



City of Ljubljana

# Ljubljana Smart, Green and Core European Capital: The proposal for the cohesion corridors between North Adriatic sea-ports and Mid-Danube capitals

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# Prologue

Infrastructure enables growth

Enhanced transport infrastructure is a key driver of regeneration and economic performance.

Source: The London Markets Analysis 2015, LEVY London Intelligence; in association with CPA City Property Association and WPA Westminster Property Association

# 1. Introduction

The European Union 2020 policy is represented by smart growth, inclusive growth and sustainable development. On the other side, social cohesion, economical cohesion and territorial cohesion represent common denominator of many EU sectorial policies. Inclusive growth and social cohesion represent first pair; smart growth and economic cohesion the second one; sustainable development and territorial cohesion the third.

The problem is almost the same on the level of the EU as well as on the level of EU member state: very strong sectorial policies and atomization of development on one side and the very need of the cohesive development based on the intersectorial development and strategies.

# 1. Introduction

The city of Ljubljana won the European competition for the **EU Green Capital 2016**. Twelve groups of the Green Capital indicators have been successfully fulfilled; still a lot of work has to be done until the year 2016.

Ljubljana is – together with the port of Koper - the **core city** according to the revision of TEN's.

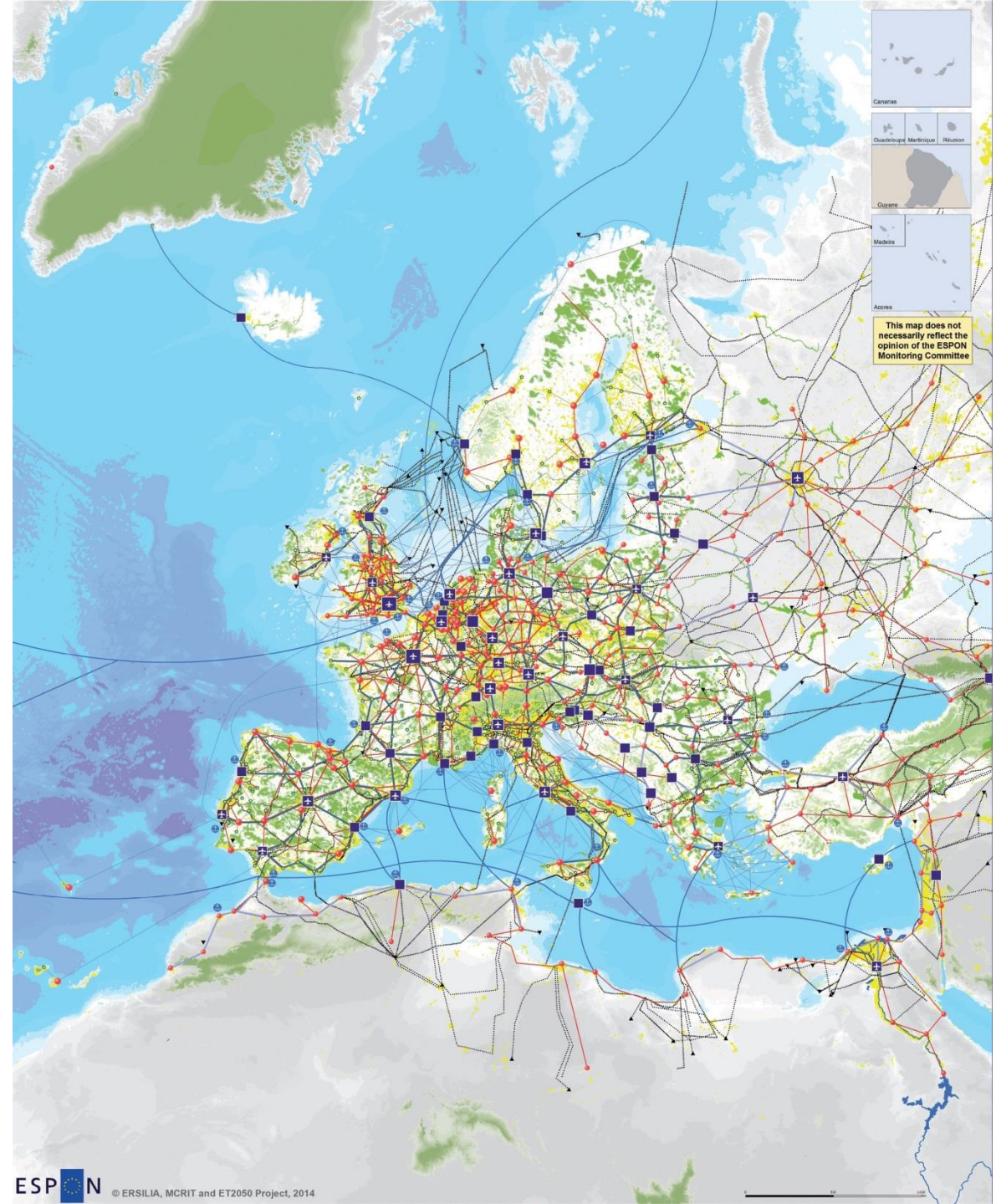
The goal being the **smart city** is the last one, but very important one. One part of the city inside the Partnership Šmartinska – BTC smart city – represents successful management of the hug mixed area.

