

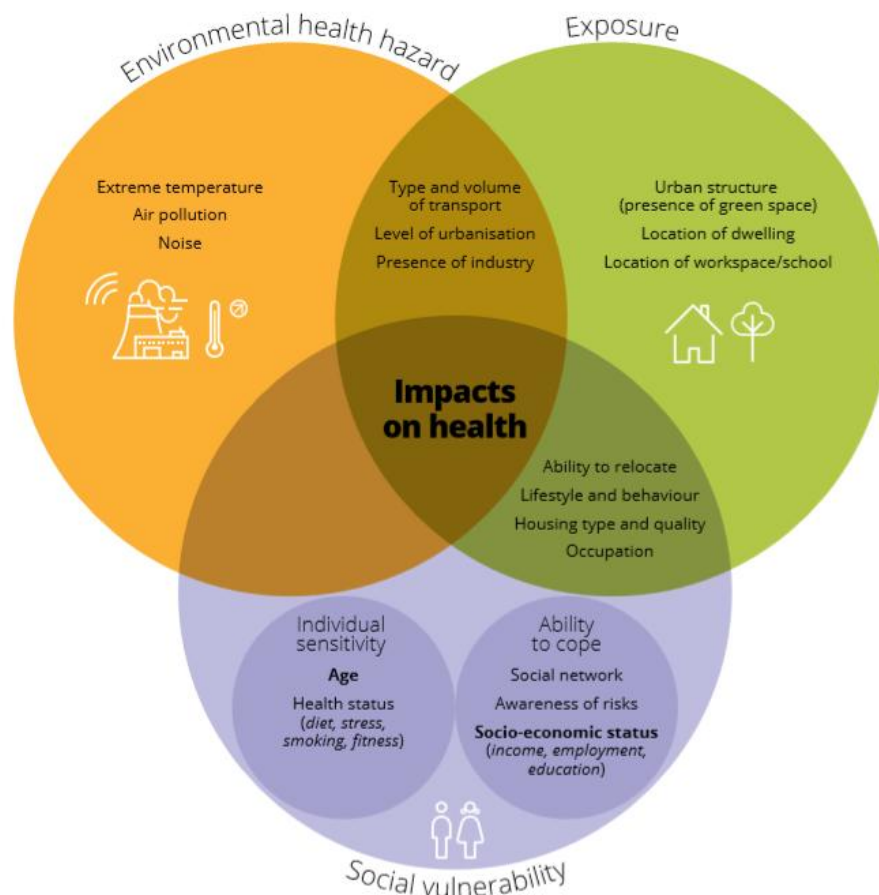


Achieving the SDGs within Europe: No Poverty Eradication without Environmental Action

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Impact on well-being of the combination of vulnerability and exposure to environmental health hazards*

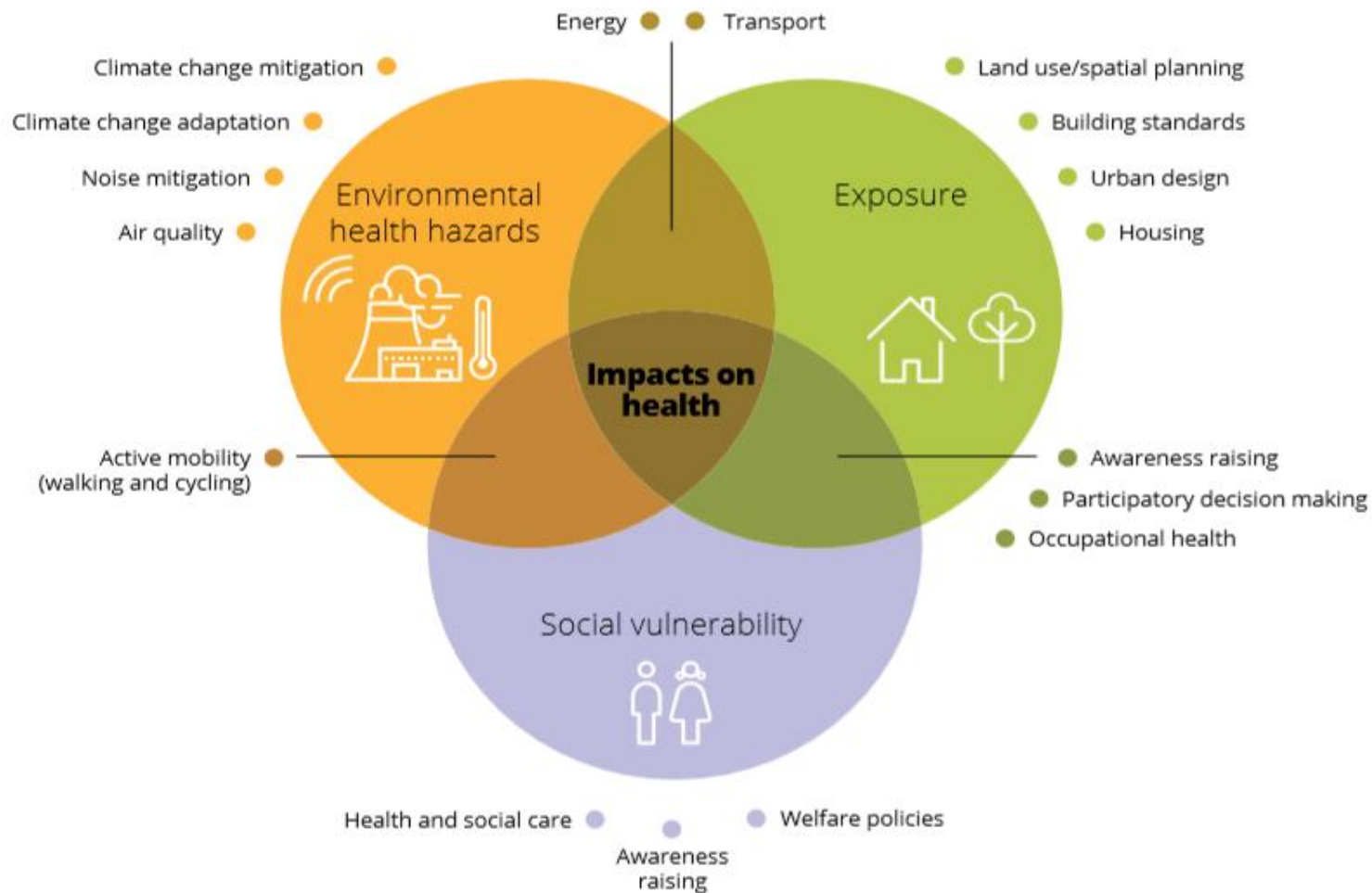


Sources: EEA, based on IPCC (2014b), WHO Europe (2010) and Aalbers et al. (2014). The report addresses the aspects of exposure and vulnerability to a varying extent.

Conclusions for environmental policies

1. Ambitious environmental policies contribute to greater justice in terms of health, quality of life and wellbeing.
2. Environment policies must be 'poverty proof'.
3. Our economic model must be future proof – the circular economy provides opportunities for sustainable growth and jobs
4. We need a just transition.

Examples of policy areas relevant to reducing environmental health hazards, exposure and social vulnerability*



*EEA (2018) *Unequal exposure and unequal impacts: social vulnerability to air pollution, noise and extreme temperatures in Europe*, Figure 6.1 (p.76)