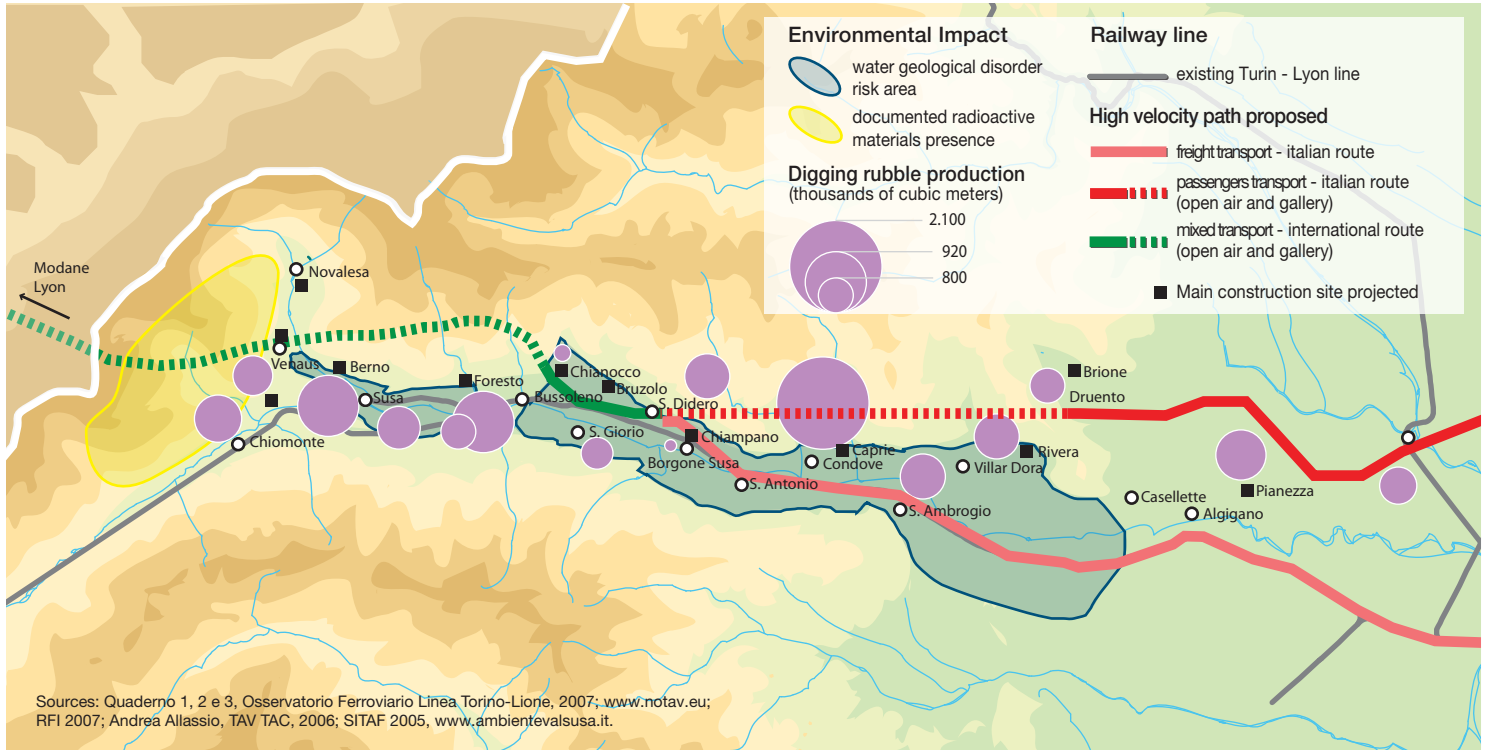


Turin -Lyon

The most conflictive part of the Corridor 5 project: high velocity, high capacity, high social and economic costs, high environmental impact.



The development of high speed train in Italy started in the 80's and sudden critics and conflicts began with it. More recently the Turin - Lyon line, part of the bigger Lisbon - Kiev corridor, is warming up the protest in Val Susa, where the line should pass and where the environmental balance risks the break down.

Local authorities, people from the valley and part of the national public opinion have been struggling for years to stop a project they consider useless and dangerous from environmental and socio-economic point of view.

The territory nature, the high urbanization rate and the severe morphology contribute to rise the costs for high speed trains in Italy. But they also depend on from other non-structural factors, such as political issues.

