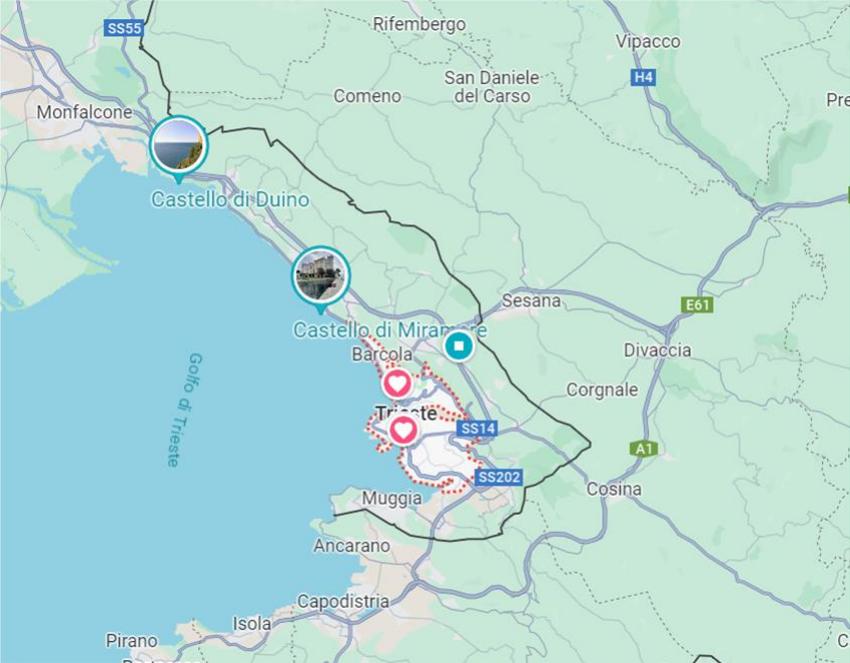




# City - Port relationships under geographical and urban planning perspectives. Case studies from Italian experiences

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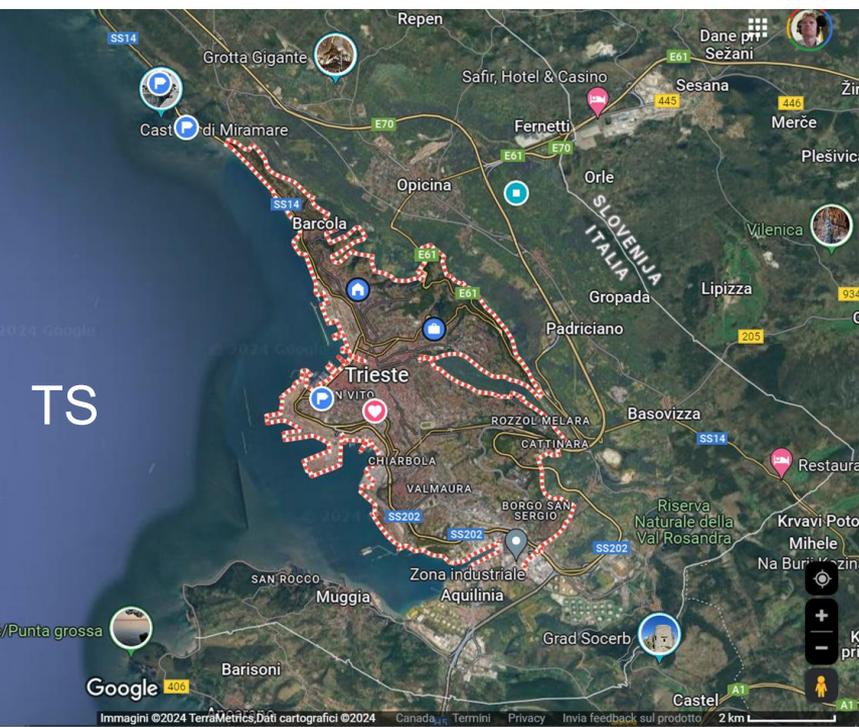
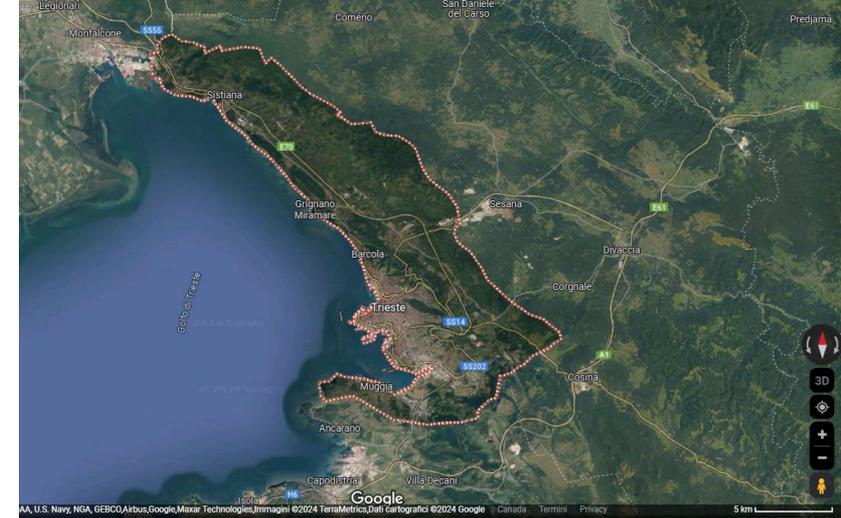
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Population (2023):  
 199,032 (228,952)  
 Area (km²):  
 85.11 Km² (212,83)  
 Density (in/km²):  
 2,341.8 (1,075.77)

Province by 6 municipalities  
 Population (2023): 228,705  
 Area (km²): 212,5  
 Density (in/km²) 1,103.28  
 Middle age (2023): 49

