A WEB BASED MAPPING TOOL FOR THE HARMONISED INTERCOMPARISON OF AIR QUALITY MAPS

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Background

Air4EU has provided recommendations for improving air quality assessment in Europe.

A web based GIS tool was developed by the Norwegian Institute for Air Research (NILU).

Aim:

- Communicate Air4EU results
- Harmonises the dissemination of air quality maps
- Assessment and uncertainty maps
- Comparison of maps
- User group: experts and semi-experts

www.air4eumaps.info

Overview of the Air4EU mapping tool

- It allows maps on all scales to be displayed.
- Homogenous colour scaling and map projection.
- Easy intercomparison of maps.
- It contains examples of different methodologies.
- Assessment maps are accompanied by uncertainty maps.



Air4EU Mapping tool



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The Air4EU air quality mapping tool allows maps of air quality to be shown for a wide variety of pollutants and all spatial scales using an interactive GIS system.

The maps available include case studies carried out within the European 6'th framework project <u>Air4EU</u> as well as other contributed assessment maps.

Through this tool maps on all scales and from different regions can be selected, visualized and compared in an homogenous and interaction fashion.

Go to the "Mapping Room" to select maps or click on a city to select and view maps









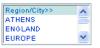




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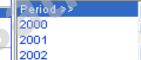


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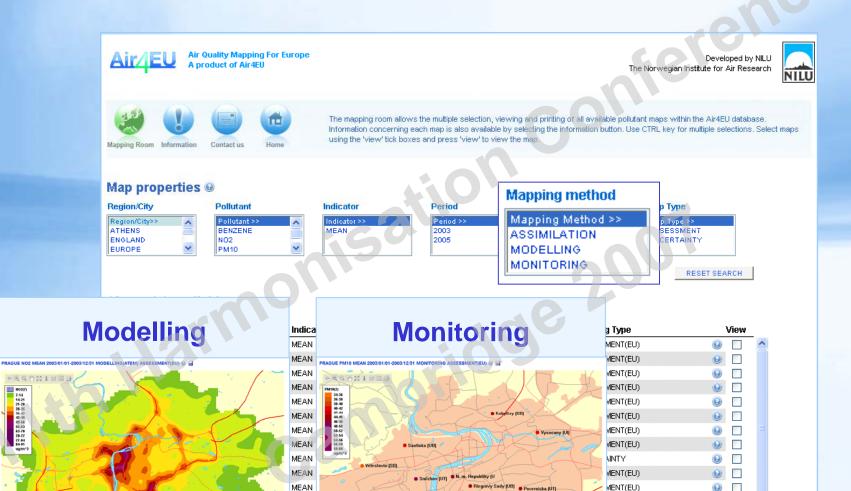
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Other maps for OSLO: OSLO BENZENE MEAN 2003/01/01-2003/12/31 MODELLING ASSESSMENT(EU)

The map presented here shows the annual mean concentration of benzene in Oslo for the year 2003. The map represents the urban background concentrations, as calculated with the Eulerian part of the AirQUIS-EPISODE dispersion model, at 1 km resolution (http://www.airquis.no). Emission data includes traffic exhaust and industrial sources. No rural background concentrations are used. Meteorology is calculated using a diagnostic wind field model based on a centraly located meteorological mast. The uncertainty in the calculated field can be seen in. More information concerning this map can be found in the report 'Rikets Miljotilstand 2003' (Norwegian only) at http://www.nilu.no/data/inc/leverfil.cfm? id=10969&tvpe=6

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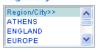




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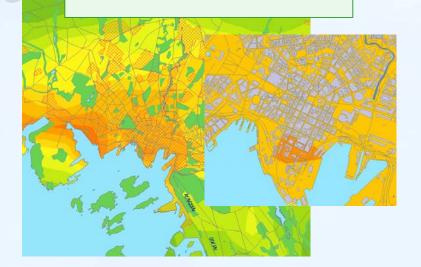
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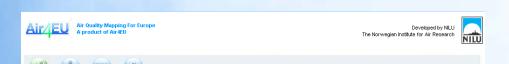
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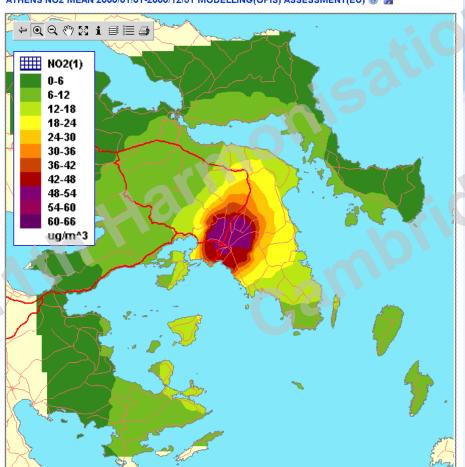




