



UNCERTAINTY AND VALIDATION OF URBAN SCALE MODELLING SYSTEMS APPLIED TO SCENARIO ANALYSIS IN TUSCANY, ITALY

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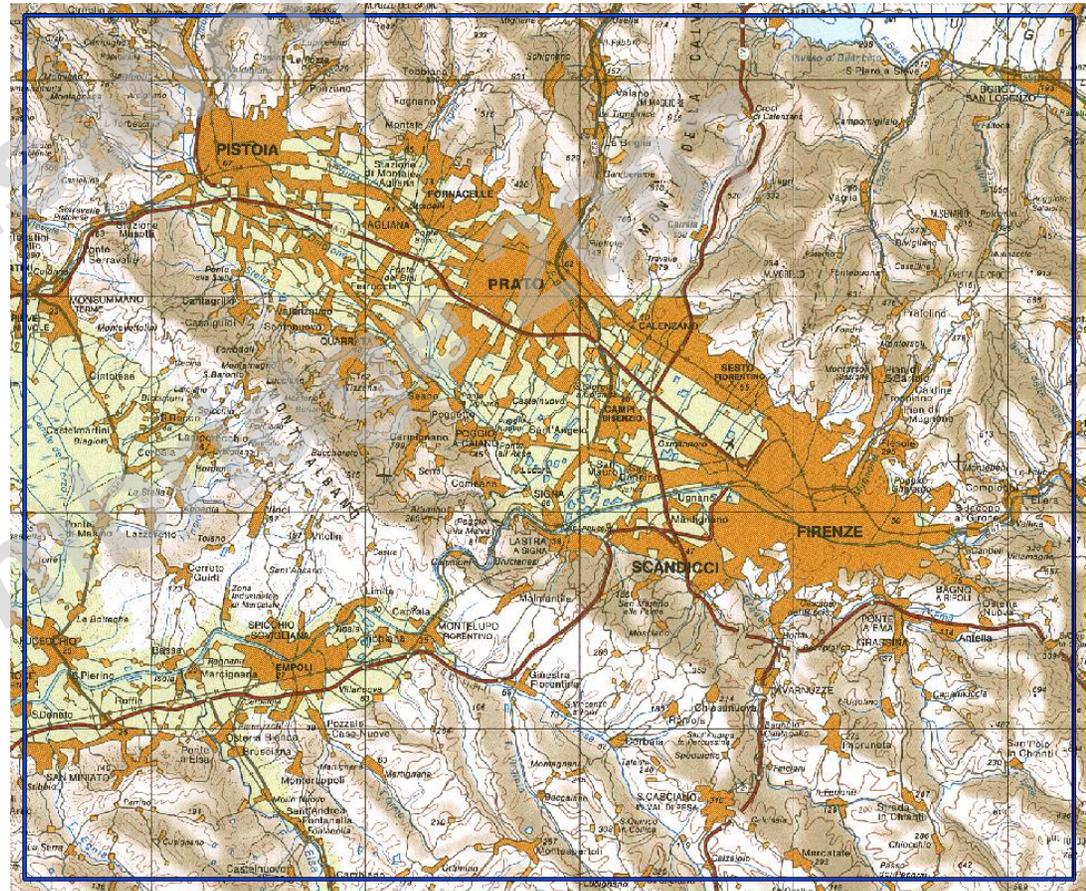


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The



Pistoia
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The MoDiVaSET project

Phase 1: Preliminary study – concluded

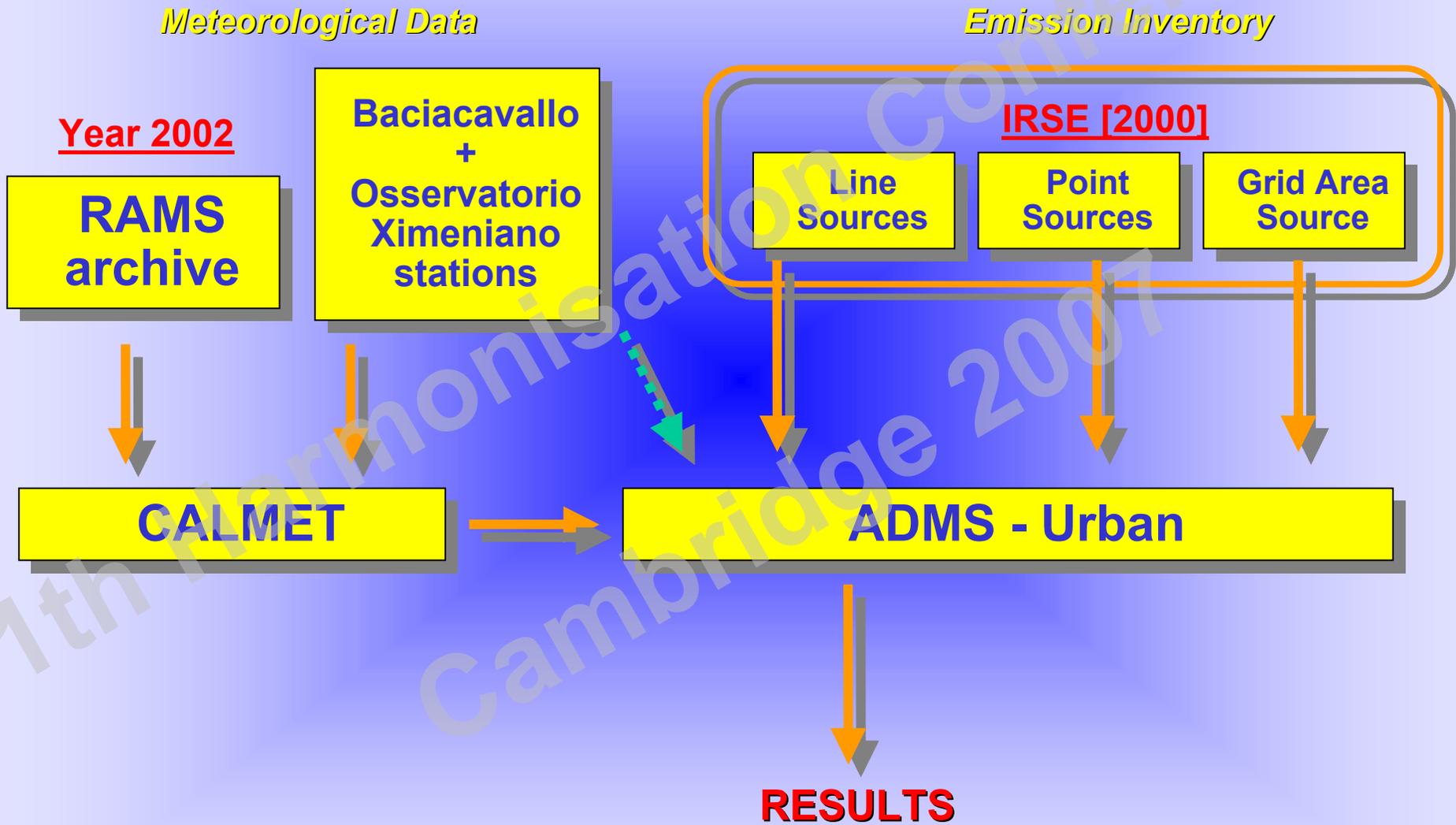
Year 2000 inventory – Analysis of critical factors – Preliminary sensitivity analysis, validation and uncertainty – Pollutants: PM₁₀, NO_x, SO_x

Phase 2: Scenario analysis – in progress

Year 2003 inventory – 2012 scenarios: BAU and modified – Pollutants: PM₁₀, NO_x

Phase 3: Improvements - ???

