

# OVERVIEW

## Air Pollution Impact Model for Electricity Supply **AIRPOLIM-ES**

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Ambition  
to  
Action

# Before we start...

Who we are and project context



## **NewClimate Institute:**

Germany-based research institute/ think tank active in international climate policy



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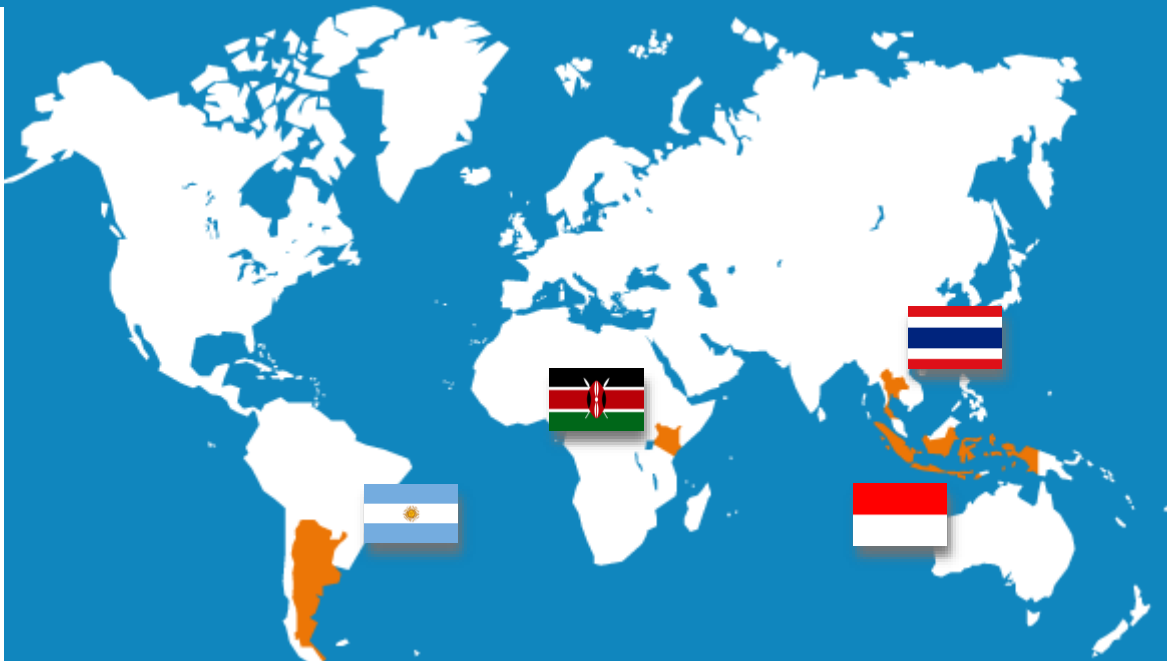
## **Ambition to Action:**

3-year project funded under the German International Climate Initiative (IKI) implemented by NewClimate Institute and ECN, part of TNO



## **Objectives:**

Support and accelerate further development and implementation of NDCs in four partner countries

