





# Particle pollution in Italian ports & experiences from Northern European ECA

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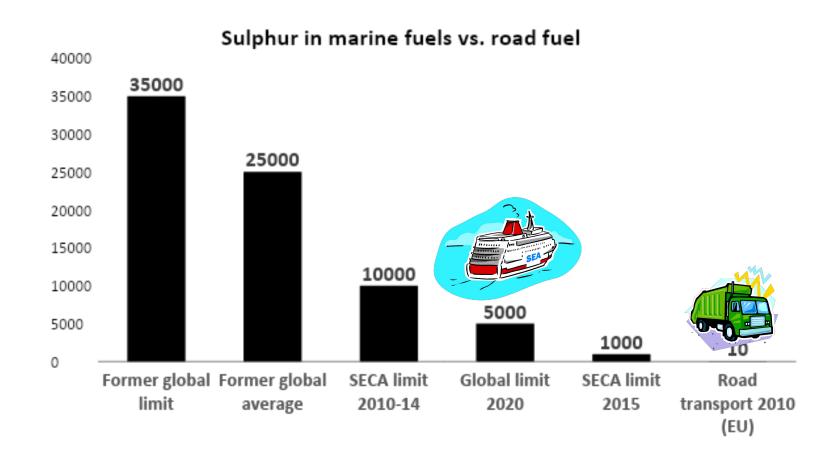


# Health effects of air pollution in Italy

- Around 65,000 people die from air pollution every year in Italy (EEA, 2020). That is 10.5% of all deaths (630,000).
- In 2020-22 air pollution (195,000) killed more people in Italy than COVID (180,000). No vaccine against pollution.
- If air pollution from shipping causes just 10% of deaths due to air pollution shipping kills 6,500 Italians per year.
- Cancer, cardiovascular diseases and airway diseases etc.
- It is very cost effective to reduce air pollution from ships.



# Shipping is poorly regulated



2014: All new trucks in EU have very effective exhaust gas cleaning systems – no ships have filters or catalytic converters!



# Trucks have filters – Ships have no filters







Ships have <u>no</u> filters. A cruise ship (4,000 p.) at berth emits as many particles as 5,500 cars **per second**.

**Piombino** 

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Wind: 6-8 m/s.



# Soot from shipping (pictures from Genoa 2016)



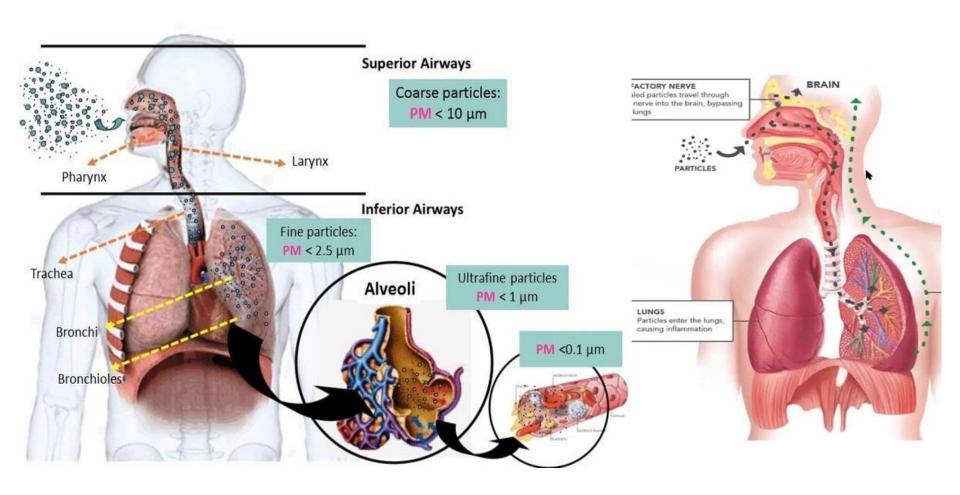


### Genoa: A cocktail of bad conditions

- A lot of polluting ferries and cruise ships inside the heart of the city for most of the year.
- The city almost covers a circle around the port so pollution plumes will hit residential areas most of the time.
- City is built uphill, so chimneys are in same height as windows.
- Have a warm climate so people spend much time outdoor, and windows are open when it is warm = when you have cruise ships.
- Still no shore power for cruise ships and ferries.