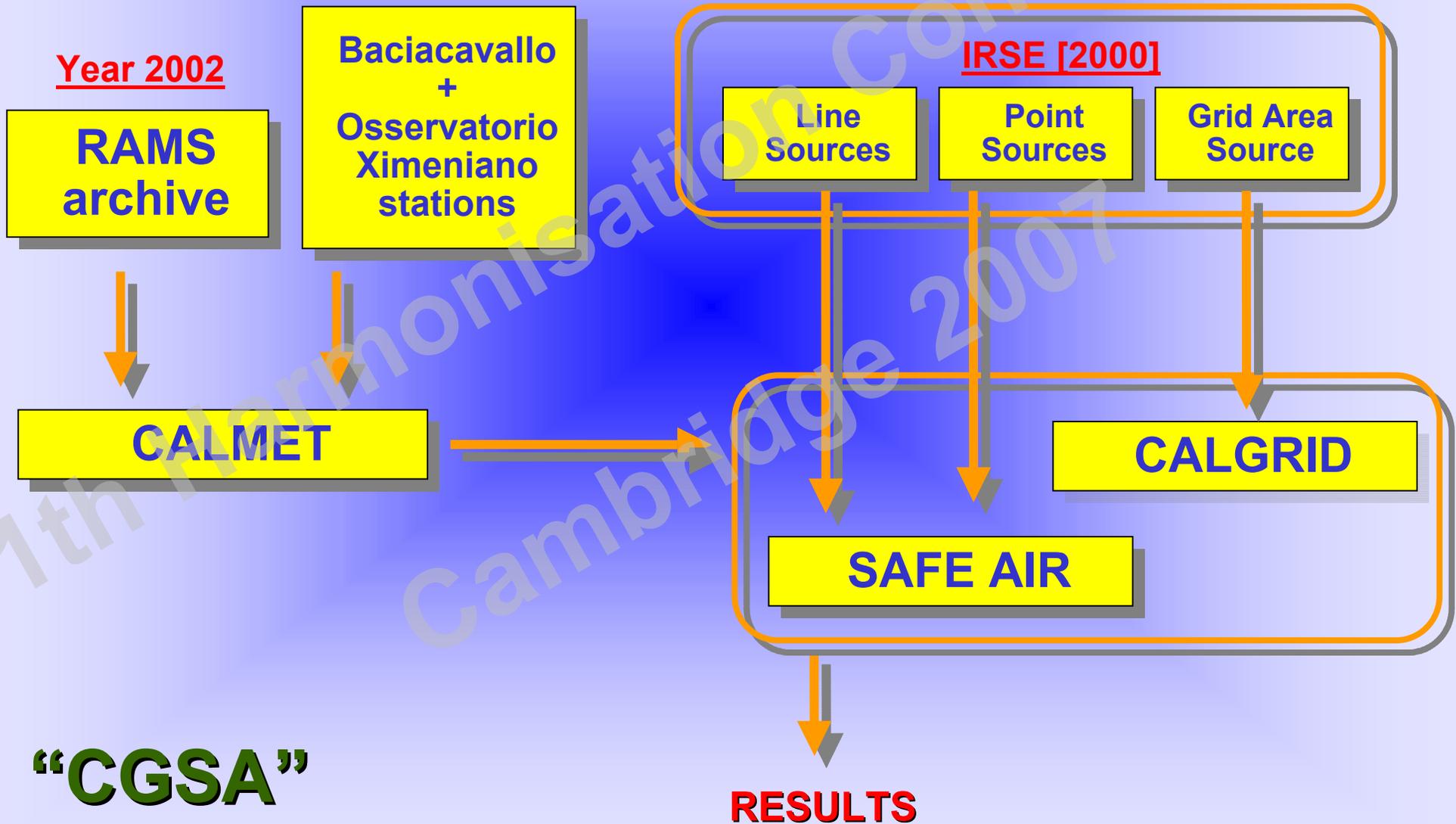
Year 2005 inventory – new scenarios – other pollutants – chemical mechanisms – multi-scale approach



“ADMS”