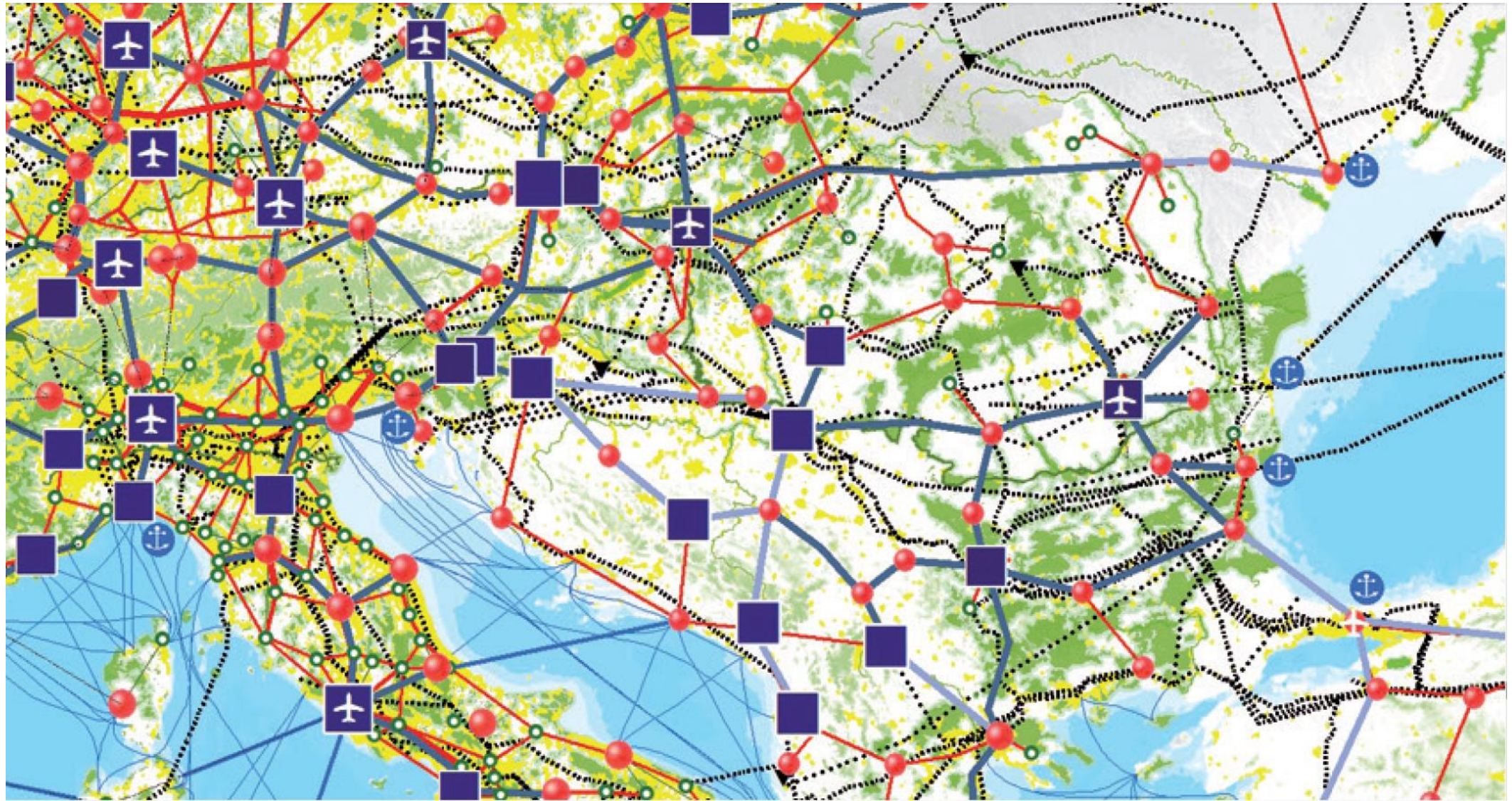
## 2. The Globe: Five Megatrends

1. Accelerating urbanization
2. Climate change and resource scarcity
3. Demographic shifts
4. Shift in global economic power
5. Technological breakthroughs