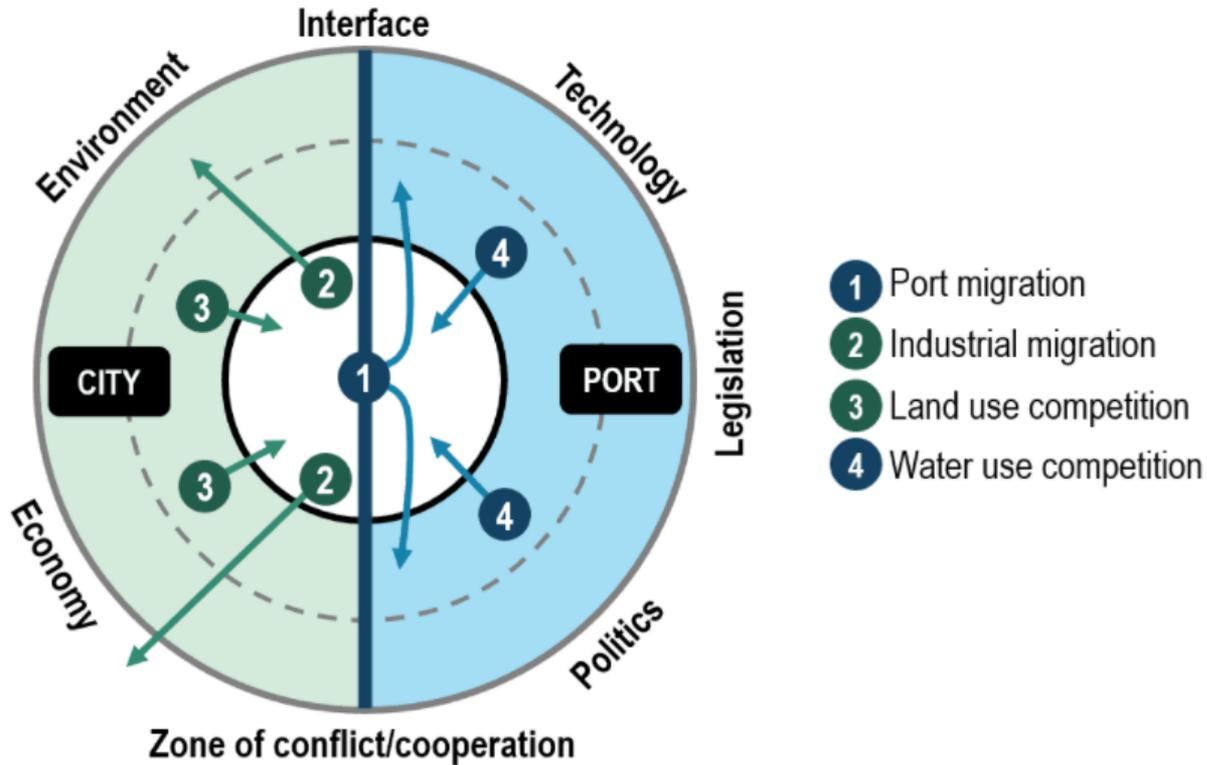


# Overview

The present research is based on an analysis performed combining different models developed in time to study the **city-port relation** (Bird's Anyport model) as well as location in space (Weber model of industrial location) within a circular framework.

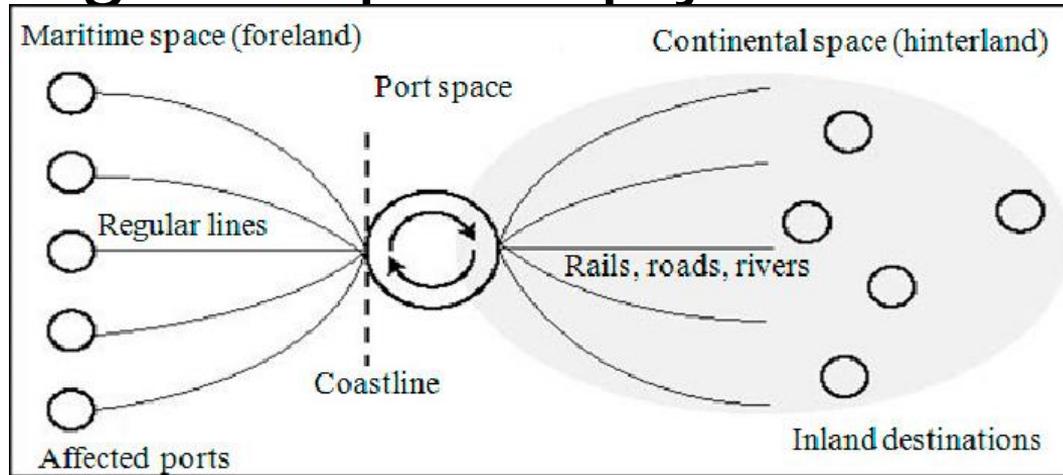
A city-port interference and interaction **matrix** is developed, to analyze the areas of potential development of the circular activities, in particular those related to building maintenance, demolition and reconstruction