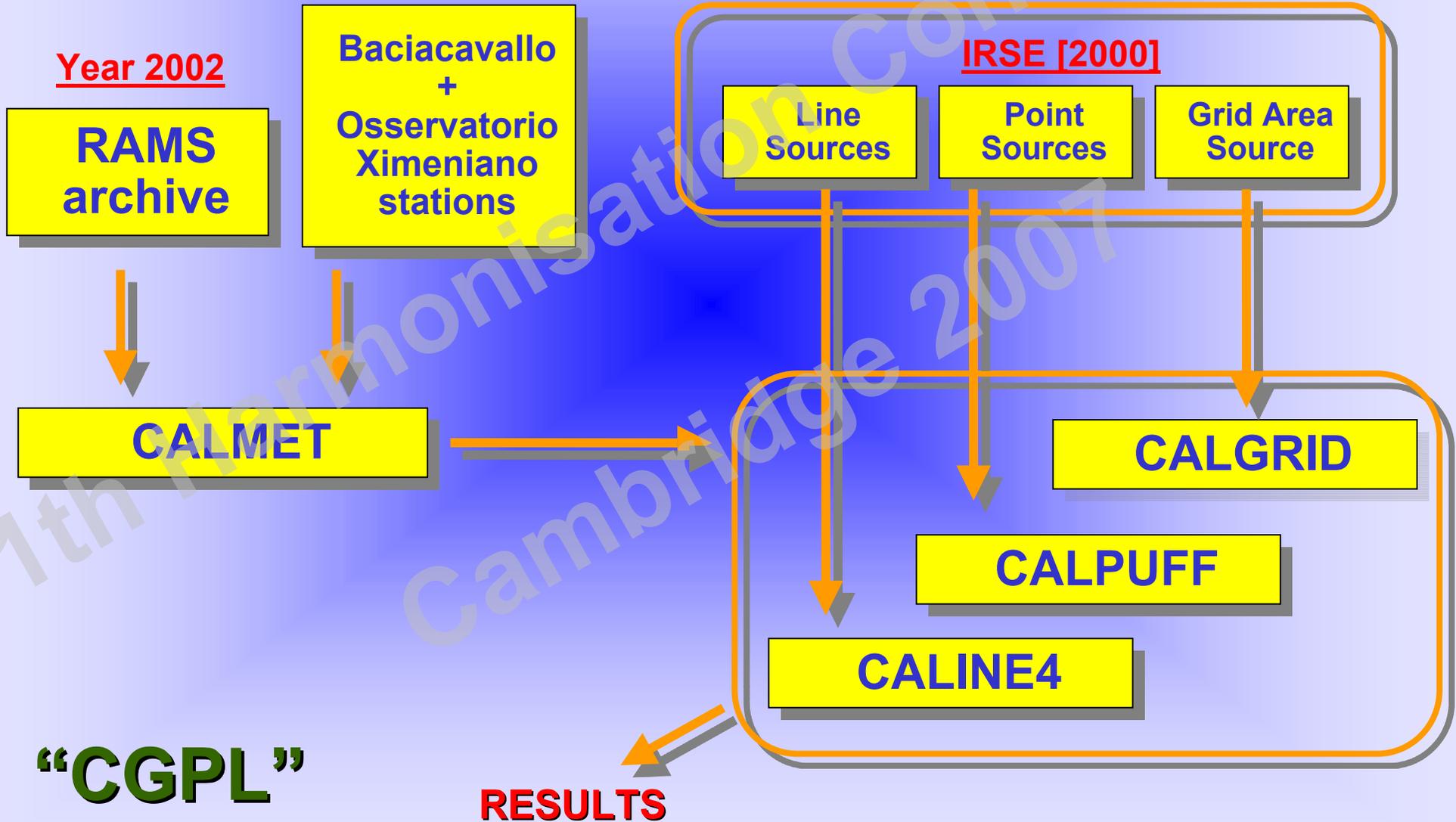
Meteorological Data

Emission Inventory

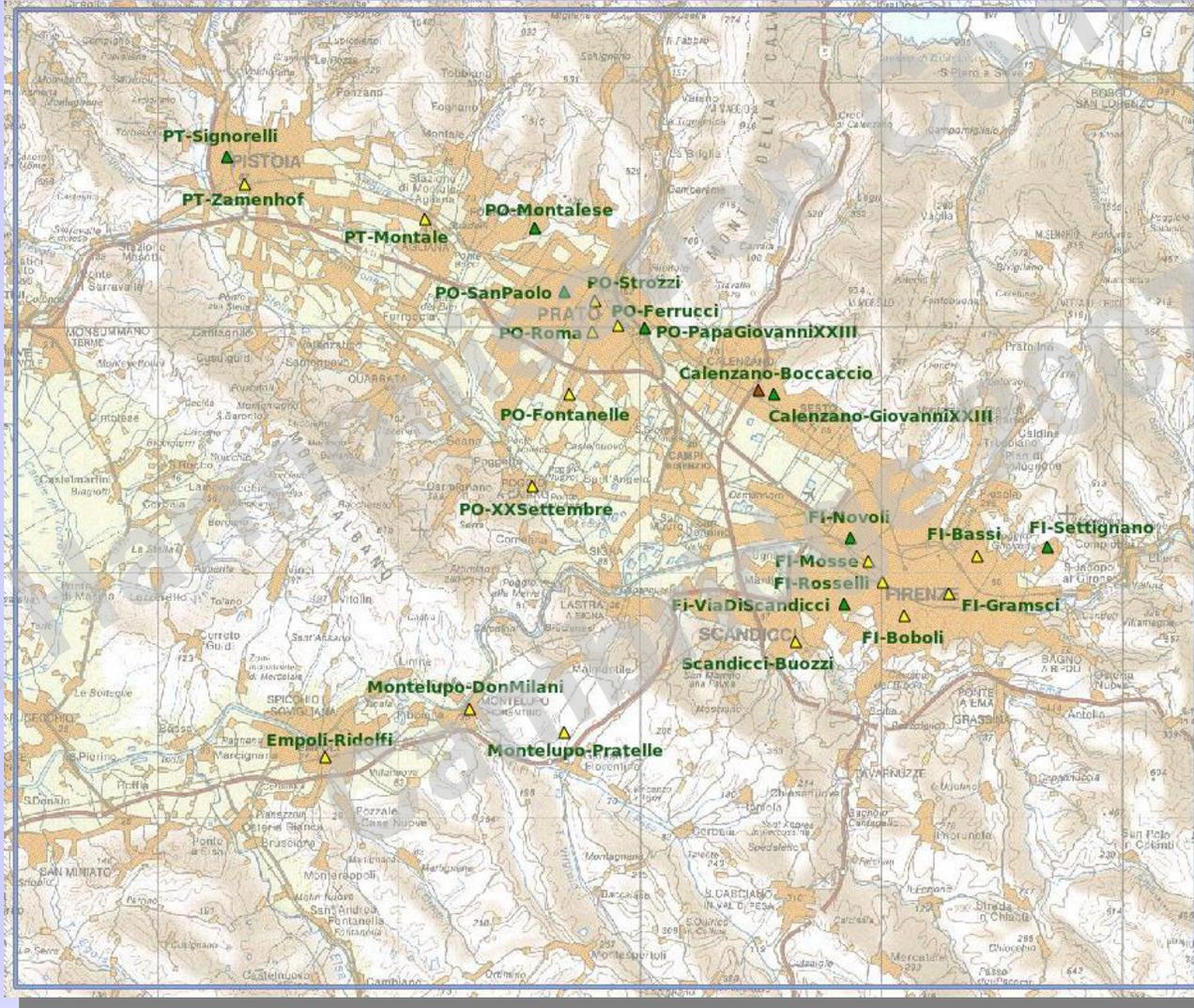


Meteorological Data

Emission Inventory



Validation and Uncertainty



Monitoring networks of Florence, Prato and Pistoia:

25 monitoring stations (24 NO₂, 17 PM₁₀ and 9 SO₂)

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Models Evaluation and Validation

Validation: method based on the use of statistical indices derived from the BOOT (Hanna, 1989), the MVK (Olesen, 1995 & 2005) and the indices of Poli & Cirillo (1993) - **MEAN, BIAS, FB, SIGMA, FS, COR, FA2, NMSE, WNNR, NNR**

Quality objectives and acceptability criteria :

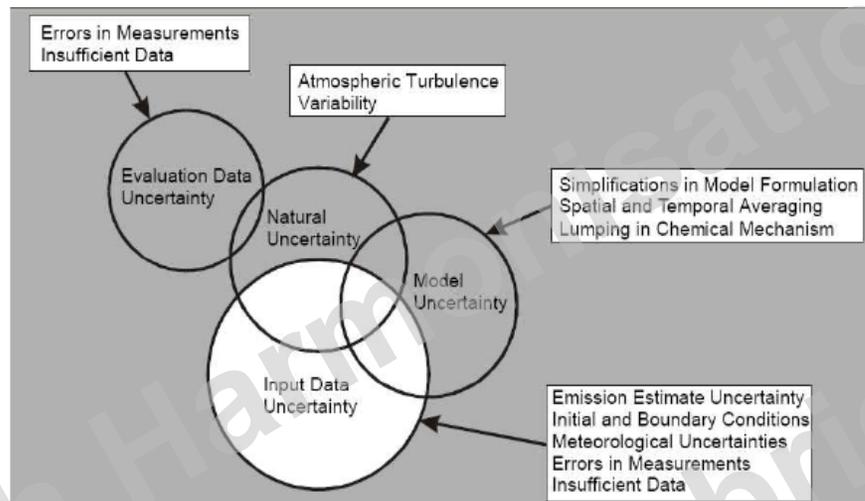
(1) Chang & Hanna criteria (2004):

