



Copernicus CO2 Initiative

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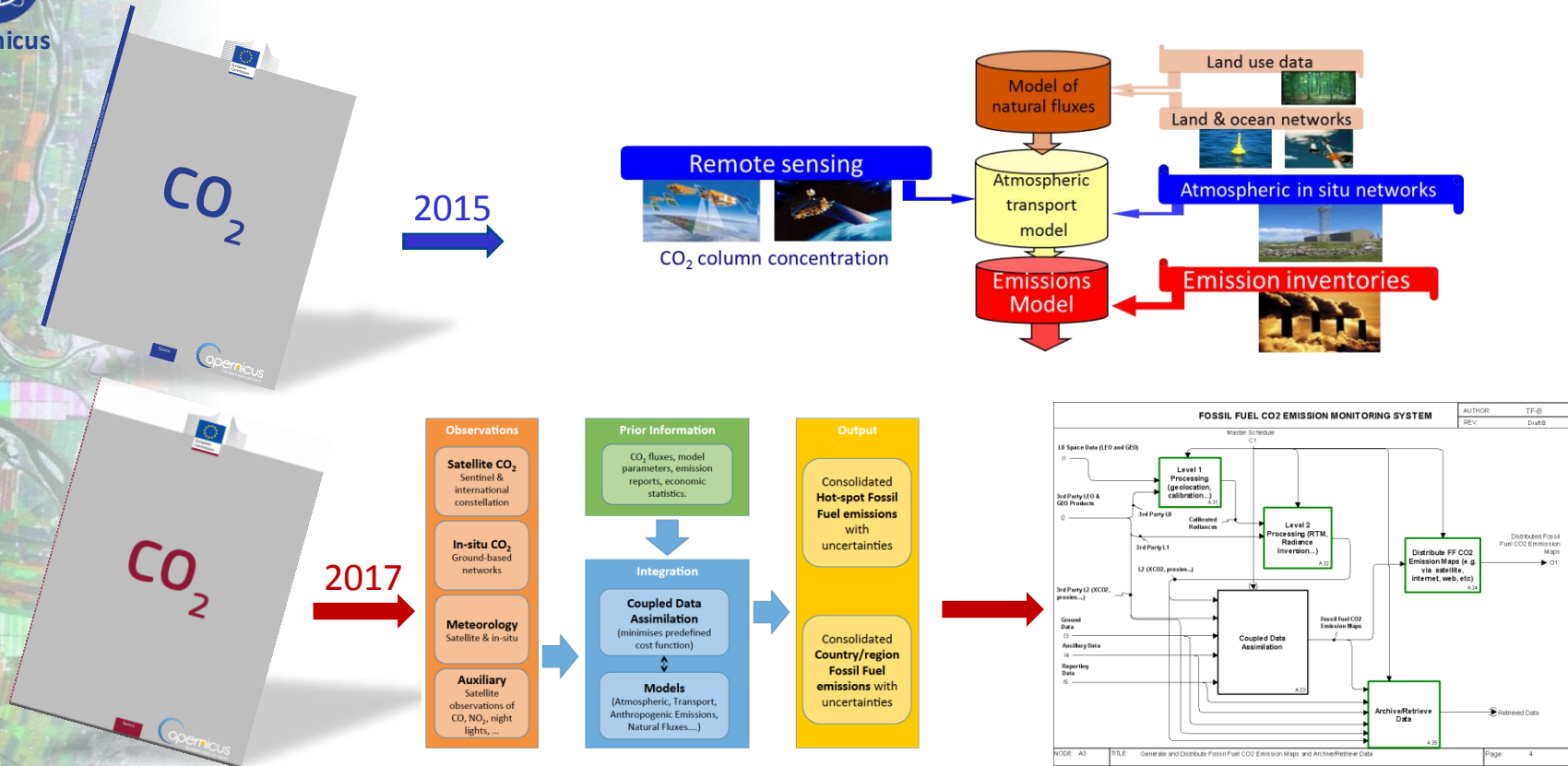


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Architecture – Basis for Future Implementation