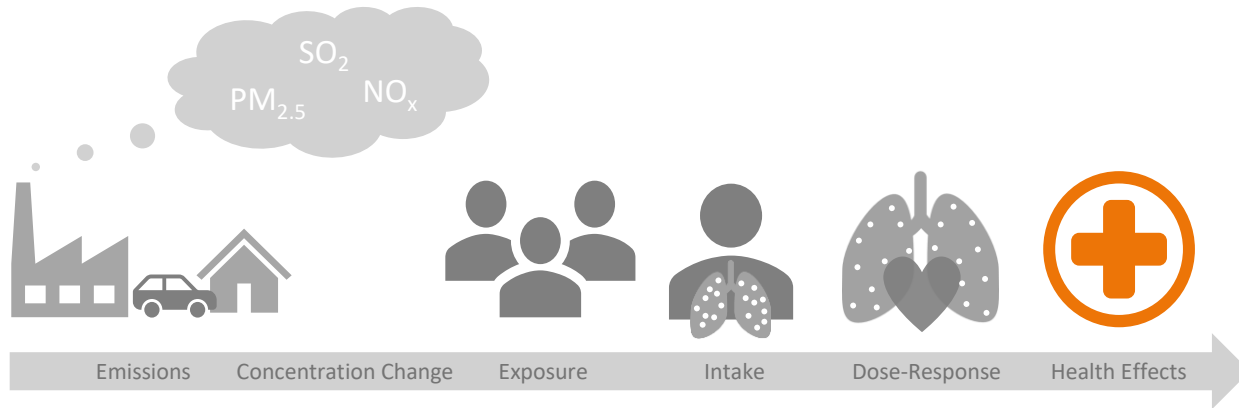


# MEASURING THE HEALTHS IMPACTS OF AIR POLLUTION

Methodology and data inputs

# Introduction

From air pollutants to health effects



# Sources of air pollutants

Energy and air pollution

## Non-energy

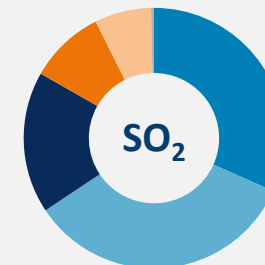
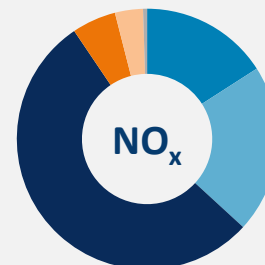
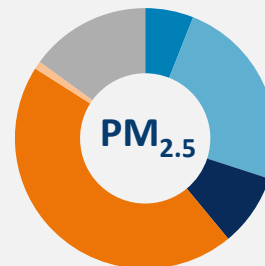
Agriculture; solvents;  
and waste

## Fuel supply

Extraction, storage,  
transport, and  
transformation of fossil  
fuels

## Buildings

Cooking, heating, and  
lighting



## Power

Combustion of coal,  
oil, gas, bioenergy,  
and waste

## Industry

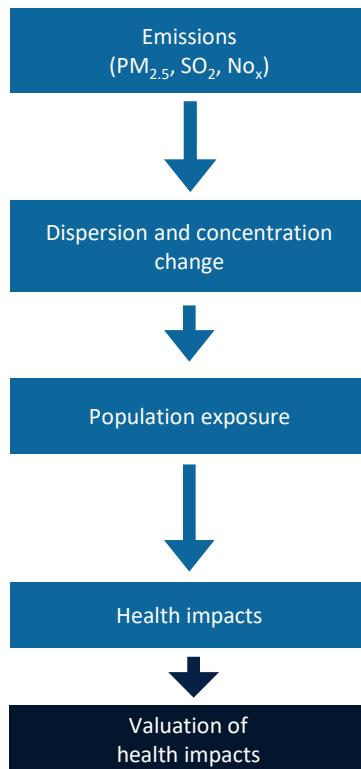
Fuel combustion;  
process emissions

## Transport

Exhaust fumes; brake,  
tyre and road wear;  
and fuel evaporation

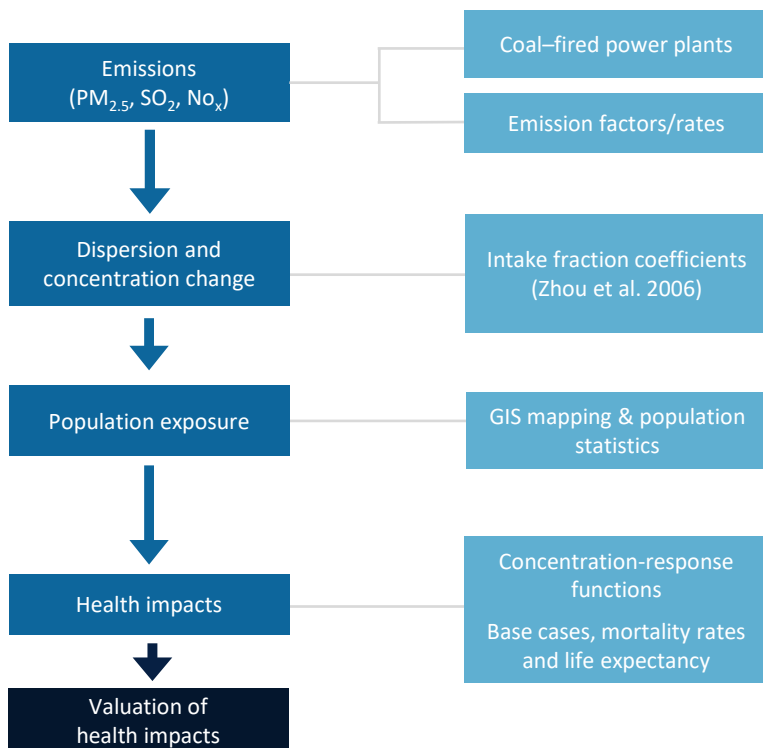
# Impact Pathway Approach

Methodological framework



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## Methodological framework



$$\text{Intake Fraction} = \frac{\sum_i^N P_i \times \Delta C_i \times BR}{Q}$$

$i$  = location  
 $P_i$  = population at this location  
 $\Delta C_i$  = change in the concentration of PM<sub>2.5</sub> caused by emissions from specific source  
 $BR$  = population average breathing rate  
 $Q$  = total emission rate of the pollutant

