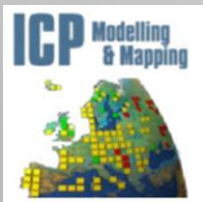


# ICP MODELLING & MAPPING: FUTURE CHALLENGES: INTEGRATING RESOURCE USE, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSBOUNDARY AIR POLLUTION ON A GLOBAL SCALE

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# PROTOCOL SUCCESSES

- HELSINKI SULPHUR PROTOCOL 1985
- NOX PROTOCOL 1988
- OSLO VOC PROTOCOL 1991
- OSLO PROTOCOL ON FURTHER SULPHUR EMISSION REDUCTIONS 1994
- ÅRHUS HEAVY METAL PROTOCOL 1998
- ÅRHUS PERSISTENT ORGANIC POLLUTANT (POP) PROTOCOL 1998
- GÖTEBORG MULTIPROTOCOL; ACIDIFICATION, EUTROPHICATION AND GROUND LEVEL OZONE 1999
- 2012 REVISED GÖTEBORG MULTIPROTOCOL
- **2001 – EU** NATIONAL EMISSION CEILINGS DIR. (NEC; 2001/81/EC)
- **2016 – REVISED** NATIONAL EMISSIONS CEILING DIRECTIVE (2016/2284/EU)
- REVISION OF PROTOCOLS COMING IN 2020

# TARGET ECOSYSTEM PORTFOLIO EVOLVED WITH TIME

- FISH IN RIVERS AND LAKES
  - SWEDEN, NORWAY, USA, SCOTLAND, CANADA AND FINLAND
- STREAM AND LAKE ECOLOGY
  - MULTIPLE FISH SPECIES, ZOOPLANKTON, BENTHIC ORGANISMS, CRUSTACEANS
- TREE AND FOREST HEALTH;
  - FOREST DIEBACK, NEEDLE LOSSES, GROWTH IMPACTS, TREE SPECIES
- SOILS, TREES, FOREST HEALTH
  - INVOLVEMENT OF SOIL CHEMISTRY, SOIL MICROBIOLOGY FUNCTIONS, ROOT APPARATUS FUNCTIONS, TREE AND FOREST STAND VITALITY, REJUVENATION SUCCESS RATES, FOREST MANAGEMENT PURPOSES
- BIODIVERSITY
  - GROUND VEGETATION CHANGE OVER LONG TIME. HIGH PROFILE PLANTS THREATENED, CAUSING POLITICAL WILL, NEW CONCERTED MODELLING EFFORTS. ONLY A FEW COUNTRIES ONBOARD, SOME FELL OFF..
- WHOLE WATERSHED VIEW OF THE STREAMS AND LAKES, LANDSCAPE ECOSYSTEM VIEW, LOOKING AT ALL (FOREST, VEGETATION, FAUNA, BIODIVERSITY, GROUNDWATER)
  - INTEGRATED WATERSHED SYSTEMS MODELLING

# TARGET ECOSYSTEMS STEP-UP

- AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS

- FRESHWATER ECOSYSTEMS
- MARINE ECOSYSTEMS

- TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS

- PRODUCTIVE FOREST
- ECOFORESTS
- OPEN LANDS
- VISIBILITY AND REDUCED ATMOSPHERIC TRANSPARENCE (ALPENBLICK)

- TECHNICAL ECOSYSTEMS;

- MATERIALS AND INFRASTRUCTURES, CORROSION, STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY
- THREATS TO COMMERCIAL FISHERIES AND FISH FARMING

- CULTURE AND HUMAN SOCIETY

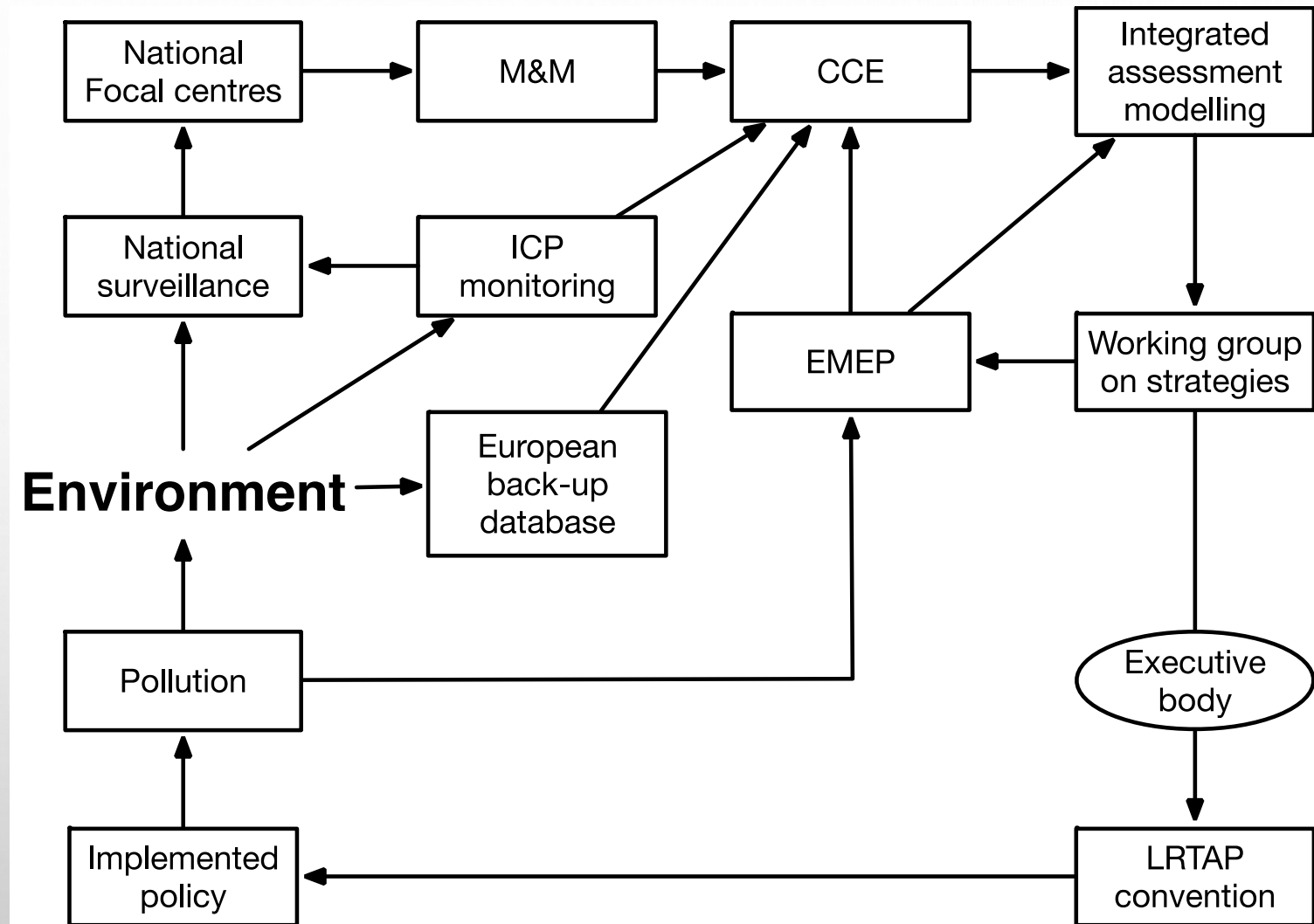
- CORROSION AND LOSS OF KNOWN AND HIDDEN CULTURAL HERITAGE AND HISTORICAL MONUMENTS.
- LOSS OF OLD CULTURAL HABITS IN NATURE RECREATION

