data or brake down.
- 4. Disconnect the inlet tube from the inlet and connect it to the zero/span check unit.
- 5. Test the instrument by feeding zero and span gas to it.
- 6. Compare the results with the results from last few weeks of zero/span checks to detect trends. Normally there would be a linear decrease in the response. A sudden drop may indicate a problem.
- 7. Compare the results with the performance acceptance criteria and perform necessary actions if the test results fall outside the performance limits. The instrument response is changed only if it is outside the action limits.
- 8. Perform regular maintenance as required, such as changing inlet filter.
- 9. Remember to reconnect the inlet tube to the inlet!
- 10. Record time of end of operation.
- 11. Sign the maintenance form.
- 12. Record the visit in the visit log.

Once the operator is back at the office he/she imediately calculates scale factors (slope and offset) based on the results from the zero/span check. The scale factors are entered into the data acquisition system and used by the system to

mathematically correct the acquired data. Data is collected every hour from all stations, scaled and transferred directly for display on the internet.

The results from periodic testing, typically once a week, of instruments, e.g. zero/span checks on gas monitors, are compared to the Performance Acceptance Criterias. If the results fall outside the prescribed limits certain actions has to be taken, e.g. recalibration, troubleshooting or service of the instrument. By using common action criterias across and between measurement networks it is more probable that the operators will evaluate test results equally.

6.2 Data validation

Even if the instruments are maintained in a proper order they may break down. In order to detect malfunctions as soon as possible validation of collected data is required. Continuous display of data on the internet requires some automatic validation, e.g. spikes, too high values, too negative values. In addition a manual data validation is performed as well to cover other kinds of invalid data.

Manual data validation is performed as follows:

- 1. Every day the operator goes onto the internet and looks at charts from his/her stations. The operator looks for indications of instrument malfunctions, such as constant levels, spikes and negative values.
- 2. If any measurement data looks suspicous the operator will connect to the station and run a check on the instrument and inspect on-line or one-minute averages for details.
- 3. Every week the operator enters the scale factors into the system.
- 4. After the end of the month the last month of data is evaluated. The operator looks for trends in measurement data and scale factors, invalid measurement data, e.g. from zero/span checks and periods of instrument malfunctions are flagged.
- 5. The monthly data is finally approved and transferred to the central database. It is now ready for use.

7 Quality systems

In ambient and emission air quality measurement systems, the Quality System is concerned with all activities that contribute to the quality of the measurements. The aim of the Quality System is to assure that the results meet the predefined standards of quality. To produce results of known and sufficient quality there is a whole range of tasks to be performed such as periodic status checking, maintenance, calibrations, data evaluation and so on. Failure to perform all or some of these tasks will decrease the data quality.

The Quality System shall assure that:

- Data is reliable for its intended use (fulfils the Data Quality Objectives).
- Data has known quality (fulfils the performance standards).

- Data from different sites can be compared.
- The receiver of the measurement results (management, public, etc.) has confidence in the results.

The quality terms relevant for Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures and criteria can be defined as follows (ISO 8402, 1994):

- Quality is the totality of characteristics of an entity that bear on its ability to satisfy stated or implied needs.
- Quality Assurance involves the management of the entire process which includes all the planned and systematic activities which are needed to assure and demonstrate the predefined quality of data, to provide adequate confidence that an entity will fulfil requirements for quality.
- Quality Control comprises the operational techniques and activities that are undertaken to fulfil the requirements for quality.

The Quality Assurance activities cover all the pre-measurement phases, ranging from definition of data quality objectives to equipment and site selection and personnel training. The Quality Control activities cover all operational work such as routine maintenance, calibration, data collection, data validation and data reporting. For emission inventories and modelling it may cover activities such as entering or editing emission data in the emission inventory, running models and reporting results. In addition to Quality Assurance and Quality Control, a third activity called Quality Assessment is usually implemented in the Quality System. The Quality Assessment provides for a periodic external audit of the Quality System and the operational activities. Quality Assurance, Quality Control and Quality Assessment will all be parts of the Quality Plan. They have to be operational and co-ordinated and must be considered as necessary parts of any Air Quality Management System.

7.1 The Quality organisation

A modern integrated Air Quality Management System (AQMS) is a complex system. It may cover very different activities such as instrument maintenance, data collection, emission inventories, running models, data reporting and audits. People working on the system will range from technicians maintaining instruments to planners running air quality models. In addition the AQMS can span several industries and geographical areas.

The quality organisation will typically include the following functions/people:

- Operators focused on Quality Control
- The Quality Manager focused on Quality Assurance
- The Reference Laboratory focused on Quality Assurance and Quality Assessment

The operators run instruments, computer systems and models. They report status on quality matters to the Quality Manager. The Quality Manager has the overall responsibility for the Quality System within the measurement network. It is the responsibility of the Quality Manager to assure that the operators are running the AQMS in compliance with the requirements of the Quality System. The Quality Manager will report any requests for changes or updates in the quality documentation to the Reference Laboratory. The Quality Manager will be responsible for initiating training programs.

A workshop/calibration laboratory will be responsible for service, repair and calibration of instruments. The calibration laboratory will ensure that the measurement instruments are in good working order and calibrated with traceability to the Reference laboratory.

7.2 The Reference Laboratory

Article 3 of the Framework directive calls for the designation of bodies responsible for ensuring accuracy of measurements e.t.c. This implies the appointment of a Reference Laboratory. The Reference Laboratory will be responsible for administration and maintenance of the Quality System. This typically includes preparing new procedures and updating the quality documentation. The Reference Laboratory will also maintain the reference calibration standards. The reference standards will represent the highest level of calibration in the country. The Reference laboratory will provide traceability to the reference standards to all measurement instruments in the monitoring network. This can be accomplished either by having the Reference Laboratory calibrating all calibration materials used in the nework or if the network has a suitable calibration laboratory only calibrating their reference standards.

The Reference Laboratory will perform audits in the measurement network to assess the actual quality of the measurements. Based on the results of the audits the Reference Laboratory will advice the network operators on how to improve the data quality. A yearly data quality assessment report will be submited to the authorities.

The Reference Laboratory will participate in international intercomparison tests to verify its competence and to establish international traceability. It will also participate in international working groups such as the group of National Air Quality Reference Laboratories in Europe (AQUILA) to get exchange information and to harmonise the quality work with other countries.

7.3 The Quality documentation

To ensure unified operation across the AQMS, a documented quality system is necessary. The Quality System will be documented in the Quality Manual. The Quality Manual will consist of two main parts:

- Quality Assurance Management level.
- Quality Control The daily work.

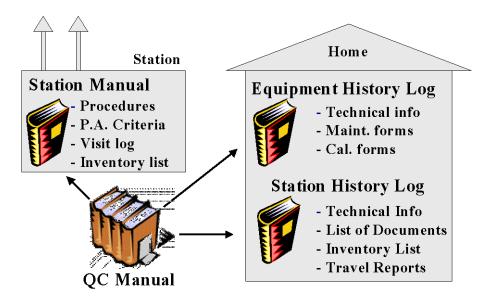
The Quality Assurance part of the Quality Manual will include a description of:

- The overall objective of the Quality system.
- How responsibilities, tasks and functions are shared between the parties involved in the quality work.
- The Data Quality Objectives (DQO) based on the intended use of the data.
- Instrument performance standards and criteria (performance acceptance criteria) based on the DQOs.
- Quality System audits.
- Training programs for operators.
- Document handling and document version control

The performance standard/criteria related to air (and emissions) monitoring are based upon the setting of Data Quality Objectives (DQO). The performance acceptance criteria related to monitoring are then set so that the DQOs specified are fulfilled.

To keep the measurement instruments within the limits of the performance acceptance criteria it is necessary to operate them (maintain, calibrate, service, repair, etc.) according to certain procedures. The computer systems, covering data collection, database maintenance and use of the modelling tools has to be operated according to certain procedures too. These procedures, called Standard Operations Procedures (SOPs), are collected in the Quality Control part of the Quality Manual.

The figure below shows the conceptual design of the quality documentation.



The Quality Manual and distributed documentation

The Quality Control part of the Quality Manual will include procedures on:

- Maintenance of measurement instruments
- Calibration of measurement instruments
- Data collection
- Data validation
- Computer and data systems maintenance
- Quality System audits
- Training

Each SOP will be documented in a specific form. The form will be completed by the operator during the execution of the SOP and stored systematically for later reference.

A station manual is kept at the station containing documents necessary for operating that specific station. At home all equipment and the shelter itself will have a history log book where notes and documentation on the equipment is stored. The main documentation at a site is:

- Standard Operations Procedure (SOP) for each instrument at the site
- A form for each SOP to document the procedure
- Performance Acceptance Criteria specific to the instrumentation at the site

8 Air quality assessment and reporting

In general it is always necessary to perform standardized statistical analysis in order to assess air quality trends, changes in emissions or impact from specific types or groups of sources. The severity of the air pollution problem or the air quality should be specified relative to air quality guideline (AQG) values, standards or pre defined levels of classification (e.g. good, moderate, unhealthy or hazardous).

The number of hours and days, or percentage of time when the air pollution concentrations have exceeded AQG values should be presented. This will also need minimum requirements of data base completeness. Long-term averages (annual or seasonal) should be presented relative to AQG.

Before undertaking statistical evaluations the data should be presented and validated based upon a form of time series. These data must be evaluated logically to correct for drift in instruments, and eliminate data that are identified to be including errors. It is also important that the data are checked with other relevant information.

Different use of the data collected and different presentations are needed for the different users. Data presentations have been produced to meet the requirements from:

- Specialists on air pollution,
- Policy makers and
- The public.

The *specialist* often needs a tool that gives easy access to the data with the ability to treat these data in different ways. The specialist also wants to apply the data and prepare his own way of presenting results graphically.

The *policy makers* need presentations that illustrate the conclusions that the specialist has drawn from the information available. This is usually best done through a graphical presentation.

The *public* needs information on the general state of the environment. The type of information that is needed is more general than that of the policy maker. It often needs to cover environmental issues that are of special concern to the public. This could be the air quality that is expected to occur in the urban area on this specific day. This information could be given as a short term forecast or based upon actual on-line data.

9 Data dissemination

Data dissemination and information to the public is an important tool in raising public awareness. Data can be prepared and distributed from databases in many different ways to meet the needs of the users. Data presentation systems are often based on the air quality management system. Several applications have also been designed for use directly in Internet presentations, WAP (Wireless Application Protocol) solutions, SMS (Short Message Service) and MMS (Multimedia Messaging Solution) services. Several projects have been designed for utilizing such services and also in international research programmes like EU-Information Society of Tomorrow e.g. through the APNEE (www.apnee.org) project where links to several Web pages in Europe may be found.

10 Air quality management planning (AQMP)

Optimal abatement strategies have been developed based on air quality measurements combined with models, dose response functions and effect/cost estimates. These approaches have produced a list of the most cost effective actions that could be implemented in selected cities in Europe and Asia.

The AQMP approaches have been performed to assist in the design and implementation of policies, based on monitoring, and management in order to restore the air quality in large urban areas. Its goal was to identify the components of a general action plan to manage and control air pollution. Abatement measures in the plan were categorized according to cost-effectiveness, as well as the time required implementing them and when they would become effective.

The air quality management strategy planning system (AQMS) contains the following main components:

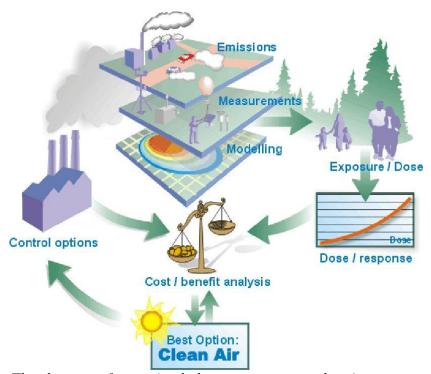
- Air quality assessment
- Environmental damage assessment
- Abatement options assessment
- Cost-benefit or cost-effectiveness analyses
- Abatement measures
- Optimum control strategy

Assessment: Air quality assessment, environmental damage assessment and abatement options assessment provide input to the cost analysis, which is also based on established air quality objectives (e.g. air quality standards) and economic objectives (e.g. reduction of damage costs). The analysis leads to an Action Plan containing abatement and control measures for implementation in the short, medium, and long term. The goal of this analysis is an optimum control strategy.

The AQMS depends on the following set of technical and analytical tasks, which can be undertaken by the relevant air quality authorities:

- Creating an inventory of polluting activities and emissions;
- Monitoring air pollution and dispersion parameters;
- Calculating air pollution concentrations with dispersion models;
- Assessing exposure and damage;
- Estimating the effect of abatement and control measures;
- Establishing and improving air pollution regulations and policy measures.

These activities, and the institutions necessary to carry them out, constitute the prerequisites for establishing the AQMS as illustrated in the Figure below.



The elements of an optimal abatement strategy planning system.

