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Welcome and Introduction – WG7

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Background - WG7

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Activities in 2023

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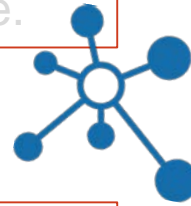
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Technical Meeting programme

The New Composite Mapping for Emissions

Functionalities:

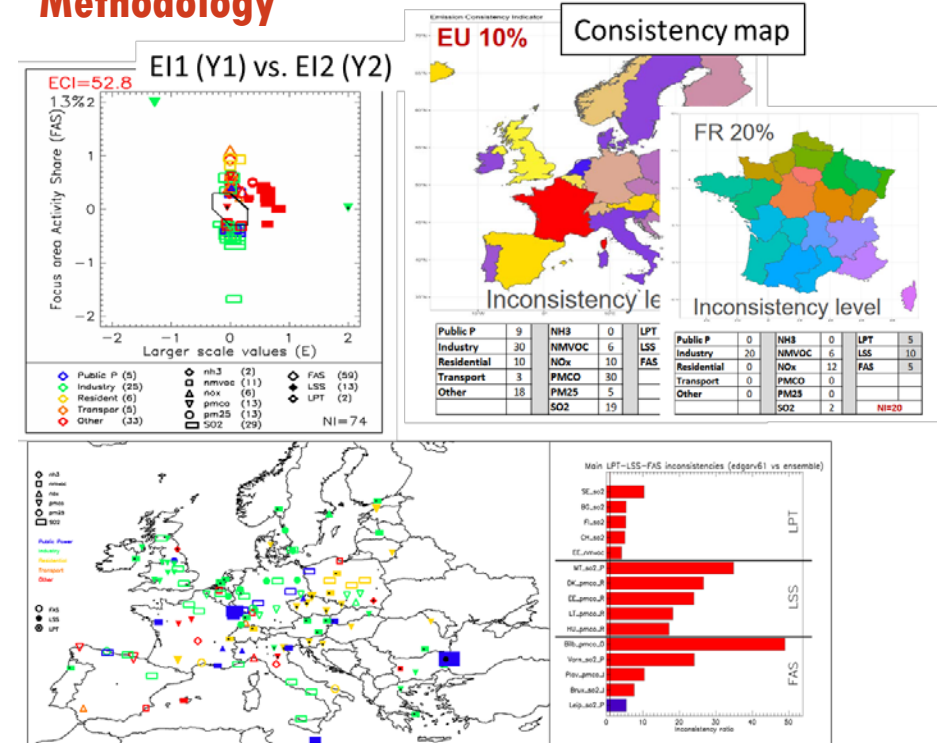
i) Dashboard:

EU wide emission inventories, EMEP, CAMS-REG, EDGAR;

ii) Aggregated emission composite mapping:

emission evaluation for assessment purposes

Methodology



PROGRAMME

- Welcome and Introduction to WG7 session (Susana Lopez-Aparicio)
- Methodology behind benchmarking of emissions (Marc Guevara)
- Emission composite mapping – Status and way forward (Susana Lopez-Aparicio)



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Methodology behind benchmarking of emissions

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The screening method

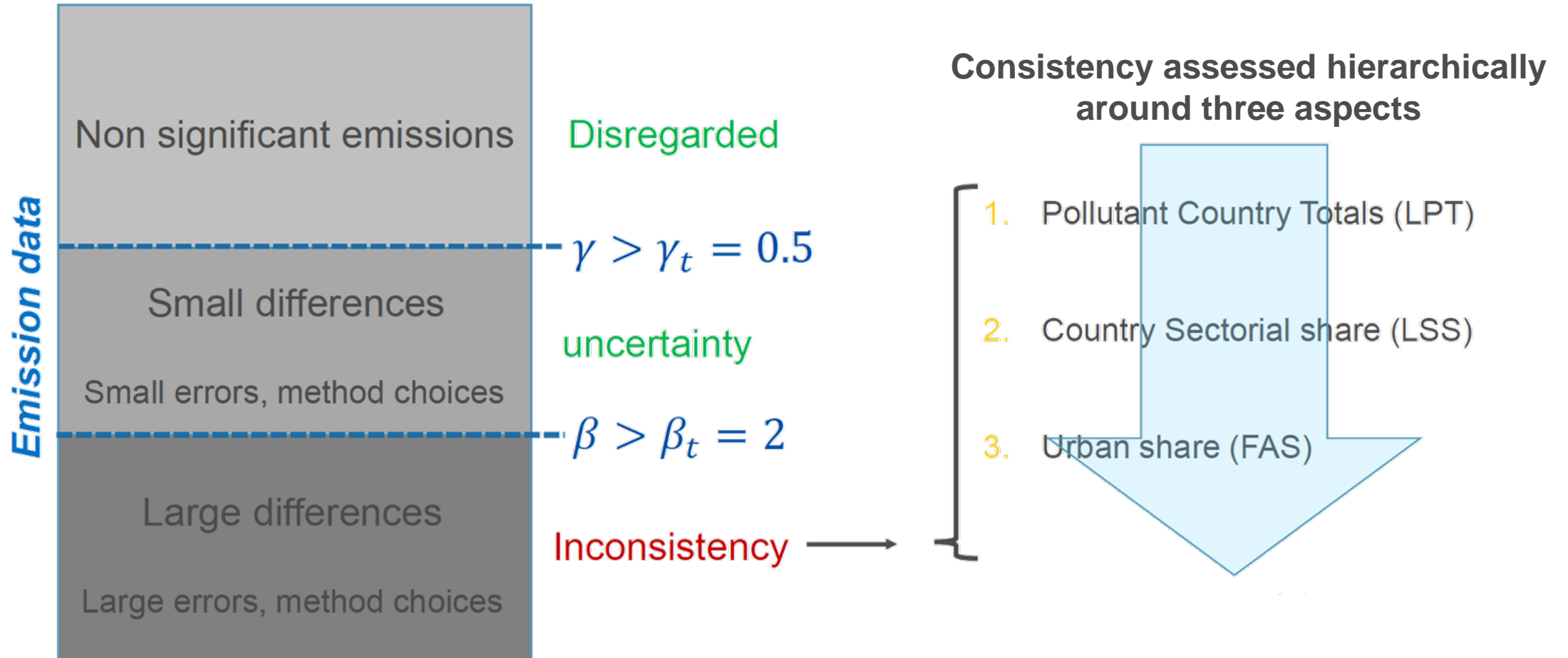
The approach intends to answer the following questions:

- Are there inconsistencies in total pollutant emissions at the country/region level?
- Are there inconsistencies in the sectoral contributions to the total emissions at the country/region level?
- Are there inconsistencies in the spatial distribution of emissions across urban areas (NUTS3 / FUA)?

Inconsistencies are assessed per pollutant, sector and urban area (NUTS3/FUA)

The screening method

Detection of **relevant** inconsistencies



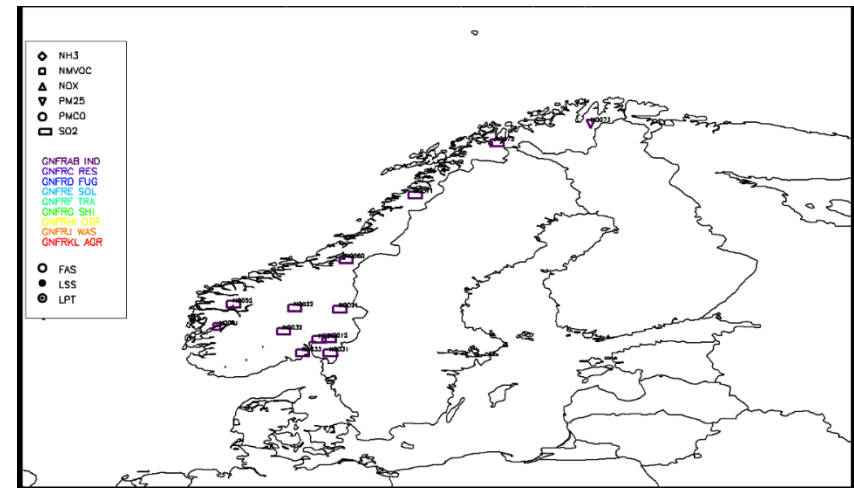
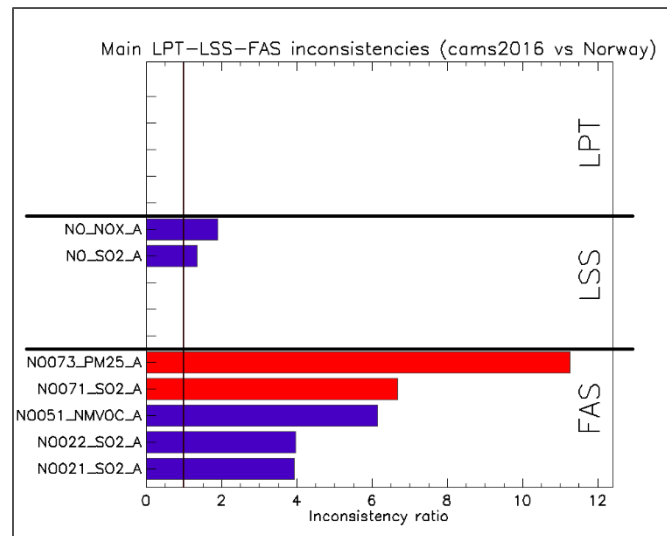
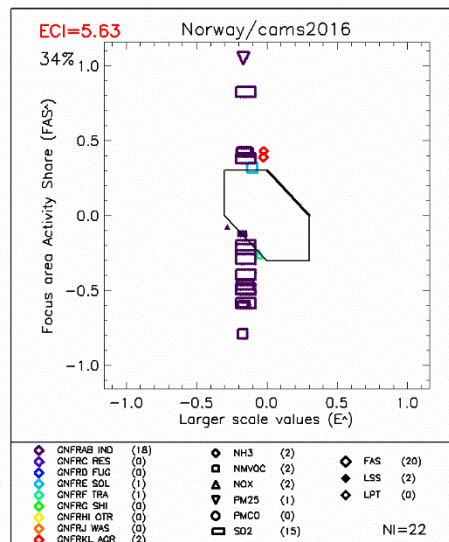
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- **Spatial coverage:** Country/Region/Model domain
- **Focus areas:** NUTS3/FUA (only aggregated – non gridded – emissions are needed)
- **Sectors:** Traffic (GNFR F), commercial and residential (GNFR C), agriculture (GNFR K + L), industry (GNFR A + B), shipping (GNFR G), Solvents (GNFR E), Fugitive (GNFR D), Off-road (GNFR I + H), Waste (GNFR J)
- **Pollutants:** SO₂, NH₃, PM_{2.5}, PM_{CO}, NO_x, NMVOC
- **Regional emission inventory:** CAMS-REG-APv6.1 (year 2019) (EMEP, EDGAR, ens)
- **Default relevance threshold (γt) = 0.5**
- **Default inconsistency threshold (βt) = 2**

