





LIFE INDEX-AIR: Development of an Integrated Exposure – Dose Management Tool for Reduction of Particulate Matter in Air



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- **EU contribution**: 792,401 € (cofunding: 58,6%)
- Start / End of project : 1st Oct. 2016 / 31st March 2020
- Theme : Environment and Health





Project's Partners:



Instituto Superior Técnico, Portugal



NCSR "Demokritos"



National Institute for Health and Welfare



Technical University of Crete



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Motivation:



Round 90 % of Europeans living in cities are exposed to levels of air pollutants deemed damaging to health by the World Health Organization's more stringent guidelines. *Air Quality in Europe – 2016 Report, EEA Report No 28/2016*



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Measuring outdoor levels of particles at **fixed** ambient air quality **monitoring sites** has been the traditional way of **evaluating** urban air quality

This fixed monitoring stations are supposed to assess the exposure of all the population to particles



However, this approach fails to account for all components of exposure

1st :There is a huge heterogeneity in the concentrations of pollutants within the city

2nd : People spend more than 90% of the time indoors

3rd : There is a huge **heterogeneity** in **time** activity patterns of the population

This brings the considerable importance of assessing the **personal integrated exposure** to particles as it is the key determinant of the **dose received by an individual** and thus directly influences the **health impacts**.



What is the LIFE Index-Air Project?

Development of an innovative and versatile **decision support tool for policy makers** that will help them identify measures to improve air quality and quantitatively assess their impact on the health and well-being of the population.

Group Target : Children between 6 -12 years old

Implementation cities: Lisbon, Porto, Athens, Treviso, Kuopio



EMISSIONS DISPERSION INFILTRATION PHISICAL ACTIVITY DOSE HEALTH EFFECTS



IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TOOL IN 5 EUROPEAN CITIES LISBON, OPORTO, ATHENS, KUOPIO AND TREVISO

DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR ACTION PLANS FORMULATION



OPERATIONAL TOOL DESIGN

1. Design an operational platform...

... based on the requirements of 4 separate modules

•Database on chemical constituents of PM2.5 and PM10 sampled indoors and outdoors of

EU cities & time-activity data

•Exposure assessment system

•Operational platform for PM dose calculation

•A platform for health impact assessment



2. Coupling and incorporation of each module in an integrated operational tool



1st module: AIR QUALITY MODULE



PM2.5 + PM10 + Elements (As + Cd + Ni + Pb) + PAHs (BaP) + EC/OC

DATABASE CREATION



1st module: AIR QUALITY MODULE





Children spent most of their time indoors indicating that risk assessment should focus on these microenvironments.



1st module: AIR QUALITY MODULE

Equipment



Personal Environmental Monitor (PEM)

Micro-aethalometer AE51 (Black Carbon)



Condensation Particle Counter 3007 (PN: 0.01-1µm)



SidePak AM520 (PM2.5)



Indoor Air Quality analyser (CO₂, CO, T, RH)



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Real-time measurements

PM2.5 and PM10 samples collection



1st module: AIR QUALITY MODULE





<u>33 homes</u>
<u>5 schools</u>









1st module: AIR QUALITY MODULE

PM2.5





2nd module: EXPOSURE MODULE

Dispersion and exposure models, for the assessment of population and individual exposure





2nd module: EXPOSURE MODULE

Daily exposure to BC





3rd module: DOSIMETRY MODULE Assessment of respiratory deposition and internal doses

The Physiologically-Based PharmacoKinetic (PBPK) model :

simulate the time course of absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion of chemicals that enter the body.

Most PBPK models are multi-compartment (organs or tissues) for which the interconnections correspond to blood flow.

Detailed dose calculations for individual human subjects :

•Deposition of PM depending on their chemical composition and size distribution

- •The retention of particles in the human respiratory tract
- •Transport to the gastrointestinal tract and blood





4th module : BURDEN OF DISEASE MODULE Assessment of respiratory deposition and internal doses

- 1.Identification of health endpoints Determination of E-R functions (shape, parameters)
- 2.Background burden of disease Geographical scales (municipality – region – national)
- 3.Population attributable fractions Age standardization/scaling
- 4. Quantification

nr of cases, deaths, years of life lost, years lived with disability visualization, comparisons, reduction potential,





MODULES COUPLING: Development of a versatile and long-term, decision-making tool

Complex software application to be developed: The operational platform will include a large amount of information as well as different models





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DESIGN OF OPERATIONAL PLATFORM:

•User-friendly and interactive software environment

- Addressed to non-scientific audiences
- Analysis of available data & Application of specialized models





European Commission

Dissemination : helping citizens to get involved

 Communication activities to the general public and to those stakeholders that could usefully benefit from the project's experience.