### Zhou et al. 2006 coefficients

Intake fraction coefficients for population residing within bands of 0–100 km, 100–500 km, 500–1,000 km, and 1,000–3,300 km from emission source  
→ interpretation of coefficients: if population increases by 1 million, the intake fraction increases by  $x$

*(Zhou et al. methodology: Step 1: Estimation of intake fractions through dispersion modelling for 29 Chinese coal power plants and population mapping; Step 2: Regression with estimated intake fraction as dependent and population within distance bands as independent variable)*

Widely used approach, e.g. in the following studies: [IMF \(2014\) Getting Energy Prices Right](#), [Greenpeace International \(2014\) South Africa Study](#), [Cropper et al. \(2012\) The Health Effects of Coal Electricity Generation in India](#)

# Key data inputs required in the model



## Plant data

- Lifetime
- Installed capacity
- Capacity factor
- Heat rate (efficiency)
- Emissions control
- Location



## Population mapping

- Gridded population data
- GIS Mapping



## Population data

- Country-specific mortality rates
- Share of population per age category
- Life expectancy at specific age
- Population growth estimates



# Input data

Inside the Excel tool

## Plant data

Source: Global Coal Plant Tracker (2020), WorldPop, GIS mapping results

Count of plants / units

10 Enter "1" if power plant should be included in analysis, "0" if not

Enter the start year for calculations

WorldPopYear  
2020

If start date unknown selects date based on status

Enter average lifetime below, if phase-out date is unknown assume:

40  
AveragePlant  
Lifetime

Enter "Average" if not known

Plant	Plant ID	Scenario	Include in analysis	Fuel	Type	Country	Status	Capacity	Actual start of operations	Actual end of operations	Start of operations	End of operations	Remaining lifetime	Heat rate	Emissions control	PM2.5 emissions factor	NOx emissions factor	SO2 emissions factor	CO2 emissions factor	Latitude	Longitude	Plant efficiency
								MW	date	date	date	date	years	Btu/KWh	text	t/GWh-yr	t/GWh-yr	t/GWh-yr	t/GWh-yr	degrees (°)	degrees (°)	%
Adaro Aluminum Smelter power station	IDN1	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	8605	Average	default	default	default	default	2.5280	117.8580	40%
Adaro East Kalimantan power station Unit 1	IDN2	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	9466	Average	default	default	default	default	0.1000	116.4000	36%
Adaro East Kalimantan power station Unit 2	IDN3	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	9466	Average	default	default	default	default	0.1000	116.4000	36%
Adipala power station Unit 1	IDN4	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	8409	Average	default	default	default	default	- 7.6859	109.1376	41%
Amamapare Port power station Unit 1	IDN5	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	12183	Average	default	default	default	default	- 4.8278	136.8391	28%
Amamapare Port power station Unit 2	IDN6	SimpleMW		1 Coal	Coal	Indonesia	operating	100.00	2020	2045	2020	2045	40	12183	Average	default	default	default	default	- 4.8278	136.8391	28%

## Population input

In-country:100km,100km,500km,500km,1000km,1000km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km,1000km,3300km

Unit	Country	Plant_ID	In-country				All countries				Population over 25 share	Exposed population over 25 million
			within 100 km radius		within 500 km radius		within 100 km radius		within 500 km radius			
			million	million	million	million	million	million	million	million		
Adaro Aluminum Smelter power station	Indonesia	IDN1	0.56	6.52	29.23	247.91	0.56	12.20	47.06	1,236.89	57%	163
Adaro East Kalimantan power station Unit 1	Indonesia	IDN2	0.61	14.04	59.11	210.46	0.61	14.32	67.69	1,026.04	57%	163
Adaro East Kalimantan power station Unit 2	Indonesia	IDN3	0.61	14.04	59.11	210.46	0.61	14.32	67.69	1,026.04	57%	163
Adipala power station Unit 1	Indonesia	IDN4	14.71	137.32	48.15	78.75	14.71	137.32	48.19	473.58	57%	160
Amamapare Port power station Unit 1	Indonesia	IDN5	0.68	5.16	3.15	129.76	0.68	5.16	6.05	253.75	57%	79
Amamapare Port power station Unit 2	Indonesia	IDN6	0.68	5.16	3.15	129.76	0.68	5.16	6.05	253.75	57%	79