# Ports and Urban Land Use



Ports and Urban Land Use

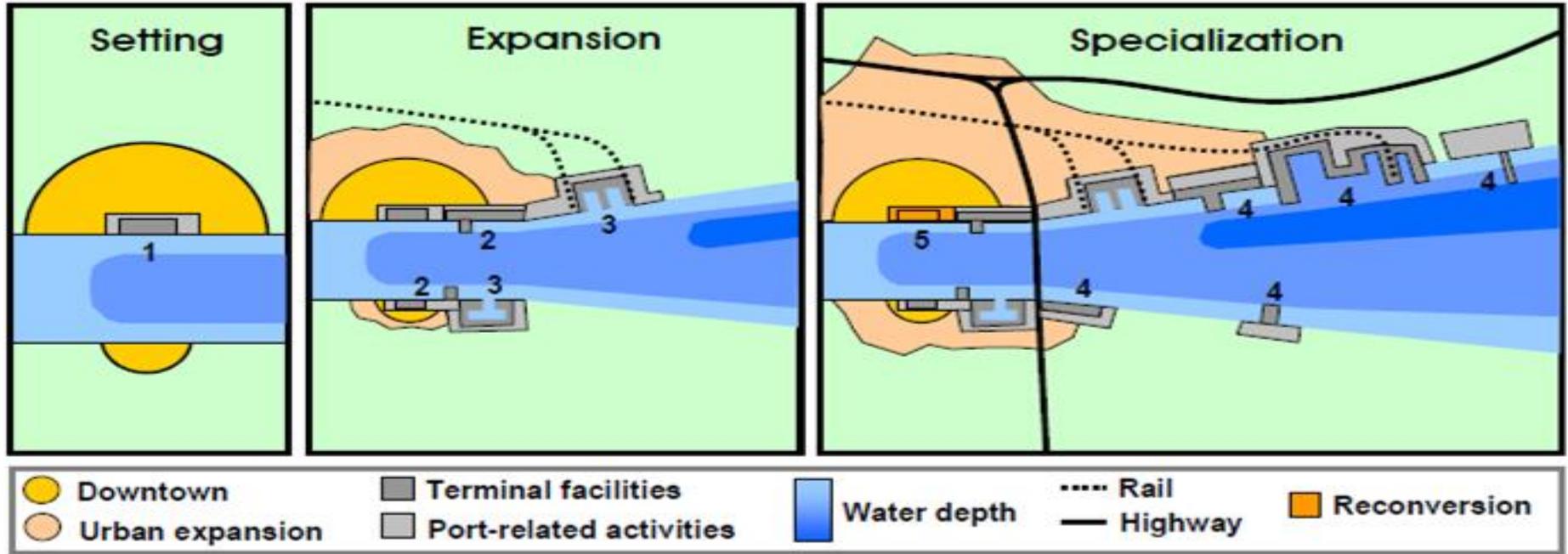
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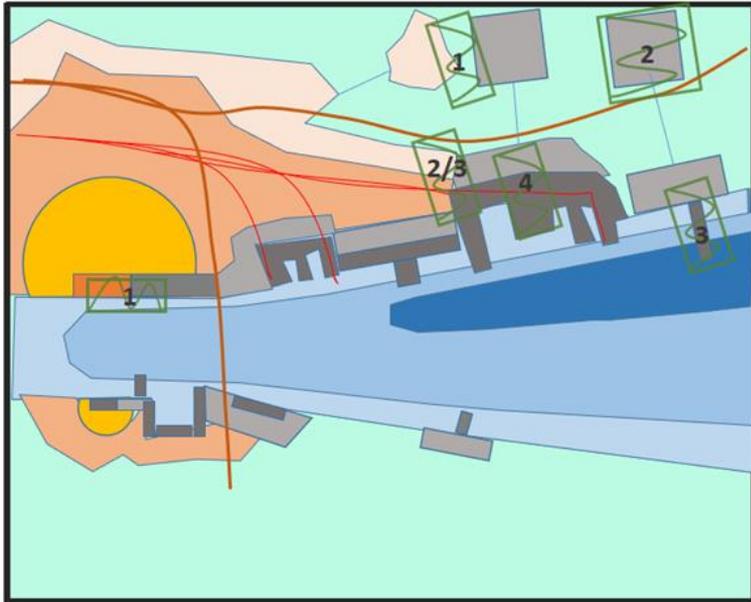
# Hoyle's 6 stage model

STAGE	SYMBOL	PERIOD	CHARACTERISTICS
	○ City ● Port		
I Primitive port/city	●	Ancient/medieval to 19th century	Close spatial and functional association between city and port.
II Expanding port/city	○-----●	19th - early 20th century	Rapid commercial/industrial growth forces port to develop beyond city confines, with linear quays and break-bulk industries.
III Modern industrial port/city	○-----●	mid - 20th century	Industrial growth (especially oil refining) and introduction of containers/ro-ro require separation/space.
IV Retreat from the waterfront	○	1960 s - 1980 s	Changes in maritime technology induce growth of separate maritime industrial development areas.
V Redevelopment of waterfront	○	1970 s - 1990 s	Large-scale modern port consumes large areas of land/water space, urban renewal of original core.
VI Renewal of port/city links	○-----●	1980 s - 2000+	Globalization and intermodalism transform port roles; port-city associations renewed; urban redevelopment enhances port-city integration.