Source: PWC, Five megatrends and possible implications, April 2014

# 3. EU - ESPON



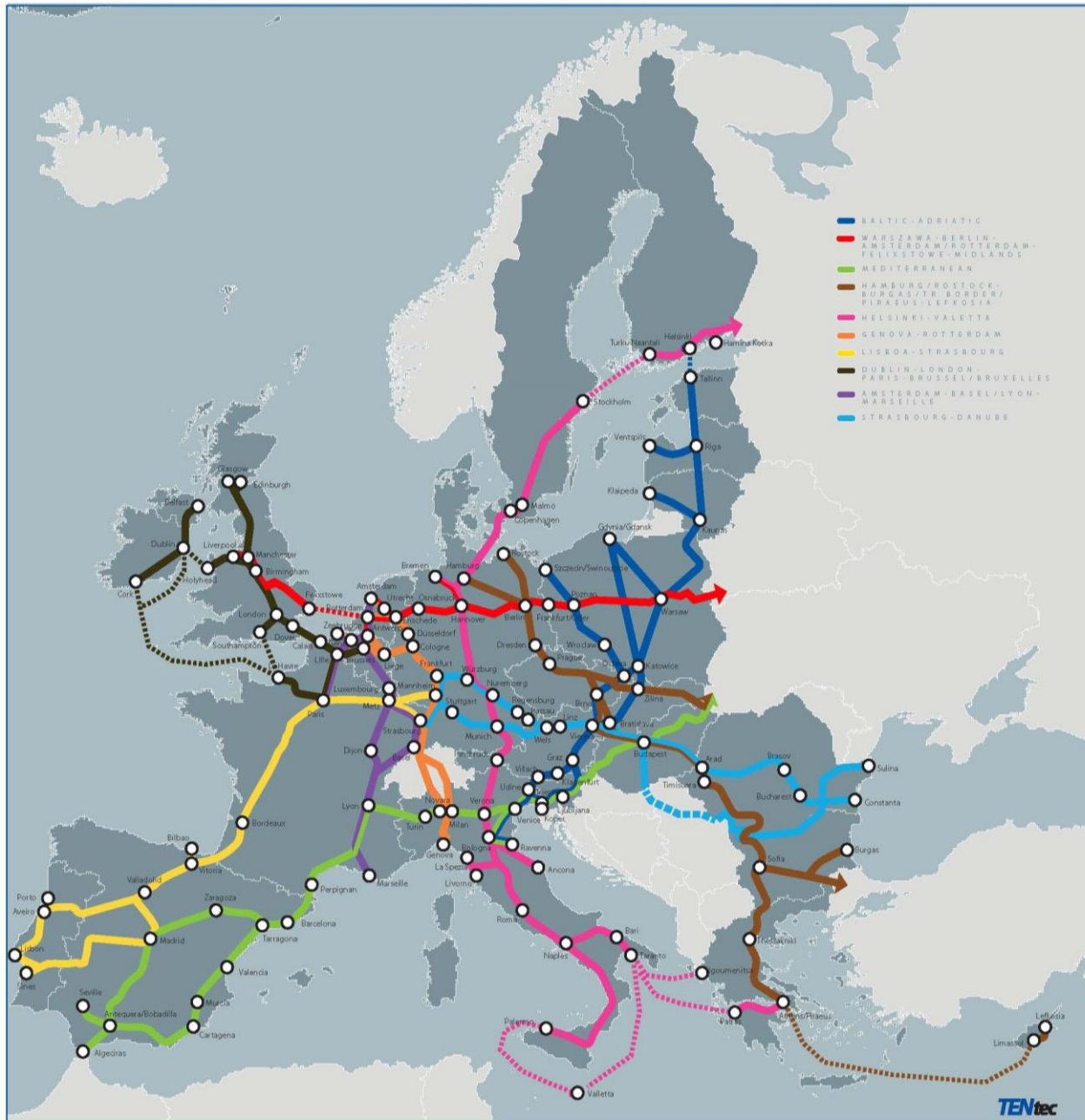




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# TRANS-EUROPEAN TRANSPORT NETWORK

TEN-T CORE NETWORK CORRIDORS (COUNCIL'S GENERAL APPROACH)



## TEN-T Core Network Corridors





## Trans-European Transport Network

Comprehensive Network: Railways, ports and rail-road terminals (RRT)

Core Network: Railways (freight), ports and rail-road terminals (RRT)

Compr.	Core		Compr.	Core		Compr.	Core	
		Conventional rail / Completed			High speed rail / Completed			Ports
		Conventional rail / To be upgraded			To be upgraded to high speed rail			RRT
		Conventional rail / Planned			High speed rail / Planned			

# 3. EU Transport 2050: the major challenges

- Oil will become scarcer in future decades.
- Transport has become more energy-efficient.
- Congestion costs Europe about 1% of gross domestic product (GDP) each year.
- Need to drastically reduce world greenhouse gas emissions.
- Infrastructure is unequally developed in the eastern and western parts of the EU.
- The EU's transport sector faces growing competition in fast developing world transport markets.
- Transport 2050: 50 facts and figures.