Action plans and implementation: Categories of "actions" include the following:

- Technical abatement measures:
- Improvements of the factual database (e.g. emission inventory, monitoring, etc.);
- Institutional strengthening;
- Implementing an investment plan;
- Awareness raising and environmental education.

Monitoring: A third essential component of AQMS is continued monitoring, or surveillance. Monitoring is essential to assessing the effectiveness of air pollution control actions. The goal of an Air Quality Information System (AQIS) is, through thorough monitoring, to keep authorities, major polluters and the public informed on the short- and long-term changes in air quality, thereby helping to raise awareness; and to assess the results of abatement measures, thereby providing feedback to the abatement strategy. This part of the AQMS will also include institutional building and training in order to assure sustainability in the system established in the area or region in question.

A system for air quality management requires activities in the following fields:

- Inventorying of air pollution activities and emissions
- Monitoring of air pollution, meteorology and dispersion
- Calculation of air pollution concentrations, by dispersion models
- Inventorying of population, materials and urban development
- Calculation of the effect of abatement/control measures
- Establishing/improving air pollution regulations

The implementation of plans and strategies for air quality improvements is done through the use of policy instruments by ministries, regulatory agencies, law enforcers and other institutions. Indeed, some of these institutions may well be the same institutions as those, which must be in place to carry out the AQMS analysis described above, which ideally is the basis for the plans and strategies. Thus, the existence of relevant institutions, and an organisational institution structure, is part of the basis for AQMS work.

Different levels of government - national, regional and local - have different roles and responsibilities in the environmental sphere. Air quality standards or guidelines are usually set at the national level, although local government may have the legal right to impose stricter regulations. National governments usually assume the responsibility for scientific research and environmental education, while local governments develop and enforce regulations and policy measures to control local pollution levels.

Institutional arrangements, laws and regulations are important parts of an AQMS. Some countries have their own political and administrative hierarchies and technical expertise that affect institutions, laws and regulations related to air pollution control. Some examples of NILU applied AQMS procedures are being presented in Appendix B based on project undertaken in China, (such as Guangzhou, and the Shanxi province) and in Vietnam. One of the experiences

from these studies is pointing at the importance of clarity in the organisational structures and the division and description of responsibilities and "lines-of-command".

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Appendix A Contents of the seminar

Day 1, 19 May 2020

Welcome address, UNDP? Introduction

1 Air quality management

Sources Monitoring Air quality assessment Modelling Data dissemination Abatement planning

Coffee break

2 Monitoring programme design

Objectives
Design the programme
Air quality indicators
Operational sequence
Meteorological data
The modern air quality monitoring system
Site selection
Representativity
Sampling Station Density

Lunch

3 Air quality legislation

Guidelines and limit values
WHO guidelines
EU Directives
Framework directives
Daughter directives
Limit values and standards
Monitoring mechanism CO2 and GHG emissions

Discussions

Day 2, 20 May 2010

4. Instrumentation; monitoring and sampling

Fields of application Measurement principles and standard measurement methods References to EU directives and the European Standardisation Organisation (CEN) Data logging and data collection

Shelters

Laboratory requirements

Preparation of filters and post analysis

Operational costs

Procurement, installation and start-up of measurement stations

Commercially available instruments and data collection systems

Coffee break

5 Monitoring and sampling, network operation

Routine operation, site visits

Preventive maintenance

Calibrations, service and repairs

Data validation

Organisational structure, in-house or outsourcing, examples of solutions

Lunch

6 Quality systems

Quality Assurance, Quality Control and Quality Assessment

References to EU directives, tasks of The National Reference Laboratory

Requirements for traceability in calibrations, nationwide and internationally

Inter comparison exercises and demonstration of measurement capabilities

Quality manual overview, examples of procedures

Accreditation and references to ISO 17025

Presentations from Albania (existing AQ monitoring) Discussions

Day 3, 21 May 2010

7 Air quality assessment and reporting

Statistics

Air quality and meteorology

Exceeding limit values

Possible impacts (health and nature)

Designing the AQ report

Coffee break

8 Data dissemination

Requirements for data dissemination with references to EU directives Different information channels, Web, e-mail, SMS, radio, TV

Information adapted to different audiences, public, experts, decision makers

Information content, online data, historical data, warnings, forecasting, reports, themes

Reporting to the European Commission

Live example (internet connection required)

Lunch

9 Air quality management planning

Models

Emission inventories (point, area, line-sources)
Concentration distribution and exposure
Impact assessment
Abatement strategies
Action plans – future air –scenario evaluation

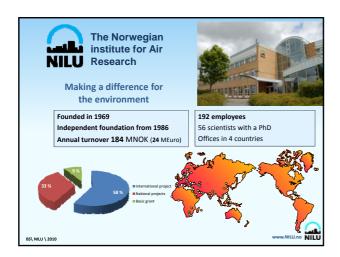
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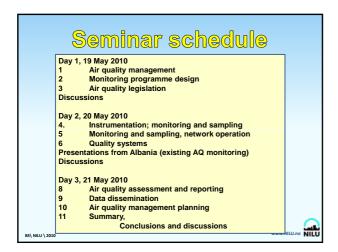
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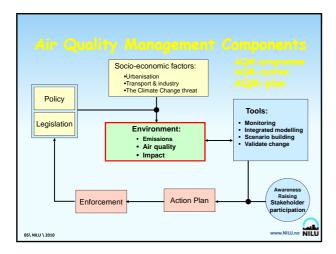
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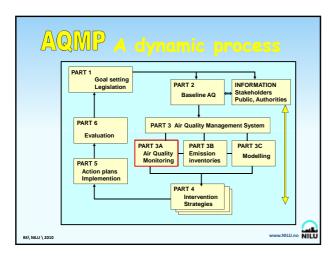