# Measurements: Ultrafine exhaust particles



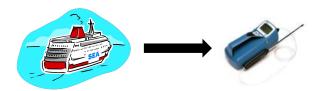


# Measurements of air quality in Italy

- Measured ultrafine exhaust particles.
- Particles smaller than 100 nm consisting of soot (black carbon) coated with PAHs and heavy metals.
- Ultrafine particles are deposited in the finest parts of the lungs (alveoli) and transferred into the blood.
- Clean air in Europe contains 1,000-3,000 particles per cm<sup>3</sup>.









# Genoa with/without cruise ship: 6-10 m/s



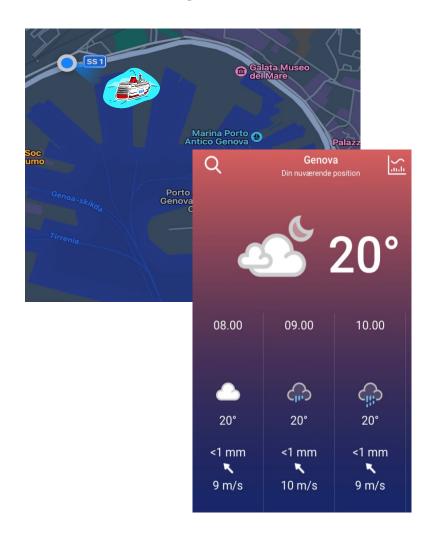
With cruise ship



Without cruise ship



## Genoa upwind cruise ship ferry: 9 m/s





Genoa, October 24, 2022



# Livorno upwind and downwind ferry: 11 m/s



**Up-wind: Before ship** 



Down-wind: After ship



# Piombino upwind/downwind ferry: 6-8 m/s

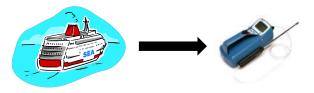


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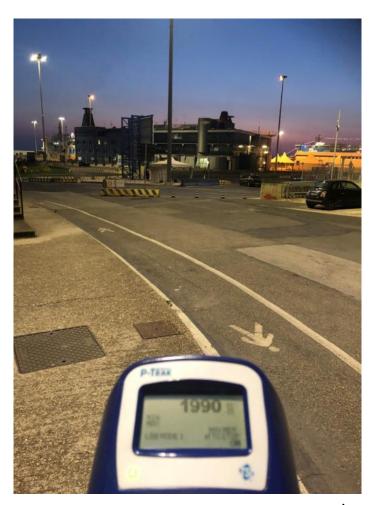


Down-wind: After ship





# 2021: Civitavecchia with/without wind from sea

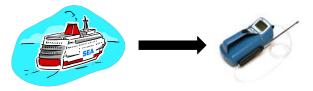


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8 m/s from West: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>





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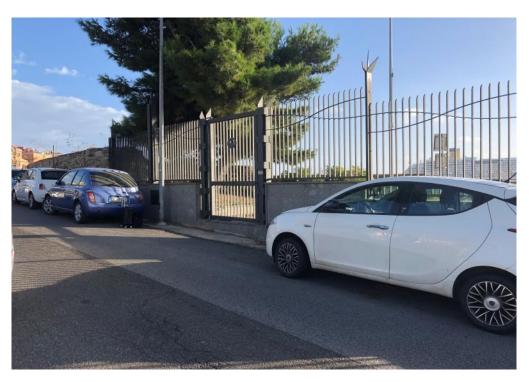
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# Civitavecchia: The pollution hits the city