- HUMAN ECOSYSTEMS

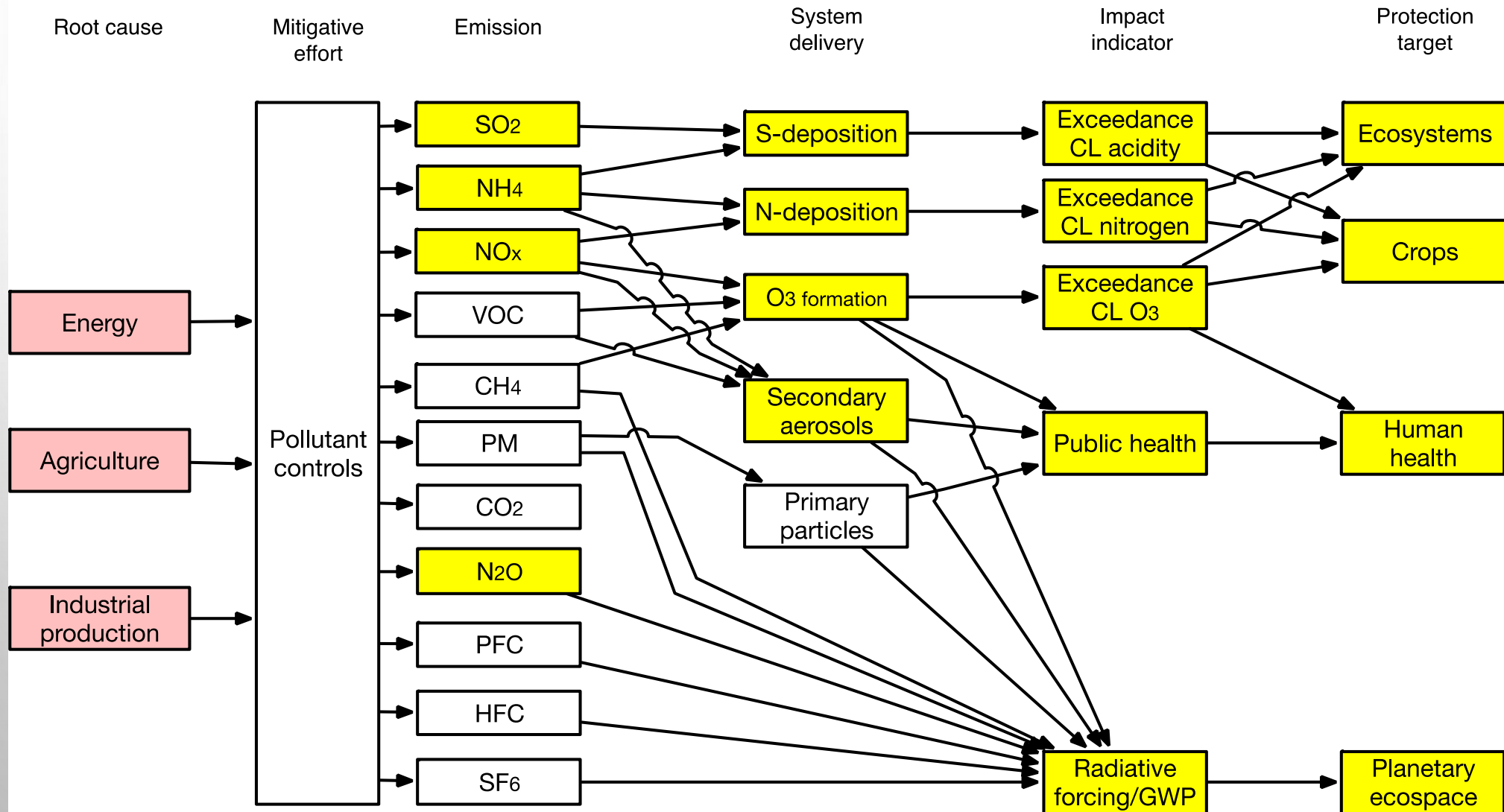
- HUMAN HEALTH, HOSPITALIZATIONS, SOCIETY COSTS
- MORTALITY AND LIFE EXPECTANCY
- CONSUMPTION, SOCIETY, LIFE QUALITY AND WELLBEING

National focal  
centres,  
M&M, CCE  
and the  
LRTAP  
System

An adaptive,  
iterative system



# Multi-pollutant Multi-effect relationships under the LRTAP Convention and EC Thematic Strategy on Air Pollution





# CHALLENGES IN ALL ARENAS

- POLICY
  - POLICY CHALLENGES, POLITICAL FOCUS DRIFT, DIFFERENT POLITICAL DISCOURSE
- PUBLIC PERCEPTION AND MEDIA CHALLENGES
  - *GOOD, IT WAS SOLVED AND THE PROBLEM IS GONE!*
  - *NEVER WAS A PROBLEM!.....*
  - *?....DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS....*
- RESEARCH
  - .....IS BECOMING MORE SPECIALIZED AND NARROW
  - ....GENERATION-SHIFT FROM PIONEERING RESEARCH GROUPS TO NEW BASIC RESEARCH
  - ....FUNDING MOVING FROM ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCIES TO NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCILS AND EU RESEARCH FUNDING RESULTING IN EMPOVERISHMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES

# POLITICAL RE-ORIENTATIONS

- A GENERAL TREND OF LESS FOCUS ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND ACTION
  - BROADENING GAP BETWEEN PUSHING FOR MORE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION POLICIES IN MANY COUNTRIES
  - PUSH FOR ROLL-BACK OF FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGULATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN, THE POPULIST VIEW OF REJECTION OF COMPETENCE GAINING SPACE
  - PRIVATIZATIONS OF THE STATE ORGANIZATION
- FAILING FUNDING
  - ...FOR AIR POLLUTION RESEARCH AND NATIONAL WORKING GROUPS ON MAPPING AND MODELLING
  - .....FOR APPLIED INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM ASSESSMENT MODEL DEVELOPMENT
- THE LRTAP WORK IS A SUCCESS, BUT STILL FAR FROM BEING FINISHED
  - THE WORK IS SEEN AS A SUCCESS AND IT IS PERCEIVED AS FINISHED AND COMPLETED
  - ANTI-ENVIRONMENTALISTS CLAIM THAT SINCE THE FOREST DID NOT DIE OFF AND THE FISH DID NOT DISAPPEAR, THE WHOLE THING WAS EXAGGERATED AND UNNECESSARY. SUCH STATEMENTS FIT SOME POLITICAL FORCES IGNORING SCIENCE
  - POLICY MOVE-ON TO OTHER AREAS OF IMMEDIATE INTEREST AND THE MONEY GOES AWAY



