Interactive comment on "EDGAR v4.3.2 Global Atlas of the three major Greenhouse Gas Emissions for the period 1970–2012" *by* Greet Janssens-Maenhout et al.

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I have read through the whole document. It's like a PhD dissertation, very long and very informative. I must say that there is nothing really I can pick up for significant improvement. Both data and method are described in a great detail and transparent way. The article is well presented. I am a frequent user of EDGAR dataset, and I find the information provided are very helpful. Therefore I suggest the paper can be published as it is.

Perhaps a suggestion: show emission grid-maps (figures 9, 11-16) in gradient colour scales instead of graded colour scales.

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