8 m/s from West: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 2021





### **Results from measurements**

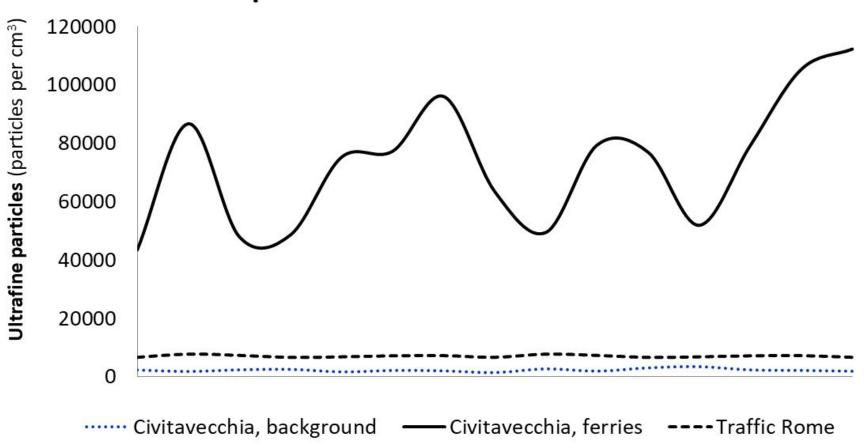
		Date	Ship	Particle pollution (average particles per cm <sup>3</sup> )	Wind (direction : speed)	
Civitavecchia	City background	Oct. 1st		1.600	W:1-2 m/s	
	With ship pollution	Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Ferries	71.650	W:8-9 m/s	
Civitavecchia	City background	Oct. 1st		2.250	W:1-2 m/s	
	With ship pollution	Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cruises	60.550	W: 8-9 m/s	
Genoa	Sea background	Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>		2.350	E:6-10 m/s	
	With ship pollution	Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Cruise	82.400*	E . 0-10 III/S	
Livorno	Sea background	Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>		1.250	SW: 9-12 m/s	
	With ship pollution	Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Ferries	50.650		
Piombino	Sea background	Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>		2.150	W:6-8 m/s	
	With ship pollution	Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Ferries	45.550		
Rome city centre	Rush hour traffic	Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Cars	7.100	4-5 m/s	

Shipping cause significant pollution of Italian port cities.



### Measurements from Civitavecchia

#### Air pollution from ferries in Civitavecchia





### Measuring report







#### Air pollution with ultrafine particles from shipping in Italian port cities





Upwind ferries

Downwind ferries

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Report with screening measurements from Italian port cities:

https://rgo.dk/wp-conte nt/uploads/Air-pollution -from-shipping-in-Italianports.pdf



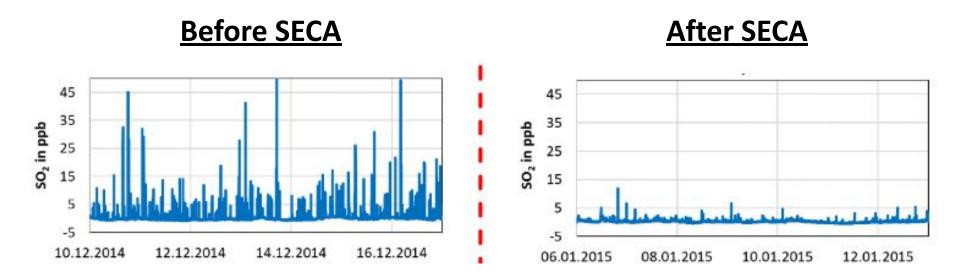
### **Emission control area in Northern Europe**

- SOx Emission Control Area from 2007 with the strictest sulphur limit from 2015.
- NOx Emission Control Area from 2021 for all new build ships.





# Measurements from Northern Europe



Measurements from Neuwerk (German island)

Concentrations of toxic SO<sub>2</sub> immediately dropped, as expected, after introducing the SECA



### **Control and enforcement**

**EU**: - Min. 10% inspections and 4% sulphur analysis.

- Fines must prevent systematic violations.

**DK:** - Helicopters measuring sulphur, NOx and CO<sub>2</sub> directly in the ship exhaust fan at sea (600/yr.).

Name and shame on ship/companies violating.









### **Conclusions from Northern European ECA**

- Plenty of distillate fuel (0.1% sulphur) available.
- High reduction in sulphur on land (50% drop in 2015).
- Significant health and economic benefits for society.
- No enforcement challenges (0.0067% violations).
- No cargo transfer from ship to road.
- No notable price increases for consumers (< 0.005%).</li>
- No notable extra costs for ship owners or authorities.



### Solutions for ship pollution

#### In ports:

Shore power for cruise ships, ferries, cargo ships, etc.

#### At sea:

Electric ferries – Great potential.

Particulate filters for ships (removes > 95%).