The screening method

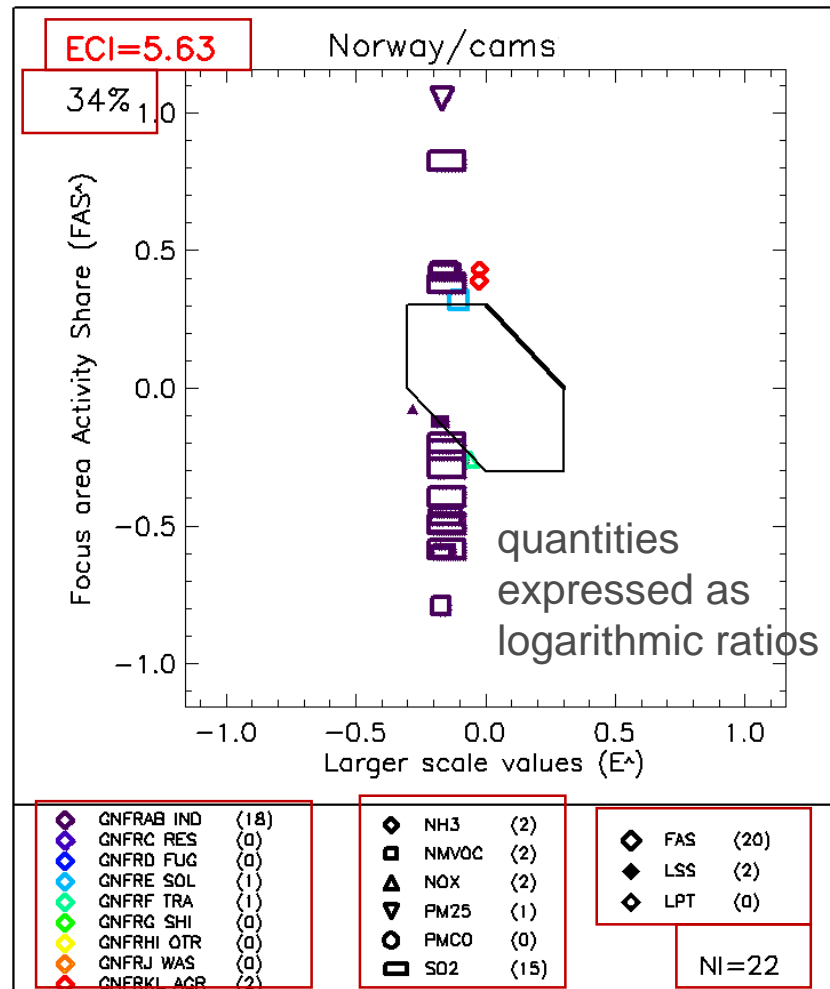
Inconsistencies represented using three graphical forms:

- Overview diamond diagram (all inconsistencies considered)
- Bar chart (only largest inconsistencies shown)
- Overview map (only spatial inconsistencies shown)



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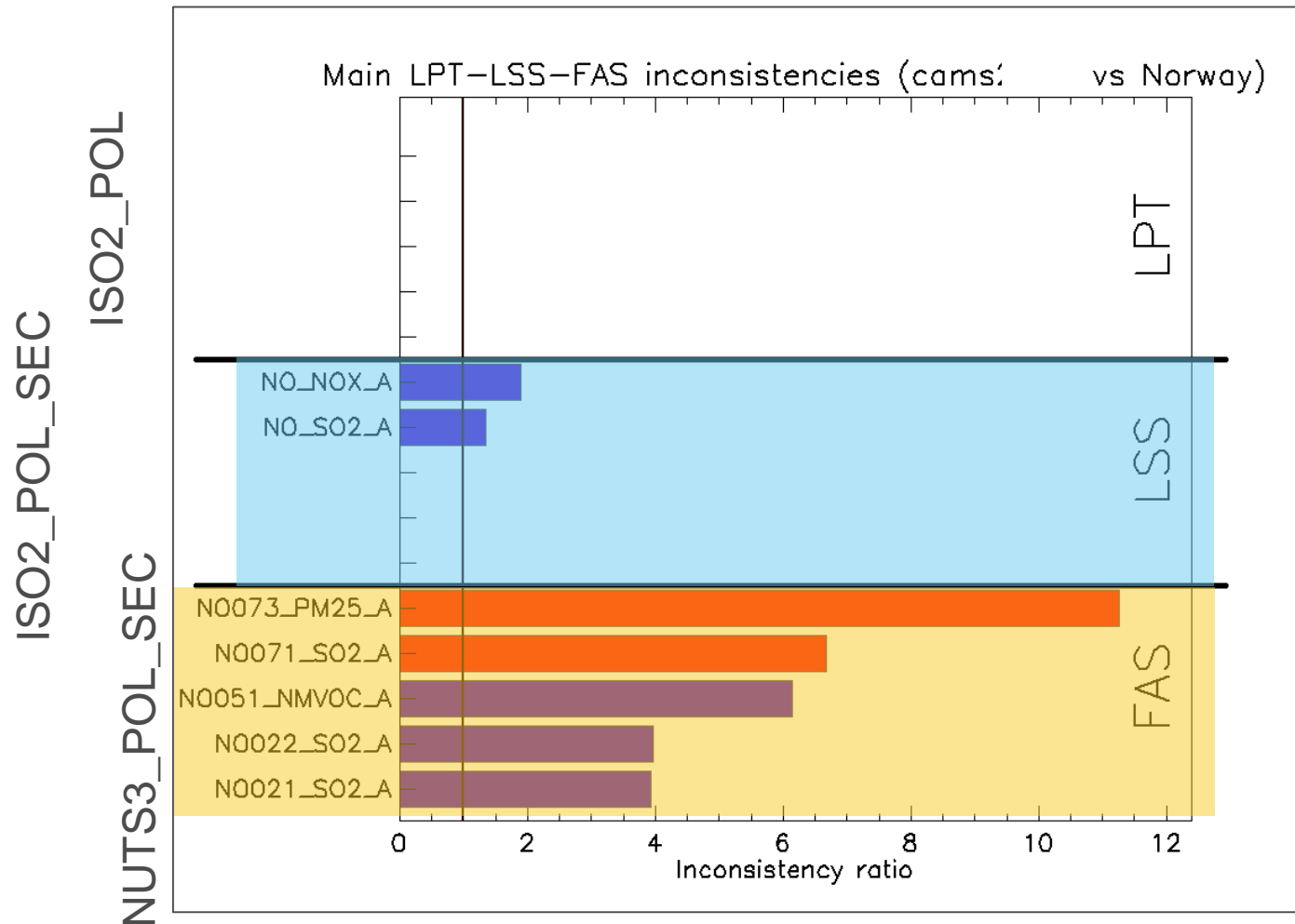
Overview diamond diagram



