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Implementation of the LCP Directive

Reporting of emissions



What does the LCP Directive deliver to our citizens?

What's the EU policy

- The EU regulated them since 1980's
- The period 2004-2015, where they were regulated by:
 - The LCP Directive – minimum requirements
 - The IPPC Directive – aiming at a higher standard through the concept of Best Available Techniques (BAT)
- As from 2016, this policy has been superseded by:
 - The Industrial Emissions Directive (IED)
 - A new document on BAT (BREF)

EEA recent publications on the matter



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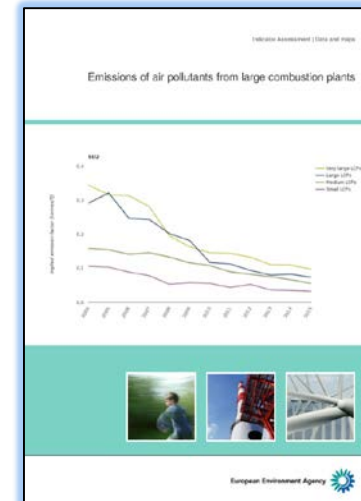
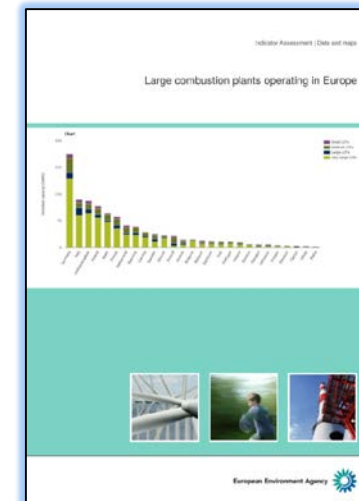
Industrial pollution in Europe

Greening the power sector: benefits of an ambitious implementation of Europe's environment and climate policies

Europe's electricity generation still relies largely on fossil fuels as an energy source and thus contributes to emissions of sulphur dioxide (SO₂), dust and nitrogen oxides (NO_x), among other pollutants. A new EEA assessment shows that with an ambitious implementation of new requirements under the EU Industrial Emissions Directive, Member States can significantly reduce pollutant emissions and thus minimise their potential harmful effects on the environment and human health. There is also a close link between future reductions in pollutant emissions and EU climate and energy policy, which drives growth in renewables and the switch towards cleaner fuels in the remaining power plants. A more fundamental restructuring of the power sector is, however, needed to meet the EU's long-term decarbonisation targets.

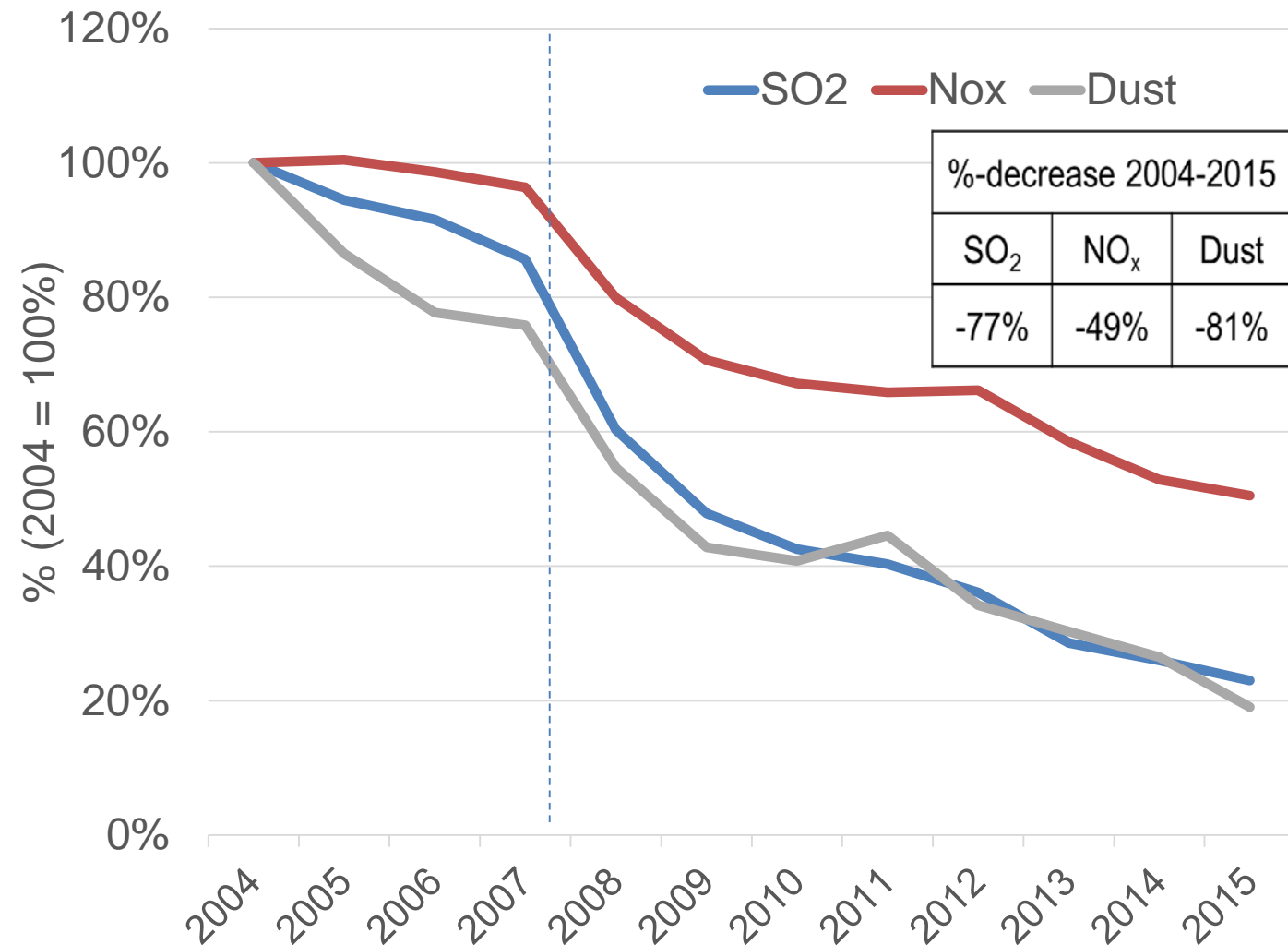
- Emissions of SO₂ and dust from power plants have decreased by more than three quarters since 2004, largely as a result of environmental regulation.
- New requirements regarding SO₂, NO_x and dust emissions from power plants were adopted in 2017 and need to be implemented by Member State authorities by 2021 at the latest.
- By 2030, the requirements are projected to lead to emission reductions of 66-91 % for SO₂, 56-82 % for dust and 51-79 % for NO_x, compared with 2016 reported emissions.
- Authorities have the opportunity to ensure an ambitious implementation that brings about significant future emission reductions.