# The port's evolution (Anyport - Bird, 1963)

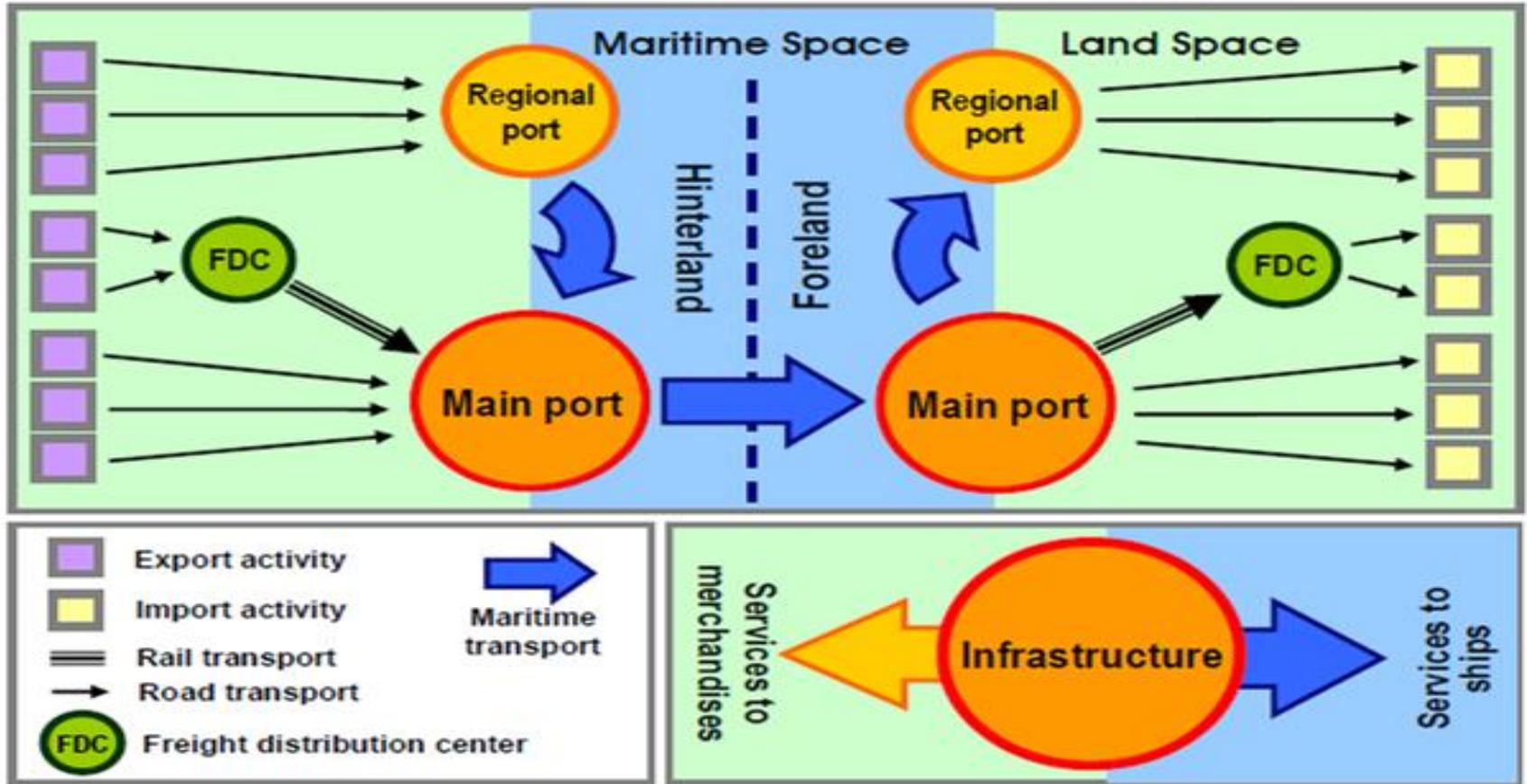


# The Hybridized Anyport Model



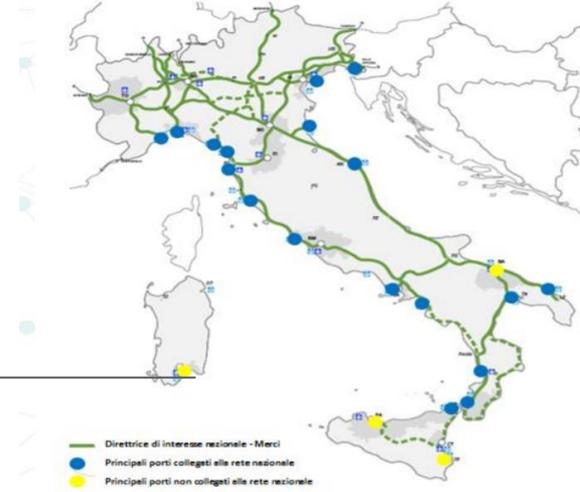
1. City-port relationship (on waterfronts; on peripheries. Areas “1”);
2. Transport & logistic / industry relationship (Area “2”);
3. Port functions (From single-purpose terminals to multi-purpose, hybrid terminals; Areas “3”);
4. Port roles hybridization (From pure gateways & hubs, to mixed uses; Area “4”).

# Port functions



# Case studies: Trieste

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Monte Carin

Matajur



Skalnica-  
območje gore  
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Triglav



San Martino

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Sutta

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SS202  
Google Earth

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# Bosco Urbano

## Urban forest

Il Bosco urbano, o Asse Natura, si sviluppa idealmente con un percorso SE-NQ e ha una lunghezza di circa 3 km, dal Molo IV fino ad arrivare al terrapieno di Barcola - Parcheggio di Bovedo. Sull'area troveremo spazi: una pista ciclopedonale lenta, percorsi pedonali e da corsa, nonché una corsia dedicata a mezzi di servizio e soccorso.

Lungo lo sviluppo del Bosco Urbano passerà la linea della cabinovia, integrata negli spazi verdi tra i percorsi dedicati alla mobilità lenta.

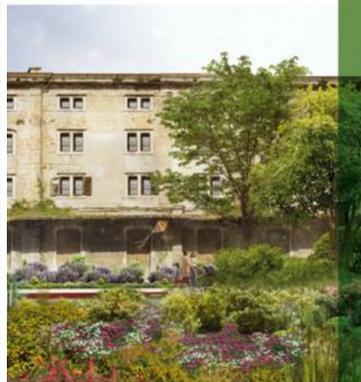
The Urban Forest or Asse Natura ("Natural Axis"), is laid out along a SE-NW path with a length of about 3 km, from Molo IV as far as the Barcola terrapieno - Bovedo Car Park.

The area will have a slow cycle and pedestrian path, footpaths and jogging routes, as well as a lane dedicated to service and emergency vehicles.

The line of the cabinovia will pass along the Urban Forest route, integrated into the green spaces and amidst the routes dedicated to "slow" forms of access.

### Ecological cycle

A circular economy is the aim of the management and maintenance of the Urban Park through a circular system producing more energy than it consumes and which consumes waste instead of producing it, and is thus self-sufficient in its management and maintenance.



### Binari

Verrà mantenuta la maggior parte dei binari del percorso ferroviario attraversato che con 6 km tracciate e 6 km spaziosi (diversamente orientati) formano il progetto del Parco, determinando così lo scheletro delle connessioni e la linea di orientamento dell'Asse Urbana.

### Rail Tracks

Most of the tracks of the 19th century railway route will be maintained, with their layout and their paths - securing founding elements of the Park project, thus determining the skeleton of connections and the orientation line of the urban system.