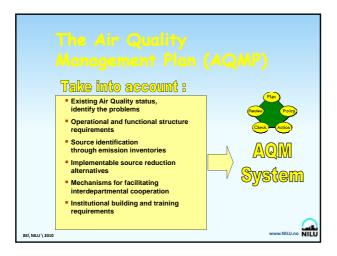


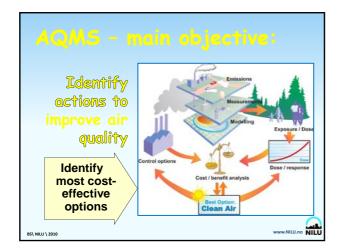


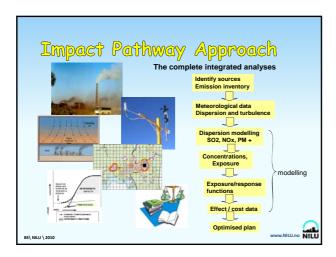


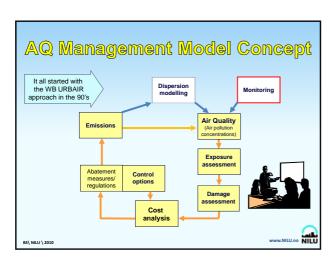


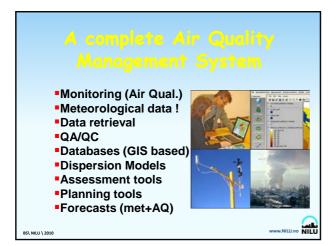


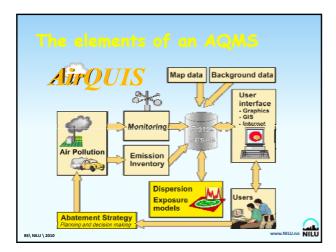


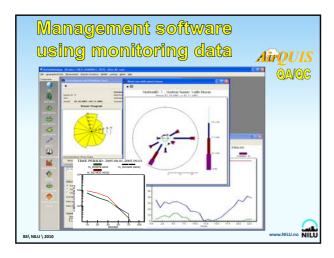


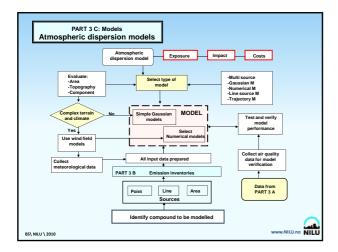


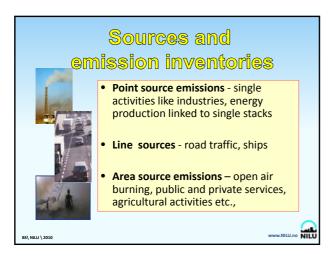


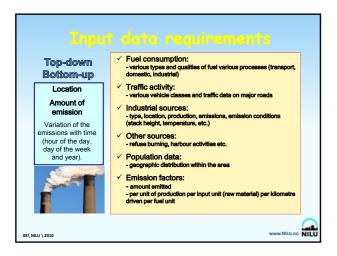


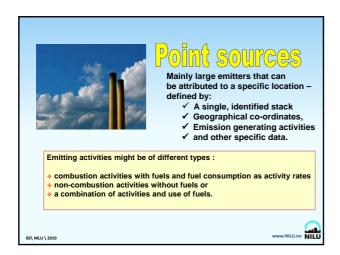


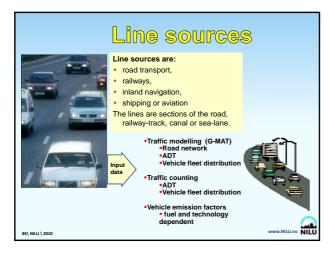


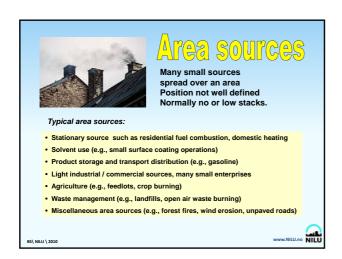


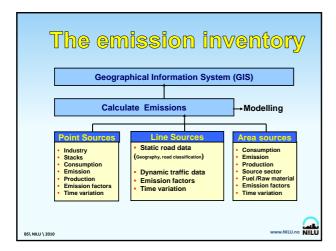


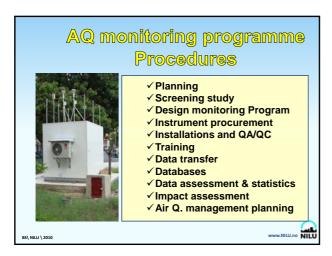


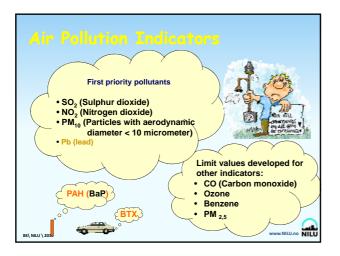


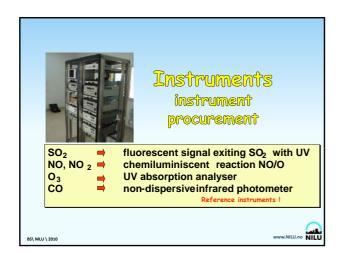




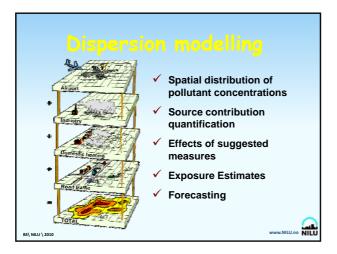


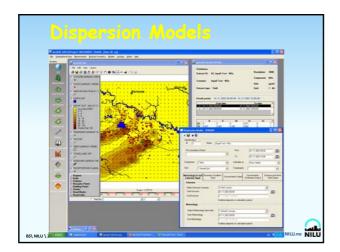


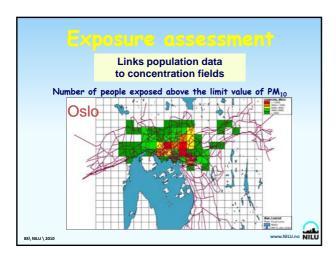


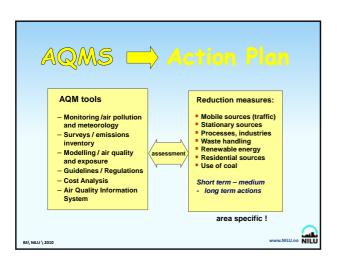


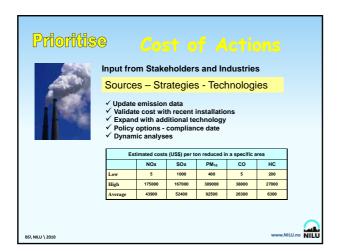


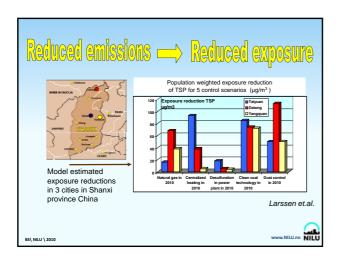


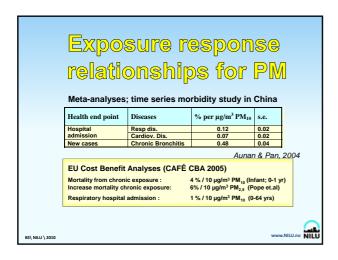


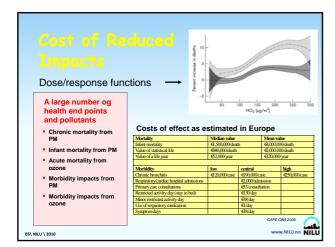




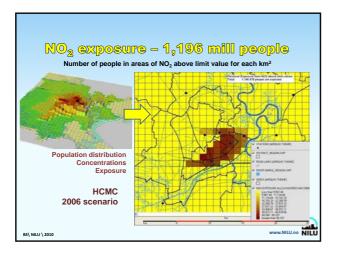


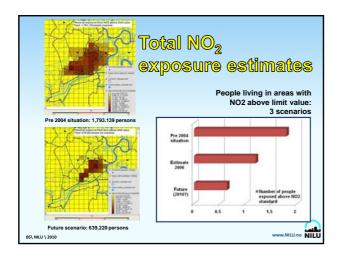




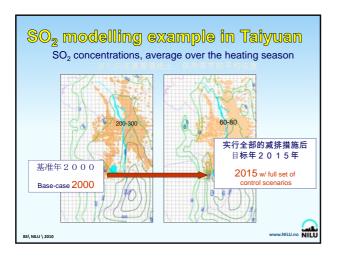


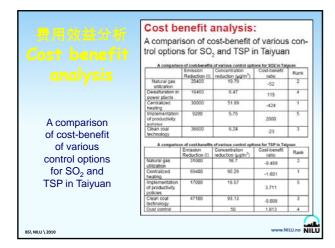


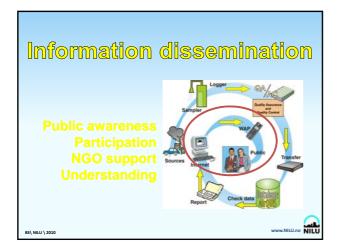


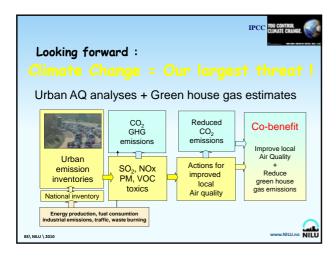


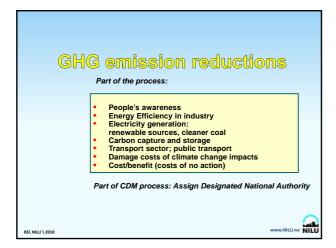


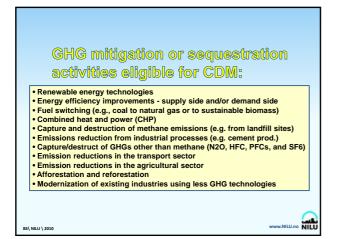


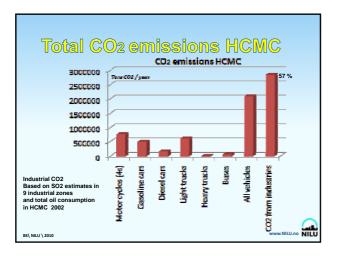


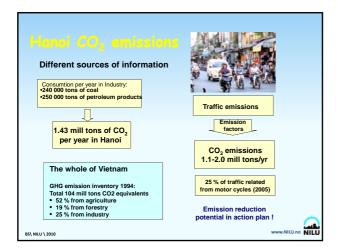


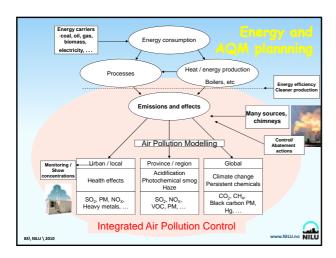


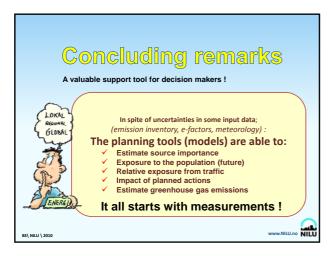










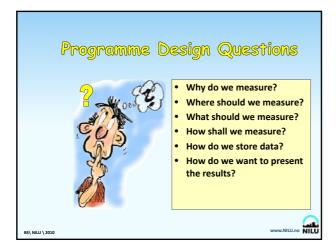


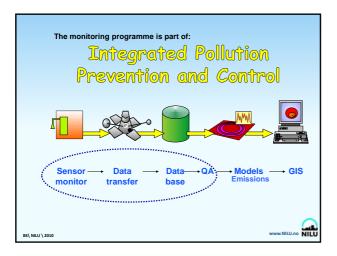


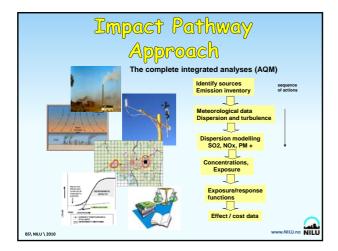
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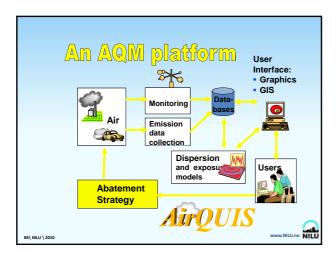
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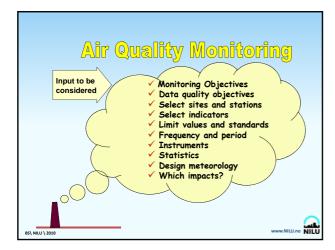




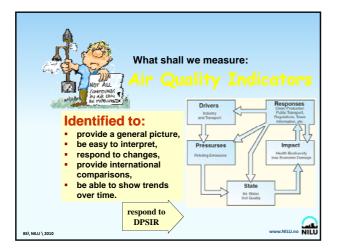


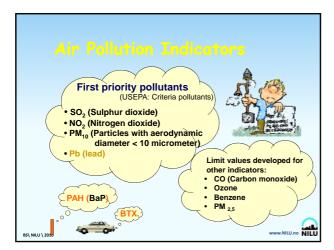


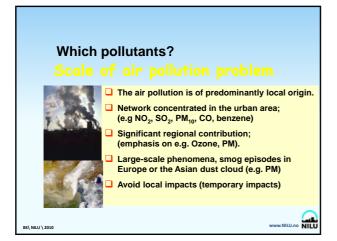




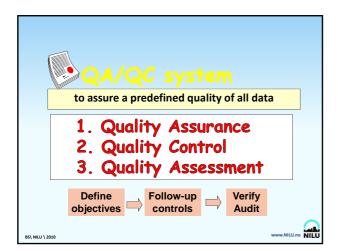
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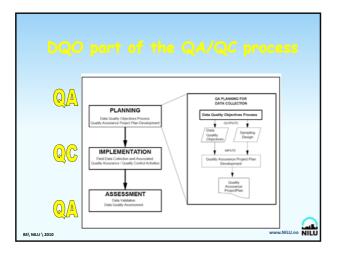


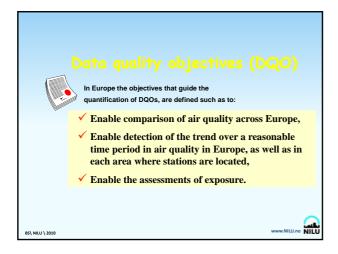


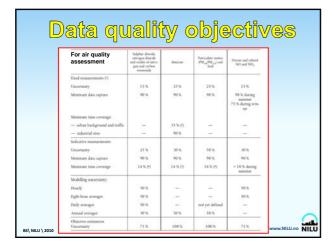
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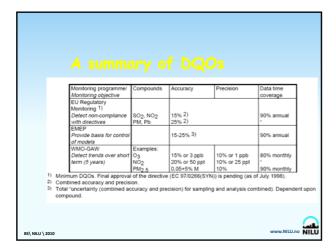


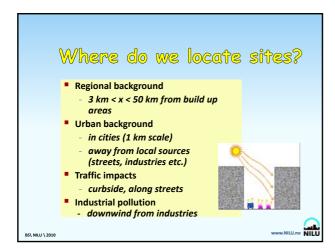


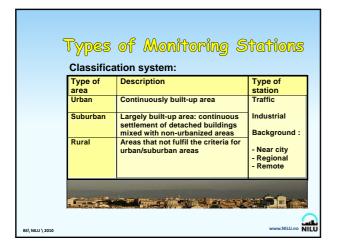




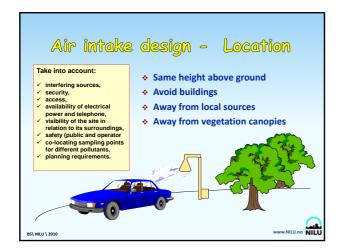


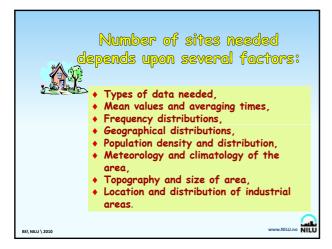


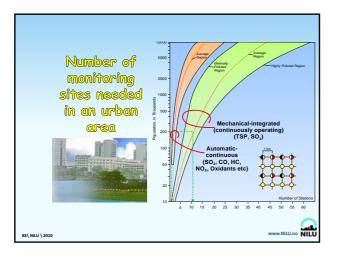


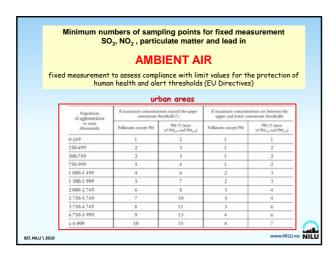


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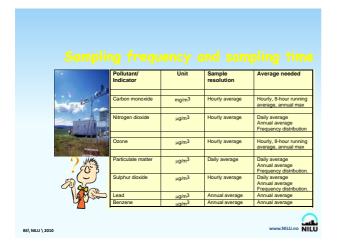


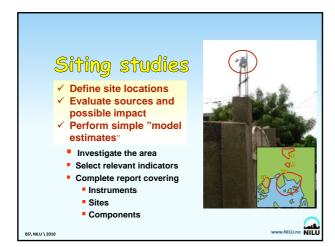


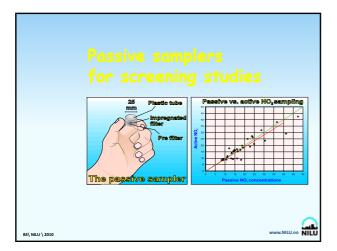


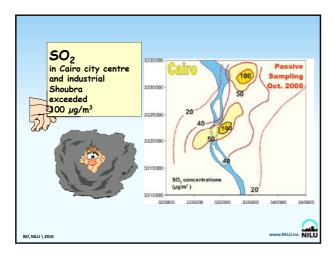


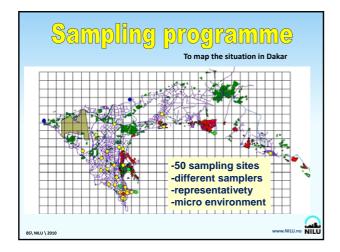
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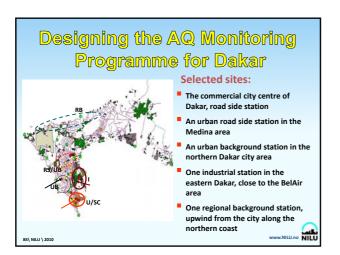