FA2 > 0.5, -0.3 < FB < 0.3, NMSE < 4

(2) Quality objectives of the EEC directives based on the results "accuracy"

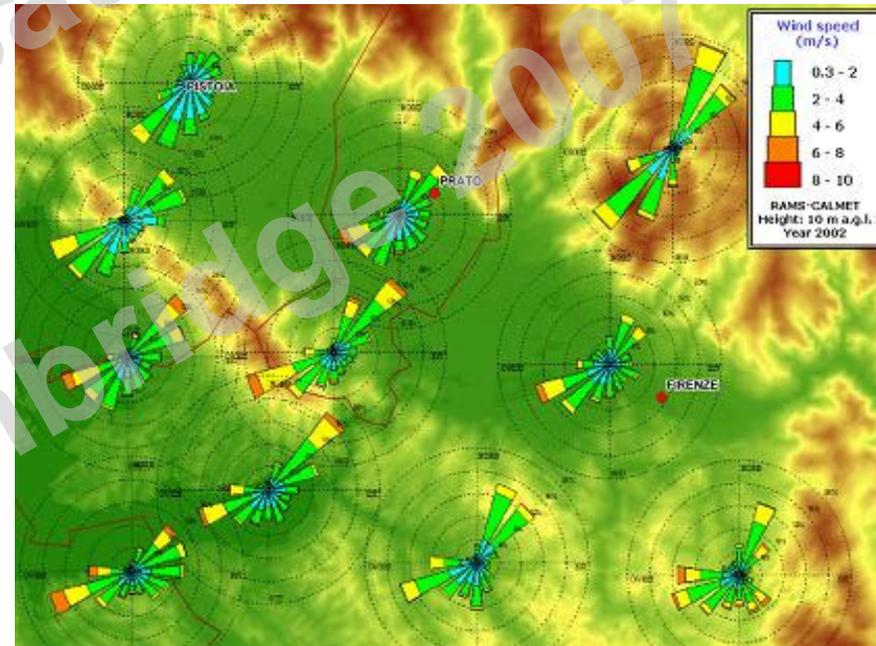
Pollutant	Quality indicator	Quality objective	Directive
SO ₂ , NO ₂ , NO _x	Hourly mean	50-60%	1999/30/EC
	Daily mean	50%	
	Annual mean	30%	
PM, Pb	Annual mean	50%	2000/69/EC
CO	8-h mean	50%	
Benzene	Annual mean	50%	2002/3/EC
Ozone	8-h daily maximum	50%	
	Hourly mean	50%	

Models Evaluation and Validation



Uncertainty analysis: bottom-up method
Based on the estimation of the single error sources and, then, on the statistical calculation of the overall error.

Uncertainty analysis: top-down method (Colville et al. 2002)
the single error sources are not considered, but the overall error is quantified by means of a high number of measures sufficiently representative of the phenomenon

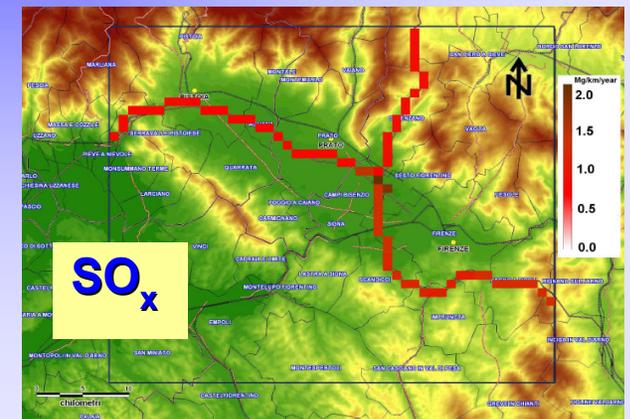
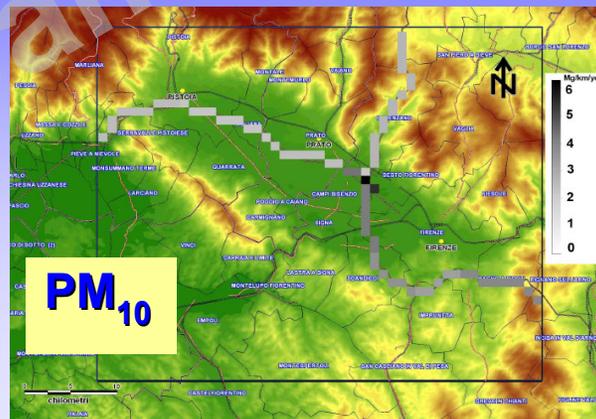
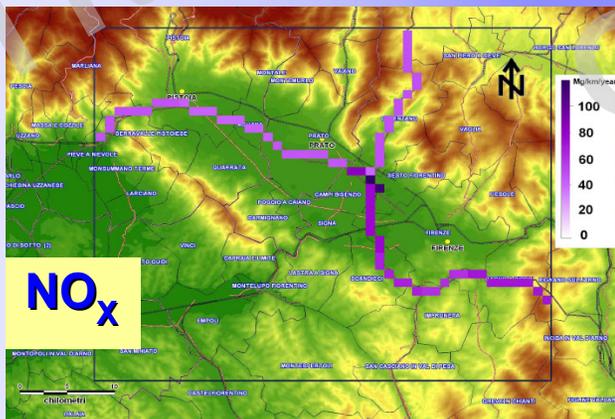
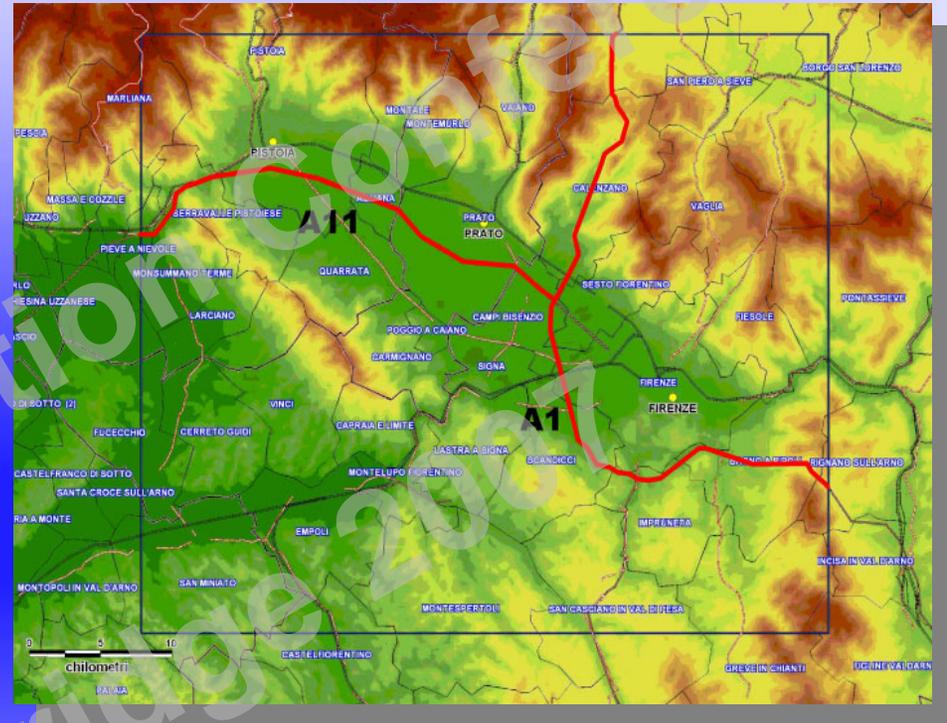