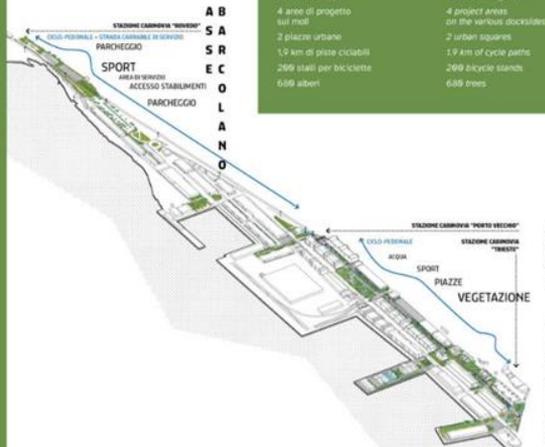


### Da Barcola al centro di Trieste

3 km di sviluppo  
4 aree di progetto sul molo  
3 piazze urbane  
1,0 km di piste ciclabili  
269 stadi per biciclette  
6169 alberi

### From Barcola to the centre of Trieste

Laid out along 3 km  
4 project areas on the services districts  
3 urban squares  
1.9 km of cycle paths  
269 bicycle stands  
6169 trees



# A port today – the City and Port of Trieste



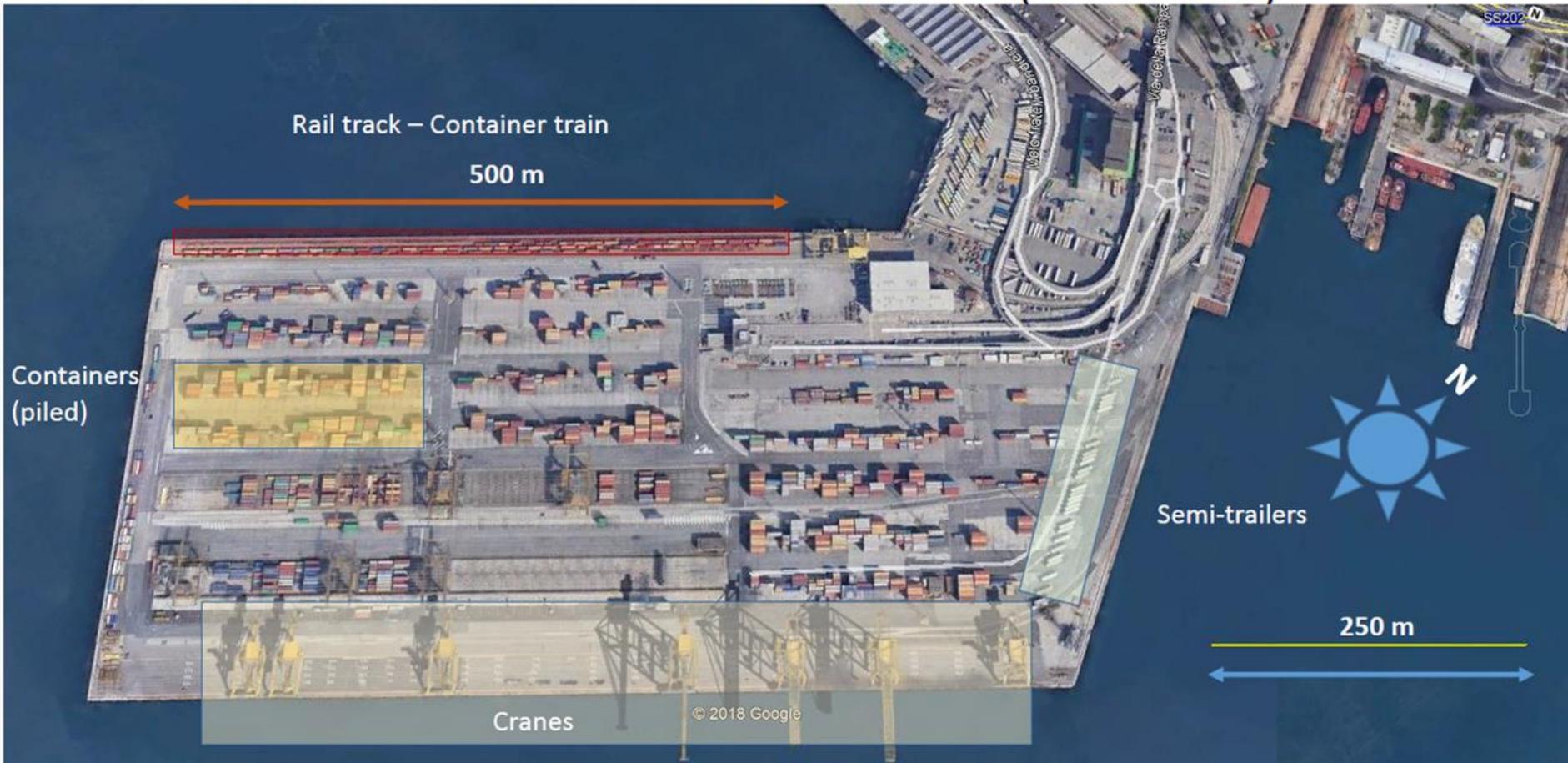


Figure 2. Hybridization and regionalization of city-port functions. Port-City Urban relationship  
Source: author's elaborations. Google Earth base data.

