

Lecture 11 (May 14) - worksheet

- What are the key facts of environmental protection investment before and after the Velvet Revolution?
- What are the key facts of effluent discharge (by water supply and sewage systems, power industry, industry) into surface water between 1980 and 2003?
- What are the key facts of emissions into air of basic pollutants in the CR from 1990 to 2007?
- What are the key facts of road traffic volumes 1995, 2000, 2005?
- What are the basic trends of freight and passenger transport over the past 15 years or so. As regards freight, what is interesting about the ratio of road and railway traffic during that time. What is troubling about that trend? And how could it be addressed?
- What are the key facts emerging from the TERM 2008 report ?
- By and large, how is passenger ground transport in the EU happening?
- The EU targets a 20% reduction of GH gases by 2020? Impressive – yes or no?
- The TERM 2008 report suggests that there is a need for demand management. Explain and discuss.
- What is the basic message of the Kotchen & Moore article on conservation? Does the basic result – some people do engage in voluntary constraint, and some people are willing to pay for environmentally benign technologies (such as those producing green electricity) – contradict the rather more pessimistic assessment emerging from the Plott article that we discussed early in the semester? What are the policy implications of your assessment?