Concentration
time series

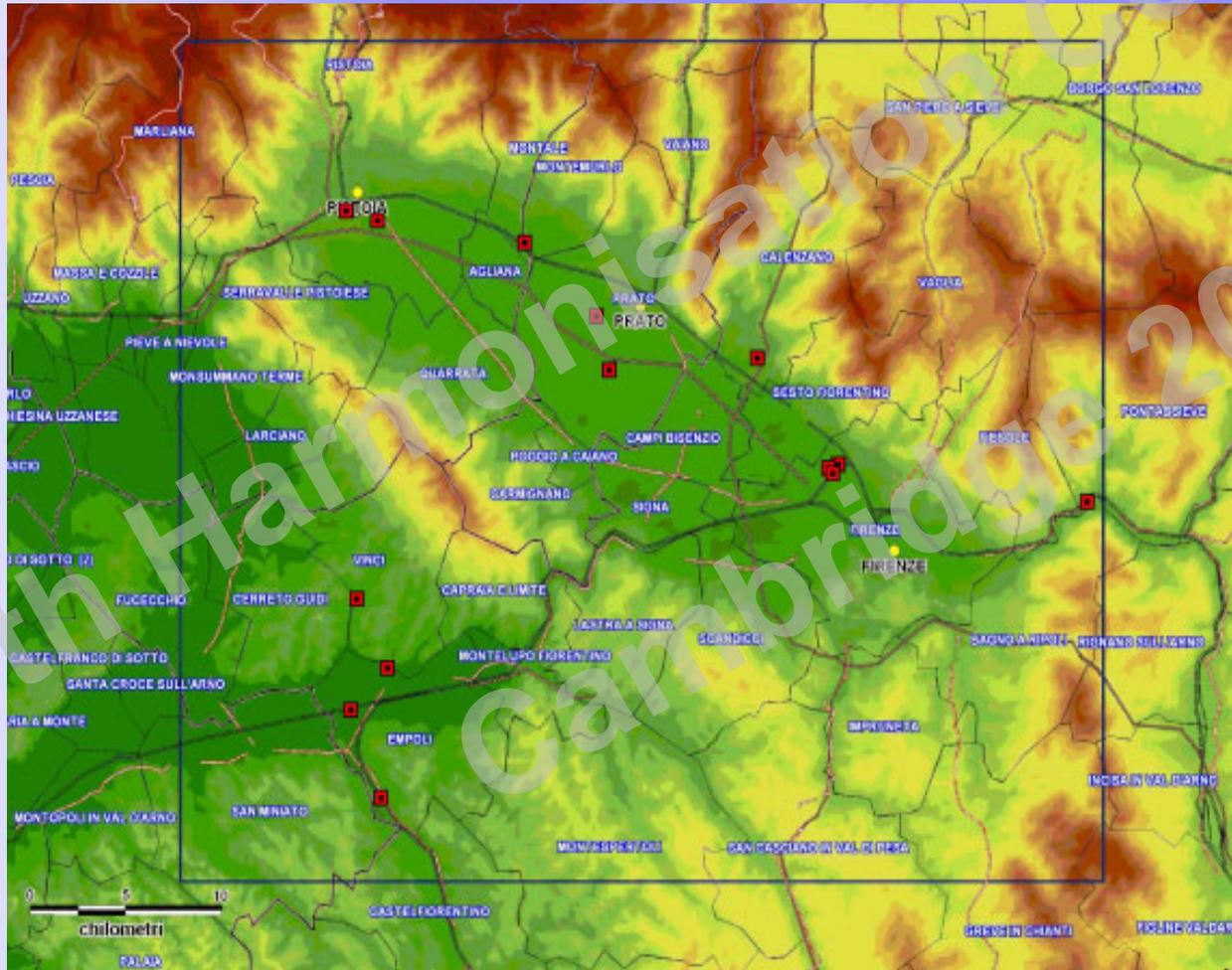
LINE SOURCES

Schematization:
79 straight-line
segments

Hour-by-hour
EMISSIONS:
provided by IRSE
regional inventory



POINT SOURCES

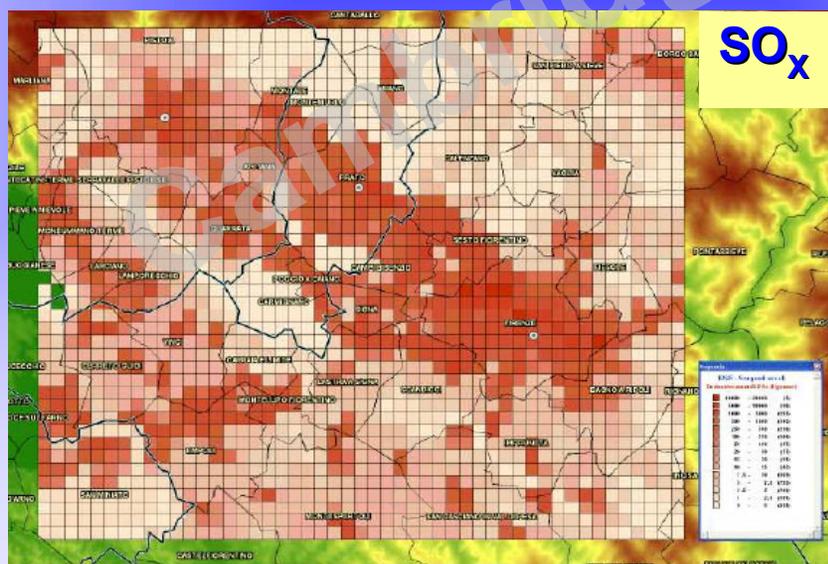
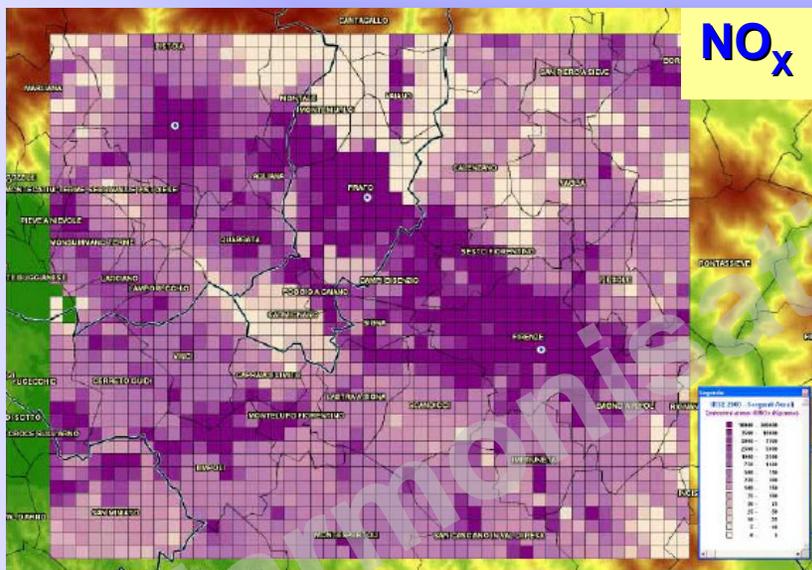