# Molo V & VII (Piers 5th & 6th) – Multipurpose terminals



# Container terminal «Molo VII» (7th Pier)



# SIOT Terminal - Transalpine Pipeline



# Dry ports

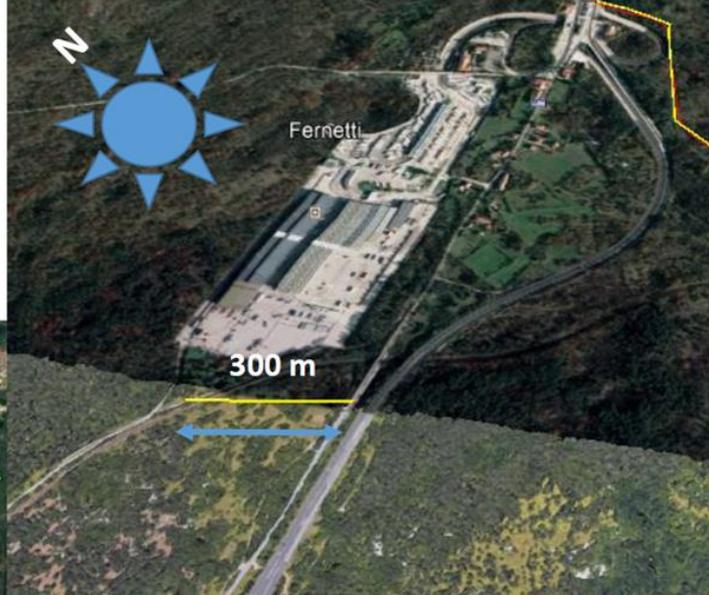
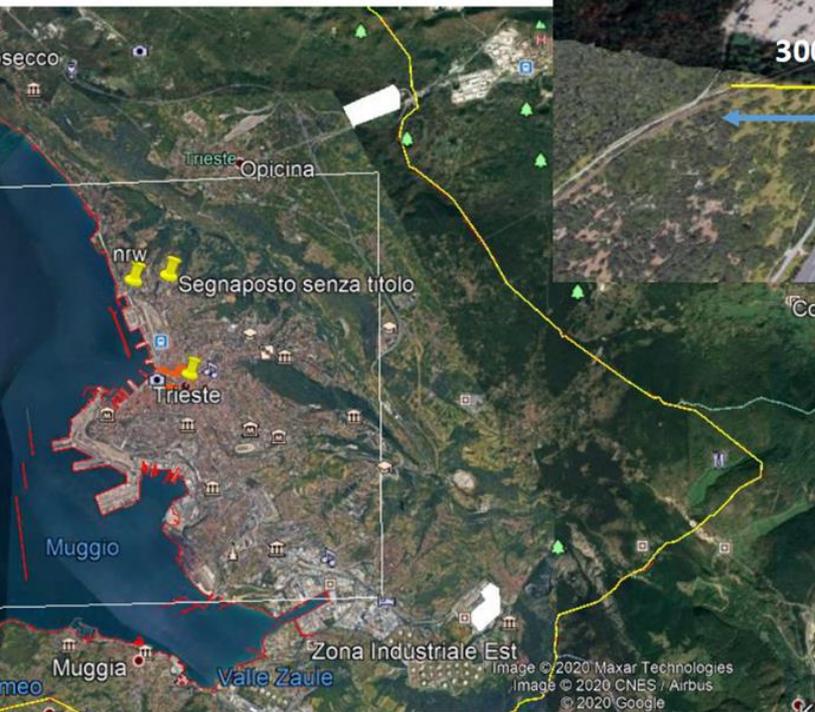




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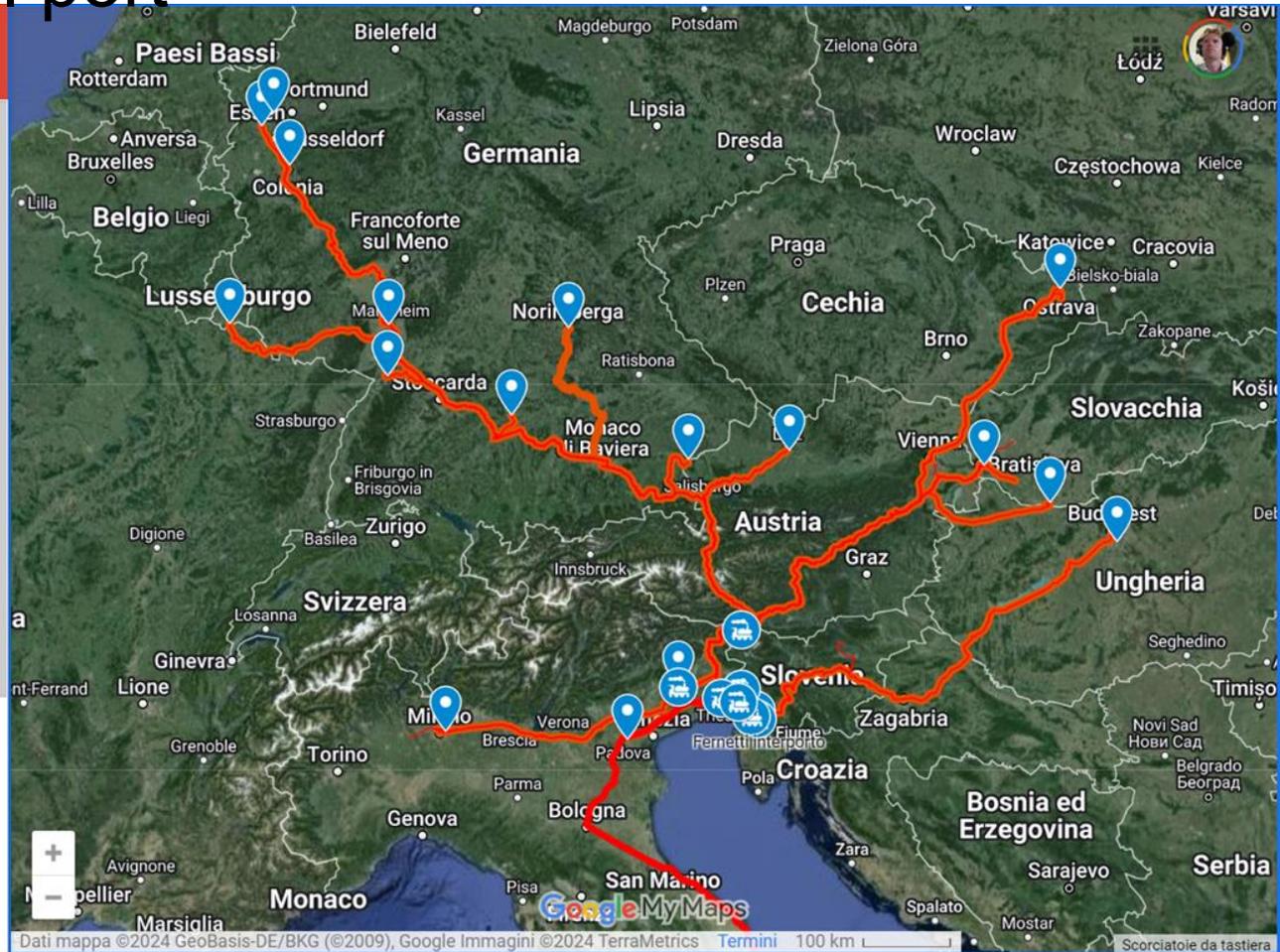
# Trieste as a rail port