- Number of Inconsistencies (NI) = 22 (34%)
 - FAS = 20 = N^o of inconsistencies for urban share
 - LSS = 2 = N^o of inconsistencies for country sectoral share
 - LPT = 0 = N^o of inconsistencies for country totals
- 18 inconsistencies from GNFR A+B (industry)
- 15 inconsistencies from SO2
- Emission Consistency Indicator (ECI) = 5.63: Inconsistencies are up to 5.63 times the assumed level of uncertainty (factor of 2 by default)
- Colours to identify sector, shape to identify pollutant and filling to identify cause of inconsistency and size the magnitude of the inconsistency

The screening method

Bar chart



Identify the top 5 inconsistency ratios for each of the three targeted aspects:

- LPT (country pollutant total)
- LSS (country sectorial share)
- FAS (spatialisation)

Red shading indicates an **overestimation** and **blue shading** an **underestimation** of the local emission inventory with respect to the regional inventory

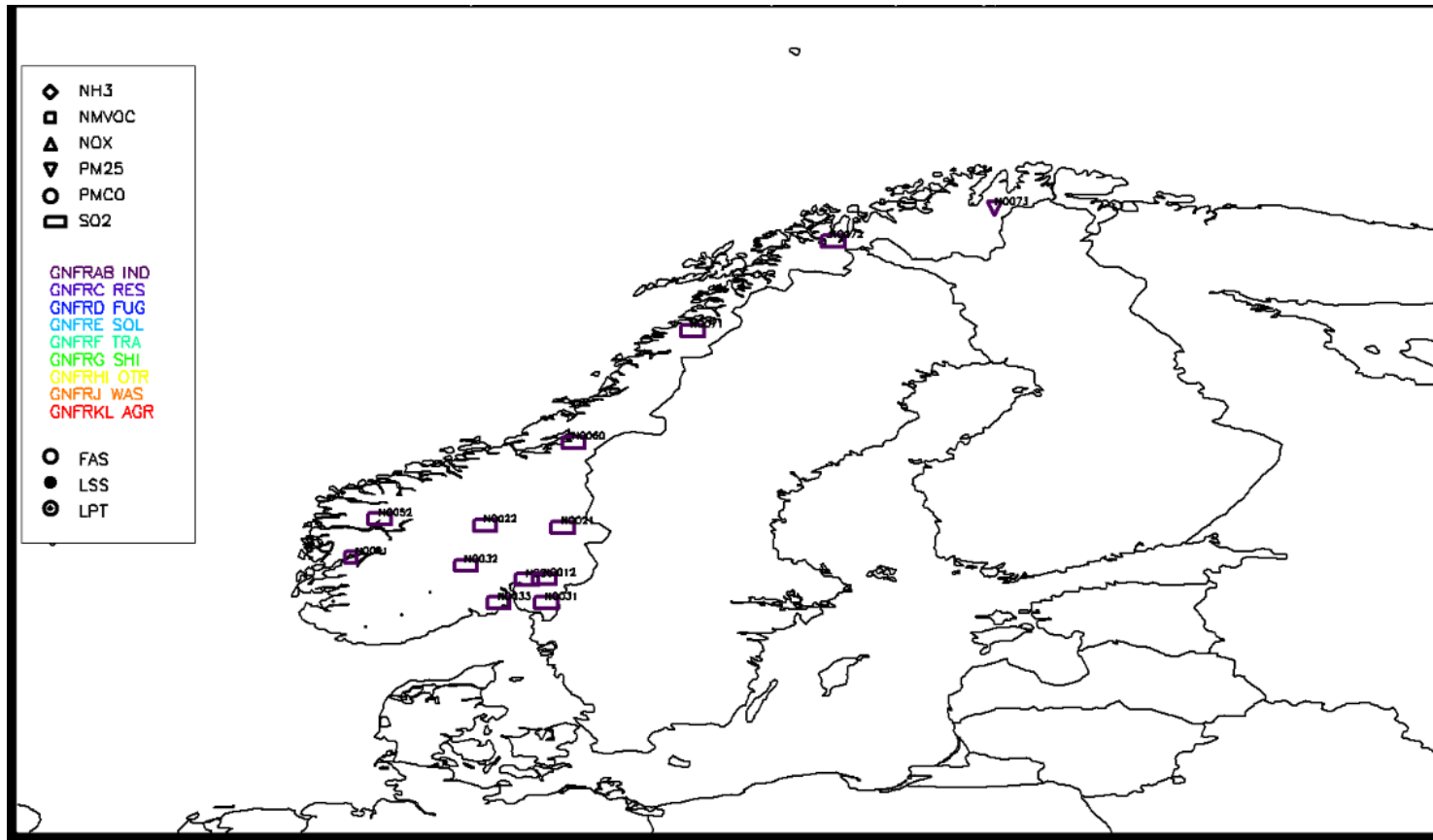
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SO₂ / PM_{2.5}: check spatial allocation in several NUTS3 for GNFR A + B (industry)

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Overview map

Identify the most important **spatial** inconsistency for each NUTS3/FUA



- size is proportional to the magnitude of the inconsistency
- symbol shapes, colors, and filling remain similar to the overview diamond.

The screening method

More details and examples:

Thunis, P., Clappier, A., Pisoni, E., Bessagnet, B., Kuenen, J., Guevara, M., and Lopez-Aparicio, S.: A multi-pollutant and multi-sectorial approach to screening the consistency of emission inventories, *Geosci. Model Dev.*, 15, 5271–5286, <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-15-5271-2022>, 2022.

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Emission Composite Mapping –

Status and way forward

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Composite mapping of emissions



Aim: In addition to annual gridded concentration, we aim at assessing and comparing the underlying emissions to set up the basis for best-practices and recommendations for the compilation of emission inventories.



What it is needed: Annual emissions aggregated over pre-defined spatial areas (**non-gridded**):

→ NUTS3 that are covered by the modelling domain

→ predefined local areas; e.g., FUA (Functional Urban Area – a city and its commuting zone)



How: the screening methodology will follow Thunis et al. (2021) to flag main inconsistencies when compared with EU wide inventories.



Output: Having concentration and MQI as reference, identification of inconsistencies at i) pollutant; ii) sector; iii) type (national, sector share, spatial distribution) levels



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METADATA

Basic information	Inventory code (visualisation name)
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	Inventory version
	Reference year
	Country (main country covered)
	Area (sub-national area – optional)



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Some lessons learned

- **NUTS shapefiles** (2021 vs 2016);
- **Follow recommended guidelines**, e.g., naming convention.
 - PM₂₅: either written as PM₂₅, PM_{2.5}, PM_{2_5}
 - GNFR: sometimes inverted GNFR_{IJ} vs GNFR_{JI}.
- The number of columns in the file is not always correct.
- **Problems with the pre-processing programme** → Improving is an on-going process, if you experience problems, please report it.



The Composite mapping (CM) platform (emissions)

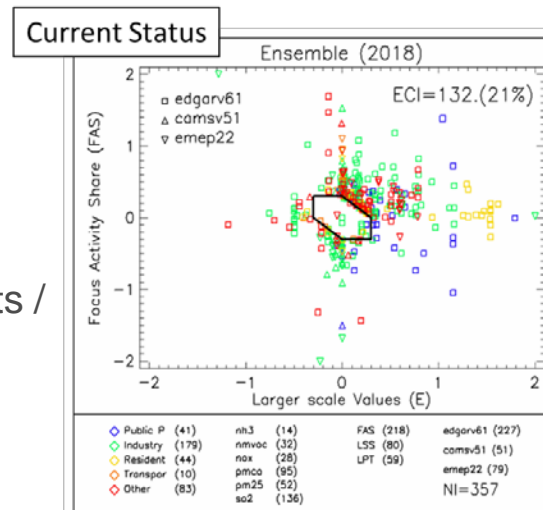
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i) DASHBOARD

1. Three main figures

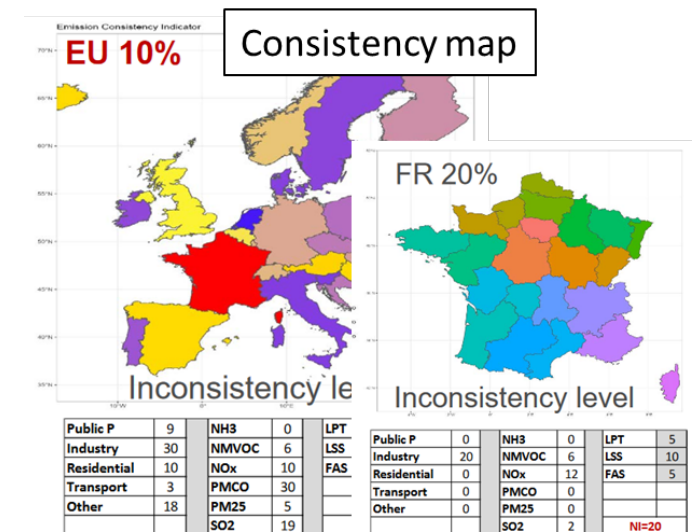
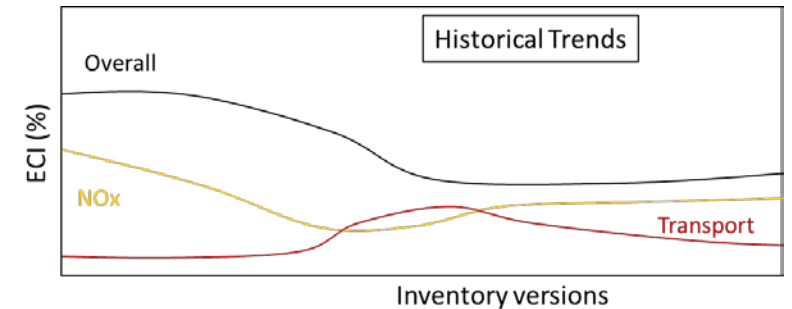
- a. current status based on latest version and **latest reporting year**. Includes details inconsistencies in terms of sectors / pollutants / type / inventory.
- b. Historical trends (for inconsistency levels)
- c. Consistency map