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Indexed evolution of SO₂, NO_x and dust from LCPs (EU-28)

- Significant transformation of environmental performance of 'LCP sector'
- How did this happen?
- Is the evolution similar across countries / regions?
- What were the key drivers?



Country grouping

Figure 2.1 Groups of countries based on average SO₂ IEF

Group 1

('LOW'): low implied emission factor

Austria, Belgium, Germany, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Latvia, Netherlands, Sweden

Group 2

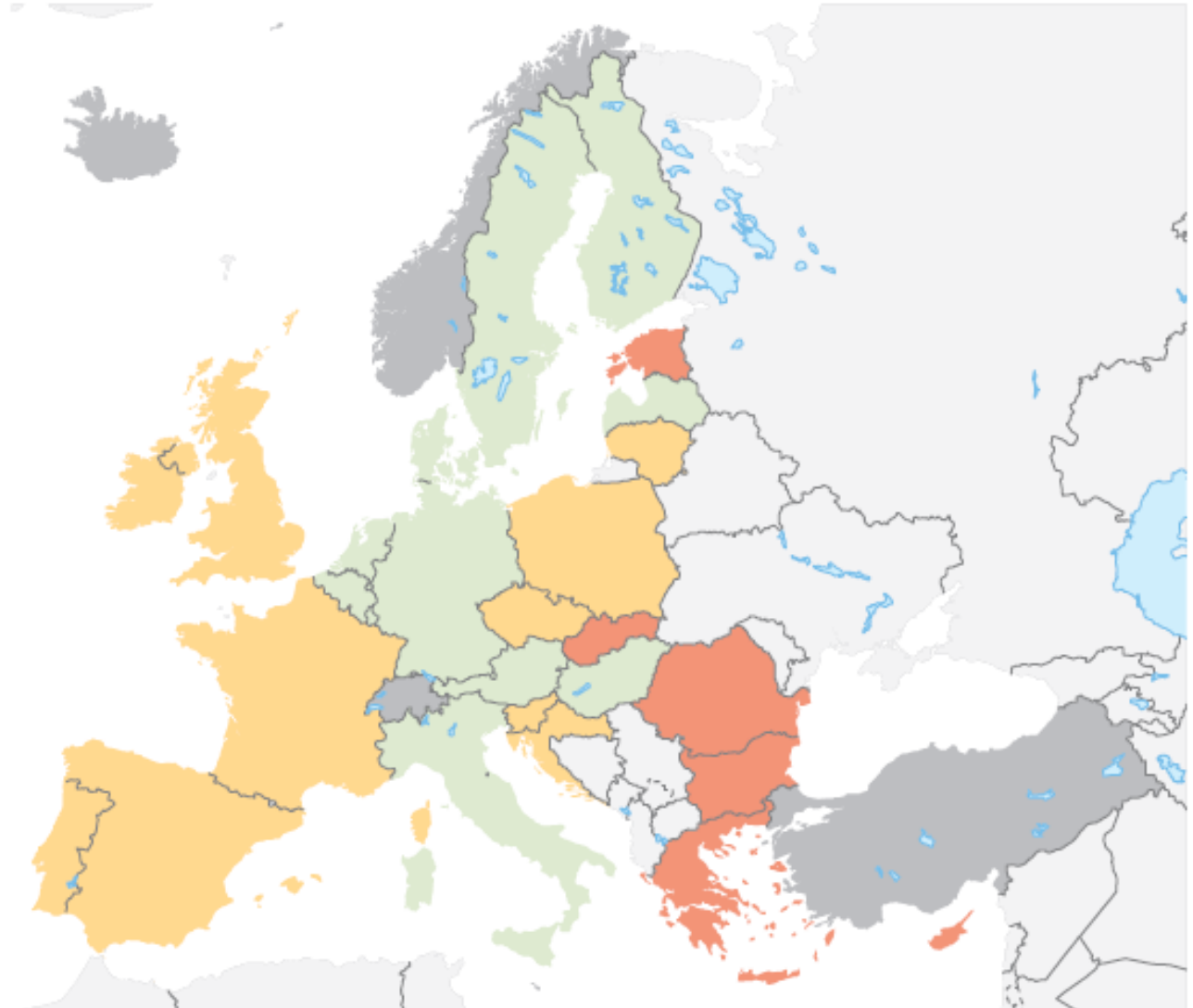
('MEDIUM'): medium implied emission factor

Czechia, Spain, France, Croatia, Ireland, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, United Kingdom

