



ALPENKONVENTION
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Cross-border mobility in the Alps

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Leading the way for sustainable life in the Alps



A pioneer of its kind: The first international treaty covering an entire mountain range that crosses several national borders.

Aim: Safeguard the Alps and their unique natural and cultural heritages – now and for the future.

More than 30 years of experience: The Alpine Convention was signed in 1991.



Signatories:

-  Austria
-  France
-  Germany
-  Italy
-  Liechtenstein
-  Monaco
-  Slovenia
-  Switzerland
-  and the European Union

What is the Alpine Convention?



Framework Convention

Guiding principles for transnational cooperation in the Alpine region

9 Thematic Working Bodies

Transport Working Group

8 Protocols

Spatial planning and sustainable development

Mountain farming

Soil conservation

Mountain forests

Transport

Nature protection and landscape conservation

Tourism

Energy

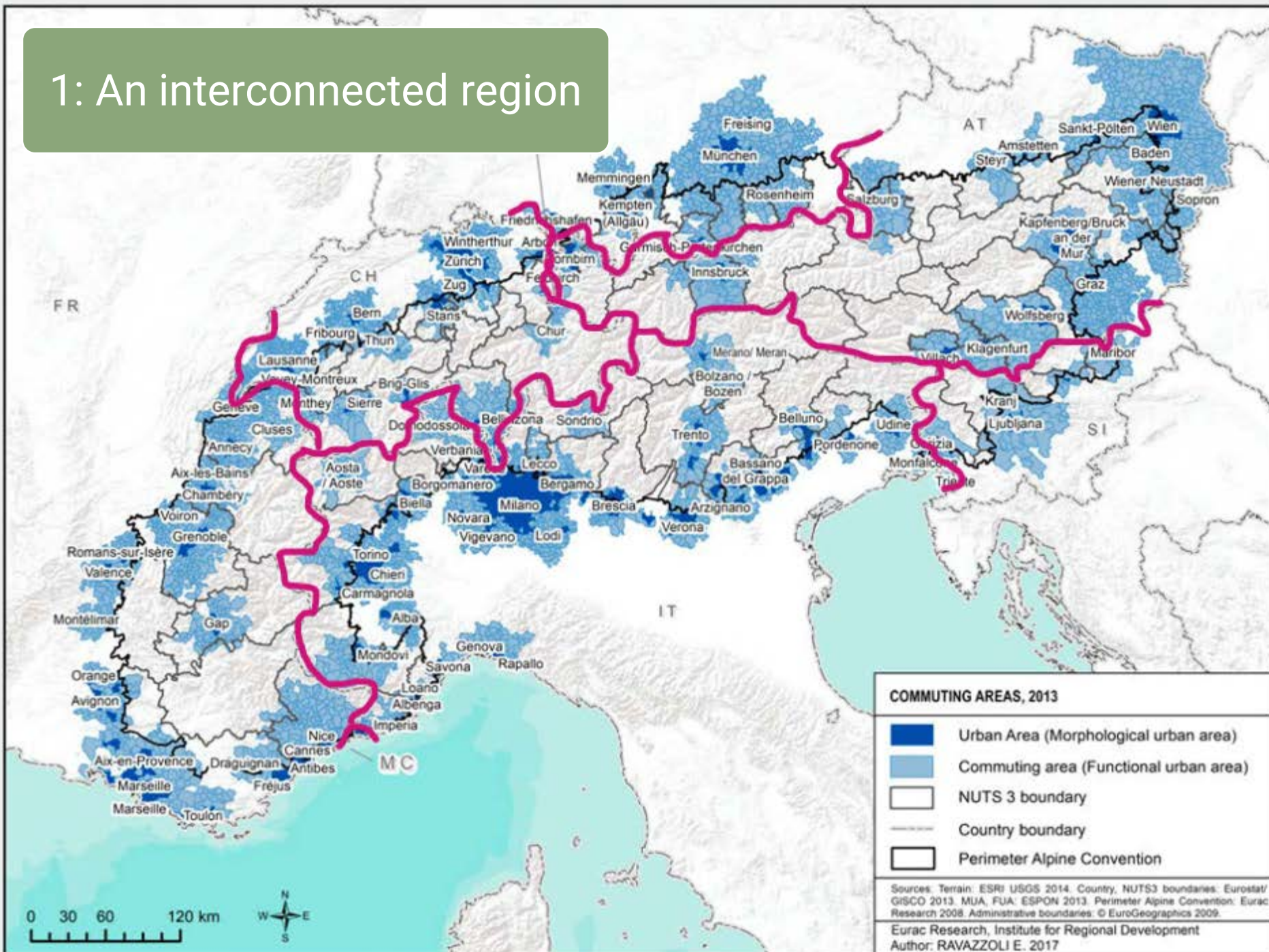
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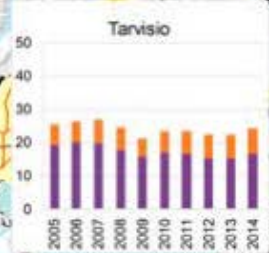
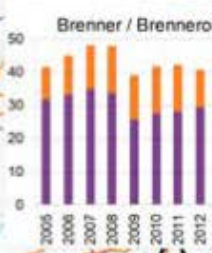
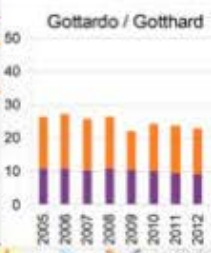
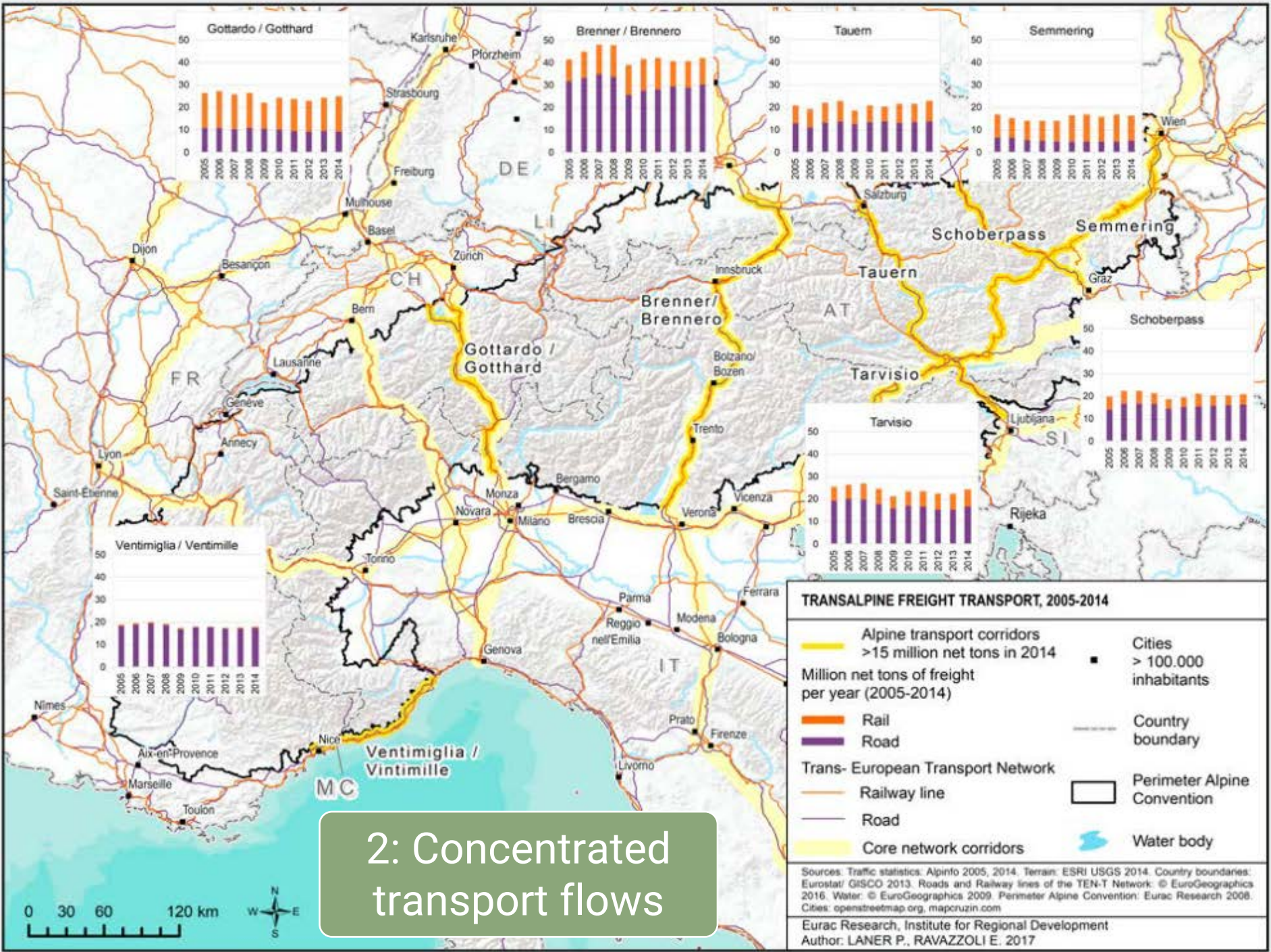
1. Many borders and many border crossings
2. Topography that concentrates transport flows
3. Highly developed tourism industry