15 plants

87 industrial stacks

Emissions and geometrical parameters retrieved from IRSE regional inventory

GRID SOURCE

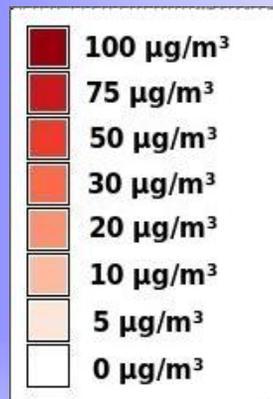
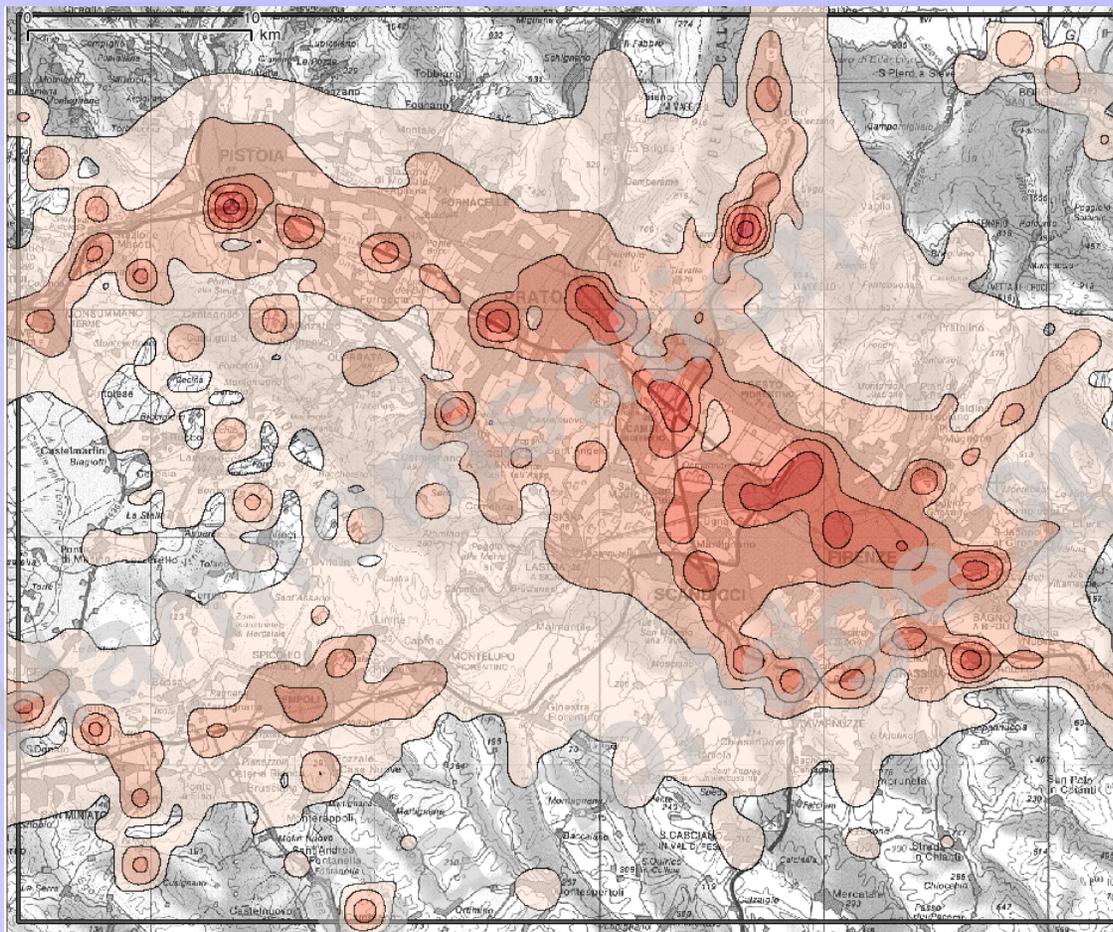