Group 3

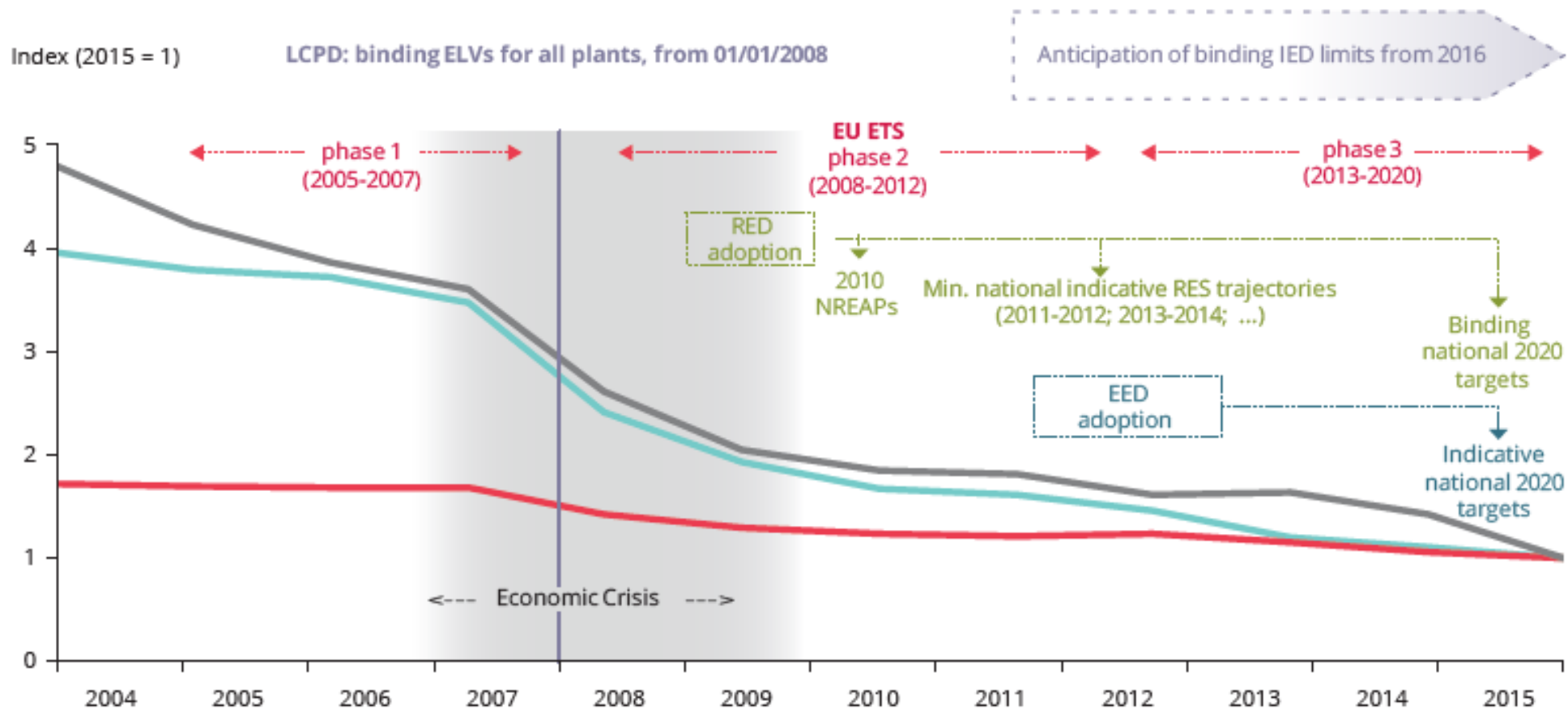
('HIGH'): high implied emission factor

Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Romania, Slovakia



The stories behind the data

Figure 4.7 Trends and main drivers of key air pollutant emissions from LCPs, 2004-2015

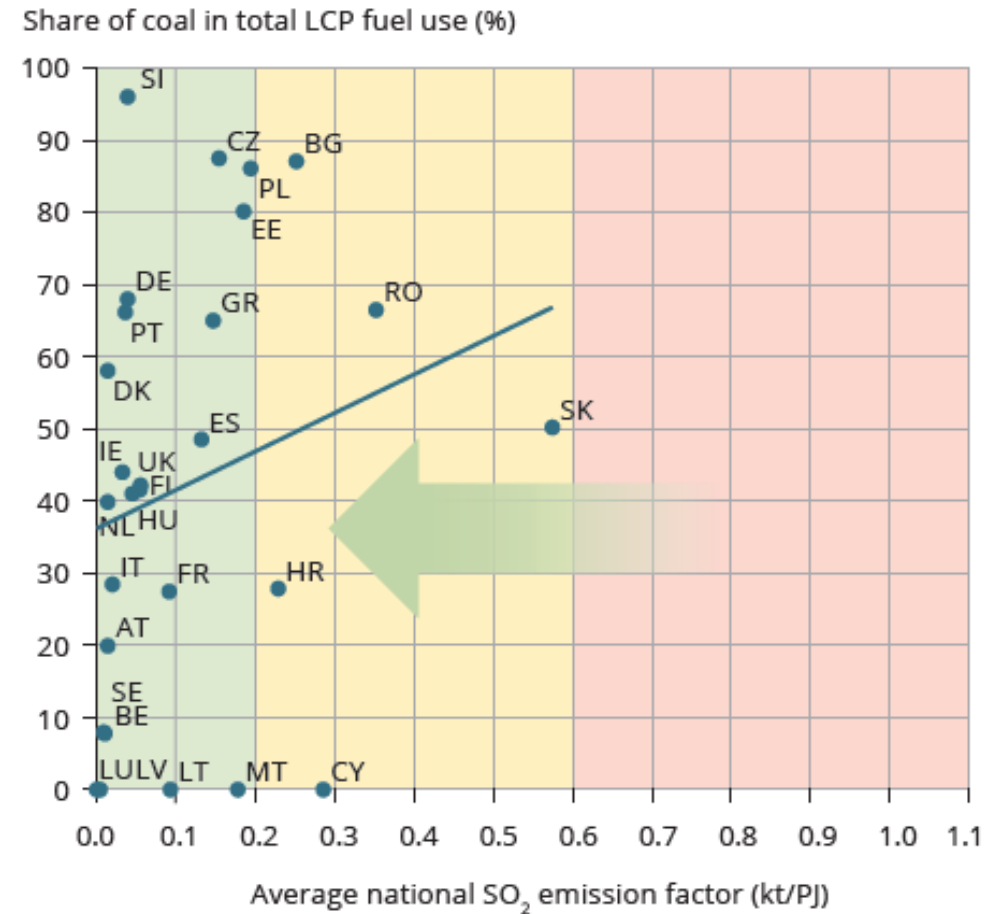
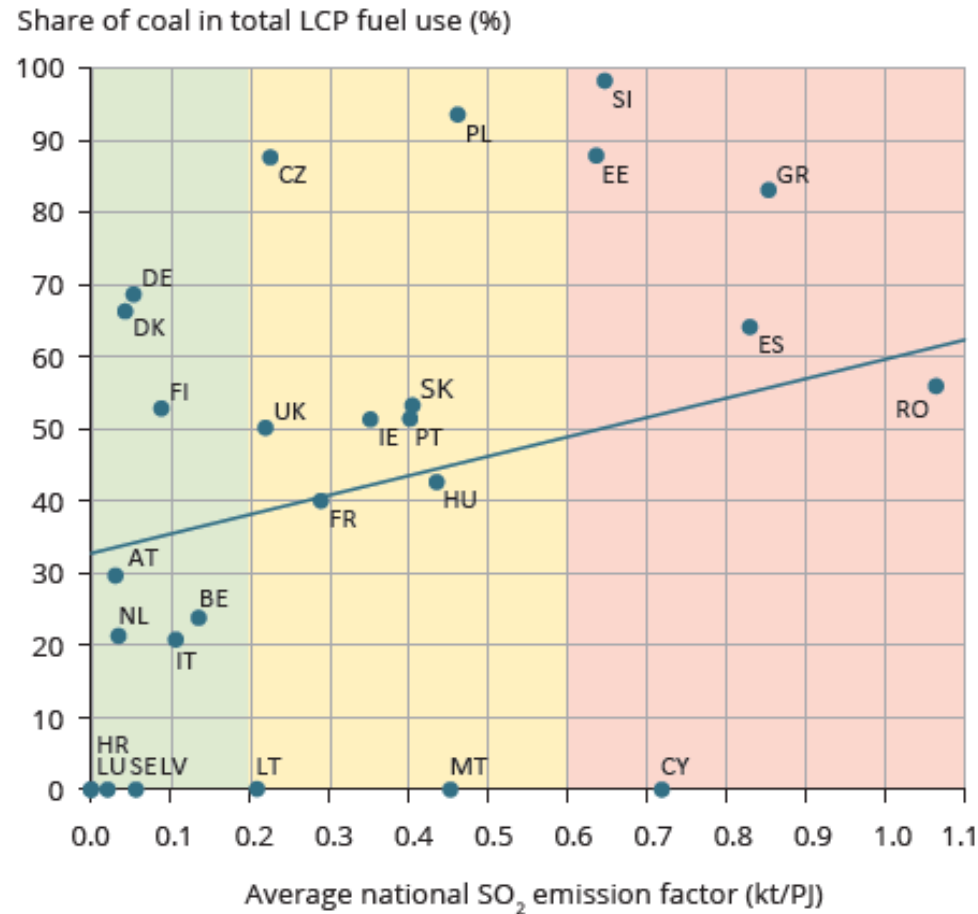