# 3. EU Transport 2050: The main measures

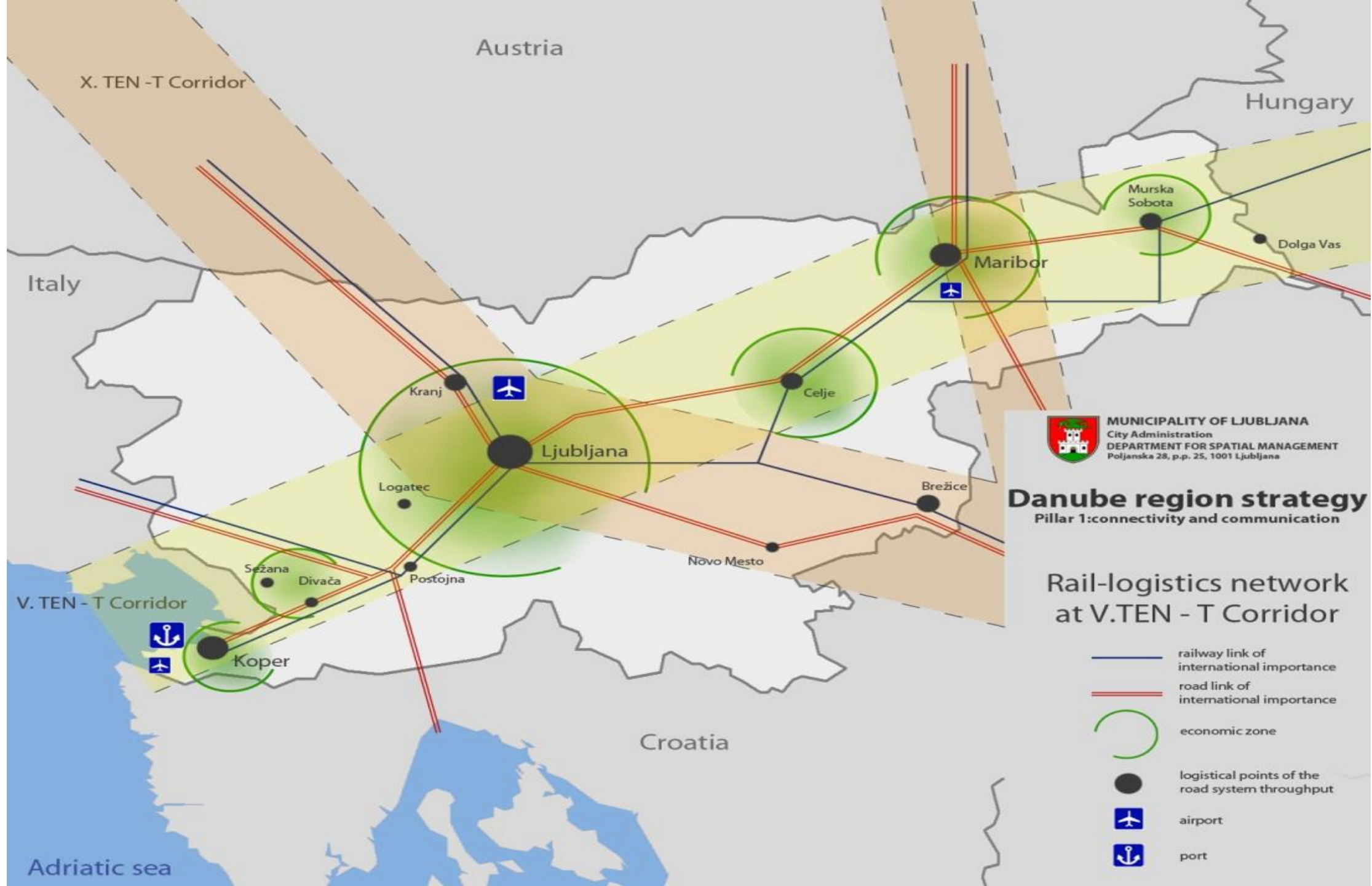
- A major overhaul of the regulatory framework for rail.
- A core network of strategic infrastructure is essential for the creation of a real Single European Transport Area.
- A fully functioning multi-modal transport system requires removing bottlenecks and barriers in an airport package, a communication on inland waterway transport, the e-maritime initiative, to road cabotage.
- To create a fair financial environment: a new approach to transport charges.

# 3. EU Transport 2050: The main measures

- Infrastructure costs to passenger cars; the internalization of costs to all road vehicle.
- The priority will be on producing clean, safe, quiet vehicle for all transport modes.
- A three-part strategy for transport in cities.
- Urban mobility audits and urban mobility plans.
- A major push towards multi-modal travel planning and integrated ticketing.

# 4. EU macro regions







- Danube Strategy
- South-east Europe (Balkan Peninsula)
- Adriatic-Ionian Strategy
- Alpine Space