# Data Sources: Plant data



## Plant data

Lifetime

Installed capacity

Capacity factor

Heat rate (efficiency)

Emissions control

Location

Using individual  
data or the  
Global Coal  
Plant Tracker  
data base



**GLOBAL COAL PLANT TRACKER**

Using individual  
data or country-  
specific  
emission  
factors (GAINS)



**GAINS Online**

Greenhouse Gas - Air Pollution Interactions and Synergies

# Data sources: Population mapping



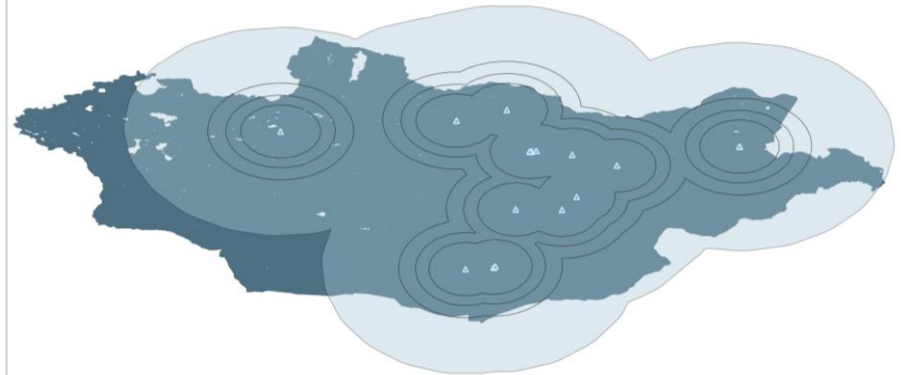
## Population mapping

Gridded population data  
GIS Mapping

Open source  
population data  
set and GIS  
software



GIS mapping  
visual results



# Data sources: Population data



## Population data

Country- and age-specific mortality rates

Share of population per age category

Life expectancy at specific age

Population growth estimates



# AIR POLLUTION HEALTH IMPACT INDICATORS

Illustrative results



## Emissions

Annual and lifetime emissions  
for:

- $PM_{2.5}$
- $NO_x$
- $SO_2$



## Health Impacts

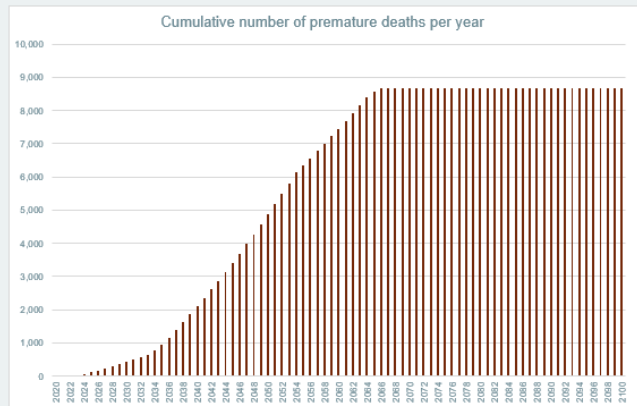
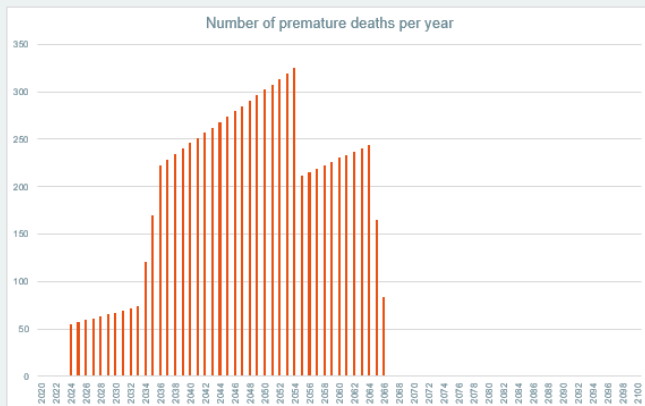
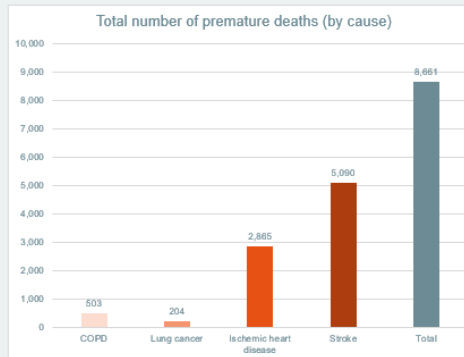
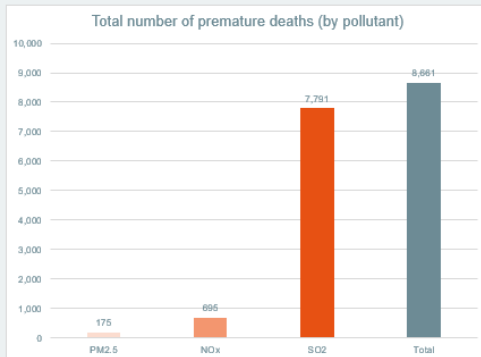
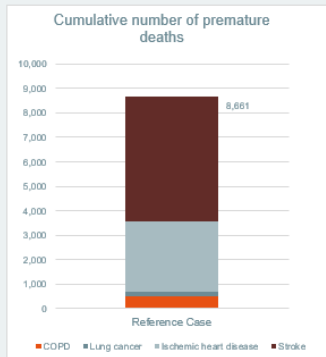
Annual and lifetime premature deaths and  
years of life lost for:

