Review of the revised manuscript submitted for publication to the Journal of Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics entitled "Pollution affects Arabian and Saharan dust optical properties in the Eastern Mediterranean", by Marilena Teri et al. (ref. egusphere-2024-701)

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## Recommendation

**Publication** 

## **Reviewer Comments to Authors**

## Synthesis:

I find that the revised manuscript has nicely solved the issues that the initial version raised to me. I consider that authors did a good job in clarifying and improving the manuscript, which I now find excellent in terms of significance, and both scientific and presentation quality. I definitely recommend publication.

I acknowledge that my minor comment on line 206 was a mistake, related to another manuscript. Just in case, I listed below a few editorial corrections that I noticed.

## **Editorial comments:**

Line numbers refer to the track-change version.

- Line 185: a space should be shifted from after to before the citation of Schöberl et al.
- Line 299: spare space to be removed at end of line before the final dot.
- Line 305: rather replace "on" by "at".
- Line 325: "contents" (plural).
- Line 362: "to a higher" (see beginning of the sentence).
- Line 571: move Horvath et al. (2018) citation after Kim et al. (2011).

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