Specific challenges in the Alps

1: An interconnected region

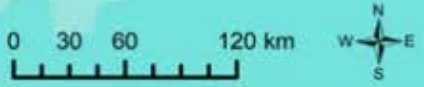




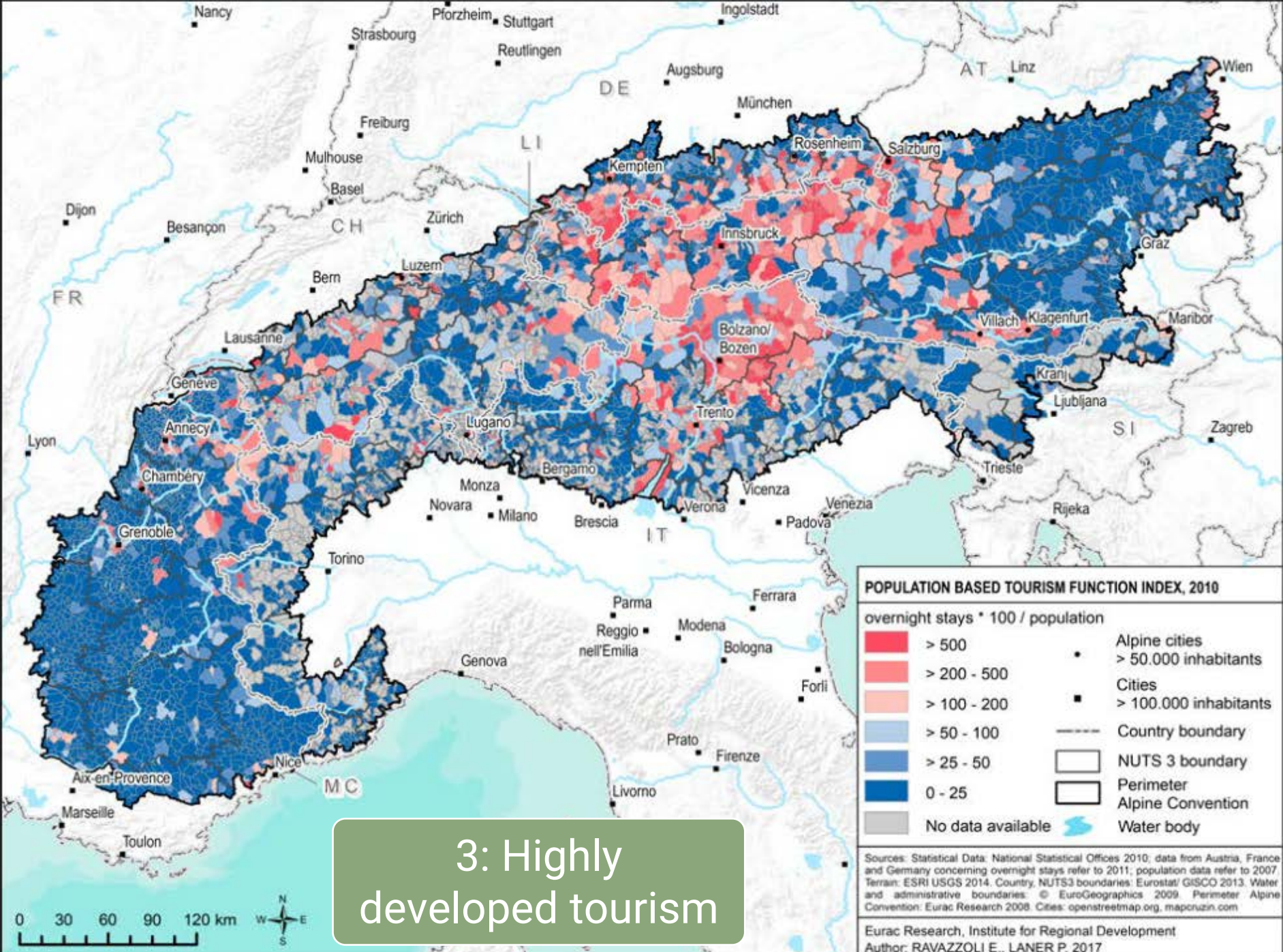
TRANSALPINE FREIGHT TRANSPORT, 2005-2014

