Risk Habitat Megacity





Air Quality and Health

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Problem: Health Impact

Different pollutant have different impact

areas with high vs low levels of exposure		asthma & allergies	bronchitis
domestic heating attributed emissions	Leipzig	10 %	50 %
traffic attributed emissions	Leipzig	70 %	0 %
	Mendoza	120 %	30 %

Problem: Scales



Research Questions

- Do we understand the complex links between emissions, air quality and health impact?
- How can suitable emission inventories for reliable air quality assessment studies be developed?
- How can separate information platforms be linked to the development of an integrated approach to air quality assessment in megacities? How can they be used for forecasting and scenario analyses?
- Which relationship exists between specific air pollutants like PM₁₀ or NO₂ and the appearance of environment-related diseases?
- How do traffic related and housing area data correlate to air quality and health?



Linkages to other FoA

- Land use
- > Energy
- > Transportation
- > Air quality
- > Health





Linkages to CCCs e.g. Governance & Sustainability



air Quality management policies and pollutant trends in Mexico City

First Results



Next Steps

- Data availability (emission inventory, health data, clinical endpoints, ...)
- Satellite information vs. global model results
- Modeling work:
 - Linking traffic emission and micro scale model
 - Implementation of a chemistry module (micro scale model)
- Evaluation of air quality measurement/monitoring data (assessment of mixing layer height)
- Preparation of measuring campaigns (Validation of MLH, chemical composition, validation of emission data,....)
- Implementation of the ICAROS platform (hot spot selection)

Thank you for your attention