Note: NREAP, National renewable energy action plan; RES, renewable energy sources.

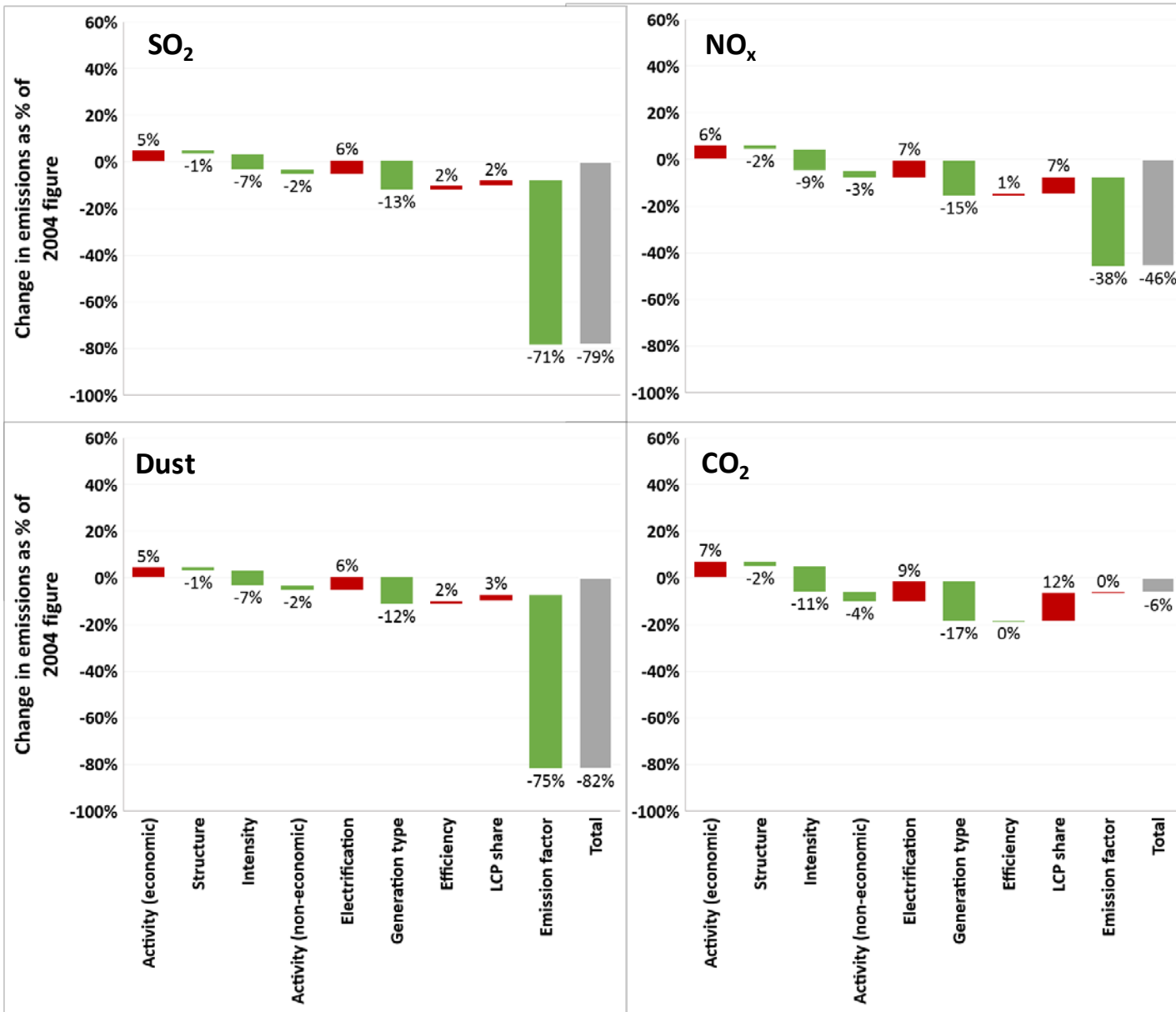
Source: EEA, 2018a; own analysis.

Bridging differences across countries – the EU at work

Figure 3.1 National average SO₂ IEF versus share of coal use, in 2004 (left) and 2015 (right)



The policy is behind the changes



Decomposition analysis

Decomposition analysis is a statistical technique used to break down the various driving factors of a phenomenon and attribute a relative weight to each of these driving factors.

Decomposition analysis is widely accepted in policy analysis, where its use is increasing.

