## MSC-E work plan, 2015

Task	Item
Calculations of HMs/POPs for 2013	1.3.2b
Testing of HM/POP models in the new EMEP grid	1.3.4
Long-term trends of contamination	1.1.8, 1.1.4
Cooperation with national experts (EECCA countries)	1.3.5
Intercontinental transport and secondary sources	1.3.6, 1.6.2
Research activity:	1.3.8c
- interaction with atmospheric aerosols	
- Hg dispersion in the environment	
- wind re-suspension	
Contribution to KM 5,7,16 of the Assessment Report	
Co-operation and dissemination of information	1.1.7, 1.3.9, 4.3,
	1.6.2, 1.6.3



## Long-term trends

Contribution to the Assessment Report

I. Model vs. observations (annual, monthly)

Trends of HM/POP modeled and observed pollution levels at monitoring stations (1990-2012)

**II.** Trends based on model assessment for EMEP domain and selected countries (1990-2012) Changes of:

- Air concentrations and total deposition
- Transboundary transport
- Deposition to the marginal seas
- Ecosystem-dependent deposition
- Contribution of secondary and non-EMEP sources
- Contribution of emission source categories
- Pollution in EU and EECCA countries



# Comparison of calculation/measurement/emission trends

Emissions





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Measurements/Modeling



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## GLEMOS model development (HMs)

### Multi-model assessment of Hg atmos. processes and pollution levels

### EU GMOS Mercury Modeling Task Force

#### Participating models:

Model	Institution
GLEMOS	EMEP/MSC-E
ICHMERIT	CNR-IIA (Italy)
GRAHM	Environment Canada
GEOS-Chem	MIT (USA)
CMAQ-Hg-Hem	Lamar University (USA)
WRF-Chem	CNR-IIA (Italy)
CMAQ-Hg	HZG (Germany)

### Hg processes



## Multi-model assessment of mercury intercontinental transport







## GLEMOS model development (POPs)

Hg global transport from different emission sectors (UNEP/AMAP expert estimates), 2013

Stationary combustion



Intentional use and product waste



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Industrial sources





### Speciation of Hg emissions



## **GLEMOS model development (POPs)**

Investigation of multi-hop transport and contribution of secondary sources



Two model runs were performed for PCB-153 transport from North American sources:

- first run for year 2000
- second run for the period from 2000 to 2010 for PCB-153 transport from North American sources



## **GLEMOS model development (POPs)**

Investigation of multi-hop transport and contribution of secondary sources



Source-Receptor modeling experiments using new HTAP division by sources/receptor (HTAP2)



## **GLEMOS model development (POPs)**

Investigation of PCDD/F global transport and fate based on UNEP SC emission inventory and research monitoring data (2015)



Modeling results against observed PCDD/F air concentrations in various regions



Comparison of modeled PCDD/F air concentrations against measurements made in South America in 2012 (*Schuster et al., EST, 2015*)



#### Cooperation with national experts

# Assessment of Pb pollution levels with fine resolution in EECCA countries (Belarus)

Main goal: Evaluate and analyze Pb pollution levels in Belarus with high (10 x 10 km<sup>2</sup>) spatial and temporal resolution

Data involved in the study:

### **Gridded Pb emissions**

- Belarus (10x10 km<sup>2</sup>): from national experts
- Other countries (50x50 km<sup>2</sup>): CEIP

### Monitoring data (conc. in air)

- 1 background site (Berezinsky reserve, Belarus)
- 19 urban stations (Belarus)
- 5 background urban sites in Poland (EU AirBase data)
- I EMEP station in Poland

### **Modeling data**





> 1.3

Pb deposition, 2012

Cooperation with national experts

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## Modeled vs. observed levels: preliminary results for Belarus



Joint meeting of MSC-E and BY is planned to discuss indicated discrepancies between modeled and observed Pb levels

# Cooperation with international bodies (2014-2015)

Cooperation with UNEP Minamata Convention, 2014

in press

Global mercury modelling: Update of Global Mercury Assessment 2013





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Cooperation with HELCOM LOAD-8, Finland, 2014



Cooperation with UNEP, 2015

#### Conference of Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Conventions

"Science Fair"

"From Science to Action: Working for a Safer Tomorrow" 7-9 May, 2015.

## **Dissemination of information**





### Research issues on HMs and POPs in 2016-2017 (KM5, KM7, KM16)

Develop integrated approach to exploit synergies in research of emissions, long range transport and exposure of HM and POP to allow for a systematic identification of risks and for evaluation of options for emission control:

- Contribute to the effect community work on the evaluation of the pollutants adverse effect on human health and the environment with following information on:
  - ecosystem-depended deposition fluxes of HMs and POPs to different land use types
  - evaluation of background levels of HMs and POPs in selected cities of the EMEP countries
  - synergy of atmospheric transport of toxic substances and PM.
  - global transport and deposition of Hg and POPs to terrestrial and marine environment to better understand bioaccumulation/ biomagnification processes in food chains.
- Joint research activity with national experts of EECCA countries to support ratification and implementation of the Protocols.



### Research issues on HMs and POPs in 2016-2017 (KM5, KM7, KM16)

- Develop alternative methods for emission inventories for HMs and POPs (including historical emissions) based on a combination of monitoring and modeling at regional and global scales.
- Compile national data on occurrence of HM (particularly Hg) and POPs in relevant compartments of the environment with global geographical coverage as a basis for model testing and development.
- Improve model parameterization of pollutant exchange between different ecosystem compartments (air, water, soil, vegetation).
- Develop abatement options for HM and POPs to assess benefits of action. Systematic methods for assessing and evaluating abatement options should be developed.
- Cooperate and disseminate information gathered and prepared in the framework of EMEP with other Conventions and International bodies.









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## The role of science support in policy

## **Till Spranger**



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## 1. Issue framing

- Without clear delineation of the issue
  - $\rightarrow$  no public discussion
  - $\rightarrow$  no policy / politic movement
- Acidification: well established
- Link to climate change, heavy metals, POPs, health effects: known and used in policy
- Link to biodiversity: known to experts, indirectly addressed
- Nitrogen, hemispheric transport: known to experts, nascent