2. User-free comparison interface



NUTS3 / Urban

Zoom: EU / Country

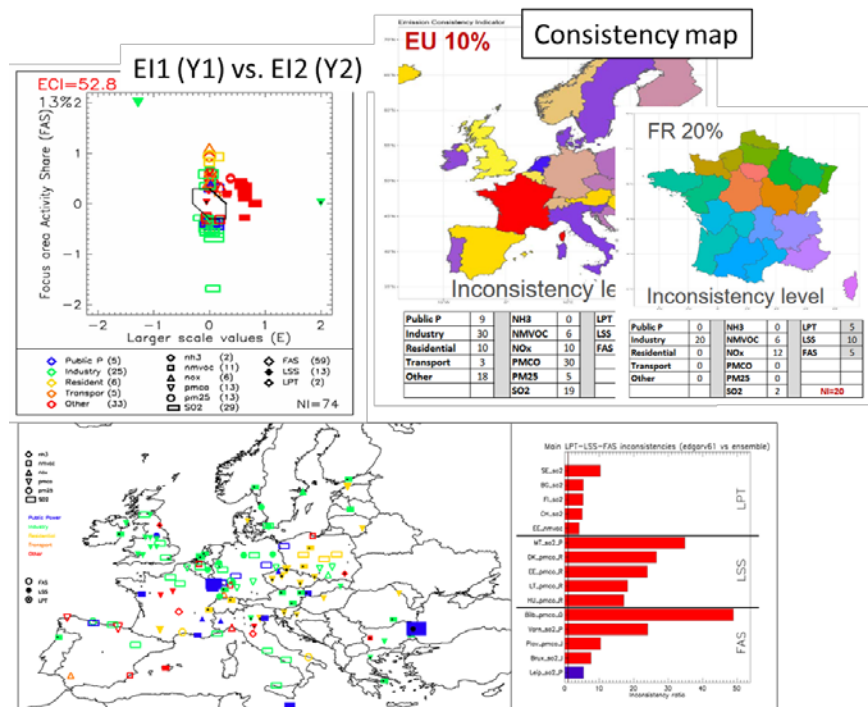




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i) DASHBOARD – User interphase



Sectors to visualize	Pollutants to visualize
Thresh. Relevance	Thresh. Inconsistency
NUTS3 / Urban	Zoom: EU / Country

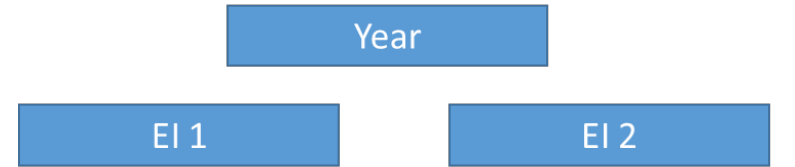
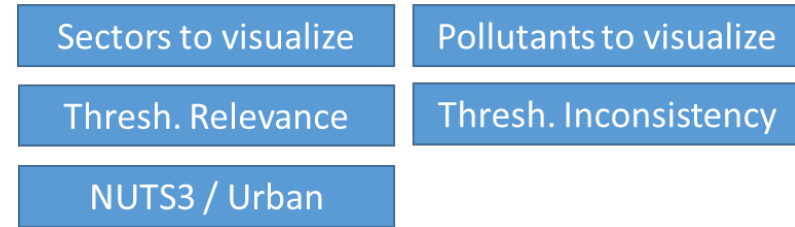
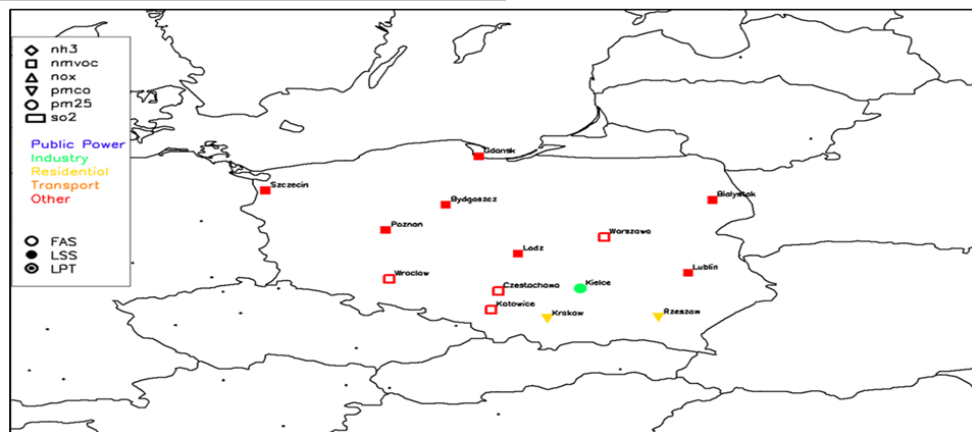
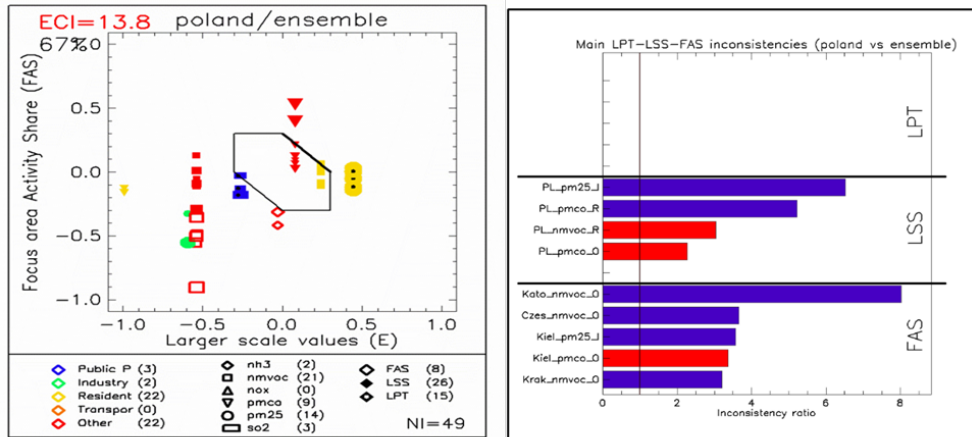
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EDGAR Y	EDGAR Y
...	...
ENS X	ENS X
ENS Y	ENS Y
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The Composite mapping (CM) platform (emissions)

ii) Aggregated emission composite mapping; benchmark local emission inventories with EU wide inventories to assess inconsistencies.



Country 1

- BU 1
- BU 2
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Country 2

- BU 1
- BU 2

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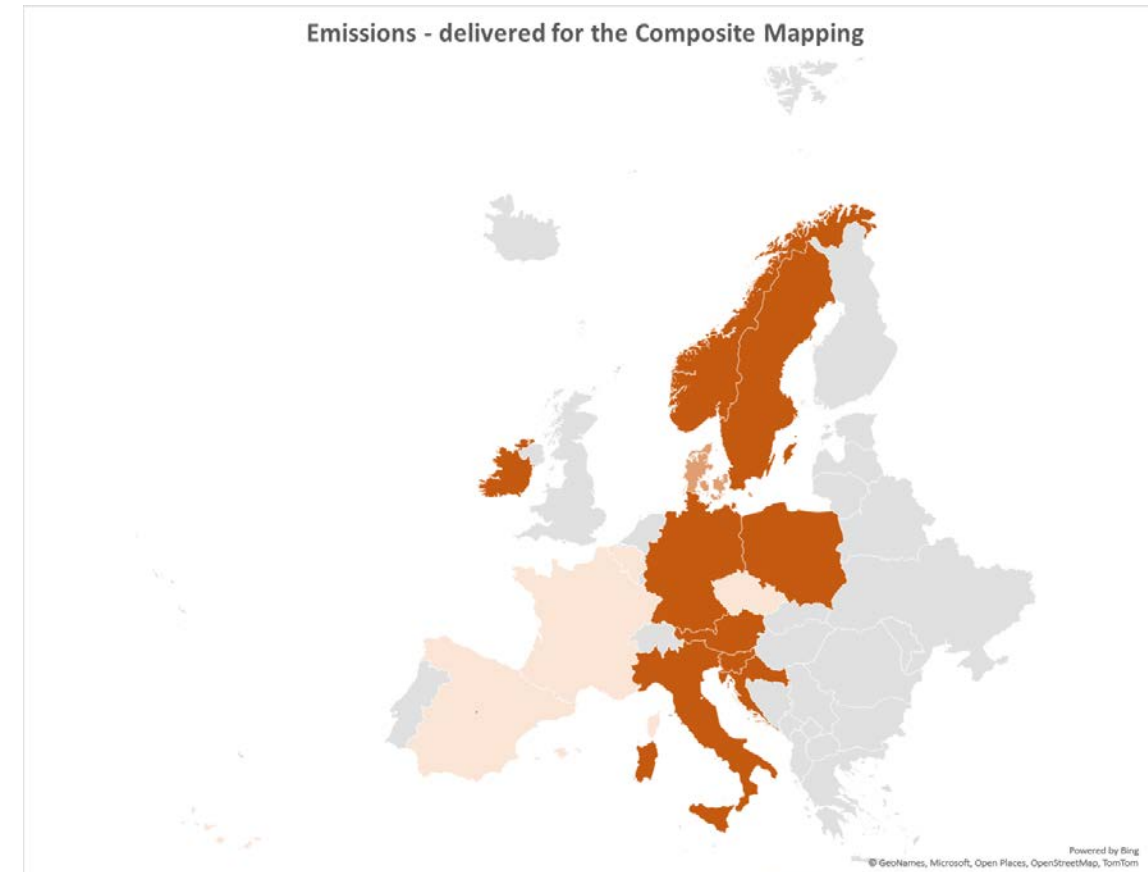
Launch – CM exercise