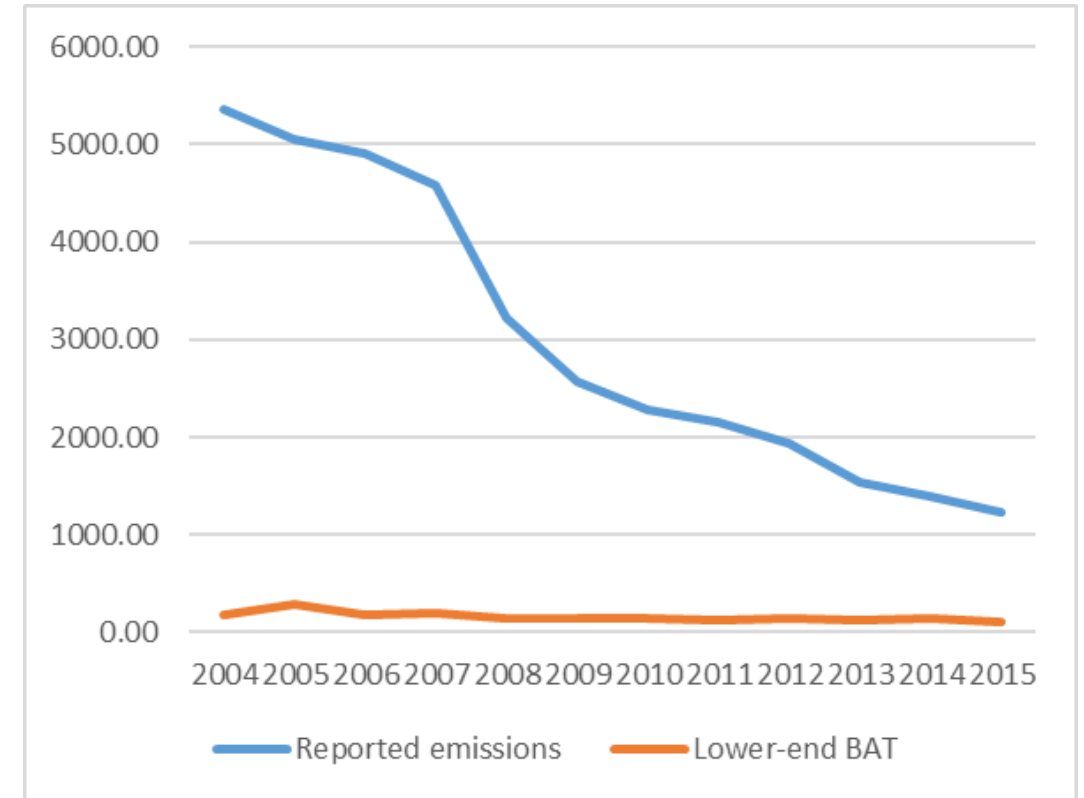
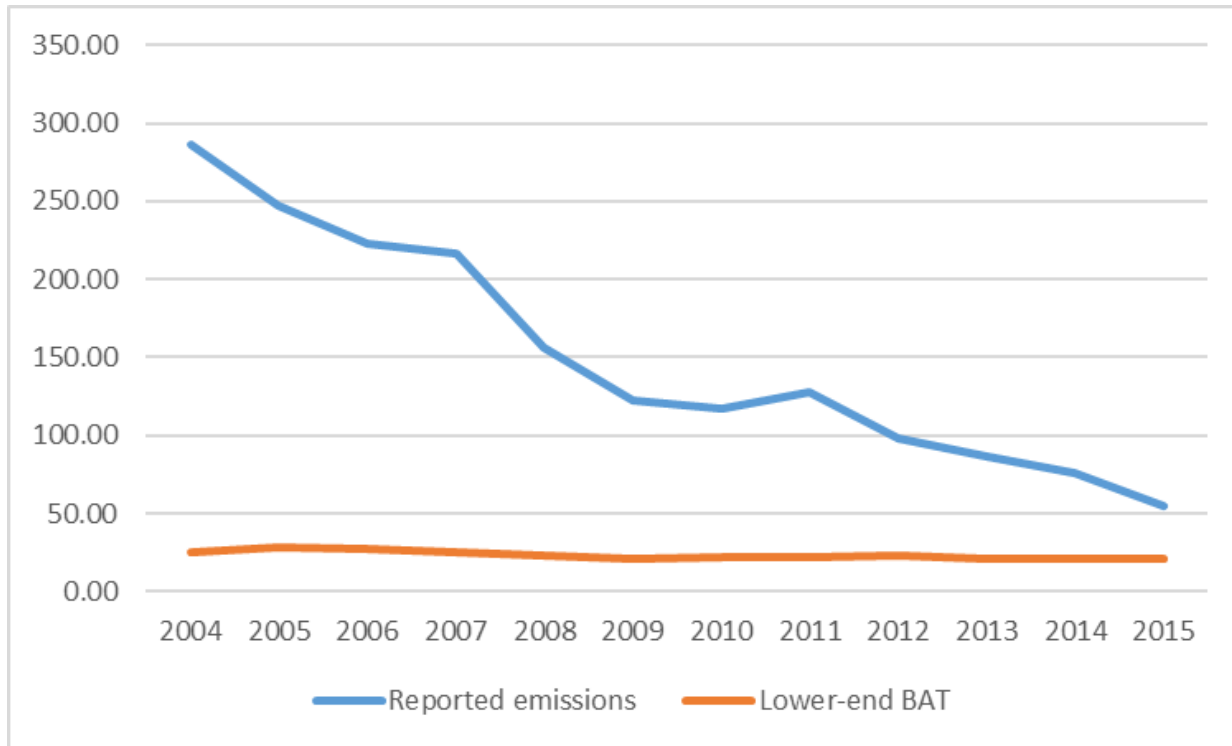
From the various statistical routines that can be used, this report uses the Logarithmic Mean Divisia Index (LMDI), which is a decomposition method based on the Shapley/Sun approach. It can be used to decompose an aggregate number into more than two underlying factors.

By identifying the individual contribution of the drivers to the overall changes observed, decomposition analysis in this report helps isolate the impact of those factors that were most likely driven by legislation.