# THE CURSE OF BEING SUCCESSFUL

- **ACIDIFICATION** IS STILL THERE, LESS THAN BEFORE, BUT STILL IMPACTING VULNERABLE ECOSYSTEMS AND TARGETS; NITROGEN POLLUTION IS THE MAIN ACIDITY CAUSAL LINK
- THE JOB ON **NITROGEN** AND N-EUTROPHICATION HAS STARTED, DONE SOME DISTANCE, BUT LESS THAN HALF HAS BEEN DONE
- **OZONE** AND **PARTICULATE MATTER** IS ADDRESSED, BUT POLLUTANT PRODUCTION APPEARS TO INCREASE FASTER THAN MITIGATION EFFORTS CAN MITIGATE
- **BIODIVERSITY**
  - ONLY A FEW TEST APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN DONE
  - A PROPER CRITICAL LOADS ASSESSMENT USING EXISTING TOOLS AND DATABASES ARE BOTH POSSIBLE AND DESIREABLE. MANY COUNTRIES HAVE GIVEN UP AND DO NOT PLAN TO DO ANYTHING.
  - GOOD MODEL APPROACHES ARE AVAILABLE; **EMPIRICAL METHODS, FORSAFE-VEG, FORSAFE-MOVE, FORSAFE-ECOPLANT, VSD-MOVE, VSD-PROPS, VSD-BERNE, VSD-VEG.**
  - BIODIVERSITY STILL HAS POOR PROTECTION FROM NITROGEN AND SULPHUR POLLUTION, CLIMATE CHANGE AND DETERIORATION IS STILL GOING ON.
  - THE LINKAGE TO LANDUSE, TERRESTRIAL LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE MUST BE PROPERLY ADDRESSED IN THE POLICY FOR BIODIVERSITY AND A STANDARD SHOULD BE SET FOR HOW TO DO CRITICAL LOADS.

Country	Acidification		Eutrophication			Biodiversity		
	Terrestrial	Aquatic	Terrestrial	Aquatic	Marine	Terrestrial	Aquatic	Marine
Austria								
Belarus								
Belgium								
Bulgaria								
Croatia								
Czech								
Denmark								
Estonia								
Finland								
France								
Germany								
Greece								
Hungary								
Ireland								
Italy								
Latvia								
Lithuania								
Moldova								
Netherlands								
Norway								
Poland								
Portugal								
Romania								
Russia								
Serbia								
Slovenia								
Slovakia								
Spain								
Sweden								
Switzerland								
Russia								
UK								
Canada								
USA								
Ukraine								

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MUCH HAS BEEN  
DONE, THERE IS  
MORE LEFT TO  
DO....

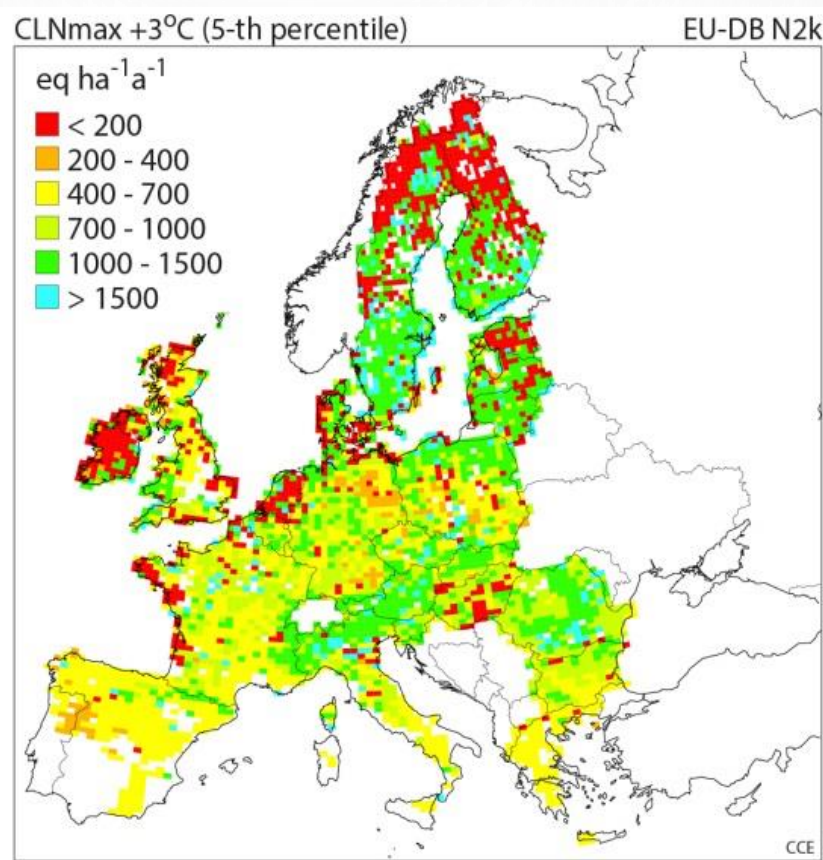
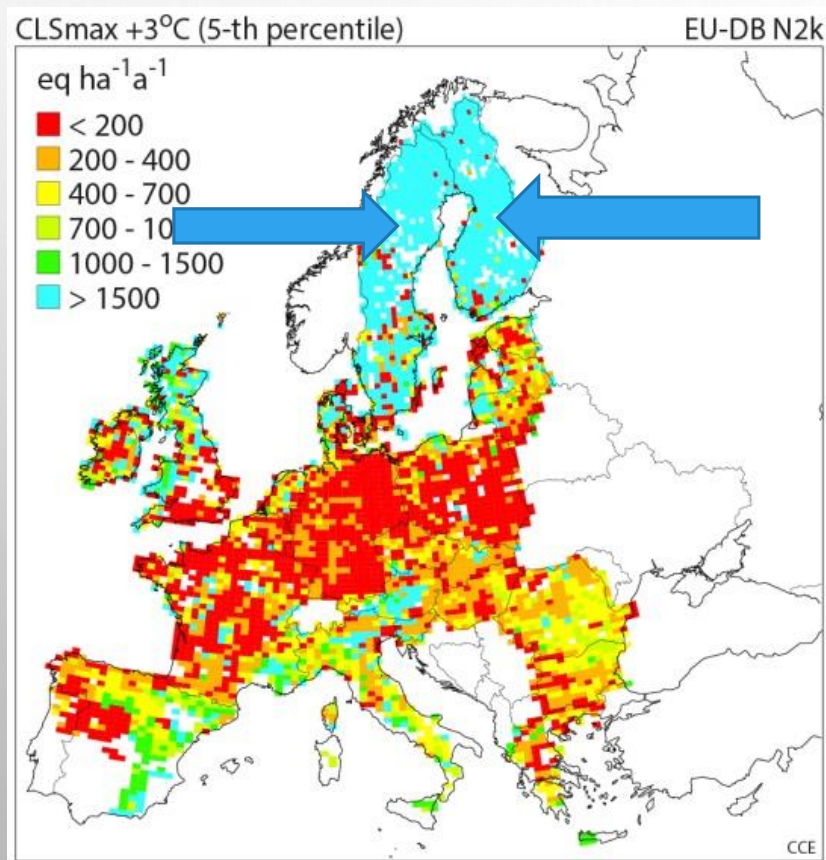
# SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGES

- MUCH OF THE SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGES HAVE BEEN VERY CLEVERLY SOLVED
- PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER AS INTEGRATED MODELLING SYSTEMS:
  - FOR TERRESTRIAL SYSTEMS: USE THE MODELS WE HAVE
  - FOR AQUATIC SYSTEMS: INCLUDE EUTOPHICATION, INCLUDE BRACKISH SYSTEMS, MARINE SYSTEMS. APPROACH BIODIVERSITY.
- UNIFIED MODEL FOR THE WATERSHED, UNIFYING SLOPES, SOILS, GROUNDWATER, RUNOFF, LAKES AND VEGETATION (**FORSAFE-2D**)
- CONNECT AIR POLLUTION, CHEMICAL POLLUTION AND CLIMATE CHANGE TOWARDS HUMAN HEALTH

# SYNERGIES AND TRADE OFFS BETWEEN AIR POLLUTION, CLIMATE AND NATURE POLICIES:

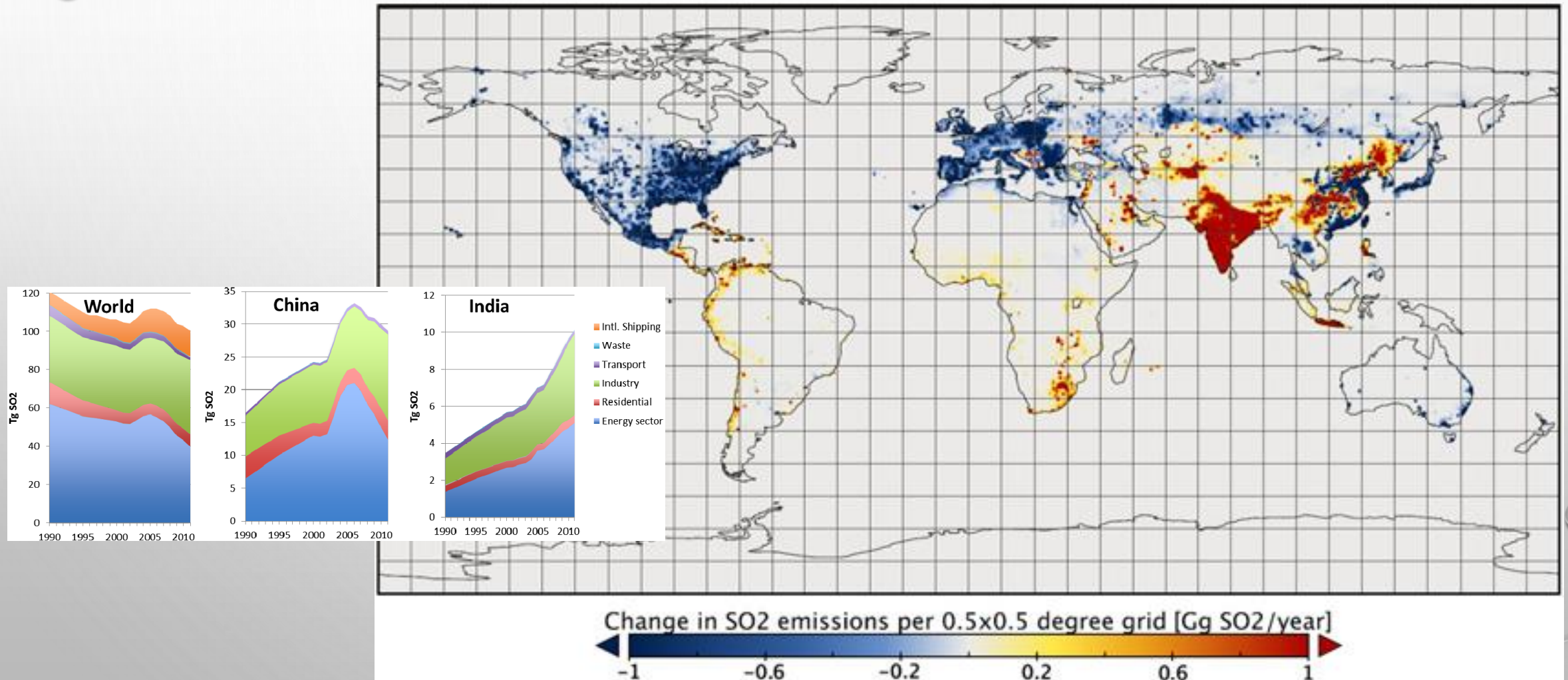
*Natura 2000 critical loads of biodiversity for sulphur (left) and for nitrogen (right) under a +3°C increase of the annual mean surface temperature*