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- Kick off meeting on the new composite mapping (12/05)
- Contribution: Annual emissions aggregated over pre-defined spatial areas

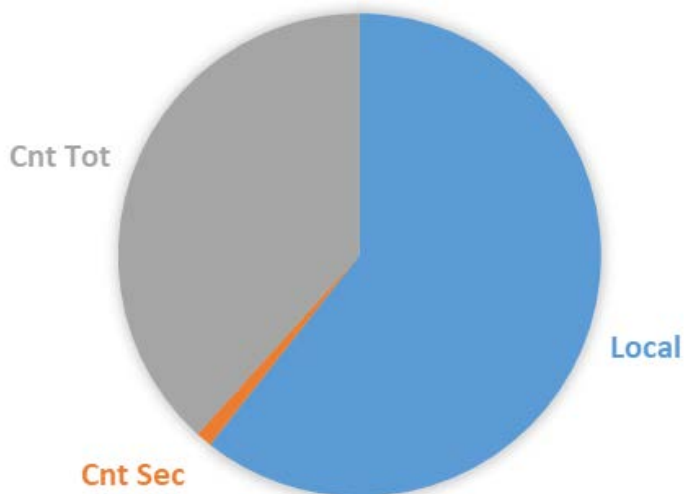
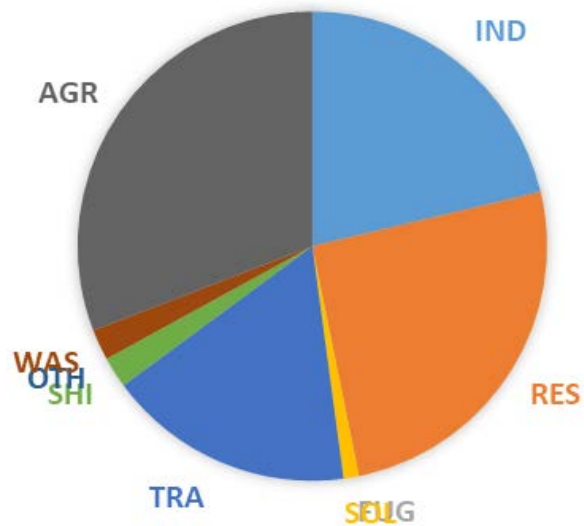
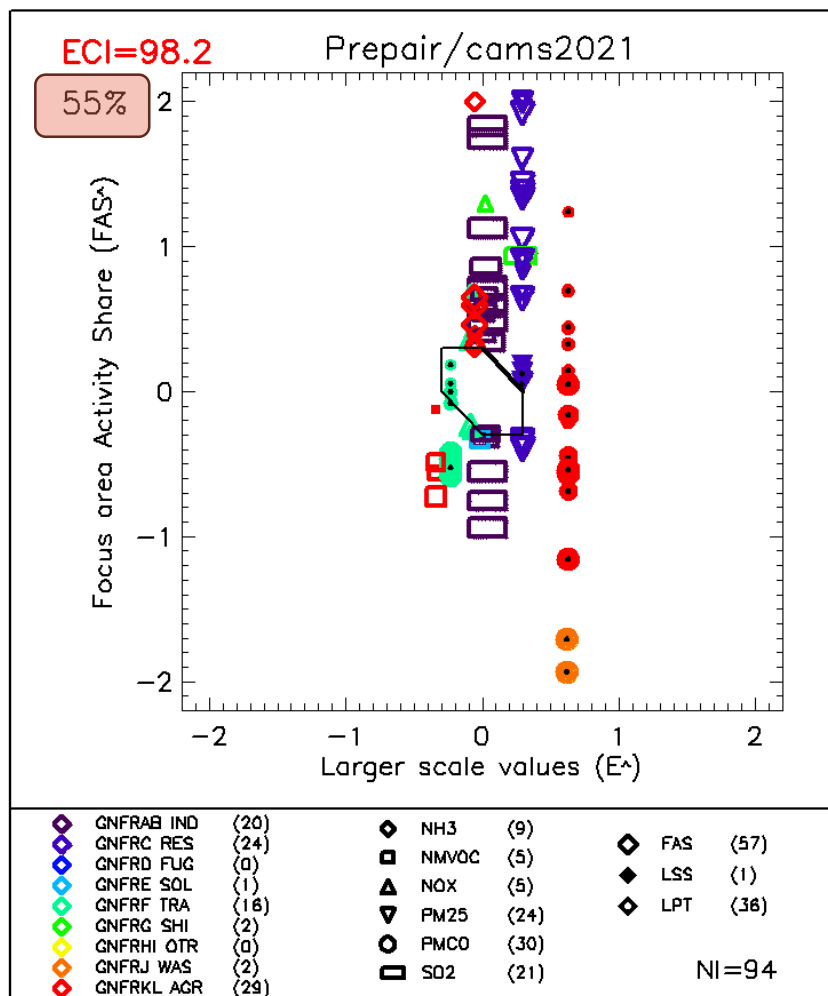
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■ Belgium	Frans Fierens		
■ Czech Republic	Nina Benesova		
■ Croatia	Milic Velimir		
■ Denmark	Matthias Ketzler		
■ France	Elsa Real		
■ Germany	Stephan Nordmann		
■ Republic of Ireland	Kate Johnson		
■ Italy	Antonio Piersanti		
■ Madrid	Rafael Borge		
■ Norway	Bruce Denby		
■ Norway	Susana Lopez-Aparicio		
■ Poland	Pawel Durka		
Po Valley, Italy	Michele Stortini		
■ Slovenia	Luka Matavz		
■ Spain	Mark Theobald		
■ Sweden	Helen Alpfjord		