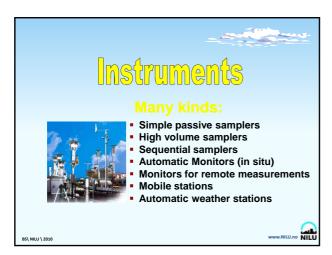


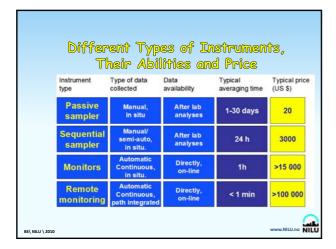




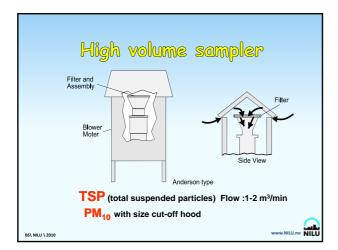


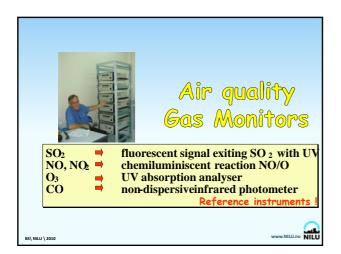


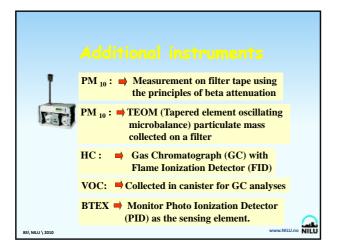


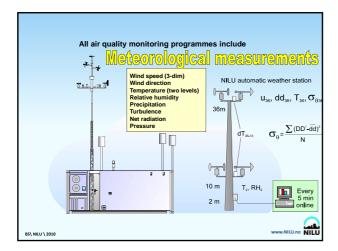




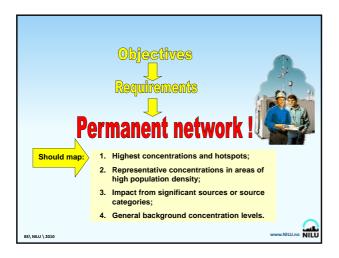






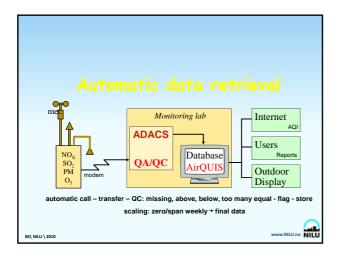


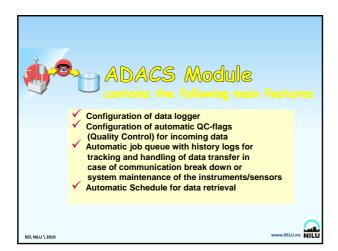






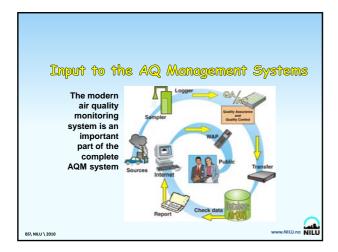










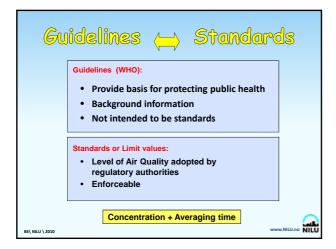


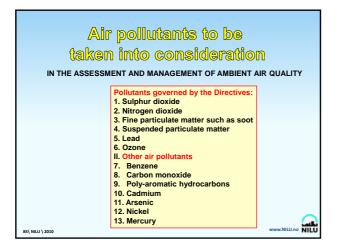




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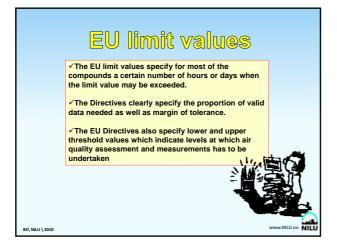


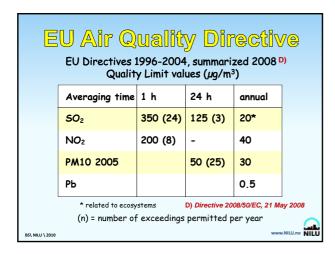


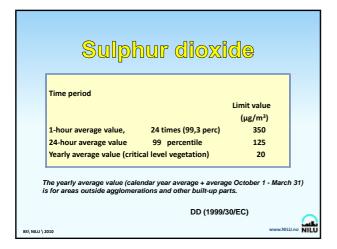


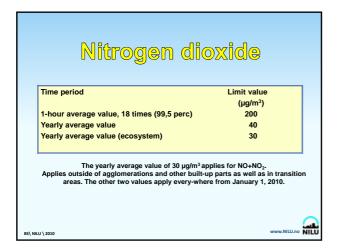
| Pollutant | Averaging time | | |
|---|----------------|------------|-------------|
| | | EU 1) | WHO |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO ₂) |) 1 hour | 350 (24 x) | 500 (10 min |
| | 24 hours | 125 (3 x) | 50 * |
| | Year | | |
| Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂) | 2) 1 hour | 200 (18 x) | 200 |
| | Year | 40 | 40 |
| Ozone (O ₃) | 1 hour | | 150-200 |
| | 8 hours | 120 *) | 120 |
| Carbon Monoxide (Co | 0) 1 hour | | 30 000 |
| , , | 8 hours | 10 000 | 10 000 |
| Particles < 10 µm (PM10) Particles < 2,5 µm PM2,5) | | 50 (35 x) | (150) 50 |
| | Year | 40 | (50) 20 |
| | | | (75) 25 |
| | Year | 25 | (25) 10 |
| Benzene | Year | 5 | - |
| Lead (Pb) | Year | 0,5 | 0.5-1,0 |

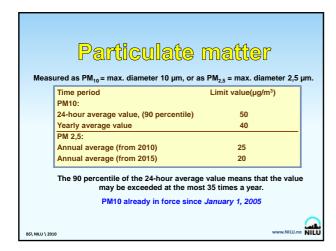


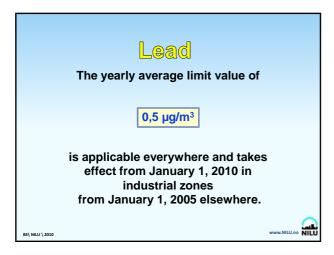


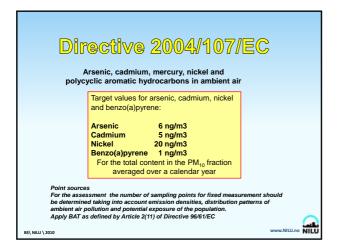


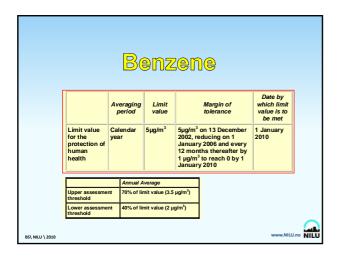


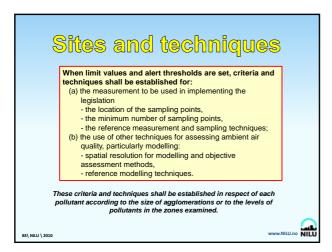




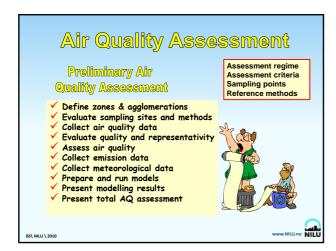




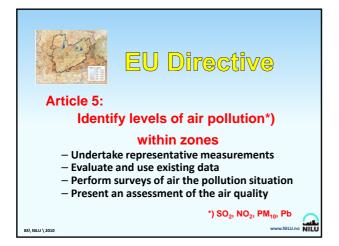




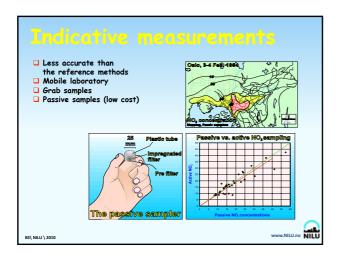
| R | Responsibilities and actions | |
|-----------------|---|------|
| £ | Ambient Air Quality Assessment and Management Directive (Framework Directive 96/62/EC + Daughter Directives) | |
| | local authorities are responsible for: Periodic reviews and assessment of air quality Preparation of action plans | |
| BS\ NILU \ 2010 | CD 94/C/216/04) Assessment | NILU |

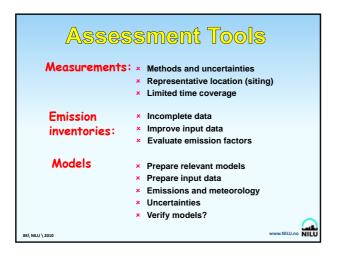




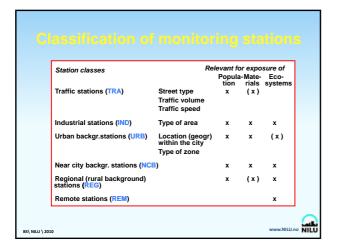


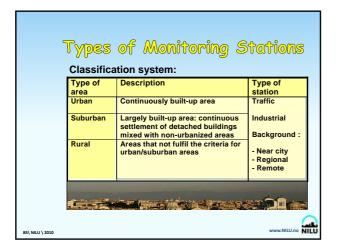
Article 2: Assessment "Any method used to measure, calculate, predict or estimate the level of a pollutant in ambient air" - preliminary air quality measurements - air emission inventories - air pollution modelling

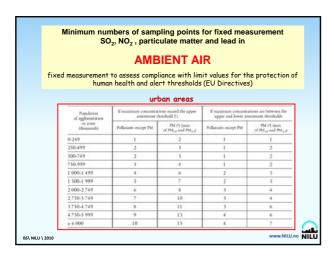


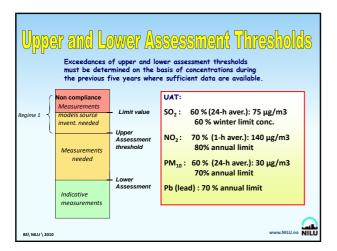


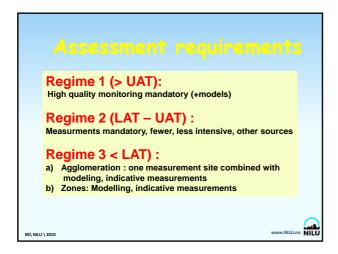
| | SSMENT OUTPUT INCLUDE include in the ambient air | |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| | 1. Localization of excess pollution | |
| | - region | |
| | - city (map) - measuring station (map, geographical | |
| | coordinates). | |
| | 2. General information | |
| | - type of zone (city, industrial or rural area) | |
| | - estimate of the polluted area (km²) and of the | |
| | population exposed to the pollution | |
| | - useful climatic data | |
| | - relevant data on topography | |
| | - sufficient information on the type of targets requiring protection in the zone. | |
| | 3. Responsible authorities | _ |
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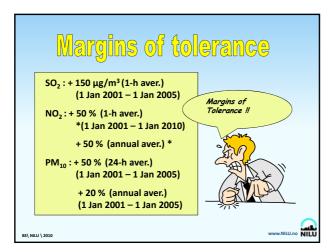


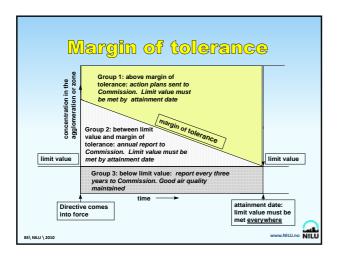






| Maximum pollution level in agglomeration or zone | Assessment Requirements* |
|---|---|
| Regime 1: Greater than the upper assessment threshold | High quality measurement is mandatory. Data from measurement may be supplemented by information from other sources, including air quality modelling. |
| Regime 2: Less than the upper assessment threshold but greater than the lower assessment threshold | Measurement is mandatory, but fewer measurements may be needed, or less intensive methods may be used, provided that measurement data are supplemented by reliable information from other sources. |
| Regime 3: Less than the lower assessment threshold | |
| a. In agglomerations, only for pollutants for which an alert threshold has been set" | At least one measuring site is required per agglomeration, combined with modelling, objective estimation, indicative measurements. |
| b. In non-agglomeration zones for all pollutants and in all types of zone for pollutants for which no alert threshold | Modelling, objective estimation, and indicative measurements alone are sufficient. |





Action plans

- Member States shall draw up action plans indicating the measures to be taken in the short term where there is a risk of the limit values and/or alert thresholds being exceeded, in order to reduce that risk and to limit the duration of such an occurrence.
- Such plans may, depending on the individual case, provide for measures to control and, where necessary, suspend activities, including motorvehicle traffic, which contribute to the limit values being exceeded.

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Anthropogenic CO₂ and other greenhouse gases (GHG)

The monitoring mechanism for anthropogenic ${\rm CO_2}$ and other greenhouse gases was established in June 1993, following the adoption of Council Decision 93/389/EEC, by the Council of **Environment Ministers.**

This was revised in April 1999. (Council Decision 99/296/EC) to allow for the updating of the monitoring process in line with the inventory requirements incorporated into the Kyoto

Almost all Member states compiled a complete inventory for CO2, CH4 and N2O emissions for the full period from 1990 to 1999.