- Alpine transport corridors >15 million net tons in 2014
- Million net tons of freight per year (2005-2014)
 - Rail (Orange)
 - Road (Purple)
- Trans-European Transport Network
 - Railway line (Thin Orange)
 - Road (Thin Purple)
- Core network corridors (Yellow)
- Cities > 100,000 inhabitants (Black square)
- Country boundary (Dashed line)
- Perimeter Alpine Convention (Black outline)
- Water body (Blue)

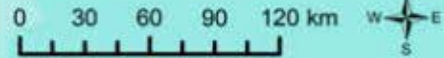
2: Concentrated transport flows



Sources: Traffic statistics: Alpinfo 2005, 2014. Terrain: ESRI USGS 2014. Country boundaries: Eurostat/ GISCO 2013. Roads and Railway lines of the TEN-T Network: © EuroGeographics 2016. Water: © EuroGeographics 2009. Perimeter Alpine Convention: Eurac Research 2008. Cities: openstreetmap.org, mapcruzin.com
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3: Highly developed tourism

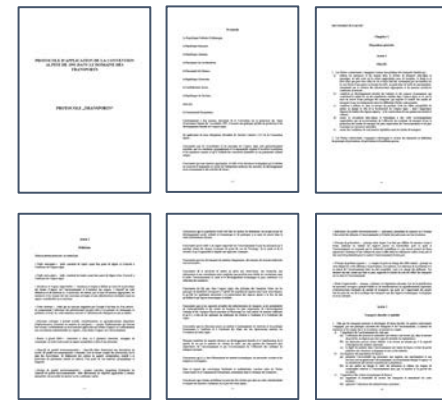


- Accelerate the modal shift
 - Rail
 - Active mobility
- Standard harmonisation across borders (to boost public transport)
 - Ticketing systems
 - Rail standards (ERTMS)
- Changing mobility needs (telework)
- Rethinking the approach to tourism



Ways forward

- Transport Protocol
- Transport Working Group



- iMonitraf! Network
- Linking Alps (Interreg)
- Alpine Pearls
- YOALIN
- Mountaineering Villages



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Examples, strategies



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