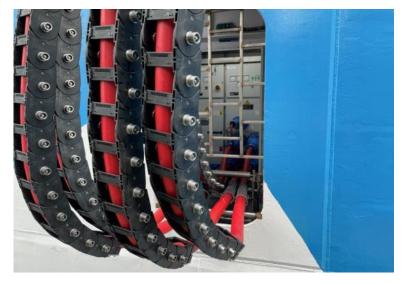
Emission Control Areas (ECAs) limiting emissions:

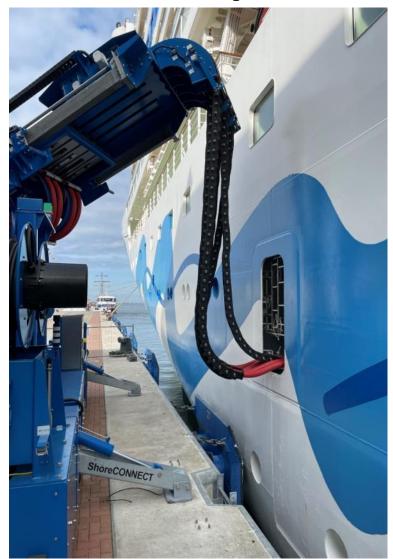
- SO<sub>2</sub> emissions will drop 80% immediately.
- NOx emissions will drop 80% over 20-25 years.
- Particle emissions will drop significantly and immediately.



# **Shore power in Northern Europe**









### **Electric ferries in Denmark**





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# **NOx from ships in Northern Europe**

- Adverse health effects: 42 € per kg NOx emission.
- Removal costs: <u>2 € per kg NOx</u> removed (using SCR).
- Society saves around 42 billion € in health damages every time society invests 2 billion € in NOx-removal
  - □ Rate of return: 2.000%!
- + less damages on crops, constructions, ecosystems, etc.
- A NOx ECA is the best investment you can imagine ...



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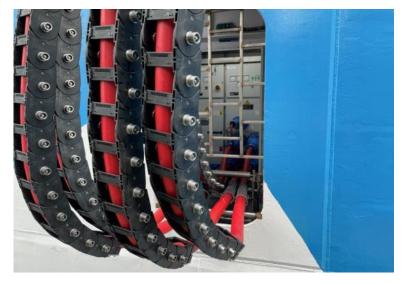


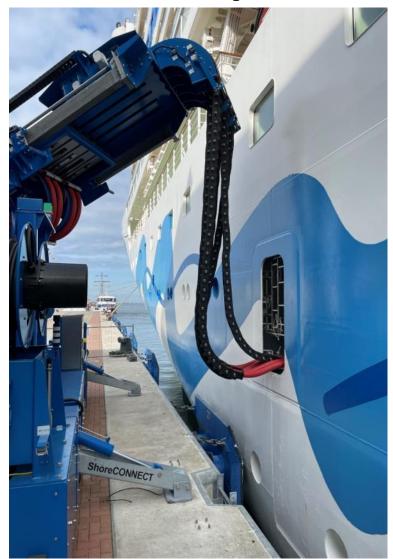




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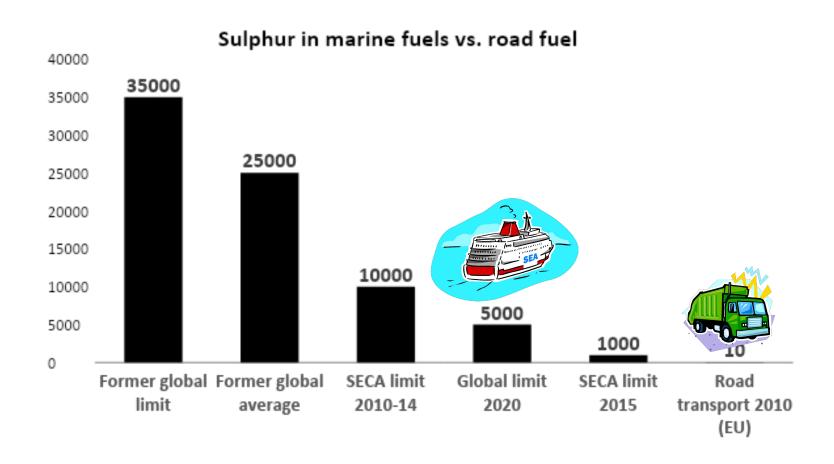


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