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Greenhouse gas emission estimates

Council Directive: 93/389/EEC

GHG:

Carbon dioxide (CO₂) Methane (CH4) Nitrous Oxide (N2O) Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) Perfluorocarbons (PFCs) Sulphur Hexafluoride (SF6)

For each site for which emissions are calculated: Activity data;

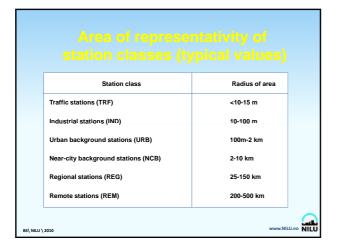
- Emission factors; - Oxidation factors;

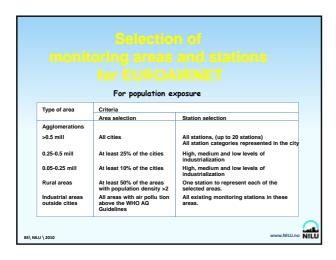
- Total emissions; and - Uncertainty

The verifier shall prepare a report on the validation process stating whether the report pursuant to Article 14(3) is satisfactory. This report shall specify all issues relevant to the work carried out

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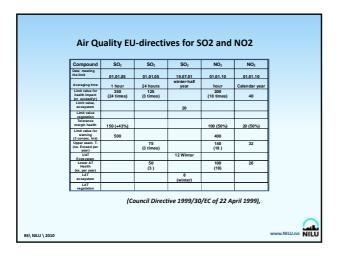


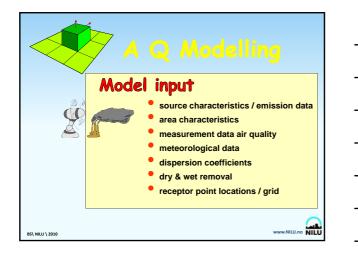


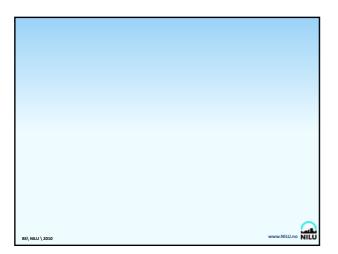


| Priority 1 | Population exposure Air 1h : SO ₂ , NO ₂ , NO ₄ , O ₃ 1h or 24h : PM ₁₀ , PM _{2,5} 24h or longer: Pb | Materials exposure Air: SO ₂ , O ₃ , NO ₂ , temp. relative humidity. Precip.: mm, pH Materials: steel panels | Ecosystems exposure Air: 1h : O ₃ , VOC* 24h : SO ₂ , SO ₄ , NO ₂ Precip.: 24h : SO ₄ , NO ₃ , NH ₄ , Ca, pH, (H) |
|------------|--|---|--|
| Priority 2 | 1h : CO 1h or 24h : SPM (or TSP), BS 24 h or longer: Benzene, PAH, Cd, As, Ni, Hg | Cr, SO ₄ , NO ₂ | Air: VOC, NQ |
| Priority 3 | Other compounds | Materials: copper, calcareous stone | UV radiation? |

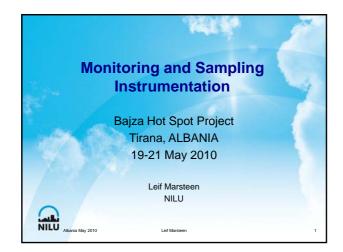


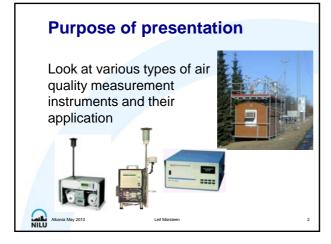






Instrumentation; monitoring and sampling





Equipment selection

- 1. Monitoring Objectives
 - Why measure? Trends, warnings, compliance
- 2. Site selection
 - Must be representative for Monitoring Objectives
- 3. Data quality objectives
 - Determine data quality necessary to fulfil the Monitoring Objectives
- 4. Equipment selection
 - Results must fulfil the Data Quality Objectives Select best measuring practice



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Equipment selection

- Example
- 1. Monitoring Objectives
 - Compliance with Directive 2008/50/EC
- 2. Site selection
 - Road side, Nitrogen dioxides (ref. directive)
- 3. Data Quality Objectives
 - Maximum 15 % uncertainty (ref. directive)
- 4. Other considerations
 - Warning/Information to the public (ref. directive)
- 5. Equipment selection
 - Automatic NOx analyser (ref. directive)



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EU Directive 2008/50/EC

on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe

- Covers SO₂, NO_x, Pb, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, Benzene, CO, O₃
- Defines Data Quality Objectives
 Uncertainty, data capture, time coverage
- · Defines measurement methods
 - Reference method, or any method that is tested
 - Refers to CEN standards for equivalence testing
- · Requires public to be informed

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2008:152:0001:0044:EN:PDF



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Testing analysers

- Is analyser within the uncertainty specified in the air quality directive?
- Done by a test house, e.g. TÜV
- According to CEN standard
- Done once and after design changes
- · Test is valid in all EU countries

Ask for test report before buying



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CEN standards

- Describes measurement methods
- Describes test procedure (equivalence testing)

| Component | Measurement method | Reference to standard |
|-----------|--------------------------|--|
| NO, NOx, | Automatic | CEN/EN142111, Standard method for the |
| NO2 | Chemiluninecsence | measurement of the concentration of nitrogen |
| | | dioxide and nitrogen monoxide by |
| | | chemiluminescence |
| SO2 | Automatic | CEN/EN14212, Standard method for the |
| | Ultraviolet fluorescence | measurement of the concentration of sulphur |
| 1,0 | | dioxide by ultraviolet fluorescence |
| O3 | Automatic | CEN/EN14625, Standard method for the |
| Α | Ultraviolet photometry | measurement of the concentration of ozone by ultraviolet photometry |
| CO | Automatic | CEN/EN14626, Standard method for the |
| 00 | Nondispersive infrared | measurement of the concentration of carbon |
| | spectroscopy | monoxide by nondispersive infrared spectroscopy |
| BTX | Automatic, GC | CEN/EN14662, Ambient air quality - Reference |
| | | method for measurement of benzene |
| | | concentrations |

http://www.cen.eu/cen/Products/Pages/default.aspx

Air Quality Instrumentation

Two basic types:

- Manual samplers
- · Automatic analysers







Manual samplers When to use

- Detect several components
 - Chemical analysis
- Components not detectable by analysers
 - No automatic detection method
 - Low concentrations
- · Trend analysis
 - Modest diurnal variation
 - Detect long term changes
 - Typical at background sites



Manual samplers

- Samples air or particulates on a filter, 24 hours
- Determination of mass, PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}
- Multicomponent chemical analysis
- · Relatively cheap to buy and maintain
- Labour intensive, daily filter change
- Sequential sampler automatic filter change
- 14 days maintenance period
 Passive sampler, 2 4 weeks exposure
- Rain fall/dust fall samplers, 4 weeks



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Manual samplers Some more types • Low volume sampler - Road side and urban background sites - 1,0 - 2,3 m³/h, 24 hrs • High volume sampler - Background sites - 30 m³/h, 24 hrs • Evacuated canisters - 1 min (grab sampling), 1-24 hrs

Manual samplers Some examples Brands: Parameters: • TEI PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, TSP Leckel Gasous components Derenda • Water soluble components Digitel VOC PAH Filter impregnated for acidous o hydroxide components More filters possible

Sampler inlets

- Separate large particles from smaller
- Typically PM₁₀, PM_{2.5} and PM₁
 PM_x = Particle size less than x µm



USEPA standard PM₁₀ with PM_{2.5} cyclone Flow rate 1 m³/h



EN12341 standard PM₁₀/PM_{2.5} interchangeable nozzles

Flow rate: 2,3 m³/h

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Manual samplers Cost considerations

- Cost of high volume single filter sampler
 -€17 000,00
- Preparation of filters and filter analysis
- Frequent site visits



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Automatic analysers When to use

- Document diurnal variations
 Rush hours, human activity
- Pinpoint pollution sources
 - Together with wind speed/direction/stability
- Air pollution information/warning to the public Radio, TV, Internet, SMS

Requires high time resolution, usually 1 hour or 30 minutes



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Automatic analysers

- · Continous analysis at the site
- Local or remote sensing techniques
- Data usually stored in an external data logger
- · Automatic data transfer to center
- · Usually only one parameter per instrument
- · Expensive to buy
- Expensive to maintain
- Not easy to repair



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Automatic analysers Some types • Gasous - NO_x, CO, SO₂, H₂S, O₃, nMHC, BTEX - One analyser for each component • Particulates - Principles: Beta gauge, TEOM, scattered light - PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, PM₁ - Same inlets as samplers

Automatic analysers Meteorology

Meteorological sensors:

- MetOne
- Young
- Gill
- Skye



 Wind speed and direction, Rain fall, Temperature, RH, BP, Net radiation



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Automatic analysers Cost considerations

- · Cost of gasous analyser
 - **-**€10 000,00
- · Cost of particulate analyser
 - GRIMM $PM_{10}+PM_{2.5}+PM_1$ € 25 000,00
 - Thermo Beta gauge € 20 000,00



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Data logging and collection

- · Continous analysis at site
- · Data stored in a data logger
- · Automatic data transfer to center







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Data logging

Data logging sequence:

- 1. The monitor generates new values every 10 s
- 2. The logger reads the instrument continously
 - Computes and stores e.g. 10 min. averages
 - Other averaging times may be possible

Data logging concepts:

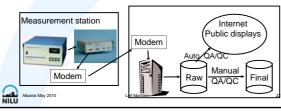
- Analog Voltages, only measurement values
- Digital Measurement values
 - Instrument status parameters



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Data transfer

- Center calls data logger automatically
 - Once every hour or more often
- Transfer techniques:
 - Public telephone lines, GSM/GPRS, leased line, radio link, Internet, manual



Data storage

Automatic quality control on raw data

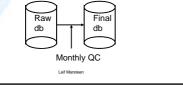
- · Some tests performed on raw data
- Data integrity Correct components?
- Missing data Call station again
- Statistics on missing stations and data
- Conversion to scientific values
- Daily reports on network status
- Alarms to operators on malfunctions e.t.c.



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Data storage Final quality control

- Typically monthlty (manual)
- Performed on raw data
- · Data validation, removing not valid data
- · Flag data as OK or not
- Conversion to scientific values (SI units)



Data logging and collection Some types

- SAM / XR (Iséo)
- Station / System Manager (EMC)
- WinCollect (Ecotech)
- ADACS / AirQUIS Monitoring (NILU)
- ScanAir (Environnement SA)
- Envista (Envitech)

Often data loggers and data collection system is integrated forcing you to buy both from the same company

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Shelter



Stand alone instruments

- No shelter required

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Delicate instruments

- Shelter required



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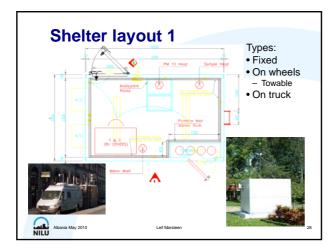
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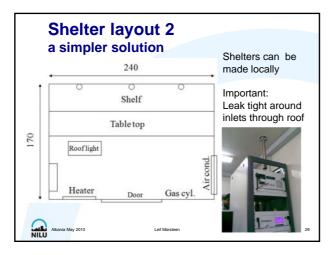
- Easy access
 - Inspections, repairs '24 hours'
 - Heavy loads Car parking nearby
- Protection against
 - Theft and damage Install fence, lock
 - Sunshine No windows
 - Outdoor environment Air conditioned
- · Data communication line
- · Benches or racks for instruments
- No smoking, clean workplace



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Summary Instrument selection 1. What is the purpose of monitoring? 2. What shall you measure? 3. Select a representative site 4. What is the required data quality? 5. Determine data averaging time 6. Select equipment Always keep it as simple as possible!

Procurement of equipment

- Decide on turnkey installation or not
 - Will you install anything yourself?
- Use as few suppliers as possible
 - Narrows responsibility
- · Include instrument specifications in tender
 - Use internet to find them
- Require FAT and SAT
 - FAT = Factory Acceptance Test
 System test before shipping to site
 - SAT = Site Acceptance Test
 System test after installation at site
 - No pay unless SAT is successfull

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Installation at site

- · Electrical power
- Telephone line or GSM
- · Concrete pad necessary?
- Fence and lock necessary?
 - Install in secure areas if possible, school, university, police/fire station, e.t.c.
- Meteorological tower with guy wires



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Shelter Surroundings

- Inlets approx 1.5 m above rooftop
 - Prevents resuspension of dust from roof
 - Easy access during cleaning
- Free sight to the pollution source, e.g. road
- Avoid:
 - Trees and constructions close to shelter/ met. tower
 - Dusty ground resuspension (PM10)
 - Vent outlets, e.g. shelter air condition





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Laboratory requirments

- Workshop
 - Repair and maintenance of instruments
- · Calibration facilities
 - Calibration of instruments
- Chemical lab facilities
 - Preparation of filters
 - Post analysis of filters



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Workshop

- Tools
- Spare parts, gas cylinders, instruments
- Repair parts
- Consumables
- Storage room



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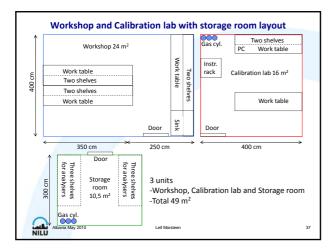
Calibration lab

- High concentration reference gases
- Dilution unit
- Zero air generator
- Flow calibrator
- Calibrate analysers
 - After repair and yearly service
- · Calibrate gas cylinders
 - -Before use and every 3 months



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Chemical lab

- Clean room Filter handling
- · Balance Filter weighing
- Ion chromatograph Analysis of anions and kations in precipitation
- ICPMS Metal analysis
- GC PAH analysis



Possible services to client

- Local agent for instruments, data loggers/data collection systems and gas cylinders, install systems
- · Shelter manufacturer
- Preparation of sites before installation
- Repair, maintenance and calibration
- · Chemical analysis



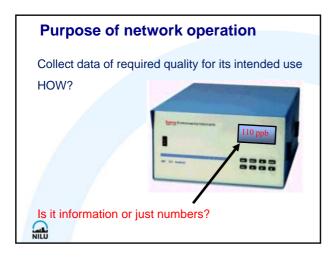
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Monitoring and sampling, network operation







Network operation

Daily:

· Check measurement data from home

Periodicly (e.g. weekly):

· Test instruments at station

Monthly:

· Prepare data report

Three/six-monthly:

• Perform preventive maintenance on instruments

Yearly (or more often):

· Calibrate instruments



What affects instruments?