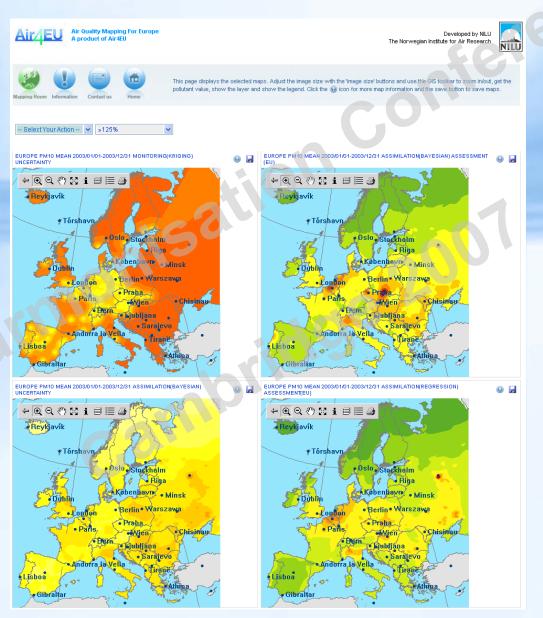
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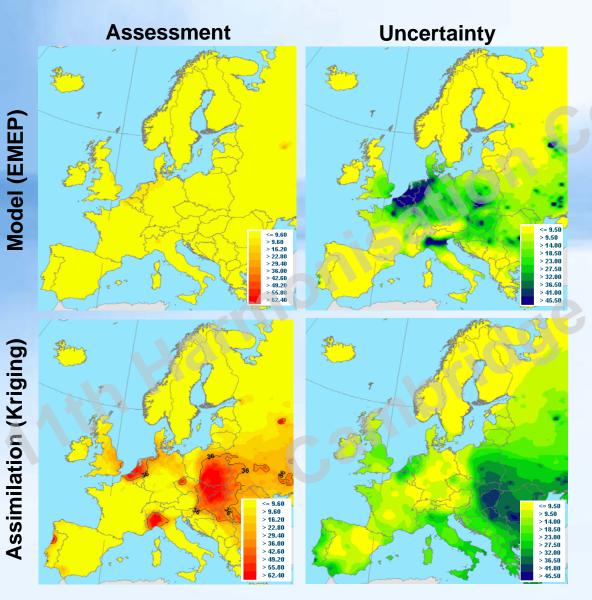
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Multiple map display



Exceedance of PM_{10} daily mean limit value of 50 μ g/m³ for Europe (2003)



Basic data assimilation methods were tested for combining Unified EMEP model with Airbase monitoring data for PM₁₀.

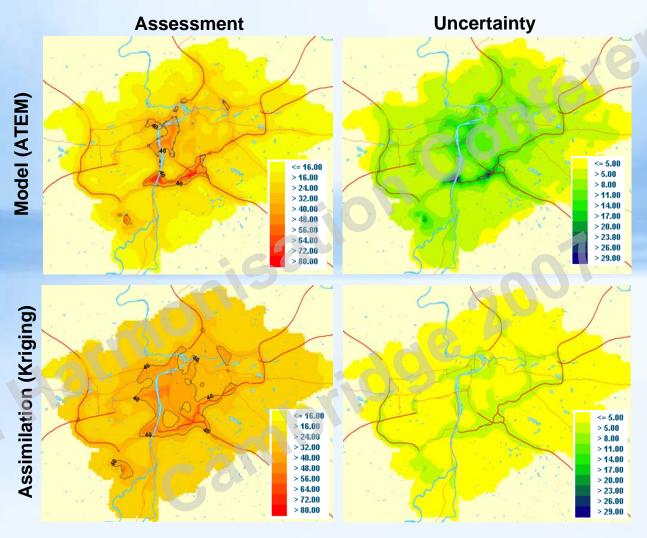
EMEP model underestimates PM₁₀ concentrations.

The assimilation map is constructed by residual kriging after linear regression of the model.

Uncertainty maps show areas of high uncertainty (over 40 days).

Uncertainty is reduced where measurements are available.

Exceedance of NO₂ annual mean in Prague (2003)



Basic data assimilation methods were tested using monitoring data from 12 sites in the urban area of Prague and NO₂ annual mean concentrations calculated by ATEM model.

The use of assimilation increases the region exceeding 40 µg/m³ but reduces uncertainty.

Conclusions

The tool improves and harmonises the dissemination of mapping information for both authorities and institution involved in air quality assessment.

Air4EU mapping tool encourages the production of uncertainty maps associated with them.

Conclusions

The tool provides centralised and ordered access for a mapping database.

The tool can be used to aid dissemination of mapping information for both city users and institutes involved in air quality assessment.

It is possible to add new maps to the mapping tool database. These data can be delivered in standard GIS formats.

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