<http://copernicus.eu/news/report-operational-anthropogenic-co2-emissions-monitoring>

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Boundary conditions

- Emphasis on **systems**: inventories, space-borne and in-situ observations, data assimilation framework, inversion system, transport models, decision support system
- Emphasis on **operational** intent – from the outset
- Fundamentally underpinned by strong **user requirements** based on **international commitments** and corresponding **EU Policy implementation**
- Fundamental **added value of international engagement** on multiple aspects of system implementation/development



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Towards an anthropogenic CO₂ Monitoring & Verification Support Capacity

CO₂ Task Force & ESA Mission Advisory Group

Global Stock
Take 1

using inventories
of 2026

Global Stock
Take 2

2017

2019

2021

2023

2025

2027

2029

system capacity built up

operation

Launch target for
Copernicus S-7
constellation

CO₂

MRD
#1

MRD
#2

MRD
#3

ESA studies

ESA S-7 Phase A/B1

H2020 CSA: CHE

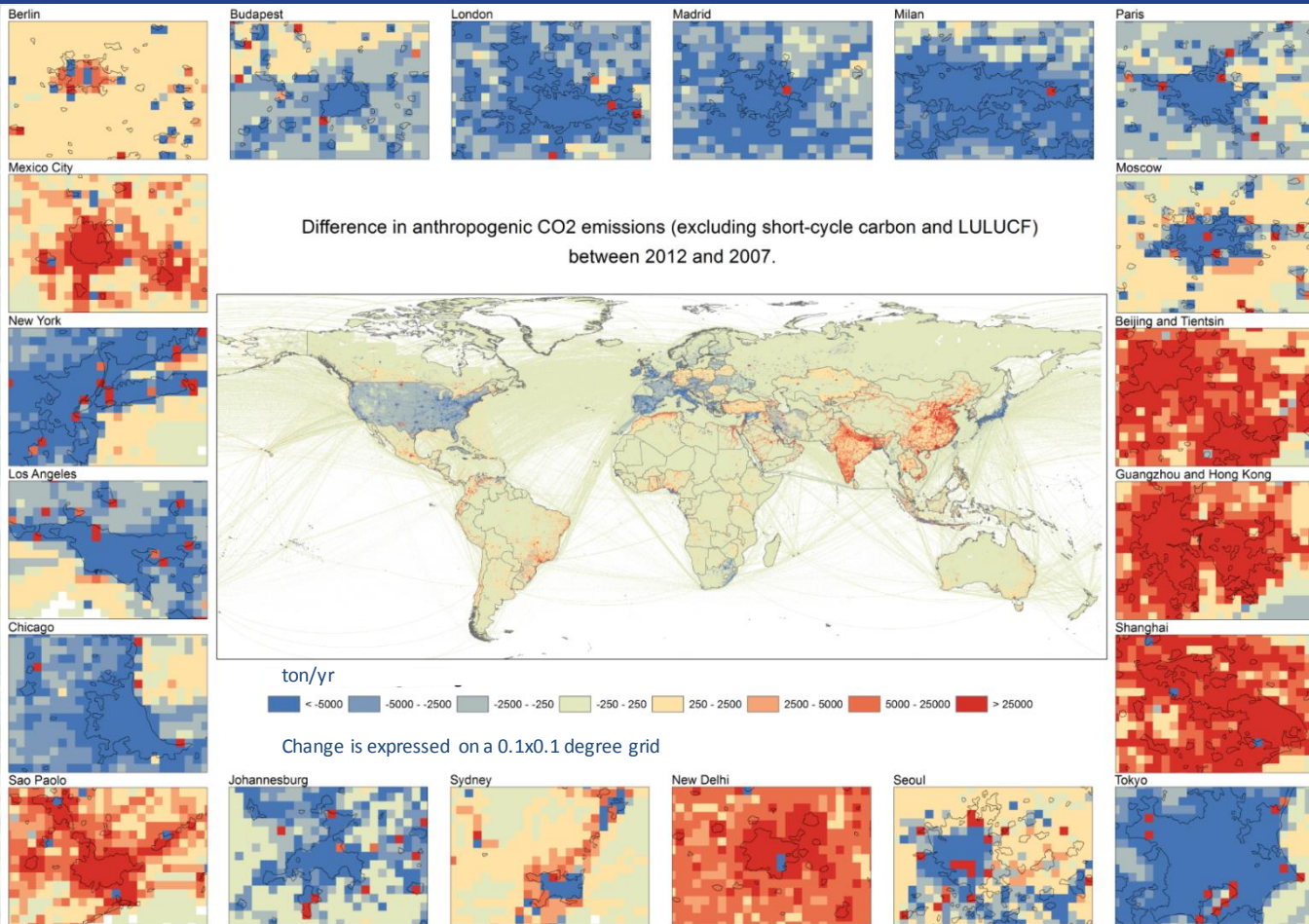
H2020: CHE Follow-on

H2020: VERIFY



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Fossil CO2 Emission Difference 2012-2007





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End-to-end System requirements to monitor CO₂

1. **Detection of emitting hot spots** such as megacities or power plants.
2. **Monitoring the hot spot emissions** to assess emission reductions/increase of the activities.
3. **Assessing emission changes against local reduction targets** to monitor impacts of the NDCs.
4. **Assessing the national emissions and changes** in 5-year time steps to estimate the global stock take.

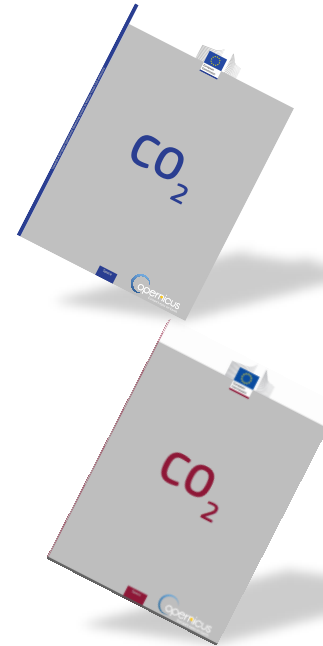
**Operational Anthropogenic CO₂ Emissions
Monitoring & Verification Support Capacity**

Accuracy