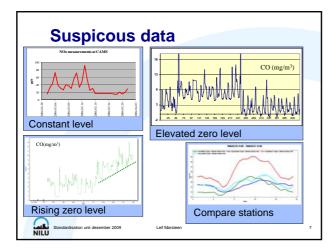
- · Indoor temperature and humidity
- · Dirt buildup in tubes, valves, inlets, manifold
- · Saturation of scrubbers, converters, filters
- · Clogged filters, valves, junctions, orifices
- Leaks in junctions, O-rings, valves
- Aging pump

| O ₃ scrubber Air with O ₃ | Air free from O ₃ | O ₃ analyser |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Filter UV-lamp | ■ P/T-sensors | UV-sensor |
| | O ₃ absorbs UV-light | |
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Check measurement data from home

- · Look for strange data
- Unstable or noisy values?
- Values not as expected for particular station?
- Compare neighbouring stations, same trend?
- Constant levels, e.g. many hours of zeros?
- Spikes, sudden drops, values below zero?
- Rising/elevated zero level?
- · Values never close to zero at night?

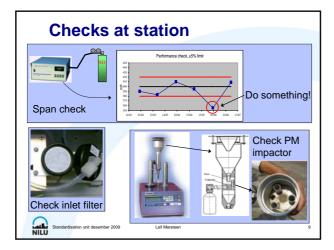




Periodic check at station

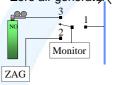
- · Record instrument status
- Test analysers (zero/span check)
- Adjust analysers (lamps, gain, e.t.c.)
- Change sample filters on samplers
- Change inlet filters on gas analysers
- · Clean gas inlet manifold
- Clean PM impactors





Zero/span check equipment

- Zero/span checks are performed to:
 - Verify instrument response
 - Calculate scale factors for adjustment of measurement data
- "Normal" concentration gas cylinders
- Zero air generator



Monitor connected to:

- 1. Inlet normal operation
- 2. ZAG Check zero level
- 3. Gas Check span level

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Regular maintenance

Valid data requires maintained instruments

- · Change consumables regularly
- · Clean air inlets and manifolds
- · Clean outdoor sensors and inlets
- · Check instrument status
- · Maintain air condition
- Keep station tidy
- · Look at data every day



No instruments will run without problems but maintenance will prevent some of them

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Preventive maintenance

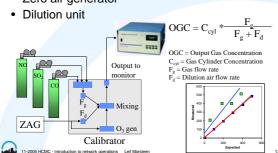
- According to instrument manuals
- · Calibrate analysers
- Calibrate gas cylinders
- Change lamps, scrubbers, valves
- Rebuild pumps
- Leak check analyser



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Yearly linearity check on gas analysers

- · High concentration reference gas cylinders
- · Zero air generator



Possible services to client

- Network operation all included
- Yearly service and calibration of analysers
- Periodic / preventive maintenance
- · Calibration of gas cylinders
- · Data reporting

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Network operation services

- · Client owns instruments
 - Contractor runs network for a fixed sum
 - Sum covers either:
 - 1. Everything, hours, transport, spare parts, repairs
 - 2. Hours only, rest paid by Client
- Client rents instruments
 - Contractor runs network for a fixed sum
 - Sum covers everything



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Quality systems







Instrumentation requirements - Close follow up - Performance testing - Preventive maintenance - Calibrations - Repairs We want unified instrument operation Left Marstern 1981



Property Supergraph of Manual How do we validate data? Continuous analysers generate results on the fly Data collected by a data logger Data transfered to data center, e.g. every hour Automatic data validation, invalid data flagged Data transfer to final data base after manual data validation Measurement station Home office Modem Manual Raw QA/QC Final We want unified evaluation of measurement data

Which tools do we have?

- · Data collection software
 - Collect data from stations automatically and manually
- · Statistical and graphing software
 - Evaluate collected data
- · Manual call to stations from home
 - Get current status
- Instruction and technical manuals
 - Guidance on maintenance, calibrations and repairs
- Calibration systems
 - Test and adjust analysers

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We want unified use of tools

How do we get

- Unified instrument operation
- · Unified evaluation of test results
- · Unified evaluation of measurement data
- · Unified use of tools

We introduce a quality system!

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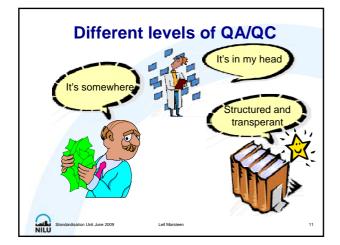
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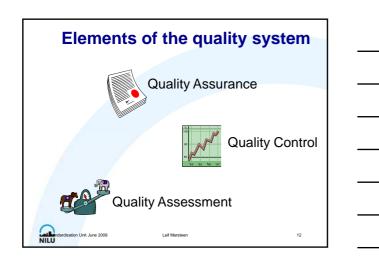
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Why QA/QC systems? CONTRA PRO Increased costs · Operations documented Results documented Conservative - Resisits changes Transperancy - Too much to update Easy training Extra paper work Documentation exists - No time to do the job! Competitive edge Too many documents - Impossible to learn Reliable results with Myths or reality? known quality

We want information not only numbers





Quality Assurance



All planned and systematic activities which are needed to assure and demonstrate the predefined quality of data

(ISO 8402, 1994)

Described in the Quality Assurance Plan



Client's assurance that Contractor is in control

Quality Control



Operational techniques and activities that are undertaken to fulfil the quality requirements (ISO 8402, 1994)

- Calibration and maintenance plan
- Standard Operations Procedures (SOPs)
 - Describes how to perform and document all operations
 - Maintenance, calibration, repairs, data validation, e.t.c.
- All operations are documented in forms
- All forms are stored for later reference



Makes operations traceable for Client

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Quality Assessment



Determining the actual quality of the data and if the data fulfils the Data Quality Objectives

- Audit performed by an independent institution
- System Audit: Inspection of QA/QC plan and documents
- * Performance Audit: Instruments are checked at the station using an independent calibration standard





Legal background for QA/QC systems

- EU directive (2008/50/EC)
- Defines responsibilities
- Defines measurement methods and refers to CEN
- Requires a QA/QC system and refers to ISO17025



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Article 3 - Responsibilities

EU directive (2008/50/EC)

Member States shall designate at the appropriate levels the competent authorities and bodies responsible for the following:

- (a) assessment of ambient air quality;
- (b) approval of measurement systems (methods, equipment, networks and laboratories);
- (c) ensuring the accuracy of measurements;
- (d) analysis of assessment methods;
- (e) coordination on their territory if Community-wide quality assurance programmes are being organised by the Commission;
- (f) cooperation with the other Member States and the Commission.



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The Reference Laboratory

- Implements Article 3 requirements
- Appointed by the national authority
 E.g. by the Environmental agency
- Legally responsible for the quality assurance of measurements in their Member State
- Participates in AQUILA meetings (The European Association of Air Quality Reference Laboratories)



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Roles of the Reference Lab

- Implementing a quality system in the laboratory
- Approving measurement systems (instruments, laboratories, networks)
- Ensuring the traceability of the measurements at national level, by providing/certifying reference materials to networks
- · Organizing intercomp./round robin tests at national level
- Participating in EC QA/QC programmes (intercomp.)
- Exchanging information through the organisation of training sessions, workshops, conferences and guidance documents



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ANNEX I - DATA QUALITY OBJECTIVES

EU directive (2008/50/EC)

- C. Quality assurance for ambient air quality assessment: data validation
- To ensure accuracy of measurements and compliance with the data quality objectives laid down in Section A, the appropriate competent authorities and bodies designated pursuant to Article 3 shall ensure the following:
 - that all measurements undertaken in relation to the assessment of ambient air quality pursuant to Articles 6 and 9 are traceable in accordance with the requirements set out in Section 5.6.2.2 of the ISO/IEC 17025:2005.
 - that institutions operating networks and individual stations have an established quality assurance and quality control system which provides for regular maintenance to assure the accuracy of measuring devices,
 - that a quality assurance/quality control process is established for the process of data collection and reporting and that institutions appointed for this task actively participate in the related Community-wide quality assurance programmes.



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Reference to measurement methods

EU directive (2008/50/EC)

- CEN develops standards (documents)
 - Measurement methods and QC measures
 - Laboratories must follow the standards
- ISO 17025 describes the quality organisation
 - Used by laboratories to develop quality systems
 - Used by accreditation bodies when auditing labs



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| • | Some CEN standards | | | | |
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| ent | Measurement method | Reference to standard | | | |
| | Automatic Chemiluninecsence | CEN/EN142111, Standard method for the measurement of the concentration of nitrogen dioxide and nitrogen monoxide by chemilluminescence | | | |
| | Automatic Ultraviolet fluorescence | CEN/EN14212, Standard method for the measurement of the concentration of sulphur dioxide by ultraviolet fluorescence | | | |
| | Automatic Ultraviolet photometry | CEN/EN14625, Standard method for the measurement of the concentration of ozone by ultraviolet photometry | | | |
| | Automatic Nondispersive infrared spectroscopy | CEN/EN14626, Standard method for the measurement of the concentration of carbon monoxide by nondispersive infrared spectroscopy | | | |
| ļ | Automatic, GC | CEN/EN14662, Ambient air quality - Reference method for measurement of benzene concentrations | | | |

Quality system requirements

- Management requirements
- Technical requirements
- Requirements found in:
 EN ISO 17025:2005 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories



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Quality Manual - Example

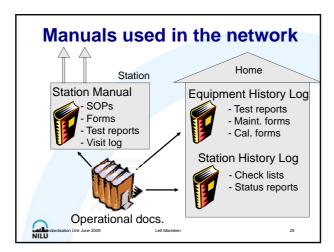
- Organisation and responsibilities
- · Measurement traceability
- Measurement methods
- Task schedules
- · Action criteria
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
- Training
- Internal audits
- Document management system



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Proofing of quality system Accreditation

- · Acceptance by an accreditation body
- · Assures that your operation is according to ISO 17025

Most countries have an accreditaion body

- UKAS in England
- DPA in Albania
- NA in Norway



The quality organisation Department National reference of environment laboratorium Many participants Calibration laboratories Network owner Local authorities,Road administaion Network operator Albania May 2010

Tasks and responsibilities

Network operator - Reference lab

| Task | NO | RL |
|---|----|----|
| Measurement network design | Х | Х |
| Select monitoring sites | Х | |
| Select instruments | Х | |
| Maintain monitoring sites | Х | |
| Calibrate instruments and gas cyl. | Х | Х |
| Data validation, collection and storage | Х | |
| Maintain the central data base | | Χ |
| Provide traceability | | Χ |
| Maintain the national reference std. | | Х |
| Maintain the quality system | | Х |
| Audits, once a year | | Χ |
| | | |

Reference lab services

- · Measurement network design
 - Components, methods, locations
- Calibration
 - Certify new cylinders and recertify old
- Central data base
 - Storage area for national data
- Training
- Audits

Services- Provide traceability

- · Calibrate gas cylinder that is used to adjust analyser at the station
- All anlysers in all networks will be adjusted according to the same reference
- Measurements from different stations and networks can be compared



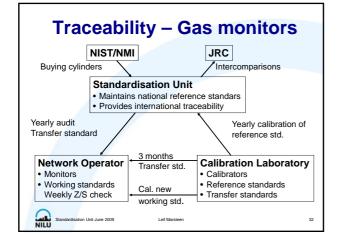
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Gas calibration equipment

- · Gas calibrator with
 - National reference standard gas cylinders
 - NO, SO2, CO, H2S, BTEX, nMHC, HC
- · Analysers for
 - NO, SO2, CO, H2S, BTEX, nMHC, HC, O3
- Procedure
 - Calibrate analyser
 - Measure secondary standard gas cylinder
- Ozon calibrator



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Flow calibration equipment

- Flow calibrators
- · Calibration of
 - Samplers
 - PM analysers
 - Gas calibrators



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Services - QA/QC system

- · Adapting QA/QC system to networks
- Based on ISO 17025 standard
 - Organisation and responsibilities
 - Network traceability
 - Measurement methods
 - Task schedules
 - Action criteria
 - Standard Operations Procedures (SOPs)
 - Training
 - Document management system



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Services - Training

- Using the QA/QC system
- · Documenting network operation
- · How to maintain traceability
- · Calibration of analysers
- Data validation
- Reporting data to the central data base