- *Lung cancer*
- *Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease*
- *Ischemic heart disease*
- *Stroke*



Available on plant, scenario and  
country level  
&  
restricted to country population or  
for all affected population

# Number of premature deaths



## Result Set-Up

Scenario

Choose scenario of interest

Reference Case

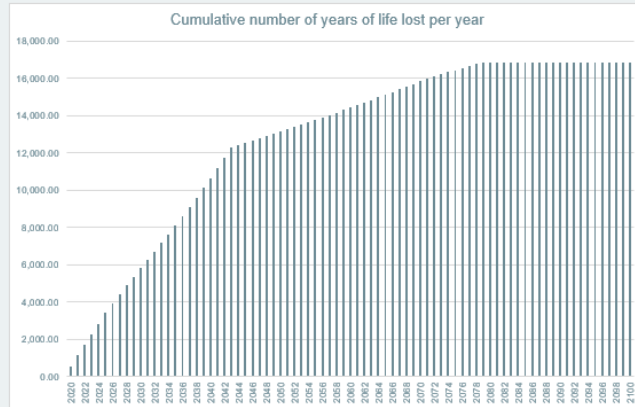
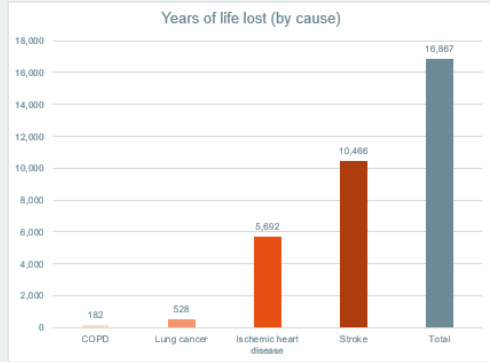
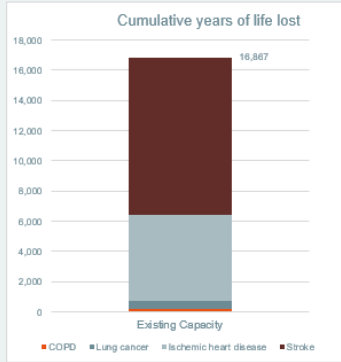
Population coverage

In-country

PopCoverage

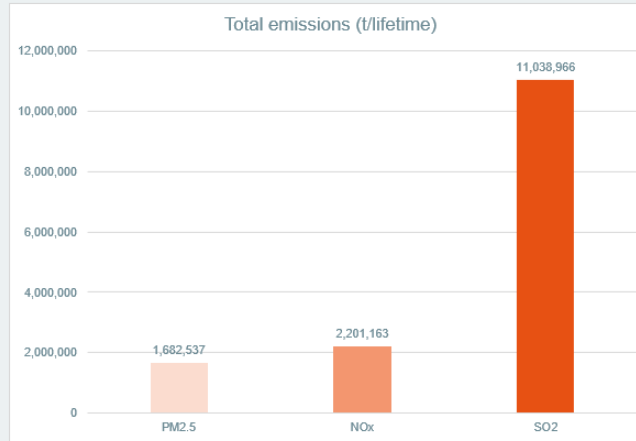
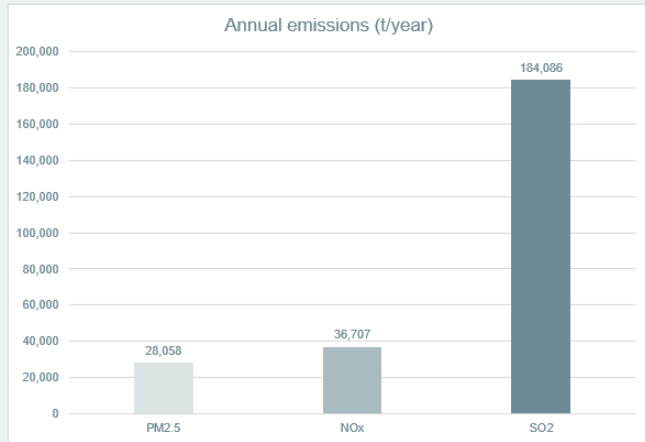
# Number of years of life lost