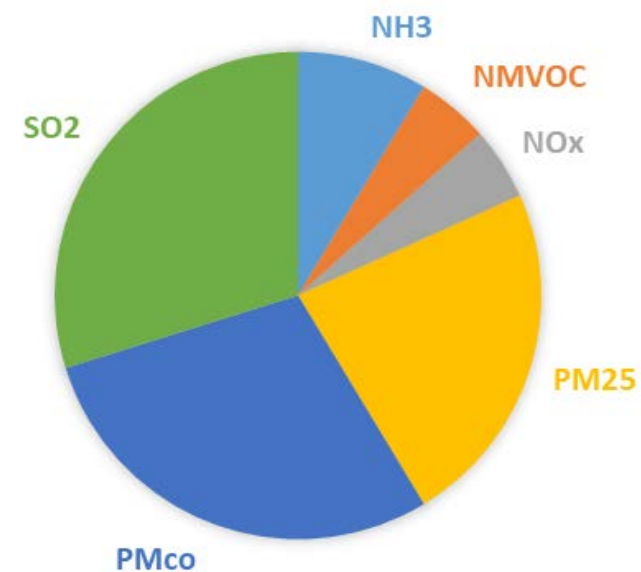




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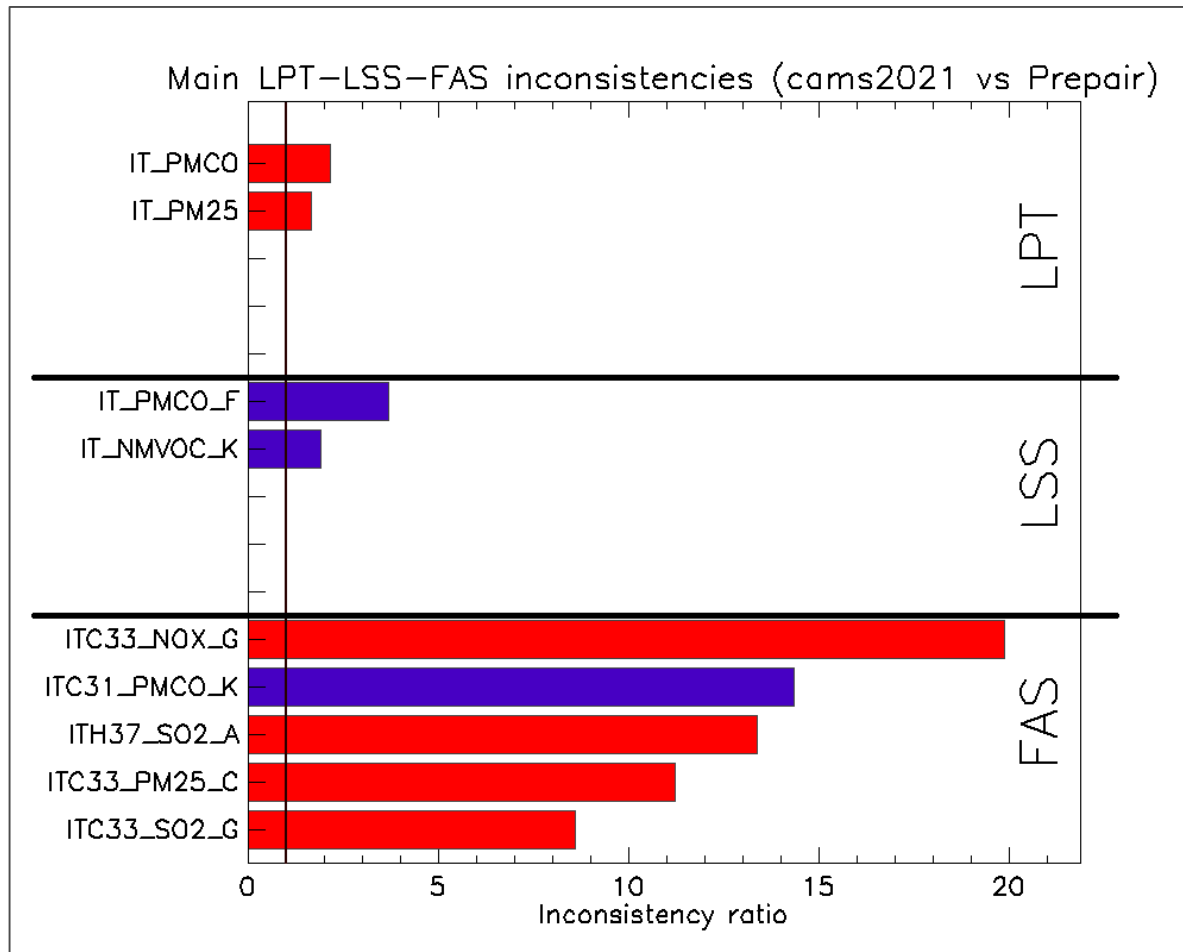
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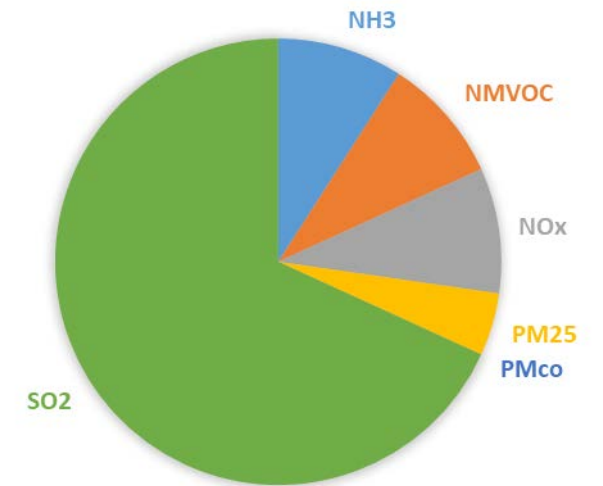
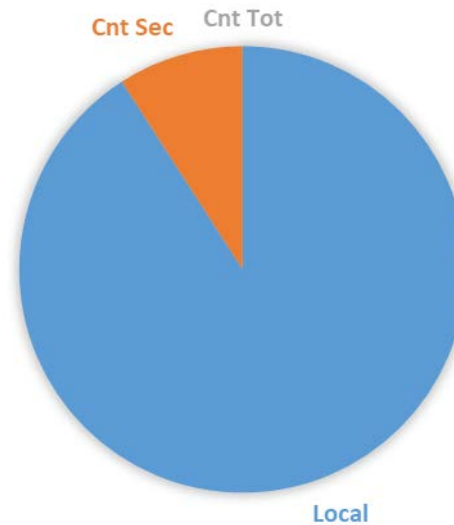
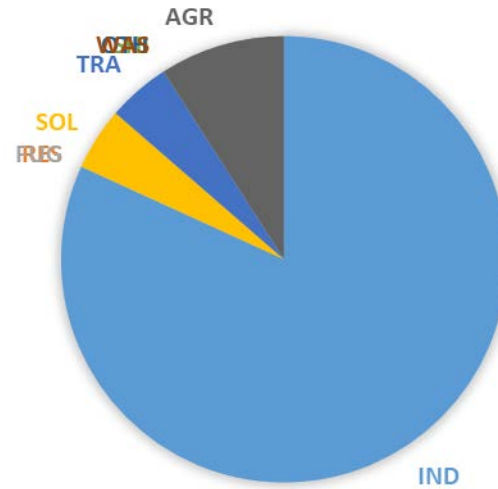
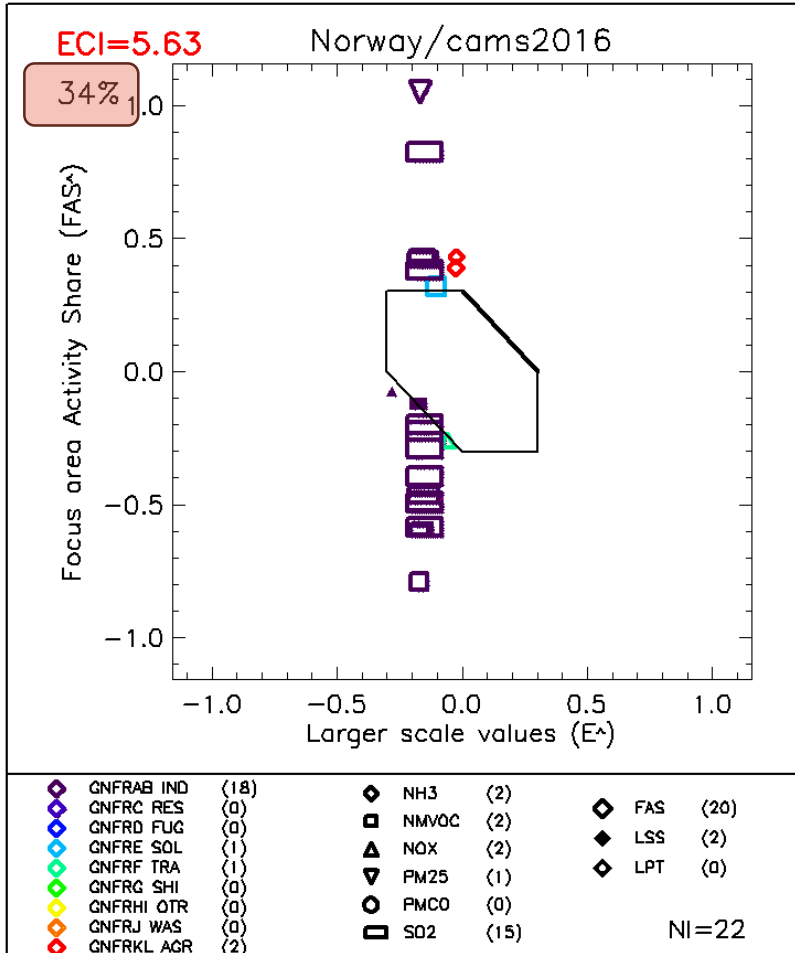
- **PMco and PM25:** Issue in overall total (fact 2 +)
- **PMco:** less emissions in **transport** at country level in local inv.
- **NMVOc:** less emissions in **agriculture** at country level in local inv.
- **SO2:** check spatial allocation in several NUTS for **industry** (up to fact 12)
- **PM2.5:** check spatial allocation in several NUTS for **residential** (up to fact 10)
- **Shipping:** spatial allocation issue in ITC33 (**NOx and SO2**) (up to fact 20)
- **NH3:** check spatial allocation in several NUTS for **agriculture**





