Interactive comment on “Emission-factor uncertainties in maritime transport in the Strait of Gibraltar, Spain” by J. Moreno-Gutiérrez et al.

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1. Relevance of the paper to AMF: I agree with authors that a paper assessing uncertainties in emission factors, based on own measurements and reviewed in the literature, would be a relevant paper for this journal. However, that is not the paper I have reviewed. The sentences the authors are citing from the paper are not focus of the paper and are statements for discussion rather than analysis of the data that would be presented and lead the readers to these conclusions. It is not the description how the data were obtained that is lacking (enough with citation of the original paper), it is the data analysis that is missing.

2. Cruising and maneuvering conditions: This was a comment for discussion about uncertainties. For CO and PM with higher EF at low engine loads this could make some difference, also for NOx, in this case in opposite direction.

3.-4. This means that you will re-write rather than revise the paper.