Illustrative results



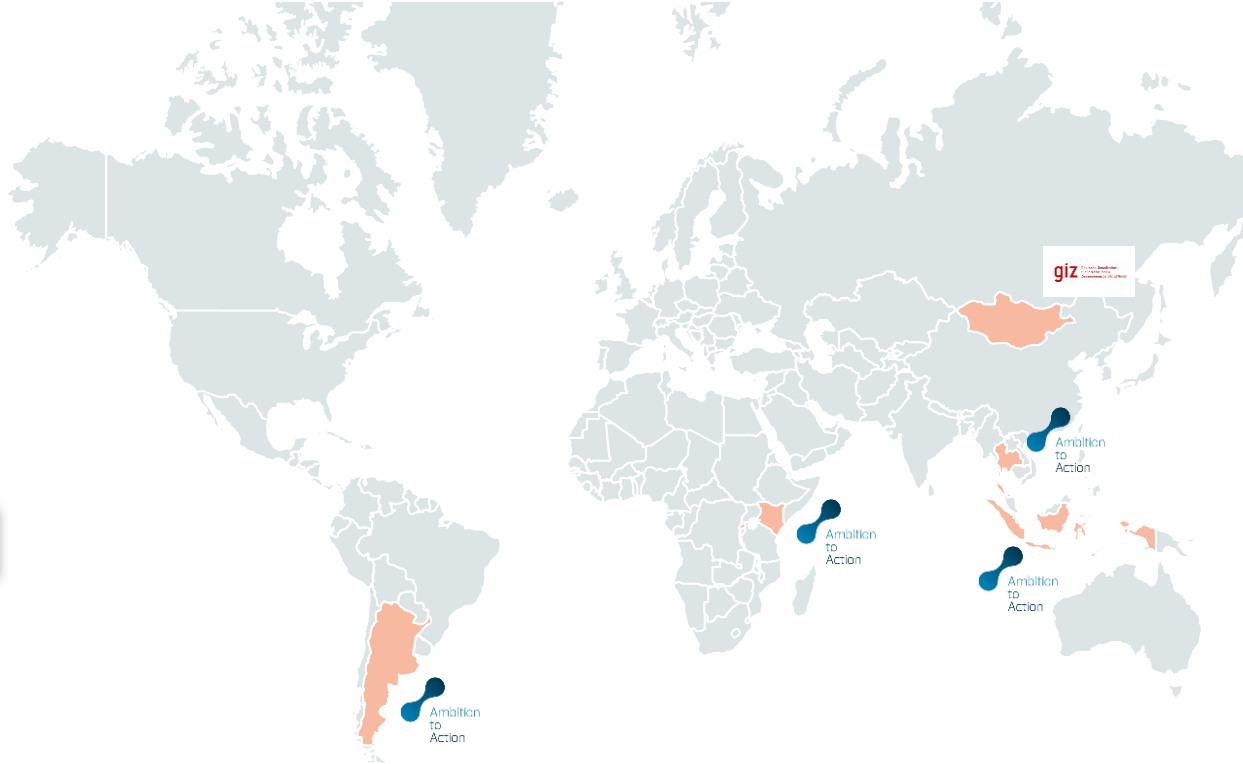


# Emissions



# APPLICATIONS OF AIRPOLIM-ES

# Published