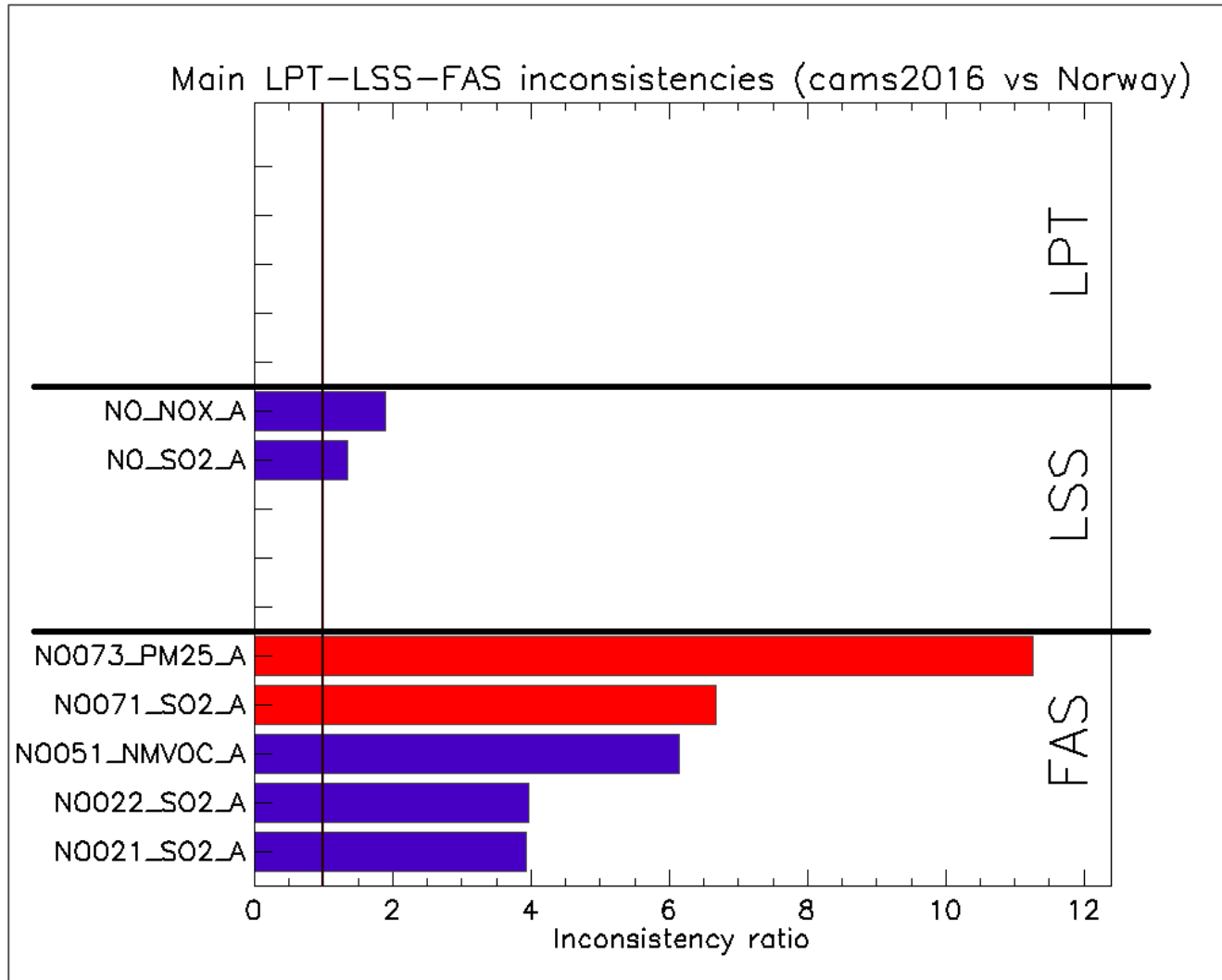
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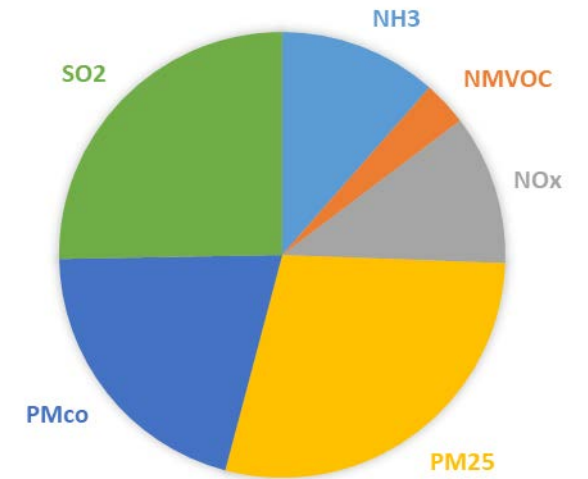
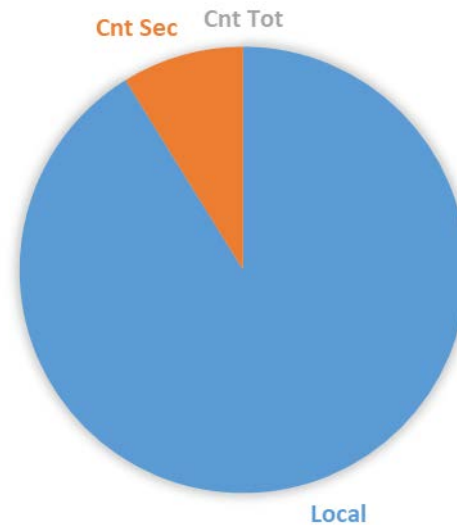
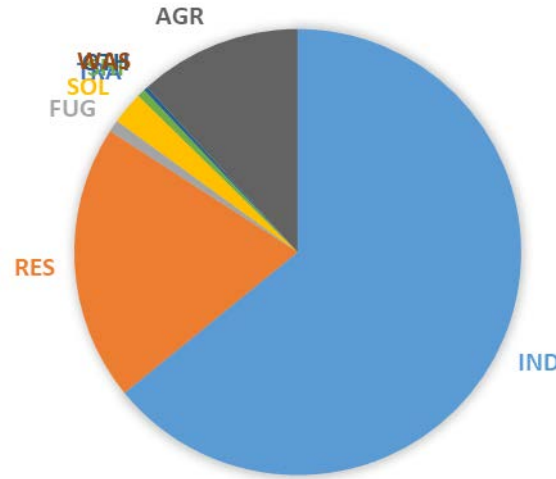
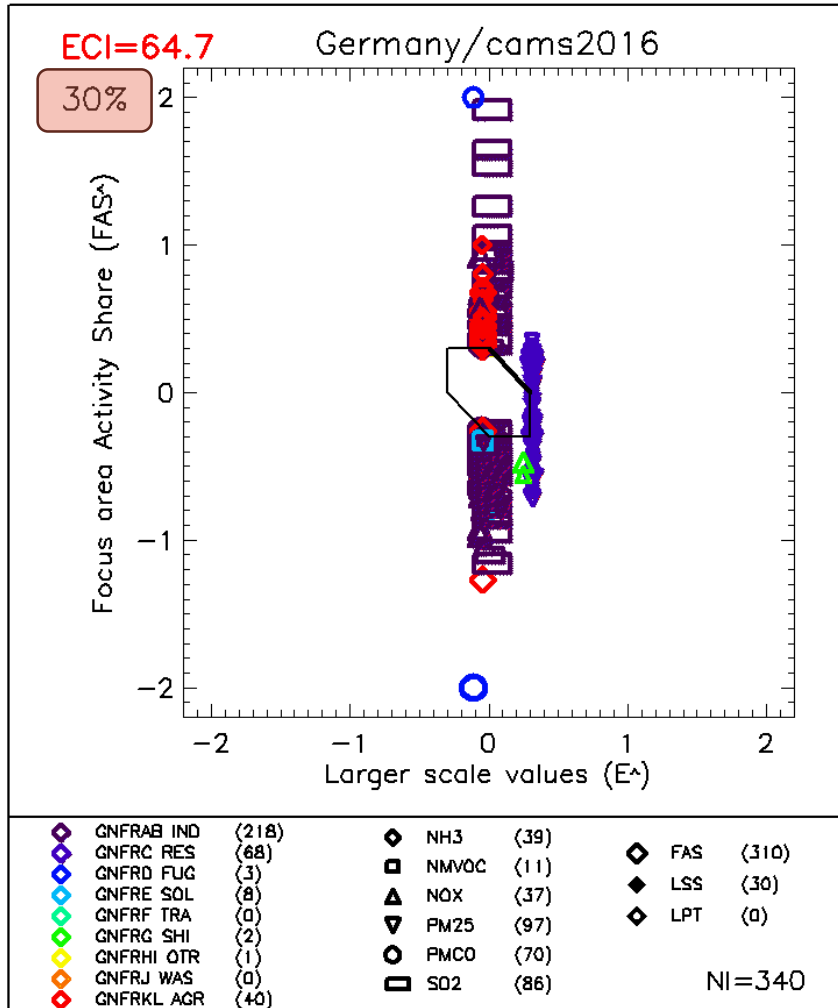
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- **NOx and SO2:** Check sectoral allocation at country level: less emissions in local inventory for **industry**
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- **PM2.5:** check spatial allocation in several NUTS for **industry** (up to fact 10)