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Services - Audits

- · Determining the actual quality of the data
- System Audit
 - Inspection of QA/QC plan and documents
- Performance Audit
 - Instruments are checked at the station using an independent calibration standard
- · Aim is to improve data quality
 - No "police" but cooperation



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Summary

The Reference lab can offer

- · Help on network design
- Certification of gas cylinders
- · Traceability in calibrations
- Quality system development
- Training
- Audits



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Adresses

Accreditation bodies:

- http://www.albanianaccreditation.gov.al/
- http://www.ukas.com/
- http://www.akkreditert.no/en/

AQUILA and JRC:

• http://ies.jrc.ec.europa.eu/aquila-homepage.html

CEN

• http://www.cen.eu/

ISO

http://www.iso.org

EU directive (2008/50/EC)

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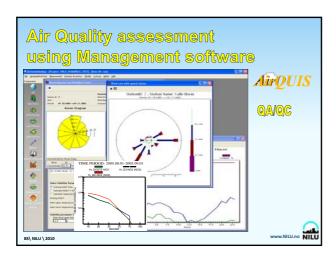


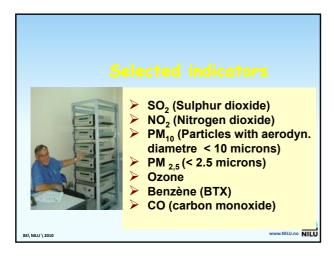
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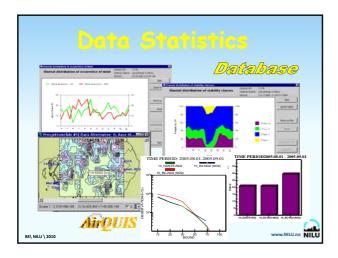


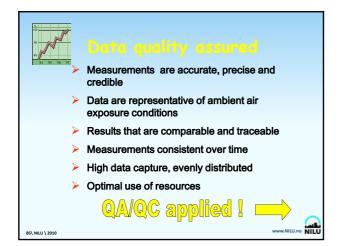


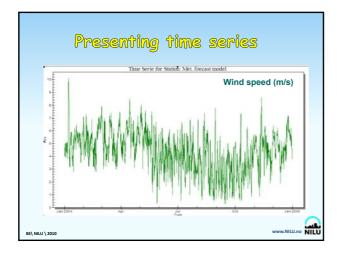


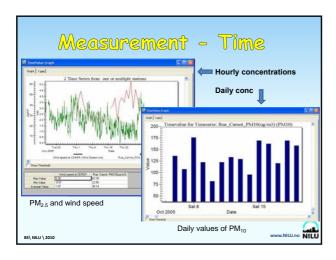
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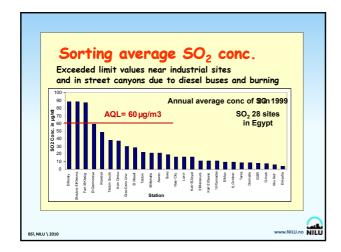
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| | Year | 40 | 40 |
| Ozone (O ₃) | 1 hour | | 150-200 |
| | 8 hours | 120 *) | 120 |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO) | 1 hour | - | 30 000 |
| | 8 hours | 10 000 | 10 000 |
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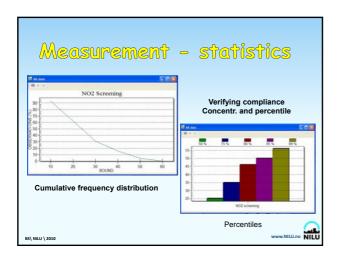


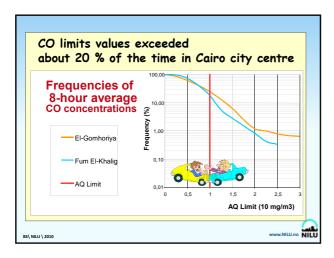


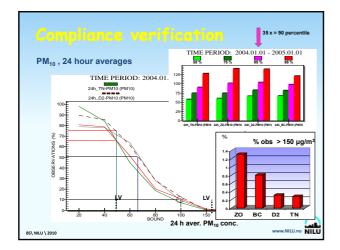


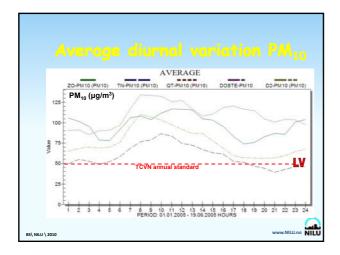


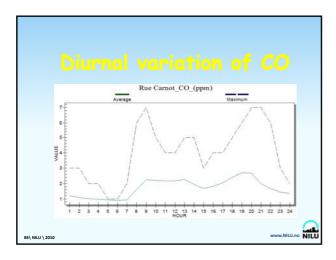


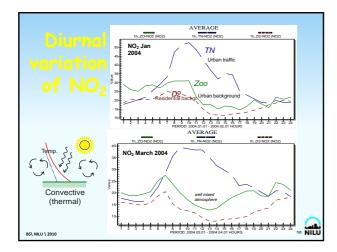


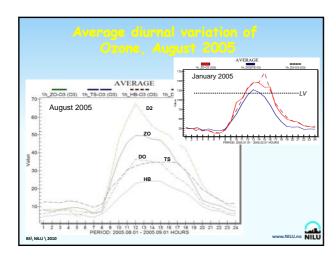


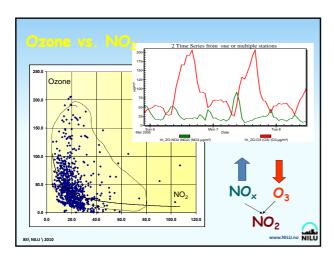


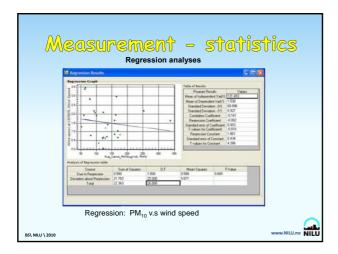


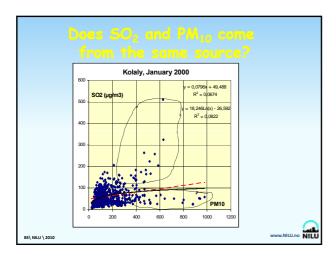


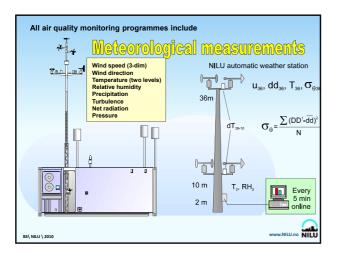


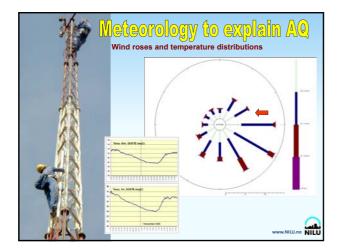




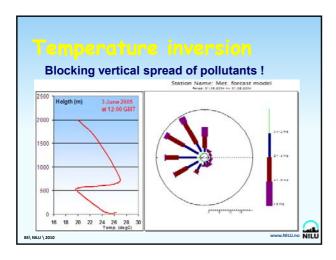




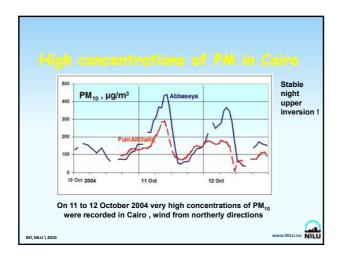




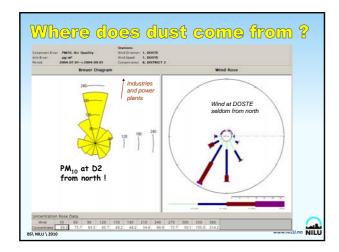


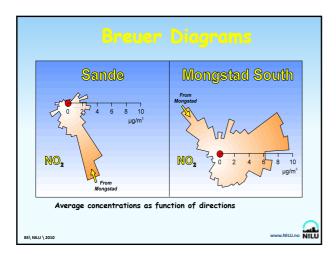


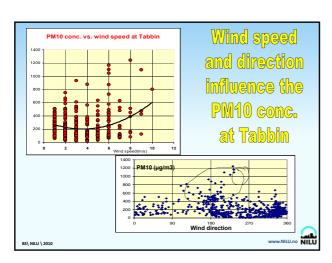


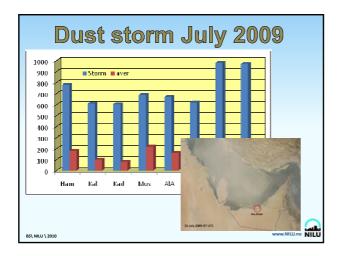






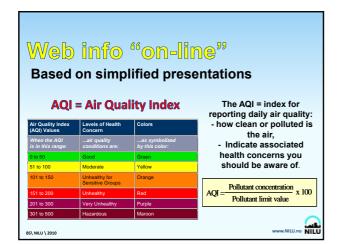




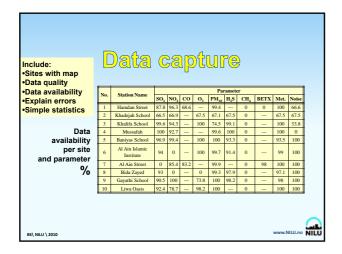


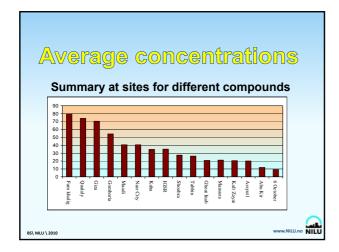


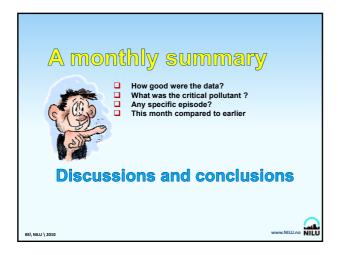


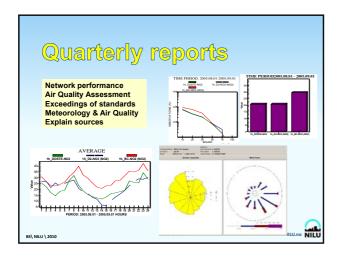


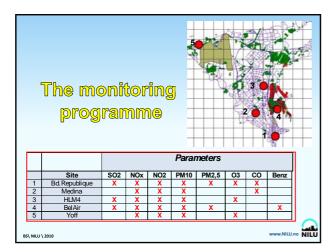


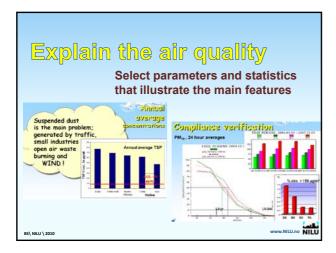


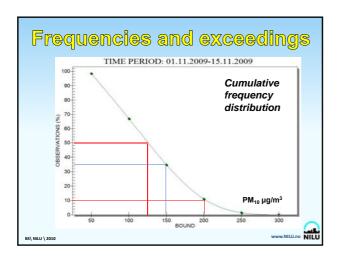


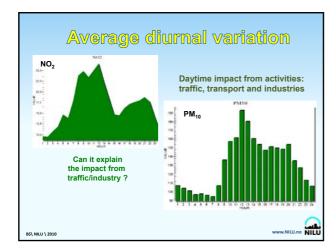


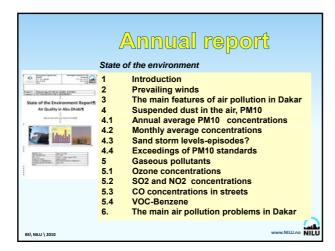


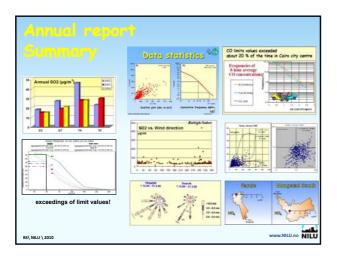


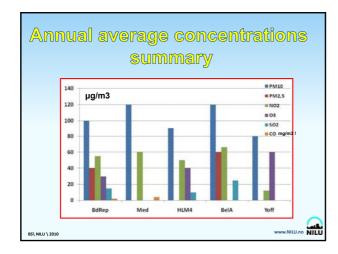


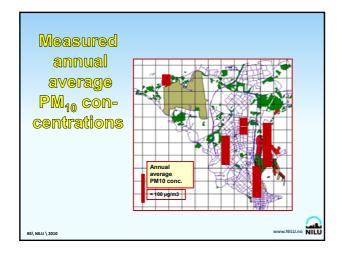


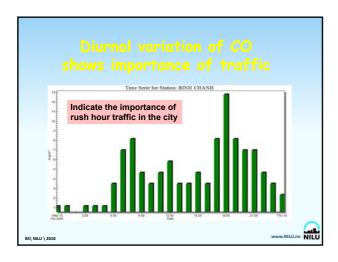


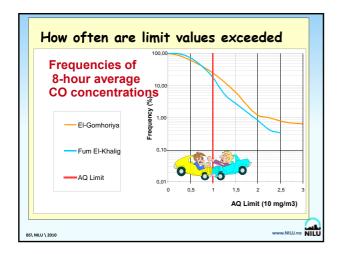


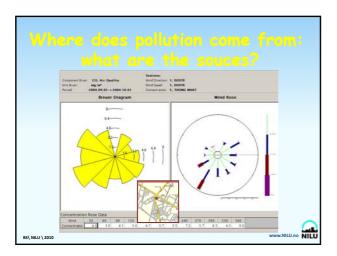






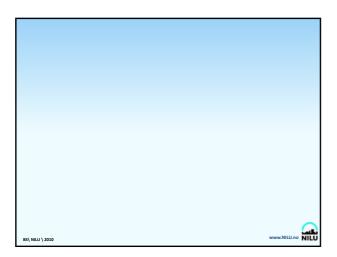




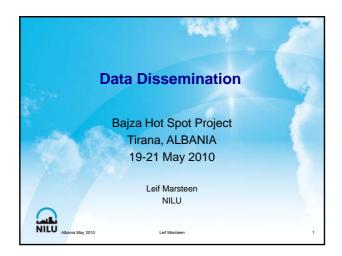


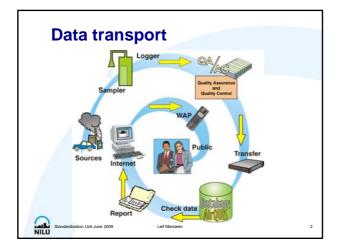






Data dissemination





Information distribution

Relevant for:



- Informing the public
- Informing governmental organisations
- Informing non-expert decision makers
- Supporting the operators of Environmental Management Systems

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Legal background

- Directive 2003/4/EC on public access to environmental information
- Directive 2008/50/EC on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe
 - The public shall be informed



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Internet WAP Pull services - User asks for information Information Dissemination System Push services - System sends information SMS/MMS E-mail Early warning, alarms 5

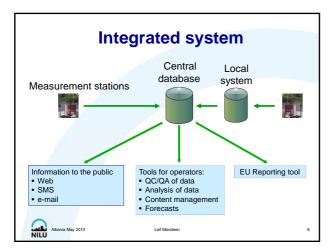
Challenges

- Present data that is both scientifically correct and being understood by the audience
- Audience: Scientists, decision-makers, public
- Requires different presentation techniques
- Public pages: Keep it simple!
- Simple graphs, color coding, pollution classes, Air Quality Index, not numbers



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Requirements Content • Health related information • Effect descriptions for non-experts Technical • Professional databases • Powerful processing • Automatic QA/QC • Efficient data exchange





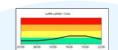
Administrative pages

- · Contents management
 - Add stations
 - Add/remove parameters at station
 - Edit information
 - Update forecasts
- Data quality control
 - Data validation
 - Data discrmination, flagging



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Public pages

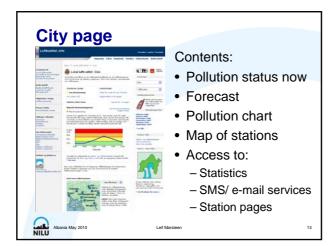


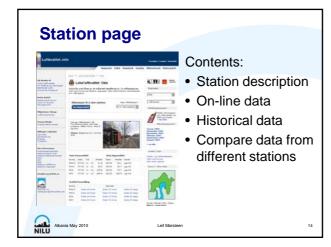
- Forecasts
- Health warnings/recommendations
- On-line data
- Statistics
- Compliance views
- Facts on air pollution and regulations
- · Service for SMS and e-mail

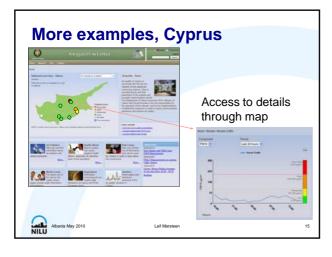


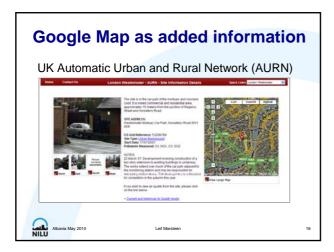
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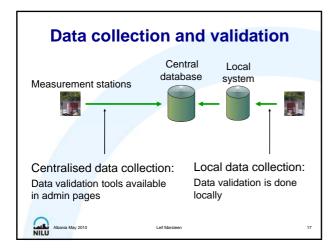
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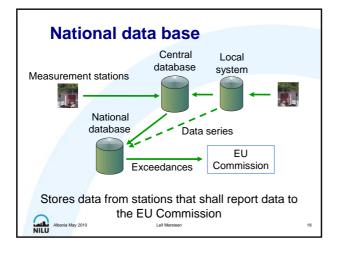












Possible services to client

- Develop web solution
- Maintain web portal and central data base
- · Maintain national data base



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Summary

- Information to the public is required
- Via Web, SMS, WAP
- Forecasts
- On-line data
- Historical data
- Data reporting to the Commission



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Adresses

Public air quality web portals:

- http://www.luftkvalitet.info/
- http://www.airquality.co.uk/archive/index.php
- http://www.lanuv.nrw.de/luft/immissionen/aktluftqual/eu_luft_akt.htm
- http://www.airquality.dli.mlsi.gov.cy/
- http://www.casadata.org/Reports/AlbertaMap.asp
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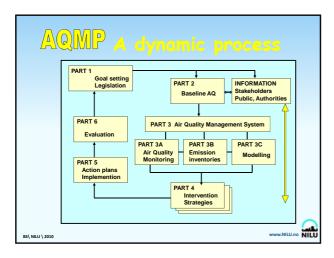
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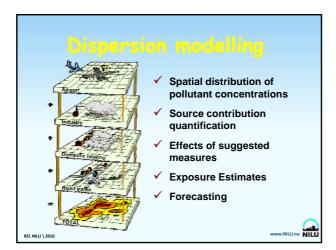
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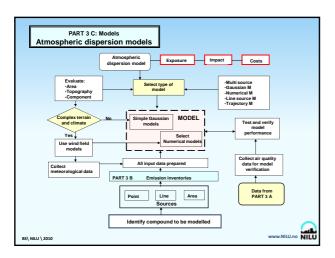
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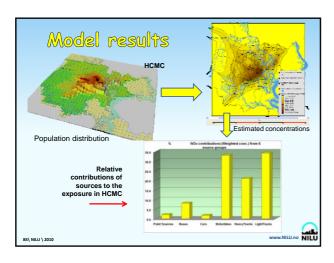


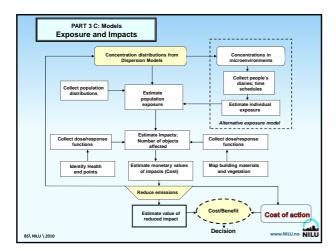


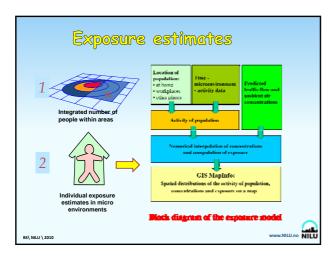


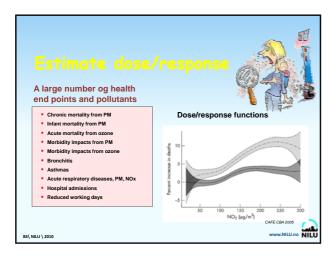


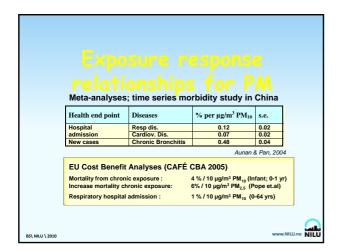






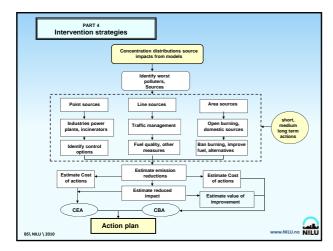


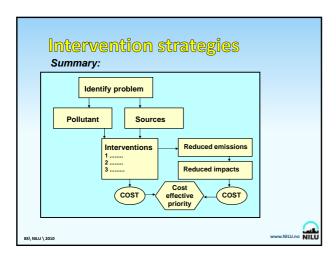


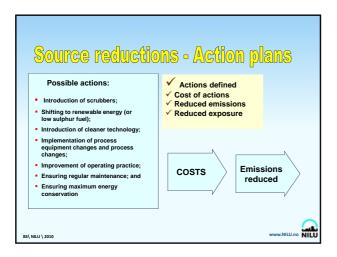




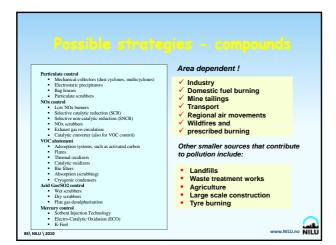


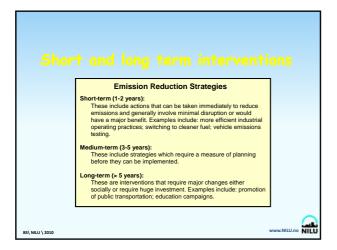




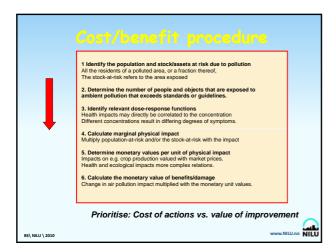


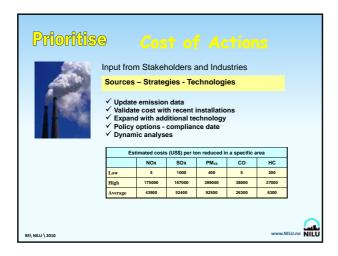


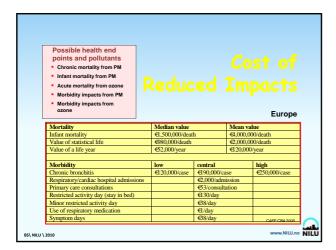


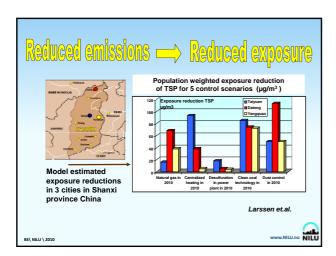




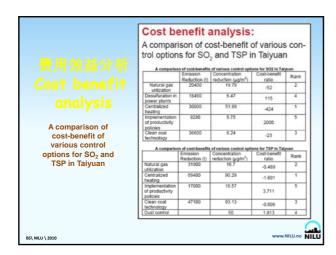


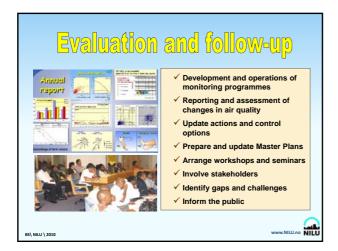


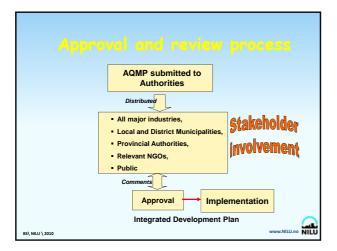


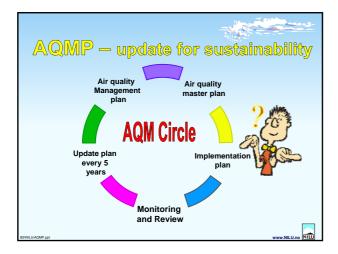


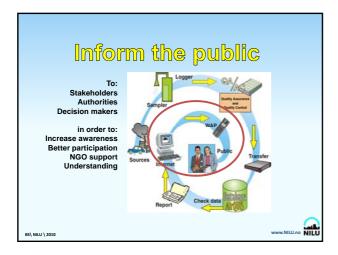


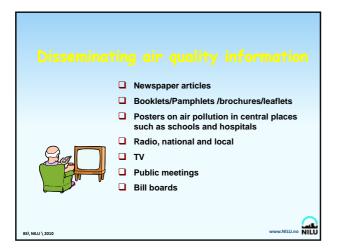






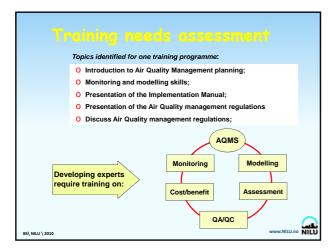




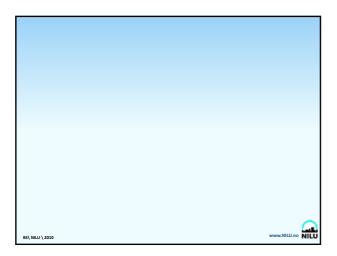












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