and ongoing application of AIRPOLIM-ES

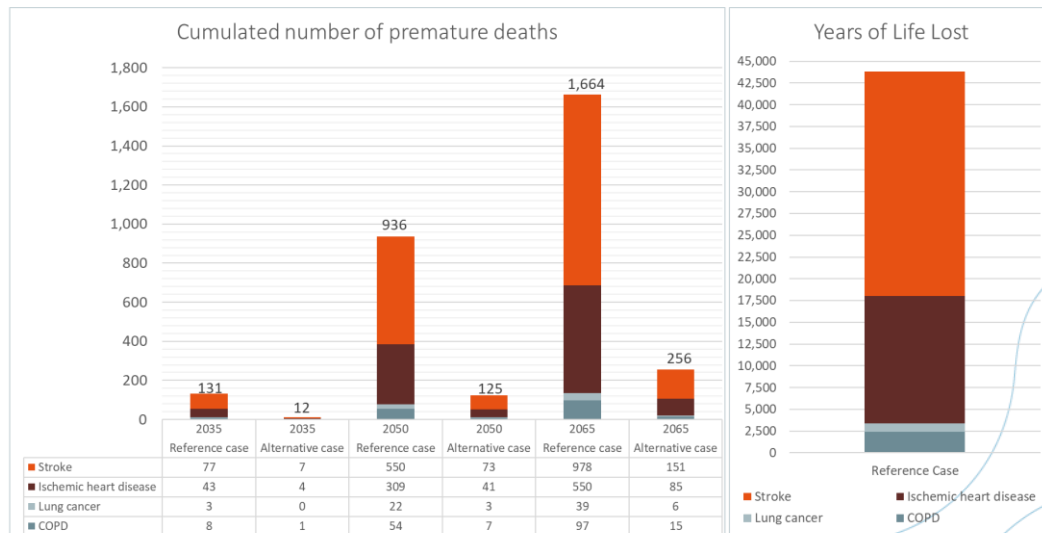
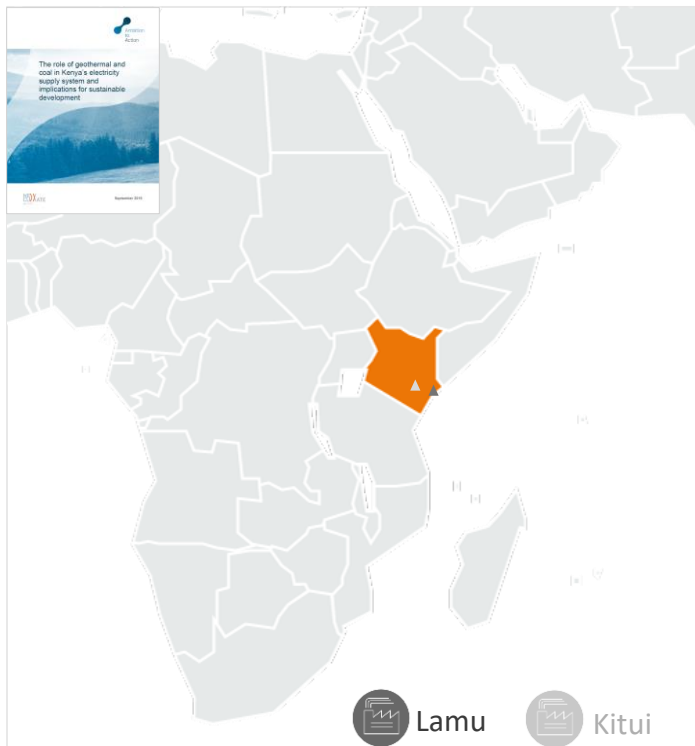