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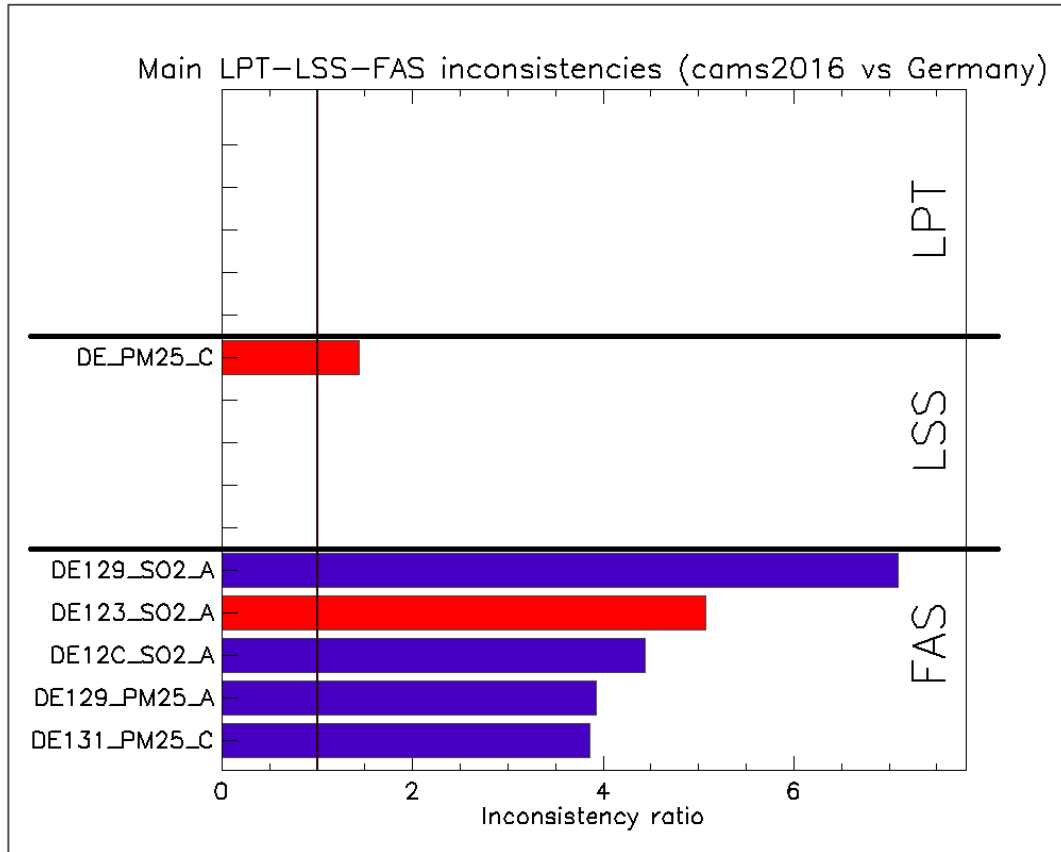
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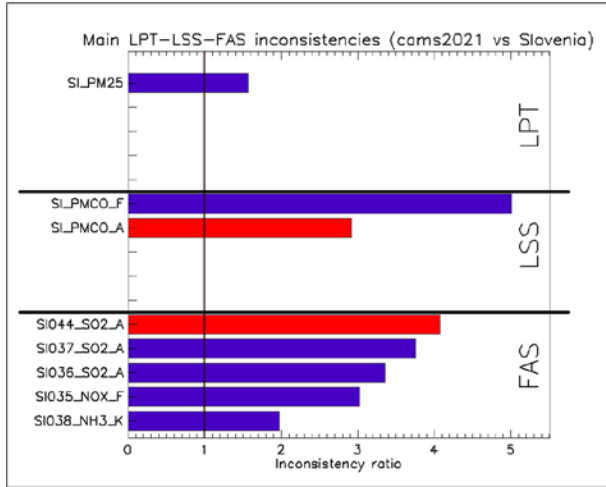
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- **PM2.5:** Country sectoral shift (check **residential**)
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- **PM25:** check spatial allocation in several NUTS for **residential** (up to fact 4)

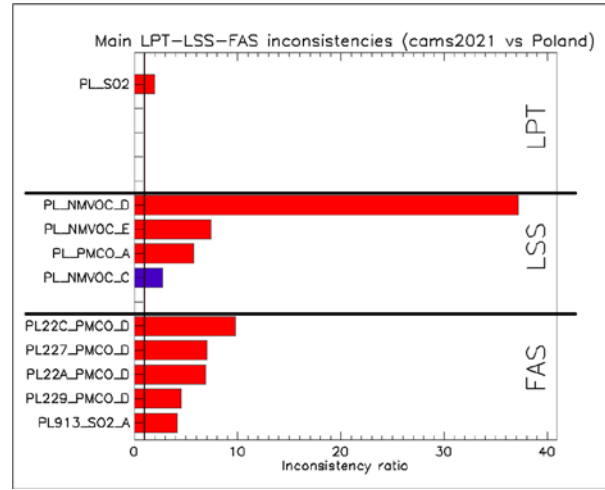


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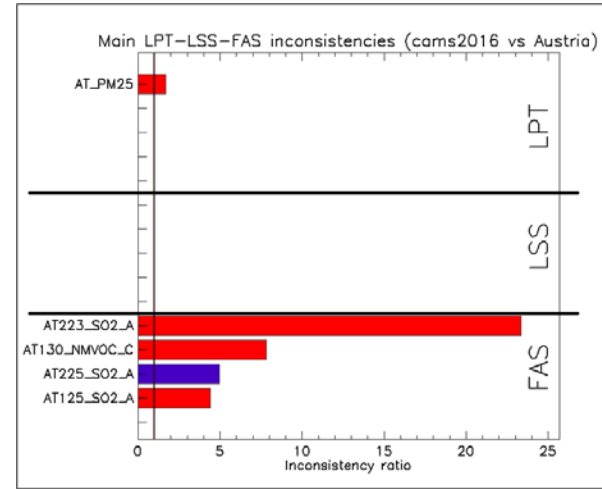
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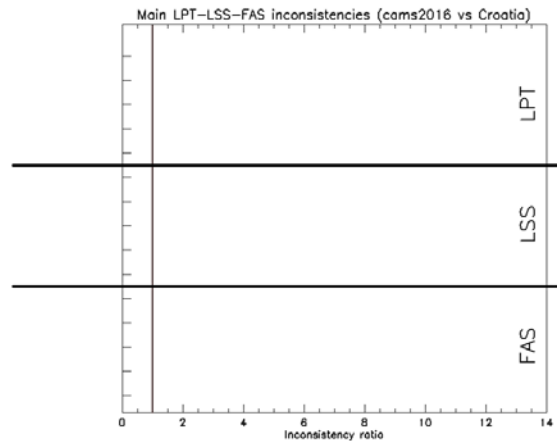
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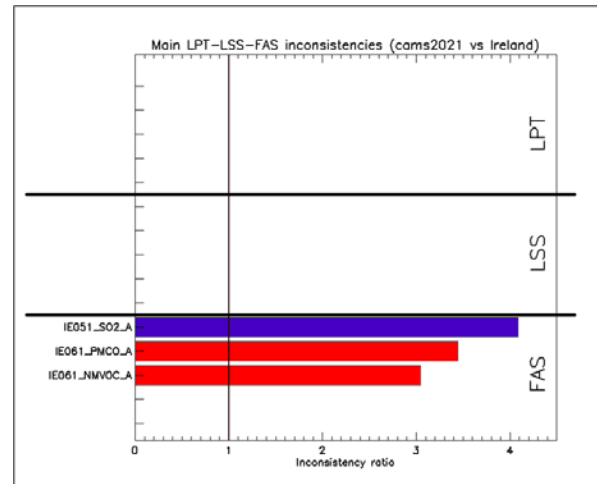
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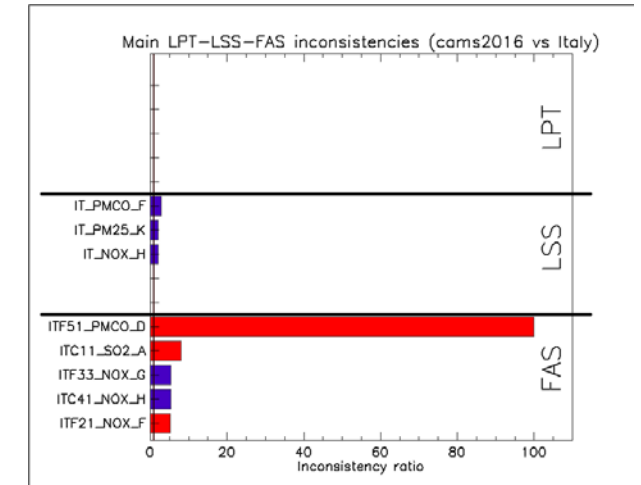
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Italy





WG7 - Way Forward (Short term)



- **Contributions** are still welcome



- **Distribute available results** to the contact persons so they can start interpreting the results;



- **Open the dashboard to FAIRMODE community** to evaluate results and inconsistencies (incl. modifying parameters / focuss on specific sectors);



- Organize a **first online workshop** to discuss inconsistencies (before Xmas);



- Start drafting lessons learned to draw **«best practise and recomendations»** for the development of emission inventories;