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Global Atmospheric Pollution Forum Activities in Africa and Objectives of the Workshop

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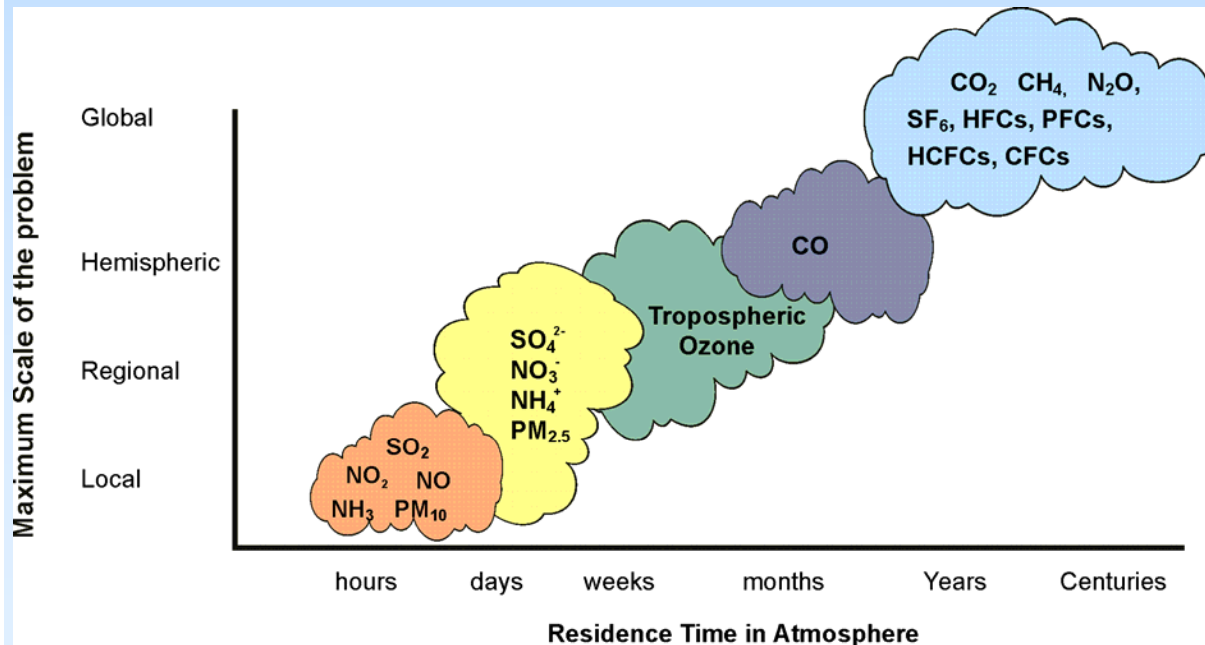
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Challenges and opportunities

- Dealing with air pollution across the scales
- Moving from assessment to action
- Creating awareness of true costs of poor air quality and benefits in key stakeholders
- Integration of climate change and air pollution policies producing co-benefits



Need for Global Co-operation on Air Pollution Issues

- Great deal of activity underway around the world at all scales
- Science showing pollution problems to be regional, hemispheric and global in nature as well as local
- Need to support regional initiatives and harmonize their activities and transfer best practice

Global Forum Objectives

Mitigating air pollution and integrating regional programmes by:

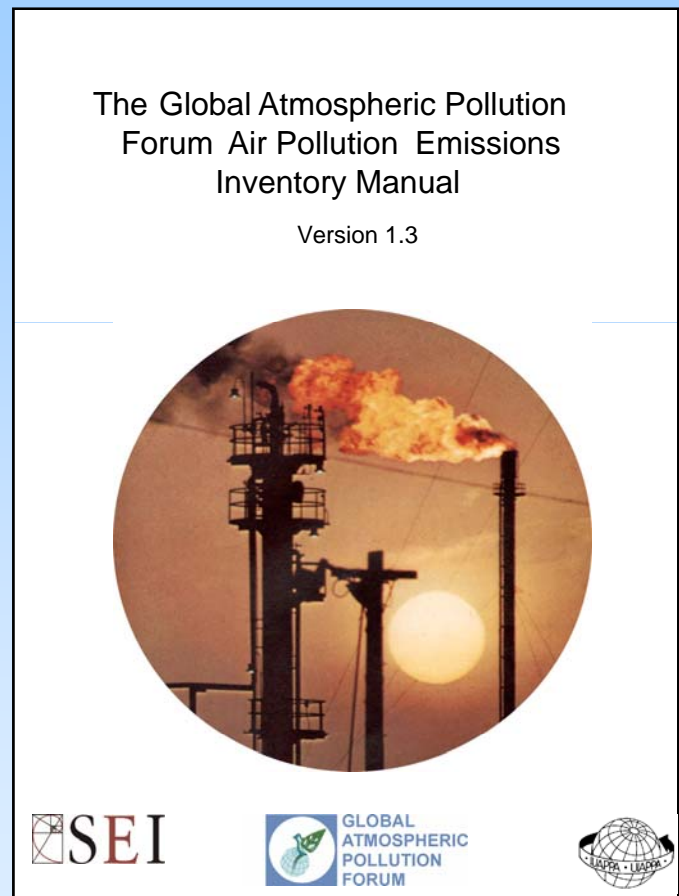
1. Establishing or strengthening regional air pollution networks;
2. Harmonizing technical systems and information between regions (e.g. monitoring and emissions); and
3. Building consensus among regional groups and stakeholders (towards possible hemispheric or global frameworks for air pollution).



Harmonizing technical approaches: Emissions Inventory Manual for Developing Nations

The Forum Manual is designed to be:

- **Relevant** - experts from Brazil, China, India and Malawi, as well as EMEP/CORINAIR and IPCC had a key role in developing the Forum Manual
- **Easy to use** – includes a simple, Excel spreadsheet-based workbook in which most calculations are carried out automatically
- **Compatible** - with EMEP/CORINAIR, IPCC and USEPA approaches
- **A training tool** – e.g. includes a section on ‘*Principles of good practice in preparing inventories*’



Forum's progress in promoting intergovernmental networks

Asia:

UNEP, CAI-Asia, Malé Declaration, EANET and ASEAN starting to initiate inter-regional intergovernmental talks

Latin America:

Secretariat, IANABIS, CAI-LA and UNEP recently achieved a ministerial agreement to set up a science to policy network at intergovernmental level across Latin America

Africa:

APINA, UNEP, CAI-Africa, USEPA , SEI promoting sub-regional workshops in central, northern, southern, western and eastern Africa



The 'big five' air pollution problems experienced across Africa



Objectives of this meeting

Policy Session 20/21st July

- Preparation of the West and Central Africa Action Plan on Better Urban Air Quality

Ministerial Session 22nd July

- Potential agreement of a policy framework

Merci Beaucoup

Thank you very much

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