1x1 km² cell

Hour-by-hour
emissions by
IRSE

Model results

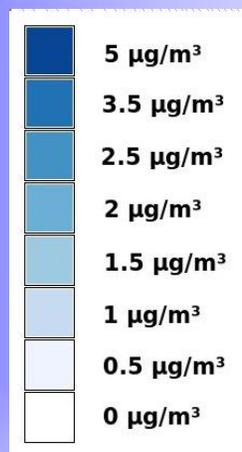
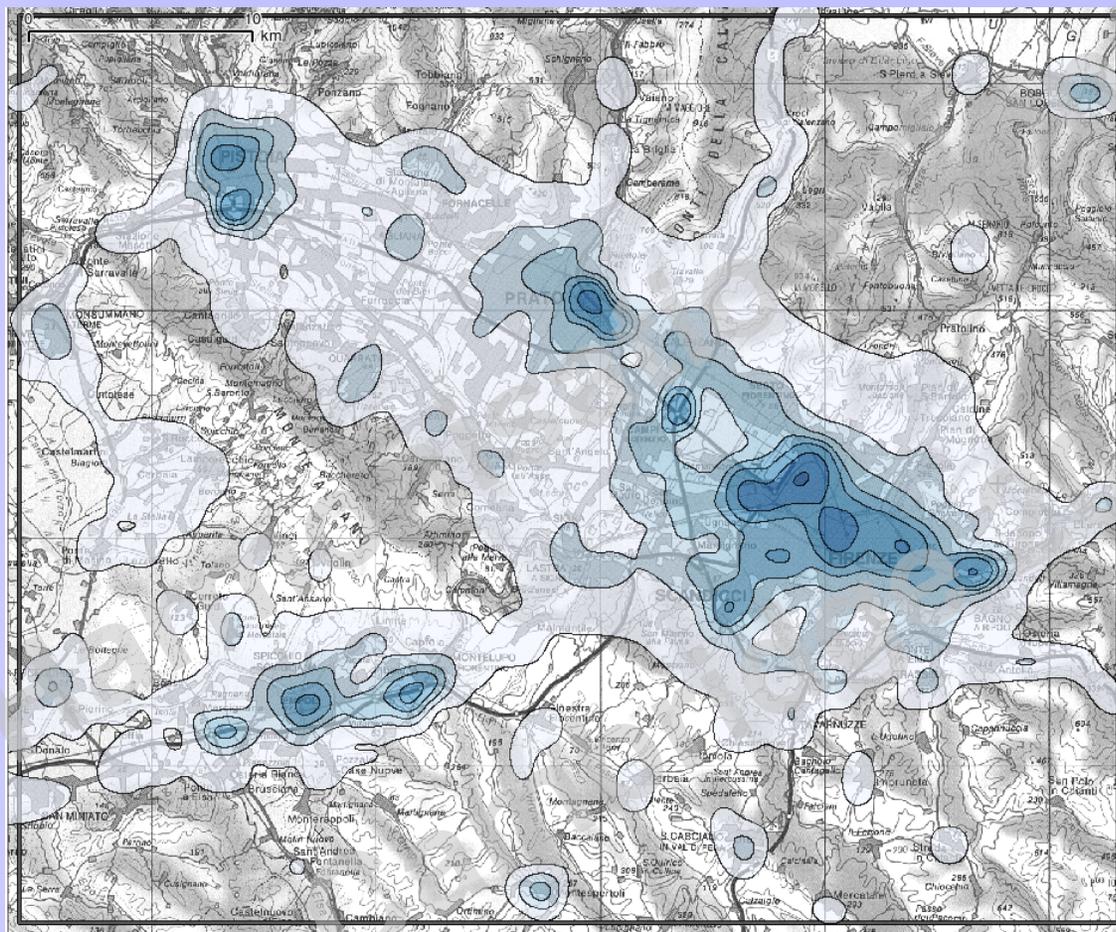
All the sources



NO_x

Model results

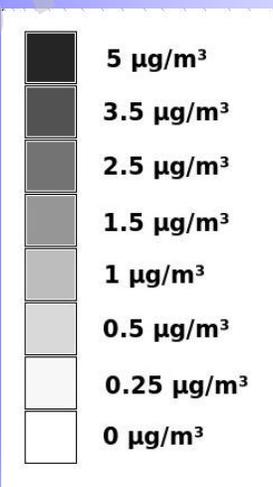
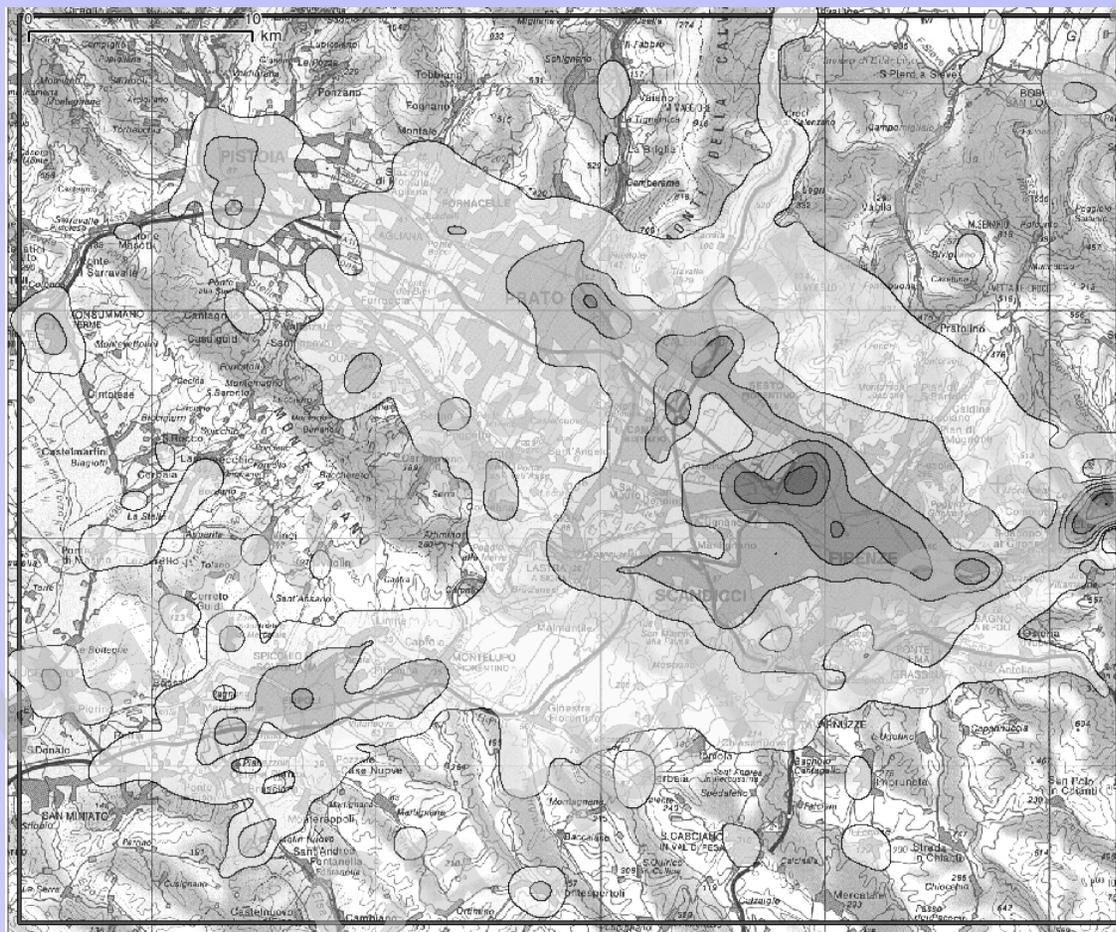
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PM₁₀

Model results

All the sources



SO₂

Model Intercomparison

NO₂*

Background

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Montelupo Pratelle	28.6	4.2	11.1	8.2
FI – Montelupo Don Milani	31.8	8.4	9.7	7.8
FI – Scandicci Buozzi	47.5	18.7	29.0	20.4
FI – Bassi	37.8	18.8	30.3	26.1
FI – Boboli	30.7	20.3	26.6	20.9
PO – Fontanelle	36.9	11.9	23.9	15.0
PT – Montale	32.2	10.6	20.9	15.2

Table 1: NO₂ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – background monitoring stations

FB: 0.84 (CGSA)
- 0.61 (CGPL)

COR: 0.25 (CGPL)
- 0.62 (ADMS)

FA2: 0.27 (CGSA)
- 0.60 (CGPL)

