Positive impacts on human health
Premature deaths, cardiovascular, respiratory and pulmonary diseases will all be reduced.

Cleaner air
77% drop in overall sulphur oxide (SOx) emissions from ships – annual reduction of approximately 8.5 million metric tonnes of SOx.

Higher quality fuels
The majority of ships will switch to higher quality, low sulphur fuel oil to meet the limit.

Ship operators, owners + refineries have adapted
Guidance issued by IMO and other stakeholders to enhance preparedness ahead of the entry into force of Sulphur 2020.

Changes for enforcement authorities
Flag and port State control will be making sure ships are compliant.