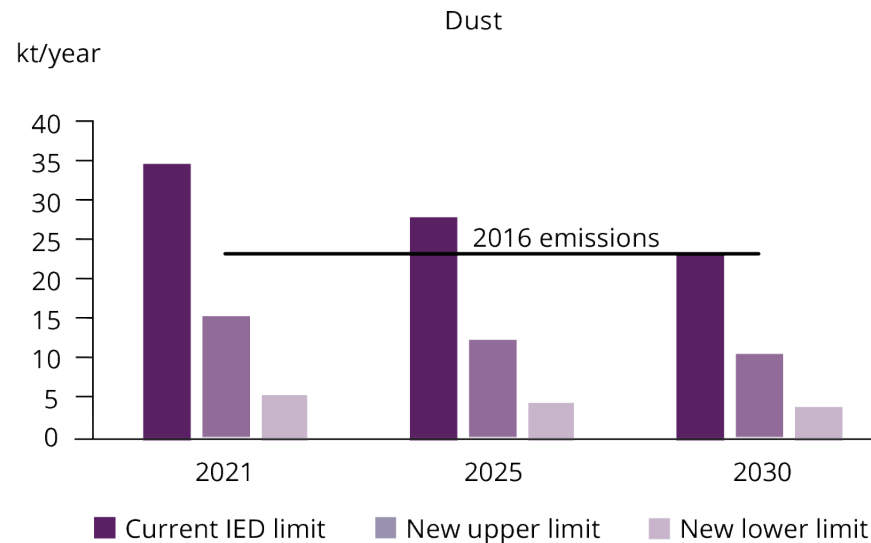
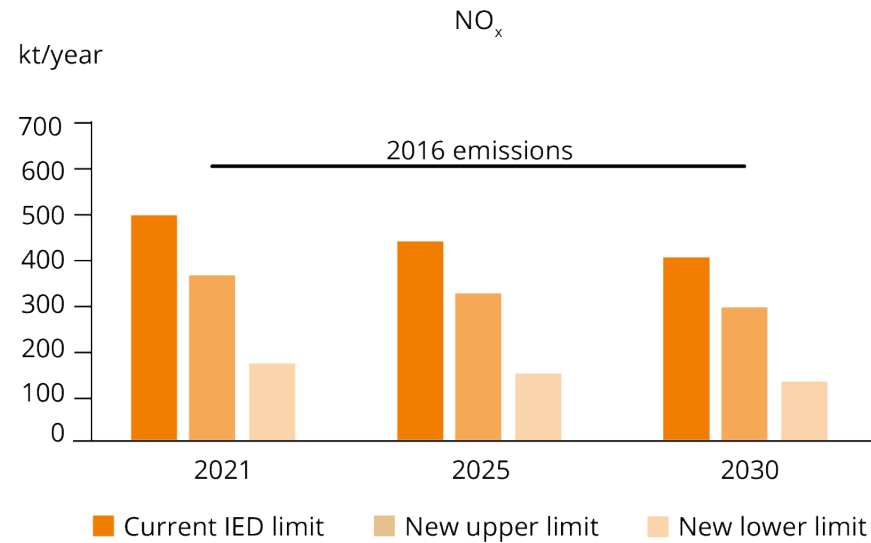
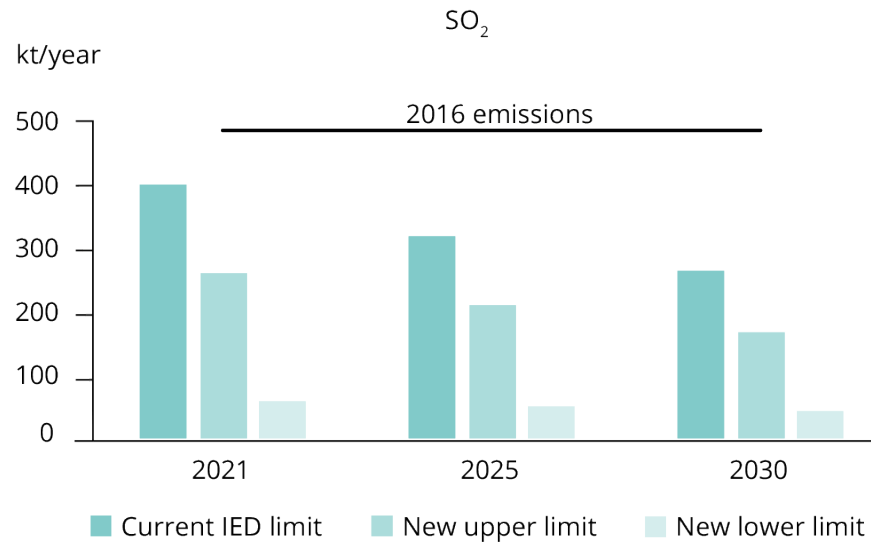
Factors

- Overall economic activity
- Economic structure
- Sectoral energy intensity
- Generation type
- Sectoral degree of electrification
- Generation efficiency
- Share of fuel used in electricity production by LCPs
- Emission factor

LCPs: Minimum requirements vs BAT implementation (IPPCD)



IED ELVs vs BAT-AELs LCP BREF 2017: what we can achieve



Notes: kt/year: kilotonnes per year;
IED: Industrial Emissions Directive 2010/75/EC.

The starting point for the Energy Community Treaty

- For context, EU Implied emission factors:
 - SO₂ typical range: 0.02 - 0.09.
 - NO_x typical range: 0.05 - 0.08;
 - Dust typical range: 0.001 – 0.002.

Row Labels	Sum of Total energy	Sum of SO ₂ (t)	Sum of NO _x (t)	Sum of Dust (t)	IEF SO ₂	IEF NO _x	IEF Dust
BA	105947.03	236959.98	20852.88	2493.56	2.236589	0.196824	0.023536
GE	17353.59527	0	659.11	0	0	0.037981	0
ME	15048.92	64475	7786	282	4.284361	0.517379	0.018739
MK	32861	53854.93	4737.49	3585.92	1.638871	0.144168	0.109124
RS	260253.1	339333.7	37684.9	6920.4	1.30386	0.144801	0.026591

Reminder: reporting LCP Directive data under the Energy Community Treaty

What are combustion plants?



- LCPs are combustion plants at big scale, firing fuels with capacities greater than 50 MWh
- **Coals, gas, liquid fuels, biomass**



What are NOT combustion plants?