+ analysis of coal plants in 24 countries, covering 90% of global fleet

<https://newclimate.org/news/the-climate-and-health-double-dividend>

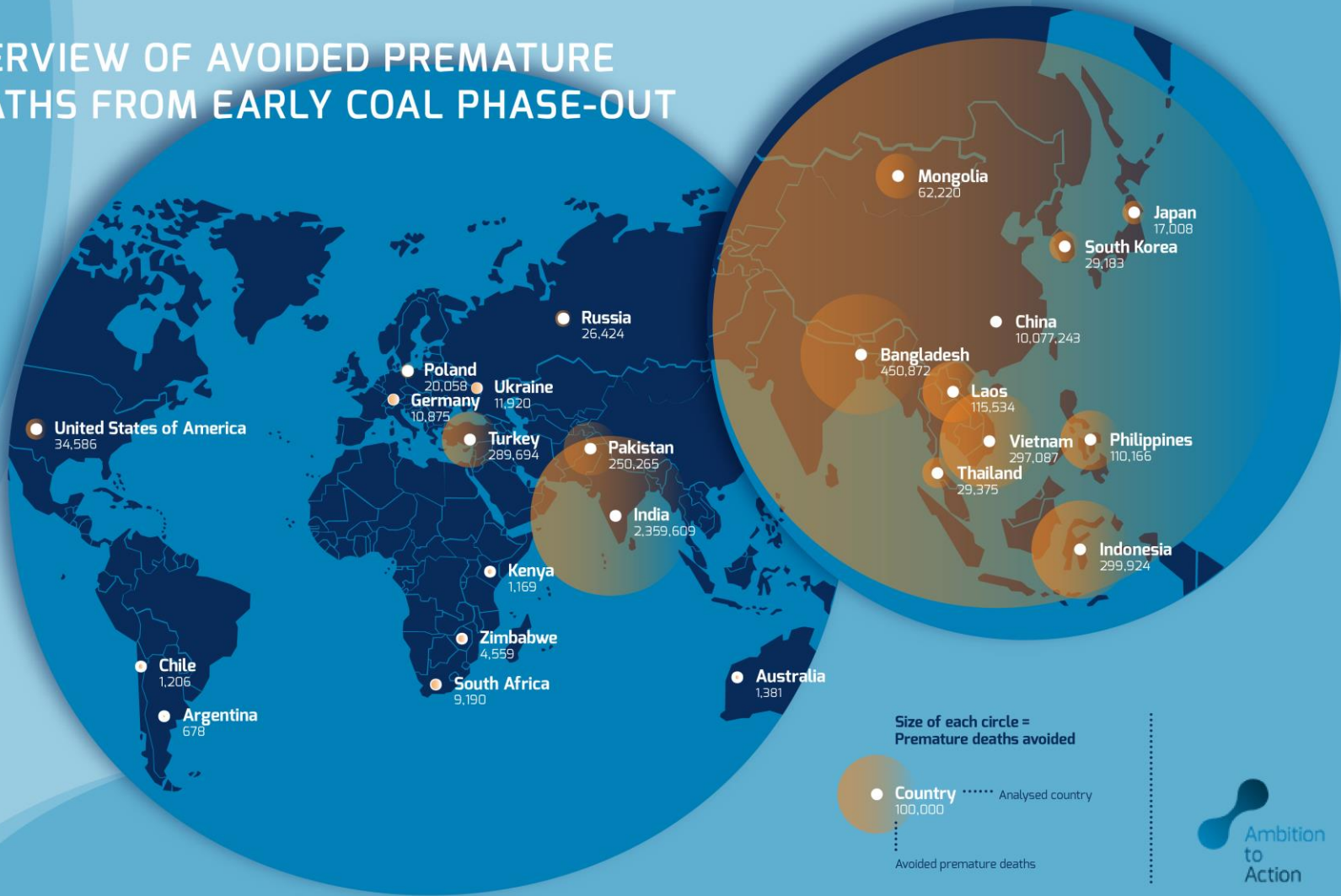
# Air pollution health impact assessment in Kenya

## Illustrative results



\* Reference case: Lamu power station: 981 MW (start: 2024), Kitui power station: 960 MW (start: 2034); Alternative case: Lamu power station: 450 MW (start: 2034); assumed lifetime of all coal-fired power plants is 30 years

# OVERVIEW OF AVOIDED PREMATURE DEATHS FROM EARLY COAL PHASE-OUT



# DISCUSSION

# Limitations and challenges

Considerations for the accuracy and interpretation of results



## ZHOU ET AL. (2006) COEFFICIENTS

**Limitations:** Not taking into account stack height, meteorological conditions and other location specific factors

## EMISSION FACTORS

**Limitations:** Only provide approximate emission estimations, however plant-specific factors can be entered if available

## LINEAR CONCENTRATION RESPONSE FUNCTIONS FROM GLOBAL BURDEN OF DISEASE STUDY

**Limitations:** Concentration response functions are assumed to be linear in a way that health effects are independent from the initial level of pollution. This is a simplified approach used in many other studies.

## HEALTH IMPACT ESTIMATES FOR POPULATION OUTSIDE OF ANALYSIS COUNTRY

**Limitations:** Those estimates do not take into account country-specific characteristics (including population growth, mortality rates and age shares) but assume those of the country where the power plant is located.



## GIS KNOWLEDGE

Estimating population exposure requires at least basic knowledge of geographic information system software

## EXCEL KNOWLEDGE

Using the model requires intermediate Excel knowledge / experience

# QUESTIONS / COMMENTS / FEEDBACK

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