Source: CCE Final Report 2017

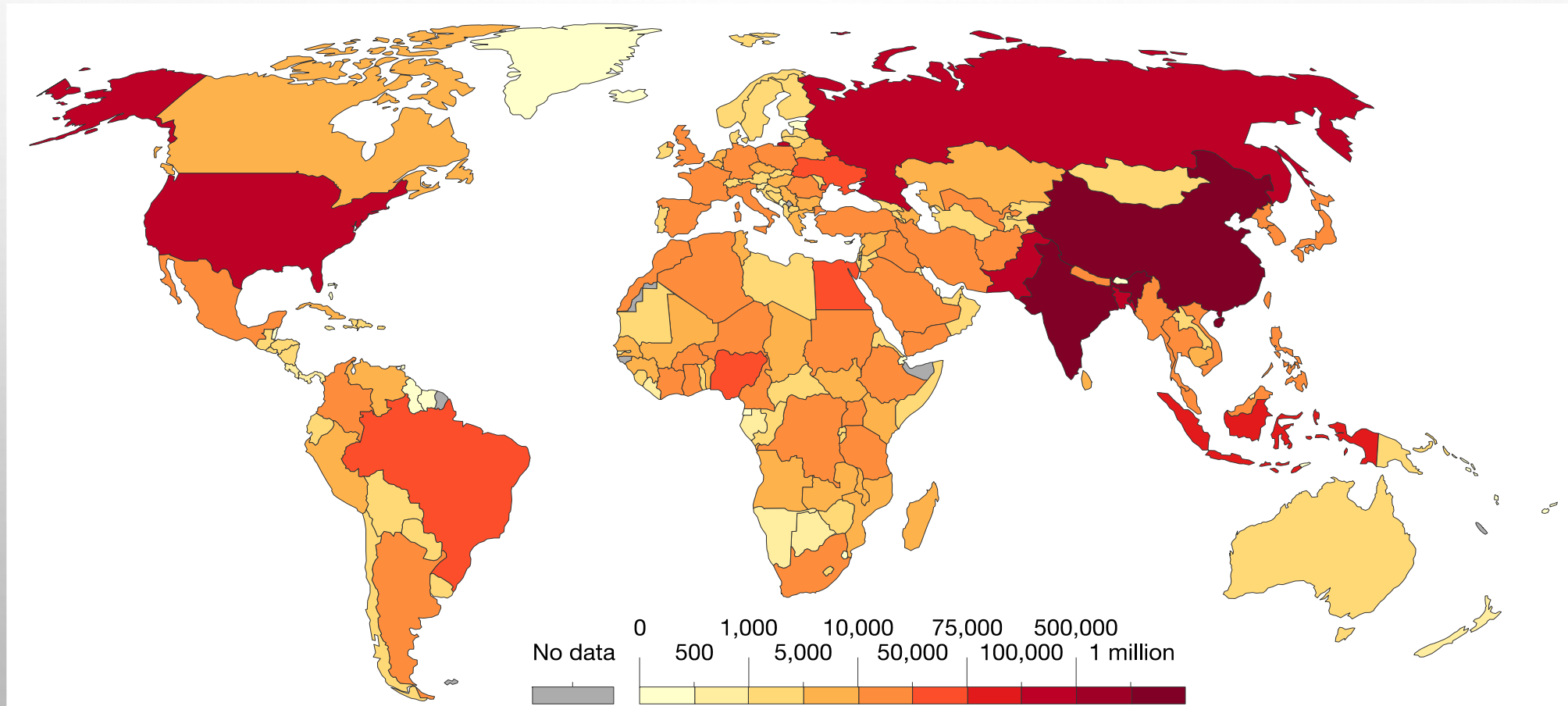




# GLOBAL SULPHUR POLLUTION GOES BOTH WAYS



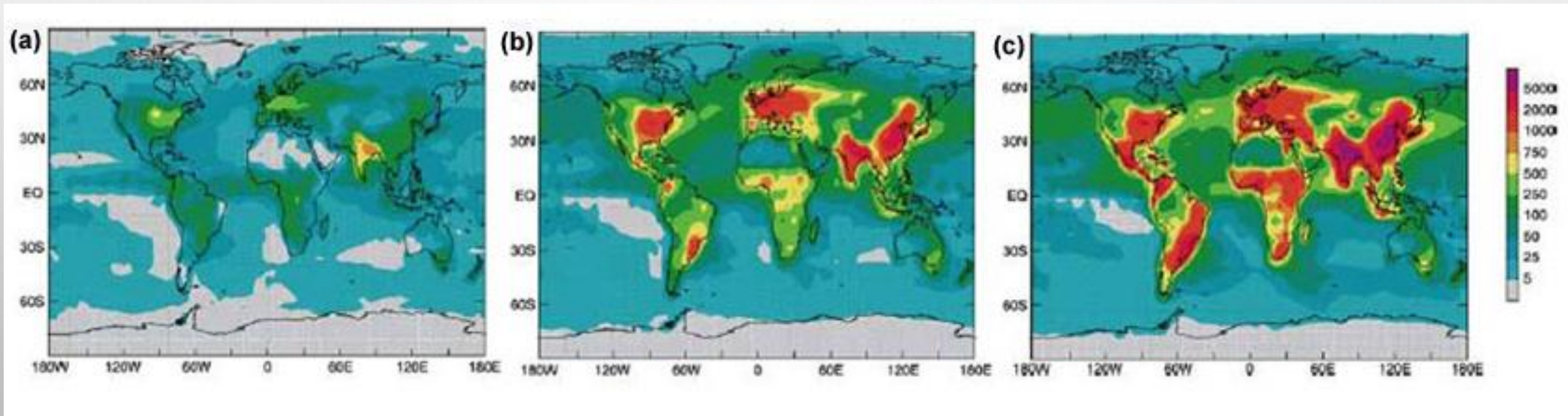
GLOBAL DEATHS PER YEAR AS A RESULT OF OUTDOOR  
PARTICULATE MATTER AND O<sub>3</sub> AIR POLLUTION.  
IN ADDITION WE SHOULD ADD EFFECT OF SO<sub>2</sub> AND NO<sub>x</sub>,  
POPS, ENDOCRINE DISRUPTORS, OZONE AND VOCs





# SPATIAL PATTERNS OF TOTAL INORGANIC NITROGEN DEPOSITION ARE PREDICTED TO GET WORSE.... (mg N/m<sup>2</sup>/yr)

GALLOWAY ET AL., (2004). NITROGEN CYCLES: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE. *BIOGEOCHEMISTRY* 70:153-226 [HTTP://IBL.COLORADO.EDU/GALLOWAY\\_2004.PDF](http://ibl.colorado.edu/galloway_2004.pdf)