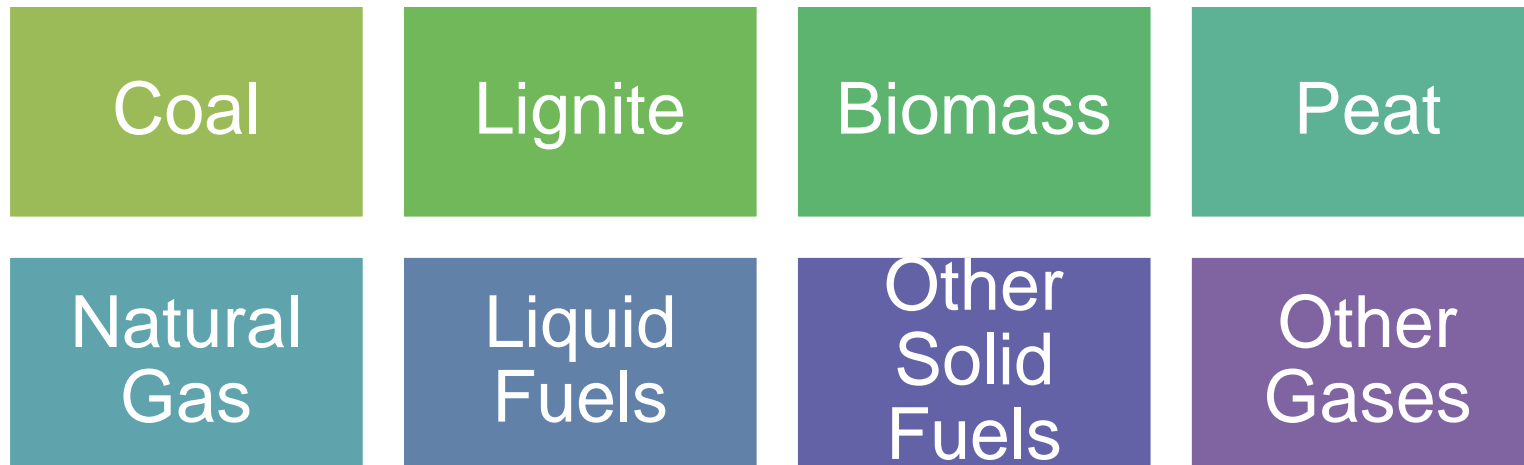
- When using waste partially or totally as an energy input



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Reporting Data on Fuels (categories)

- Reporting fuel input for each plant:



- All values are net calorific value

Other Solid and Gaseous Fuels (subcategories)

- Other solid fuels

Id	Label	Status	Status Modified	Notation
Coke	Coke	Valid	17.05.2017	Coke
Other	Other	Valid	17.05.2017	Other
PatentFuels	PatentFuels	Valid	17.05.2017	PatentFuels
Tar	Tar	Valid	17.05.2017	Tar

- Other gas fuels

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BlastFurnaceGas	BlastFurnaceGas	Valid	17.05.2017	BlastFurnaceGas
CokeOvenGas	CokeOvenGas	Valid	17.05.2017	CokeOvenGas
FurnaceGas	FurnaceGas	Valid	17.05.2017	FurnaceGas
LPG	LPG	Valid	17.05.2017	LPG
Other	Other	Valid	17.05.2017	Other
OxygenSteel	OxygenSteel	Valid	17.05.2017	OxygenSteel
RefineryGas	RefineryGas	Valid	17.05.2017	RefineryGas

Reporting Data on Fuels (example)

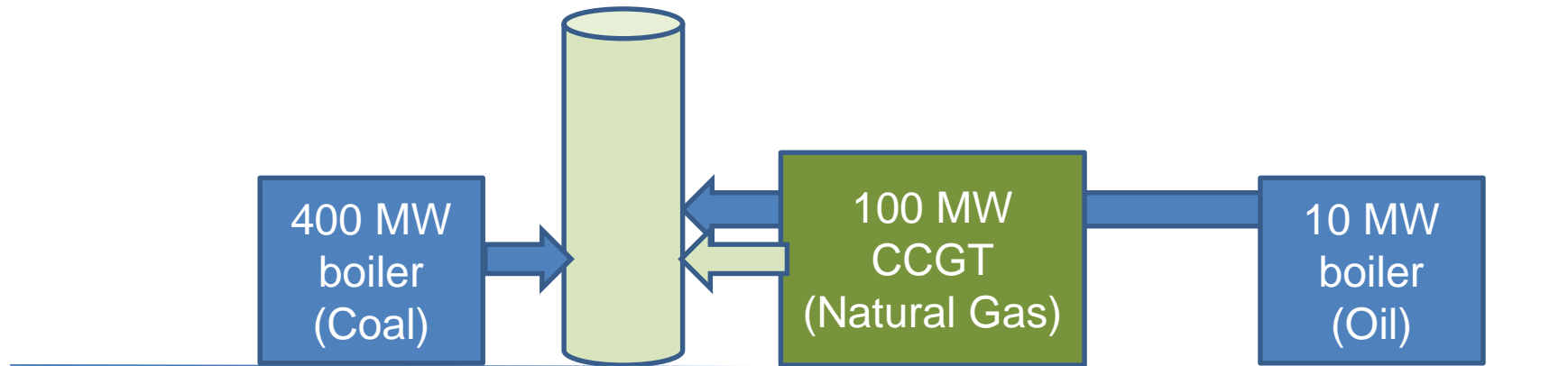
- Report fuel use for each of the 3 units which are part of a single LCP 'plant' even though oil boiler < 15 MW.

Annual Fuel
Inputs by Fuel
Type

Coal: 12,500 TJ

Natural Gas: 2,500 TJ

Oil: 150 TJ



Reporting Data on Operating Hours

- Total operational hours of the plant over a year when any emissions are being generated
- Maximum possible operational hours = 8,760 hours (365 days)
- Generally exclude periods of start-up and shut-down, but must normally have clear definition of start-up and shut-down