200-400
ton/year

km &
daily scales

Space & Time





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Objectives and Requirements from the Space Component

- XCO₂ precision: **0.5 – 0.7 ppm**
- Systematic bias **< 0.5 ppm**
- Spatial resolution about **4 km²**
- Continuously sampled swath width **> 200 km**
- Revisit around **3 days** (poleward of 40 deg)
- A constellation of **N** satellites (N about **3 to 4**)
- Orbit equator crossing time **11:00 – 12:00 hrs**

Band	Spectral range [nm]	Spectral resolution [nm]	SNR at reference radiance
NIR	747–773	0.1	400 - 600
SWIR-1	1590–1675	0.3	300 - 500
SWIR-2	1925–2095	0.55	200 - 400

- Radiometric uncertainty **< 3%**
- Relative radiometric accuracy **< 0.5%**

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Joint efforts Internationally



United Nations

FAO/SBSTA/2017/L.21



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Climate Change

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Agenda item 8
Research and systematic observation

Research and systematic observation

9. The SBSTA recognized the progress made by the satellite community (see para. 4(e) above), in close collaboration with GCOS, in the development of the essential climate variable inventory.¹⁶ It noted the usefulness of the essential climate variable inventory for climate services. It invited CEOS and CGMS to report on progress at future sessions of the SBSTA, as appropriate.

10. The SBSTA noted with appreciation the information provided in the submission referred to in paragraph 4(a) above on the Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS).¹⁷ It invited WMO to report on progress in implementing the GFCS at future sessions of the SBSTA, as appropriate.

11. The SBSTA invited the UNFCCC secretariat to communicate with the WMO secretariat, including with regional centres, to inform work on climate services.