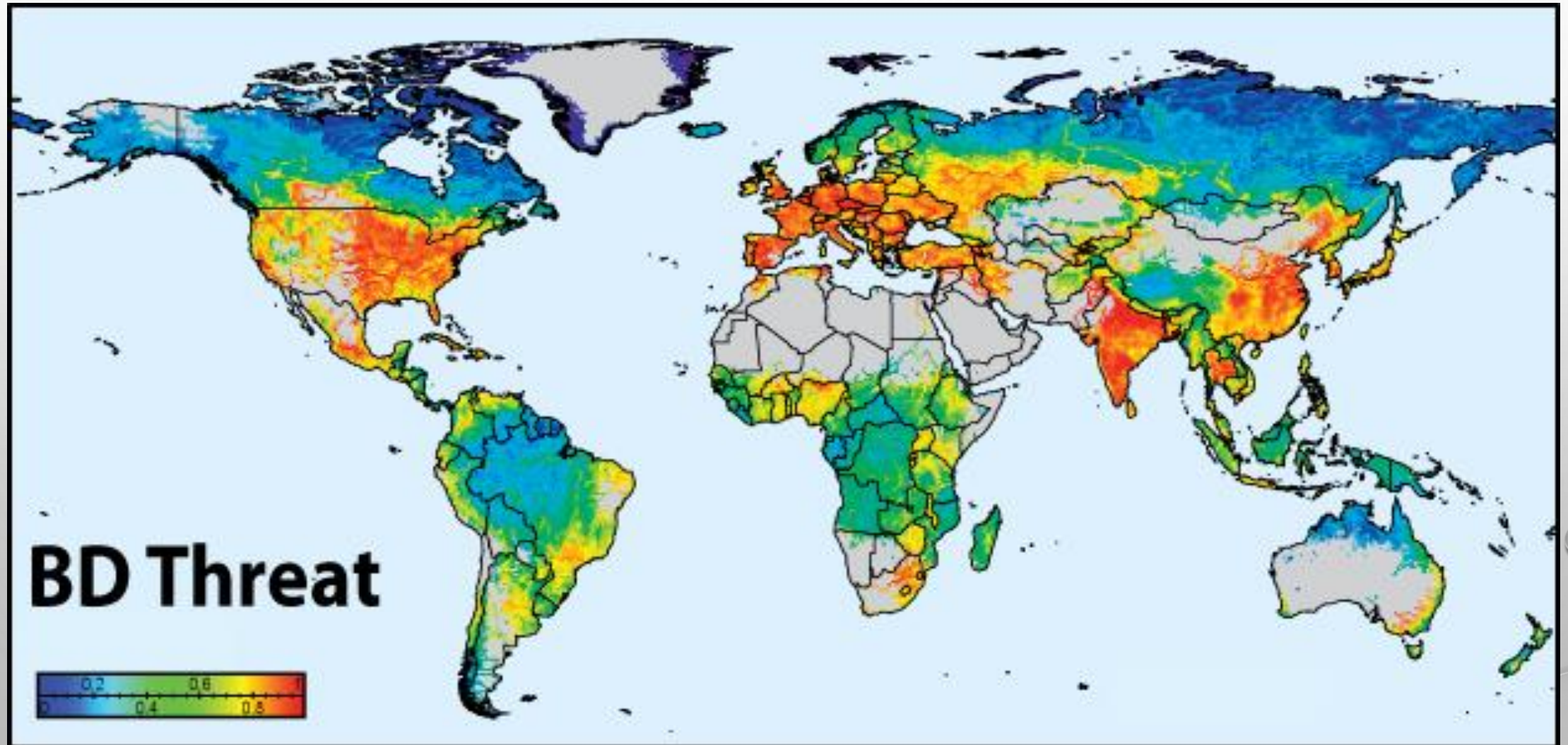


1860

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2050

# GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY IS IN BAD SHAPE

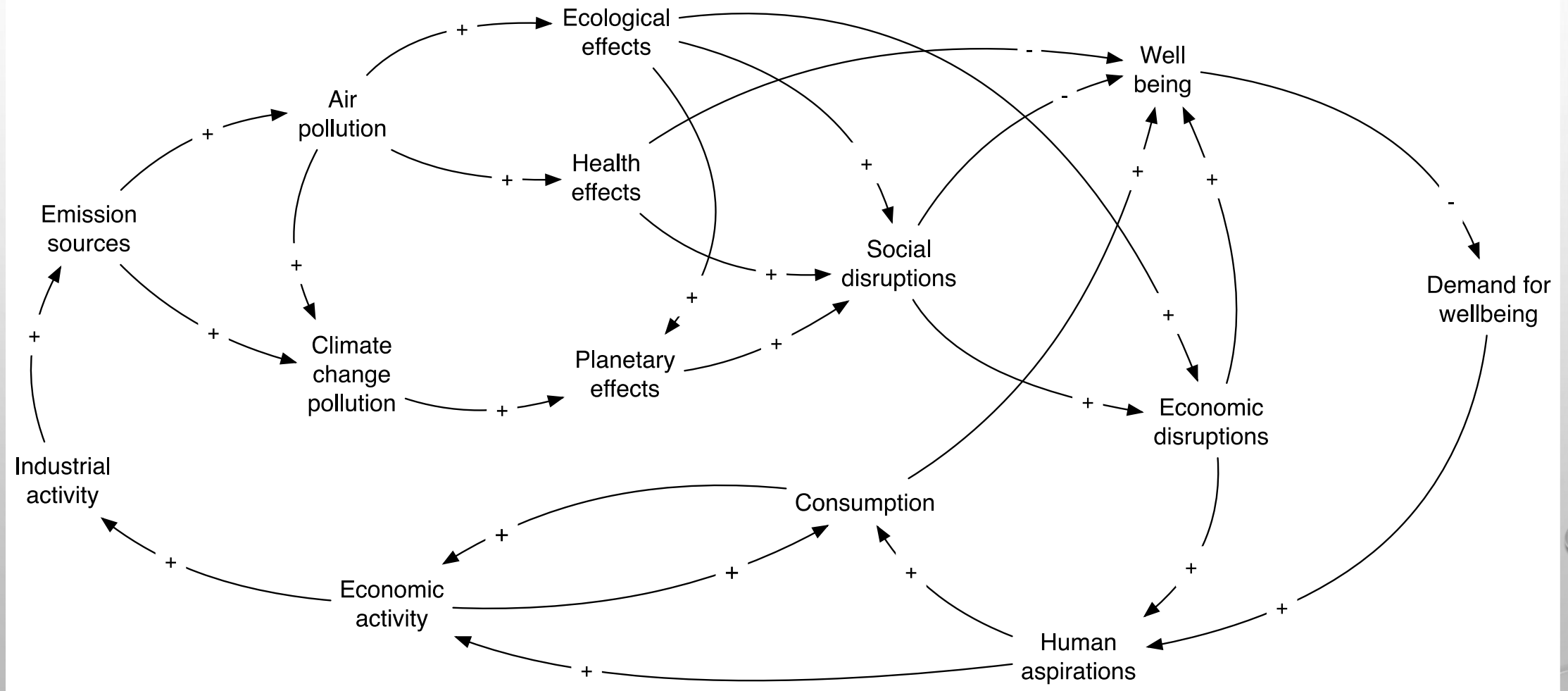




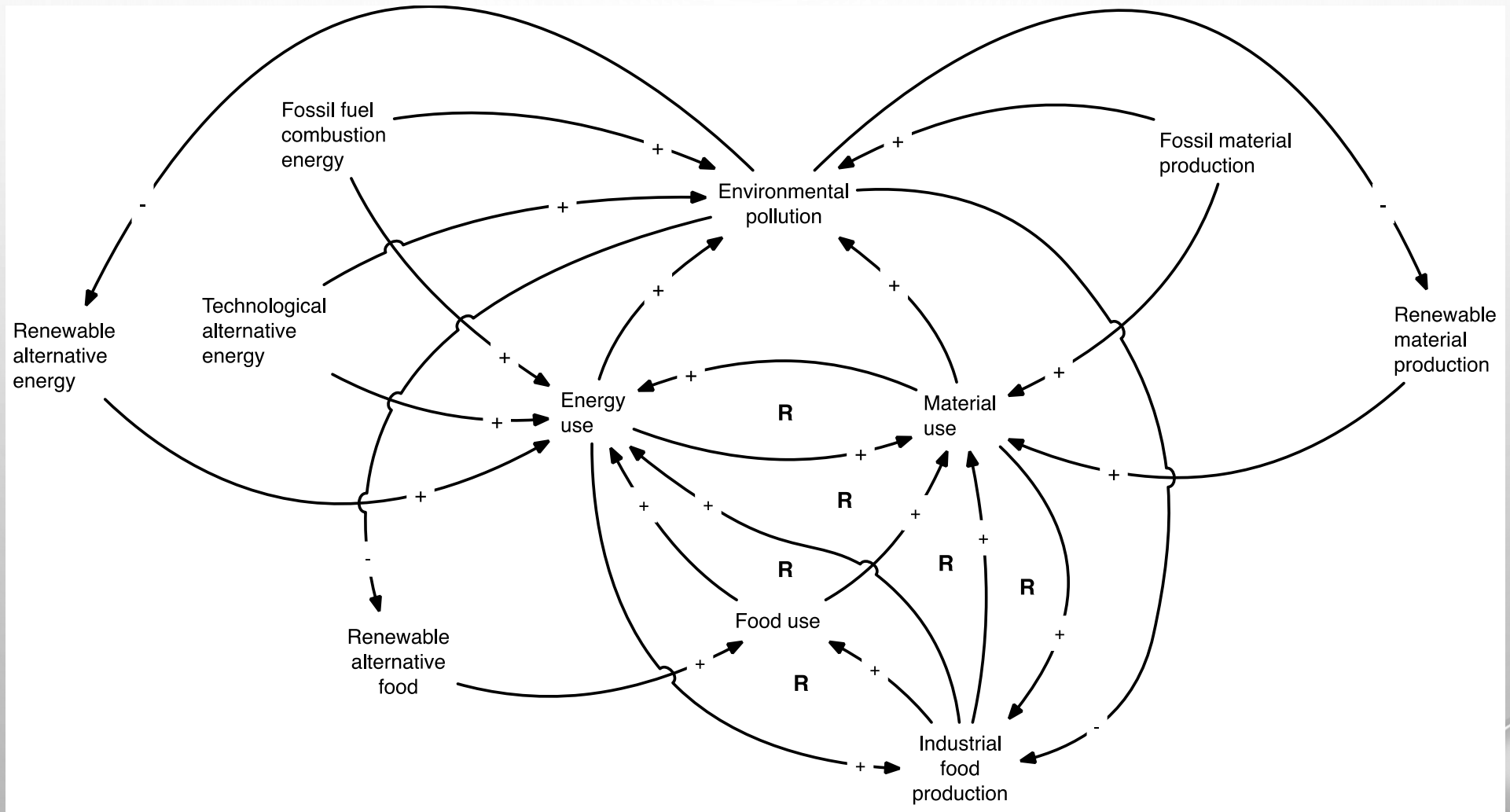
OCEANS ARE SUFFERING FROM NITROGEN,  
.....THEN ADD IN PLASTICS AND CO<sub>2</sub> OCEAN  
ADSORPTION OVERLOAD



