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#### **Introduction - motivation**



- Air pollution cause health effects
- Including into energy planning
- Co-benefits local and global
- Gap between air pollution & health impact assessment and energy models
- Adapting energy models



#### Outline

- BACKGROUND:
  - Sector contribution
  - Example of three plants
- THE MODEL AND SCENARIOS
- RESULTS
- CONCLUSIONS

#### Air pollution – PM25, NOx, SO2 in Denmark in 2007





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# Health related externalities and energy production





based on Andersen et al., 2008

#### The model - Balmorel

a linear optimisation model of heat and power sectors (Denmark)



#### Scenarios - 2005, 2015, 2030



Scenario	Description
No Externalities	No health externalities – only an external cost of CO <sub>2</sub> - 15 EUR/t
Uniform cost	The single <u>average local externality cost</u> in addition to CO <sub>2</sub> cost
Different area cost	Different local area externality costs in addition to CO <sub>2</sub> cost

Health related external costs included in the model				
	SO2 Cost, EUR/t	NOx cost, EUR/t	PM2,5 Cost EUR/t	
Average cost	9100	5870	10900	
High cost	13542	10483	18533	
Low cost	5962	2533	7595	







adopted from Bernd Möller, Aalborg University 2008

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#### **Results I – The external costs**





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### Results II – pollution emissions in areas



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■ No externalities

Different area cost

Uniform cost



### Results III – fuels used for heat production





#### **Results III – fuels used for heat production**





## Results IV – fuels used for electricity production



# Results IV – fuels used for electricity production



#### **Results IV – System costs**



#### Conclusions



- Internalising local externalities leads to around <u>18%</u> decrease in local external cost of the system
- Considering different local area costs leads to further reduction in local external cost by around <u>7%</u>
- Reflecting
  - Technology
  - Goals
  - Location
- Identify areas with different health costs of air pollution:
  - atmospheric pollution modelling
  - health impact assessment modelling

# Thank you for attention!

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