•LIFE Index-Air monitoring campaigns and awareness activities are being performed in primary schools from Lisbon (more than 25 schools, 6000 children)







European Commission



Awareness campaign for 200 students from Escola João de Deus, Lisbon

Activities, Awareness campaign + By lifeindexalr +

Place: School loão de Deus

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar é de todos"

Partner: IST



Awareness campaign for 200 students from School EB1 Leão de Arroios, Lisbon

Activities, Awareness campaign + By lifeindexair + March 14, 2917

Place: School EB1 Leão de Arroios

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar é de todos"

Partner: IST



Awareness campaign for 25 students from School EB1 Oliveira Marques, Lisbon

Activities, Awareness campaign + By Illeindesair +

Place: School EB1 Oliveira Marques

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar é de todos"





Awareness campaign for 220 students from EB1 Catela Gomes, Lisbon

Activities, Awareness campaign - By Ilfeindexair -March 16, 2017

Place: School EB1 Catela Gomes

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos"

Partner: IST



Activities, Awareness campolign - By Meindesole -March 15, 2017

Place: Externato IgãoXXIII

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos"

Partner; IST



Awareness campaign for 100 students from School EB1 S. Miguel, Lisbon

Activities, Awareness campaign + By Meindesair + March 13, 2017

Place: School EB1 S. Miguel

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos" Partner: IST

Junta de Frequesia de Olivais

Meeting with Olivais Parish Council. Portugal

Activities, Stakeholder meeting + By Ufeindekalr +

Place: Lisbon, Portugal

Objective: present the LIFE Index Air project to the stakeholder; to seek the stakeholder views in relation to the proposed activities; to



Awareness campaign for 136 students from Externato Primário da Associação Pró-Infância Santo António de Lisboa, Lisbon

Place: Externato Primário da Associação Pró-Infância Santo António de Lisboa (Arroios, Lisbont Objective: Awareness campaign about air guality and presentation of the challenge "The air belongs to everyone" Partner: IST



Actuities, Awareness campaign - By lifeindesair -

Place: School EB1 dos Coruchéus (Alvalade,

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos" Partner: IST



Awareness campaign for 290 students from School EB1 Telheiras, Lisbon

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos"

Place: EB1 Telheiras

ar é de todos"





Awareness campaign for 264 students from School EB1Convento do Desagravo, Lisbon

Place: School EB1 Convento do Desagravo (São Vicente, Lisbon) Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos" Partner: IST

Awareness campaign for 100

Place: School JI João de Deus - Estrela

Awareness campaign for 150

Place: Colégio Valsassina

students from Colégio Valsassina,

Activities, Awarmees campaign + By Ifinindexair + March 25, 2017

Objective: Awareness campaign about air

quality and presentation of the challenge "O

- Estrela, Lisbon

(Estrela, Lisbon)

ar é de todos"

Partner: IST

Lisbon

Partner; IST

students from School JI João de Deus



Awareness campaign for 100 students from School EB1 São Miguel, Lisbon

Awareness campaign for 325

Lisbon

ar é de todos"

Partner: IST

students from School EB1 Portela.

Activities, Awareness campaign + By libindexait +

Place: School EB1 Portela (Portela, Lisbon)

Objective: Awareness campaign about air

quality and presentation of the challenge "O

Place: School EB1 São Miguel Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar é de todos" Partner: IST



Awareness campaign for 125 students from School EB1 Leão de Arroios Lisbon

Place: School EB1 Leão de Arroios (Arroios, Lisbon)

Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar é de todos"





Place: School EB1 Rosa Lobato Faria Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O ar è de todos" Partner: IST

Meeting with Parque das Nações Parish Council, Portugal

Awareness campaign for 25

Lobato Faria, Lisbon

March 13, 2017

students from School EB1 Rosa

Activities, Stakeholder meeting - By lifeindexair -

Place: Lisbon, Portugal Objective: present the LIFE Index-Air project

to the stakeholder; to seek the stakeholder views in relation to the proposed activities: to discuss the needs of the stakeholder in regard of the tool generated in this project; to plan a timetable for the project actions; to promote the involvement of the stakeholder from the beginning; to obtain the stakeholder

support for the implementation of project's artions

Partner: IST











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Objective: Awareness campaign about air quality and presentation of the challenge "O







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PROJECT FUNDED BY EUROPEAN UNION

LIFE Index-Air project aims to develop an innovative and versatile decision

support tool for policy makers that will help them identify measures to improve air quality and quantitatively assess their impact on the health and well-being of

the population. The implementation of this tool in 5 European cities – Lisbon, Porto, Athens, Kuopio and Treviso – will demonstrate its applicability to: Calculate the exposure of the population to atmospheric pollutants.

Quantify the health impacts related to this



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actions to improve air quality that have an impact in the health and well-being of the population.