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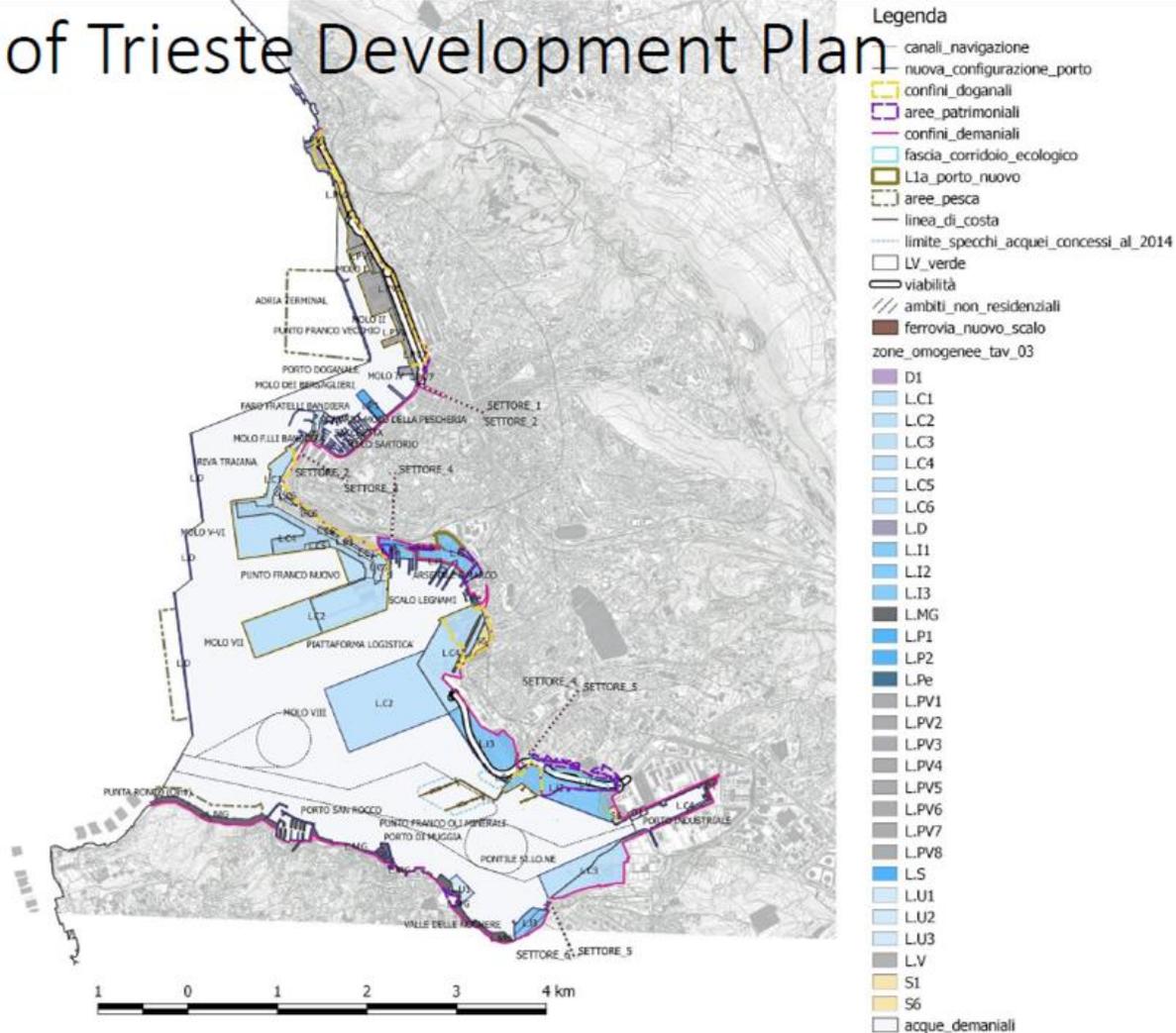
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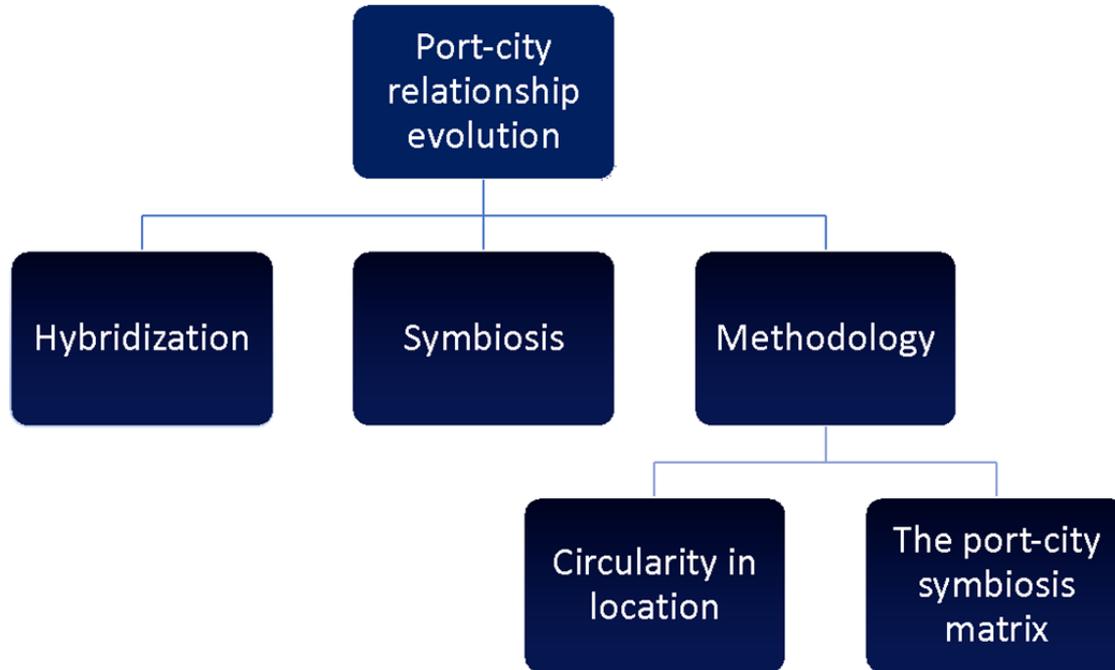
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# Port of Trieste Development Plan