# THE BIGGER PICTURE COMES INTO PLAY

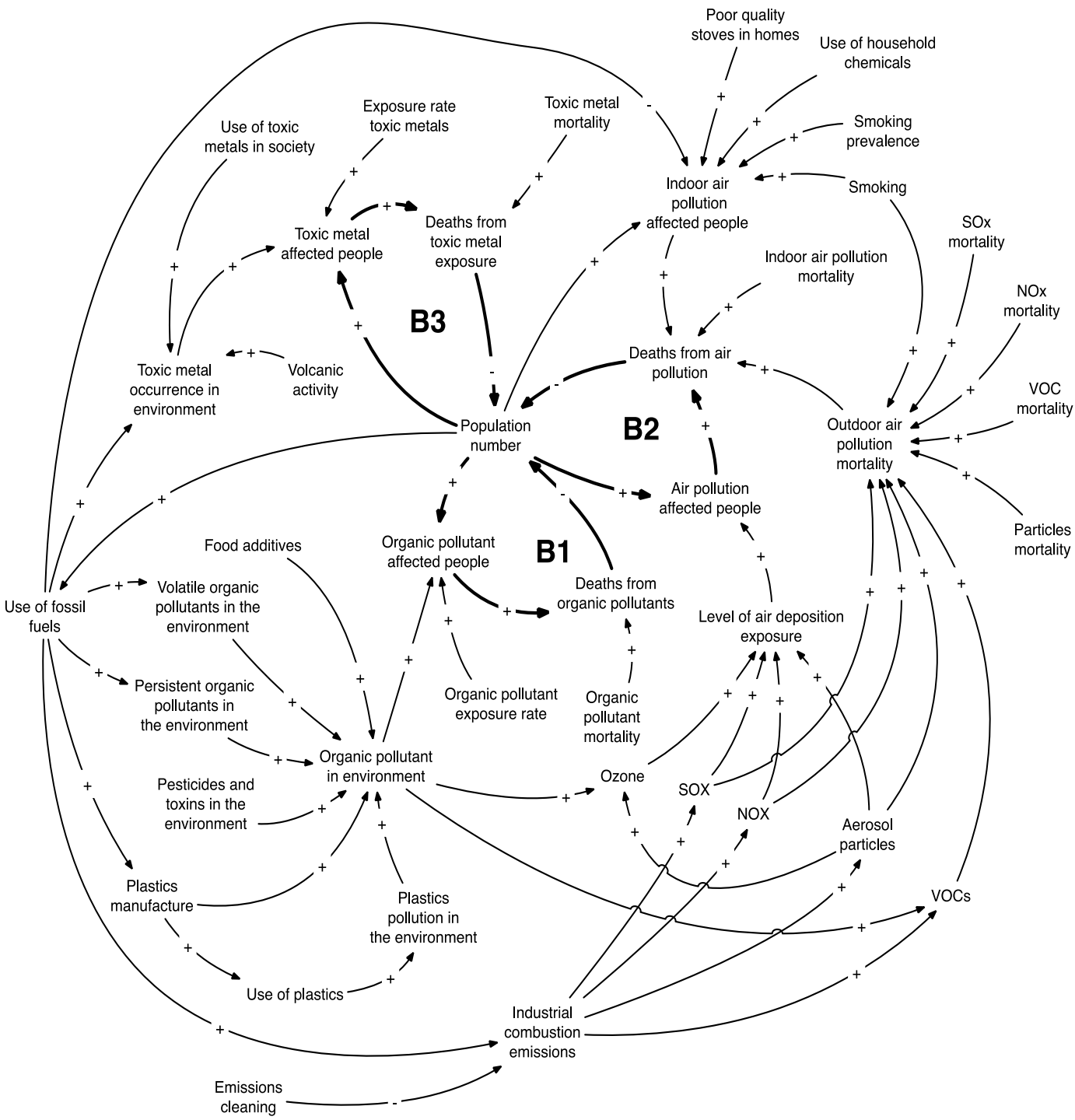


# ENERGY USE, MATERIALS USE, FOOD USE, THEY ARE ALL LINKED TO HOW WE RUN SOCIETY

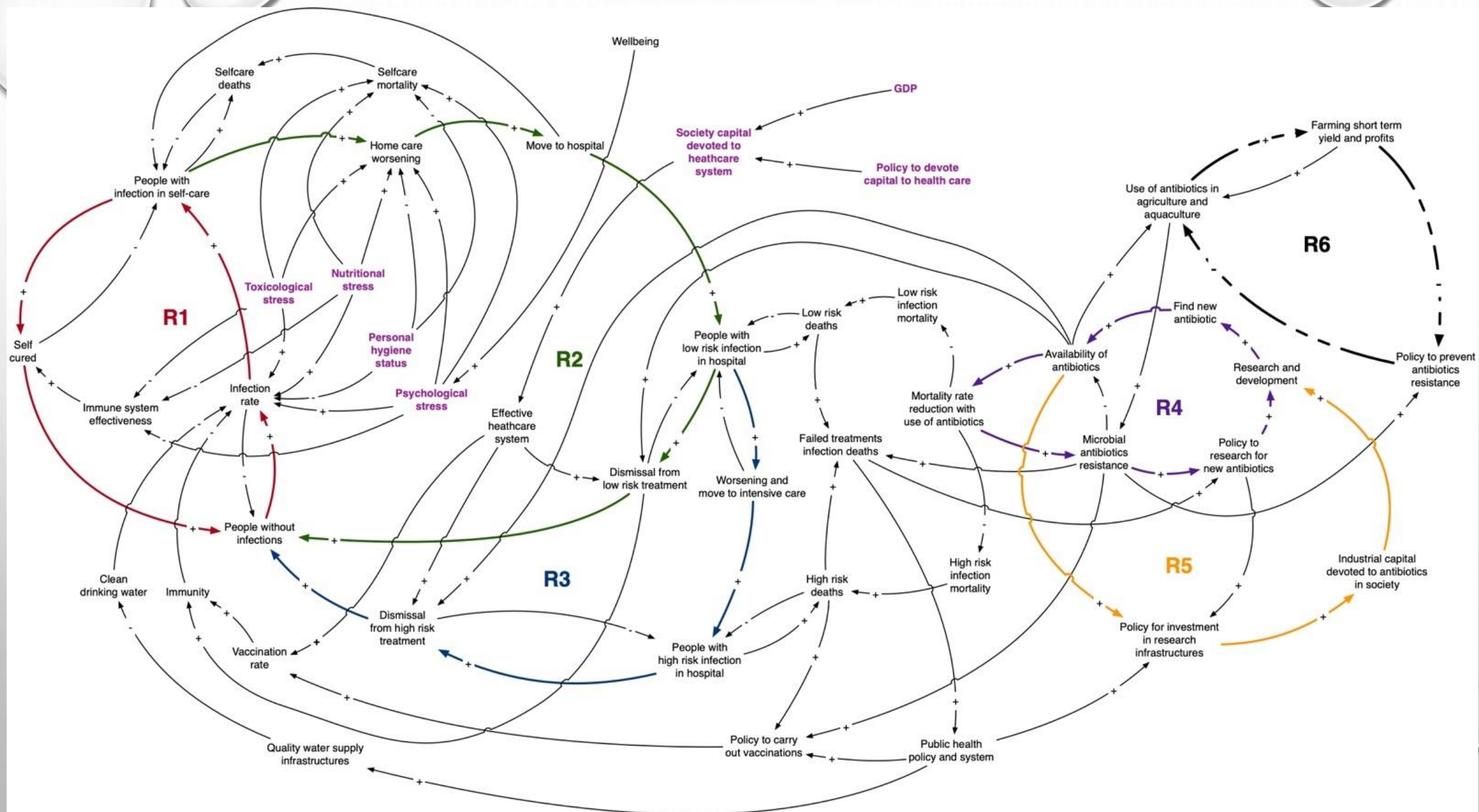


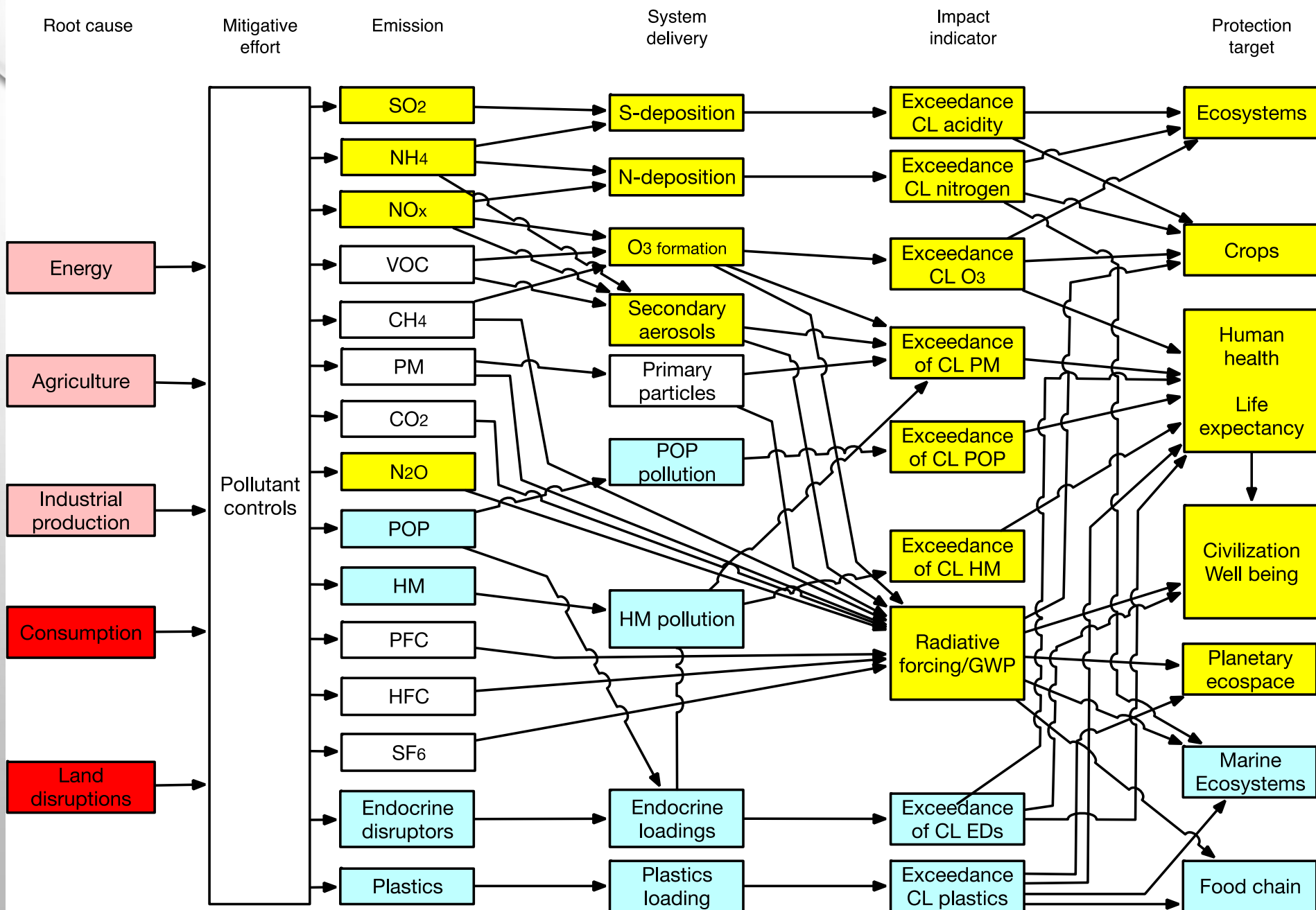






GETTING HEALTH  
AND MORTALITY  
EFFECTS INTO THE  
MODELS ARE IN  
PROGRESS WITH THE  
WORLD6 INTEGRATED  
ASSESSMENT MODEL





Linking the  
future  
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pollutant,  
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and the  
wellbeing  
of mankind

# CONCLUSIONS

- THE WORK UNDER THE **LRTAP**-CONVENTION HAS BEEN **VERY SUCCESSFUL**
- THE **LRTAP** WORK IS **FAR FROM FINISHED**
- THERE ARE SERIOUS CHALLENGES TO CONTINUING THE MODELLING & MAPPING LRTAP WORK. THERE IS **INADEQUATE FUNDING** ACROSS THE WHOLE BOARD.
- THE NITROGEN ISSUES ARE WELL UNDERSTOOD, BUT THE ASSESSMENT WORK HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED, **BIODIVERSITY** IS LARGELY **NOT PROTECTED** FROM AIR POLLUTION, CLIMATE CHANGE OR HUMAN LANDUSE. **THE INTEGRATED MODELS ARE READY AND WELL VALIDATED**
- PARTICLES, OZONE, ENDOCRINE DISRUPTORS, ORGANIC POLLUTANTS REMAIN AS MAJOR CONCERNS FOR ECOSYSTEMS AND HUMAN HEALTH
- DEVELOPMENT OF NEW INTEGRATED GLOBAL MODELS IS NECESSARY AND SHOULD BE URGED.