NMSE: 1.12 (CGSA)
- 0.65 (CGPL)

Traffic

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Empoli Ridolfi	58.2	25.0	11.5	11.1
FI – Mosse	66.7	23.9	32.1	27.7
FI – Rosselli	86.0	36.2	27.8	23.1
FI – Gramsci	69.1	23.9	26.4	21.2
PO – Ferrucci	48.6	50.1	30.9	21.2
PO – Strozzi	49.5	18.2	30.1	22.2
PT – Zamenhof	38.6	20.2	25.2	20.6

Table 2: NO₂ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – urban monitoring stations

Model Intercomparison

SO₂

Background

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Scandicci Buozzi	2.80	1.44	2.22	1.53
FI – Bassi	3.78	1.33	2.44	1.85
FI – Boboli	2.93	1.52	2.09	1.46
PT – Montale	3.12	0.43	0.81	0.45

Table 3: SO₂ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – background monitoring stations

FB: 0.77 (ADMS)
to 0.43 (CGPL)

FA2: 0.50 (CGSA)
to 0.67 (CGPL)

NMSE: 0.82 (ADMS)
to 0.35 (CGPL)

Traffic

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Empoli Ridolfi	3.05	1.26	1.04	0.79
FI – Mosse	2.72	2.21	3.31	2.39

Table 4: SO₂ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – urban monitoring stations

Model Intercomparison

PM₁₀

Background

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Calenzano Boccaccio	38.1	1.2	2.9	2.1
FI – Montelupo Pratelle	46.7	0.5	1.7	1.4
FI – Montelupo Don Milani	31.1	1.6	1.6	1.4
FI – Bassi	42.6	2.4	3.6	3.2
FI – Boboli	37.6	2.7	2.9	2.4
PO – Fontanelle	39.5	1.2	2.1	1.5
PT – Montale	53.6	1.1	1.7	1.2

Table 5: PM₁₀ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – background monitoring stations

FB: 1.80 (CGSA)
to 1.76 (ADMS)

FA2: 0.00

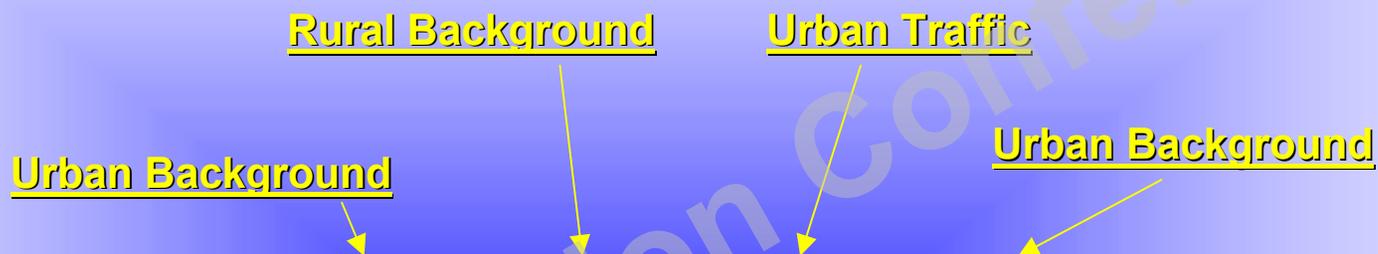
NMSE: 18.0 (CGSA)
to 14.1 (CGPL)

Traffic

Monitoring Station	Measurements	ADMS	CGPL	CGSA
FI – Empoli Ridolfi	26.0	3.4	1.9	1.6
FI – Mosse	38.3	3.5	4.1	3.6
FI – Rosselli	47.3	4.9	3.3	2.9
FI – Gramsci	52.0	3.3	3.0	2.5
PO – Ferrucci	30.3	6.3	2.9	2.0
PO – Strozzi	55.4	2.3	2.9	2.2

Table 6: PM₁₀ annual mean concentrations [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] – urban monitoring stations

Validation exercise



Monitoring Station	FI - Boboli	FI - Settignano	FI - Mosse	FI - Scandicci Buozzi
FB	0.37	0.54	0.93	0.74
COR	0.19	0.14	0.16	0.35
FA2	0.45	0.33	0.28	0.40
NMSE	1.42	2.24	1.64	1.22

Table 7: Validation statistical indices for NO₂ hourly time series

NO₂

Validation exercise



Monitoring Station	FI - Boboli	FI - Scandicci Buozzi	FI - Mosse	FI - Via di Scandicci
FB	0.62	0.39	0.17	0.08
COR	0.02	0.12	0.19	0.22
FA2	0.26	0.38	0.39	0.34
NMSE	4.47	2.11	2.25	2.11

Table 8: Validation statistical indices for SO₂ hourly time series

SO₂

Validation exercise



Monitoring Station	FI - Boboli	PO - Ferrucci	FI - Rosselli	FI - Empoli Ridolfi
FB	1.76	1.30	1.66	1.52
COR	0.03	0.22	0.46	0.09
FA2	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.02
NMSE	17.23	4.17	11.51	7.19

Table 9: Validation statistical indices for PM_{10} daily time series

PM₁₀

Accuracy in accordance with the EC directive

	NO2			SO2			PM10		
	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min	Max	Mean	Min
ADMS	149%	83%	3%	157%	87%	8%	196%	174%	131%
CGPL	134%	64%	14%	117%	56%	19%	188%	175%	161%
CGSA	136%	86%	37%	150%	79%	13%	191%	180%	165%

Table 10: Accuracy, calculated according to the EC directive: all the monitoring stations

Precision in accordance with Colville et al. (2002) method

	NO2	SO2	PM10
ADMS	51 %	73 %	76 %
CGPL	41 %	54 %	34 %
CGSA	37 %	61 %	37 %

Table 11: Calculated precision

Summary

Annual mean concentrations: the order of magnitude of NO₂ and SO₂ concentrations is correctly reproduced by the models. PM₁₀ result is underestimated.

Statistical validation indices confirm this analysis; Chang & Hanna (2004) criteria are generally satisfied for FA2 and NMSE, not for FB (NO₂ and SO₂).

The accuracy criteria of EC directive are not satisfied due to a systematic underestimation of the concentrations.

Hourly time series: despite the uncertainties, results show good agreement between observed and calculated concentrations. FB, FA2 and NMSE indices are rather close to the Chang & Hanna criteria (except for PM₁₀)

Main limitations

1- Regional Background

The interaction with the bigger spatial scales (regional and continental scale) must be included in the simulations

2- Local scale effects

Main cause of the underestimation at the monitoring points placed inside complex urban geometry; it is appropriate to include the interaction with the smaller scales in order to improve efficiency of the validation study

3- Secondary pollution

It assumes fundamental significance, especially for PM10

Current and future work

New (updated) emission scenarios – year 2003 / 2005(?)

Inclusion of background concentrations

Smaller scale effects: main urban canyons

Chemistry module – secondary pollution

Other models (CAMx – CMAQ -)

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