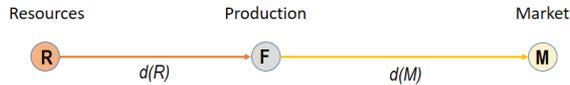
# Framework of the evolution of port- city relationship and methodology: circularity in location and port-city symbiosis matrix



# Circularity in location and hybridization

$$T = t * w_r * d(R) + t * w_m * d(M)$$

**Scenario 0**  
Theoretical: *location on a line*



**Scenario 1**  
R = Caves  
F = Batching plants



M = Stadium

**Scenario 2**  
R1 = Caves  
F = Batching plants



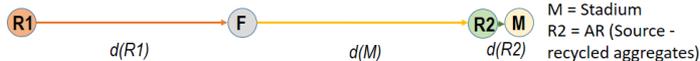
M = Stadium  
R2 = AR (Source - recycled aggregates)

**Scenario 3**  
R1 = Caves

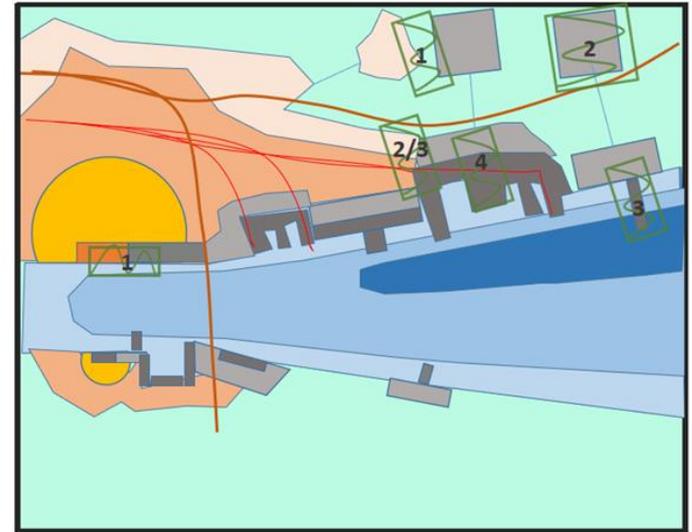


M = Stadium  
F = Batching plants  
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**Scenario 4**  
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F = Batching plants



M = Stadium  
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# To understand Port-City relationships

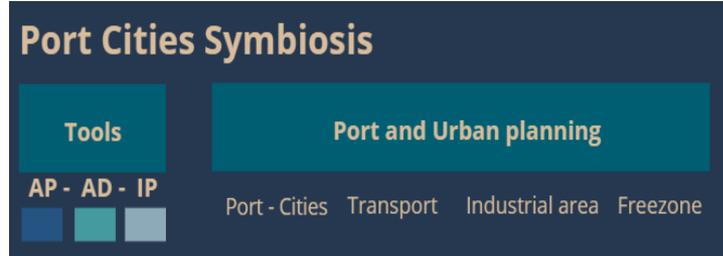
## First step

analysis of strategic and urban planning tools

Approved (AP)

Adopted (AD)

In Progress (IP)

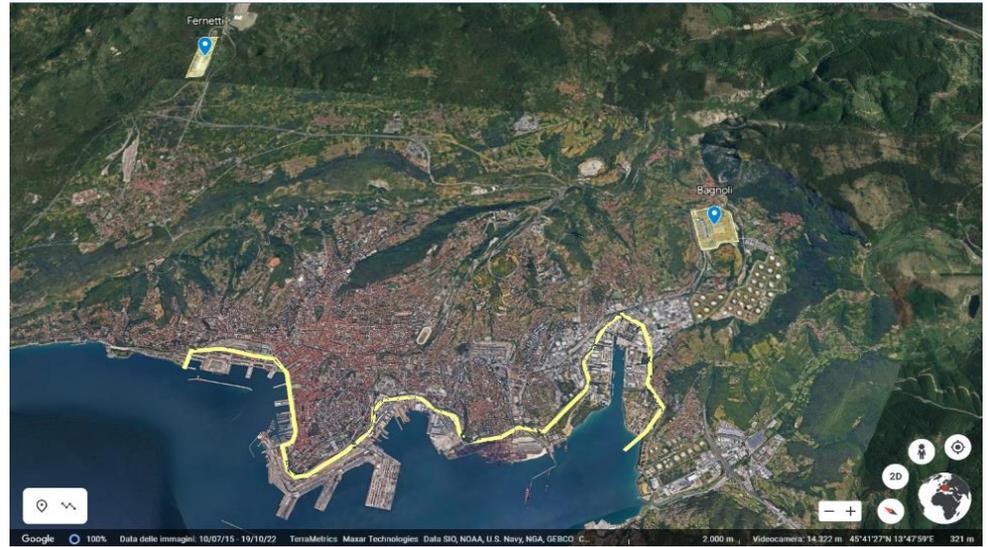


## Analysis matrix

# Port-City relationships - Trieste

## TRIESTE - Port City Symbiosis

Tools	Port and Urban planning				
	AP - AD - IP	Port - Cities	Transport	Industrial area	Freezone
Waterfront	■	■			■
Port area	■	■	■	■	■
Semi periphery	■	■	■	■	■
Periphery	■	■	■	■	■



## Port of Trieste

Port System Authority of the Eastern Adriatic Sea  
(Friuli Venezia Giulia Region)

### peculiarity

International port, serving as a gateway to  
central Europe

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## Port-City relationship in the era of hybridization. A development model

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**Abstract** – In the past decades, a large number of actions and projects has been carried out to reduce the environmental footprint of port areas, especially in the European Union. This knowledge is a strong basis for future actions and shall be considered by any stakeholder who approaches the topic. In this context, the SINSPORI project involves all major ports in the Italo-Croatian region to build a network for improving ports' environmental sustainability and energy efficiency. The first step is represented by an analysis of the current situation of the port areas and a review of best practices put in place in other

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