Reporting data on pollutant emissions

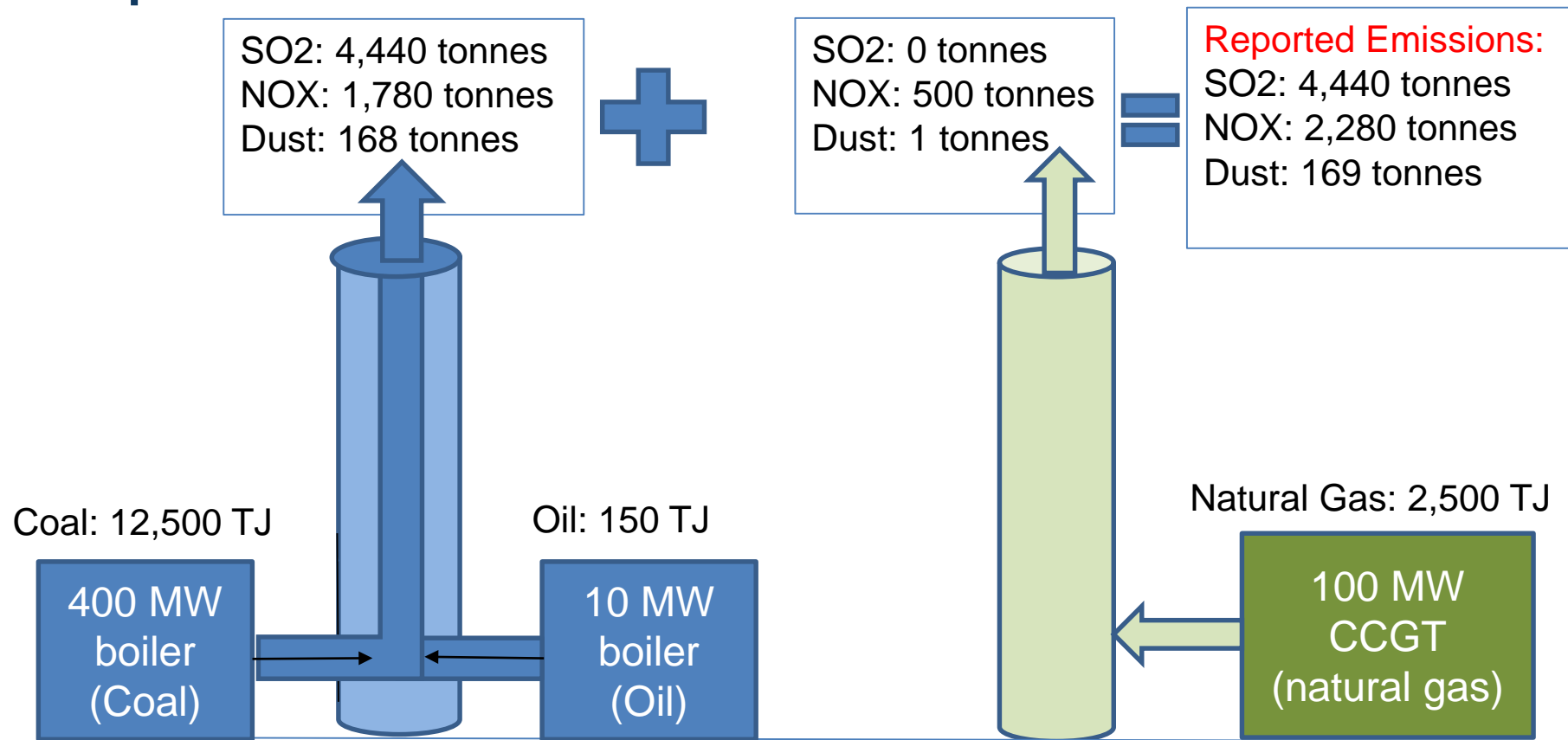
- Sulphur dioxide (Tonnes)
- Oxides of nitrogen (Tonnes)
- Dust (Tonnes)

Reporting Data on Pollutant Emissions

- Reported data typically based on measured emissions data from Automated Measurement Systems (AMS)
- N.B. Must not subtract measurement uncertainty from reported emissions
- LCP Directive requires that CEN standards are applied to measurements, including methods for calibration of AMS

Reporting Data on Emissions

Example: Total Plant Emissions

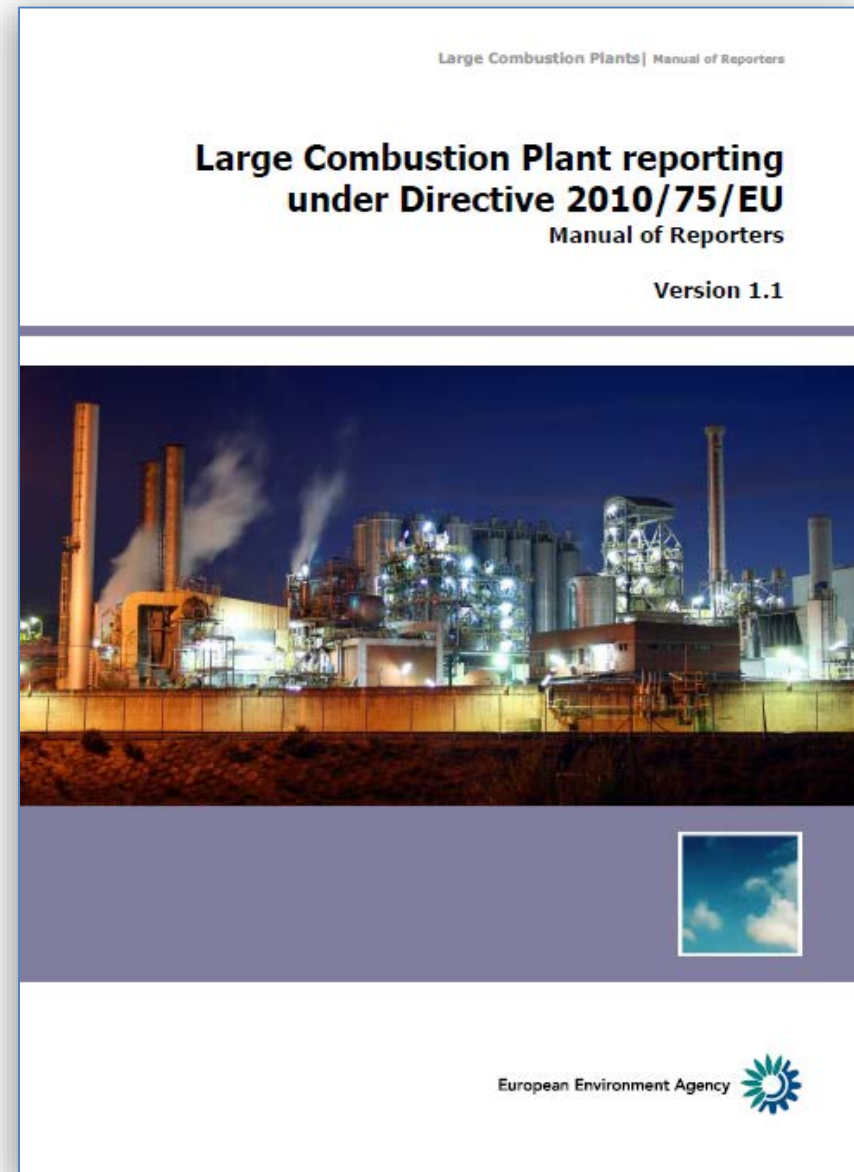


Other Information to be collected

- Location – Latitude and Longitude
- Reporting country and year
- Is the LCP part of a refinery?
- Details of competent authority
- Total number of reported plants
- Plant Name and address
- Unique plant identification code
- Derogations?

Reference materials

- CDR [help section](#)
- A yearly letter to reporters
- A Manual for Reporters



How to obtain credentials

- Official request from the country nominating reporter (email)
- Eionet account and appropriate permissions for the relevant data flow
- All correspondence automatically directed to nominated experts

Thank you !
Q&A