12. The SBSTA noted the increasing capability to systematically monitor greenhouse gas concentrations and emissions, through in situ as well as satellite observations, and its relevance in support of the Paris Agreement.¹⁸

**Considerable support in the RSO negotiations from Japan and EU delegations
Especially for Conclusions 9 & 12**



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Global Climate Observing System: Implementation Plan (GCOS-200)



Action T71: Prepare for a carbon-monitoring system

Action	Preparatory work to develop a carbon monitoring system to be operational by 2035; Development development of comprehensive monitoring systems of measurements of atmospheric concentrations and of emission fluxes from anthropogenic area and point sources to include space-based monitoring, in situ flask and flux tower measurements and the necessary transport and assimilation models
Benefit	Improved estimates of national emissions and removals
Time frame	Initial demonstration results by 2023 – complete systems unlikely before 2030
Who	Space agencies
Performance indicator	Published results
Annual cost	US\$ 10–100 billion

“Specifically CEOS and CGMS will undertake, over the next few years, dedicated preparatory work in a coordinated international context...:

- The definition of an architecture of space component elements to address the requirements of a CO₂ and GHG monitoring system , ... This will provide a global holistic perspective both from the point of view of existing and planned space segment assets as well and that for an optimum global constellation.
- The documentation of best practices on the relationships between individual space agencies and their counterparts working on the modelling aspects, the inventories and in-situ data provision, ...
- The further consolidation of partnerships and collaborations between the relevant international entities including: the relationship between CEOS and CGMS on the space component aspects, the partnership with the WMO and GEO on the broader framework, ... and finally the relationships with GCOS itself, UNFCCC and IPCC TFI process in better defining the role for space-based observation in the inventory guideline process.”



European Commission CEOS Chair 2018: GHG monitoring Priority

Specific Chair Initiative : Laying the foundation for an international CO₂ and GHG monitoring system

Three specific activities are foreseen for advancing this effort in 2017-2018:

1. Facilitate the completion and follow-on activities of the **AC-VC whitepaper on defining an optimum constellation for CO₂ and GHG monitoring**, including the joint competences of CEOS and CGMS, and in the general framework of the continued implementation of the CEOS Carbon Strategy
2. **Advance the relationship with CGMS for an operationally implemented and sustained observation capability**. Consider establishing a formal working relationship between CEOS and CGMS as with the successful ongoing relationship on Systematic Observations of ECVs in support of UNFCCC.
3. **Place the space segment in the broader context of a fully sustained system for CO₂ monitoring**. Individual CEOS Agencies have counterparts in their individual countries/regions who have responsibility for Inventories, the required modelling, in-situ infrastructure and the ground segment elements.



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Consensus System Perspective

Observations

Satellite CO₂ and CH₄ Sentinel & international constellation

Ground and Airborne Measurements

Meteorology
Satellite & in-situ

Auxiliary
Satellite observations of CO, NO₂, night lights, ...

Prior Information

Fluxes, model parameters, emission reports, economic statistics.



Integration & Attribution¹

Estimation system

Data assimilation and uncertainty estimation



Models

Transport, land & ocean carbon cycle, fossil fuel emissions.



Outputs

Consolidated **Hot-spot CO₂ and CH₄ emissions & removals** with uncertainties



Consolidated **Country/region CO₂ and CH₄ emissions & removals** with uncertainties

Other Carbon Cycle Products

1: Between biogenic and anthropogenic sources

Integrated System

In-situ Observations

FLUXNET

SOCAT

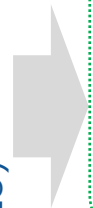
TCCON

ICOS

GEO

Carbon &
GHG
(GEO)

IG3IS
(WMO)



Third Country #1

Third Country #3

Third Country #2

Non space "owner" countries

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Anthropogenic CO2/GHG Emission
Monitoring and Verification Capacity
(prototype 2021)

Integration and Modeling

Space-based Observations

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TANSAT & 2nd gen
LEOs (CMA)

OCO-2 (NASA)

GOSAT (JAXA)

MicoCarb (CNES)

Copernicus -
supporting missions

Copernicus
Sentinel- 7
Dedicated LEO
Constellation

(first launch
2025- fully
operational
2030)

LEO Missions

Global GEO Ring



Thank you for your attention