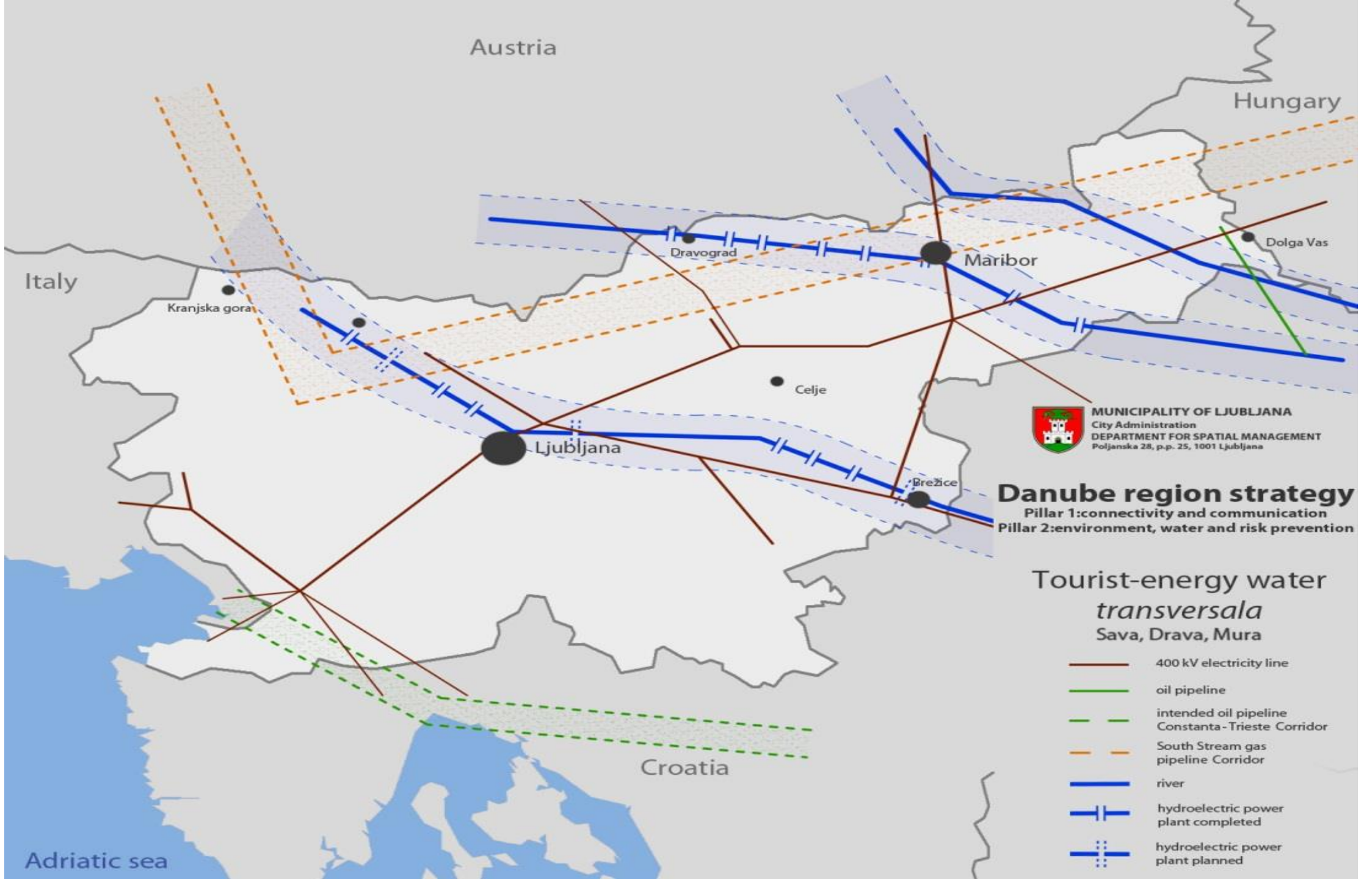


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**Danube region strategy**  
 Pillar 1: connectivity and communication

**Rail-logistics network at V.TEN - T Corridor**

-  railway link of international importance
-  road link of international importance
-  economic zone
-  logistical points of the road system throughput
-  airport
-  port



Austria

Hungary

Italy

Kranjska gora

Dravograd

Maribor

Dolga Vas

Celje

Ljubljana

Brezice

Croatia



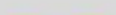
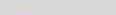
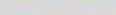


Adriatic sea

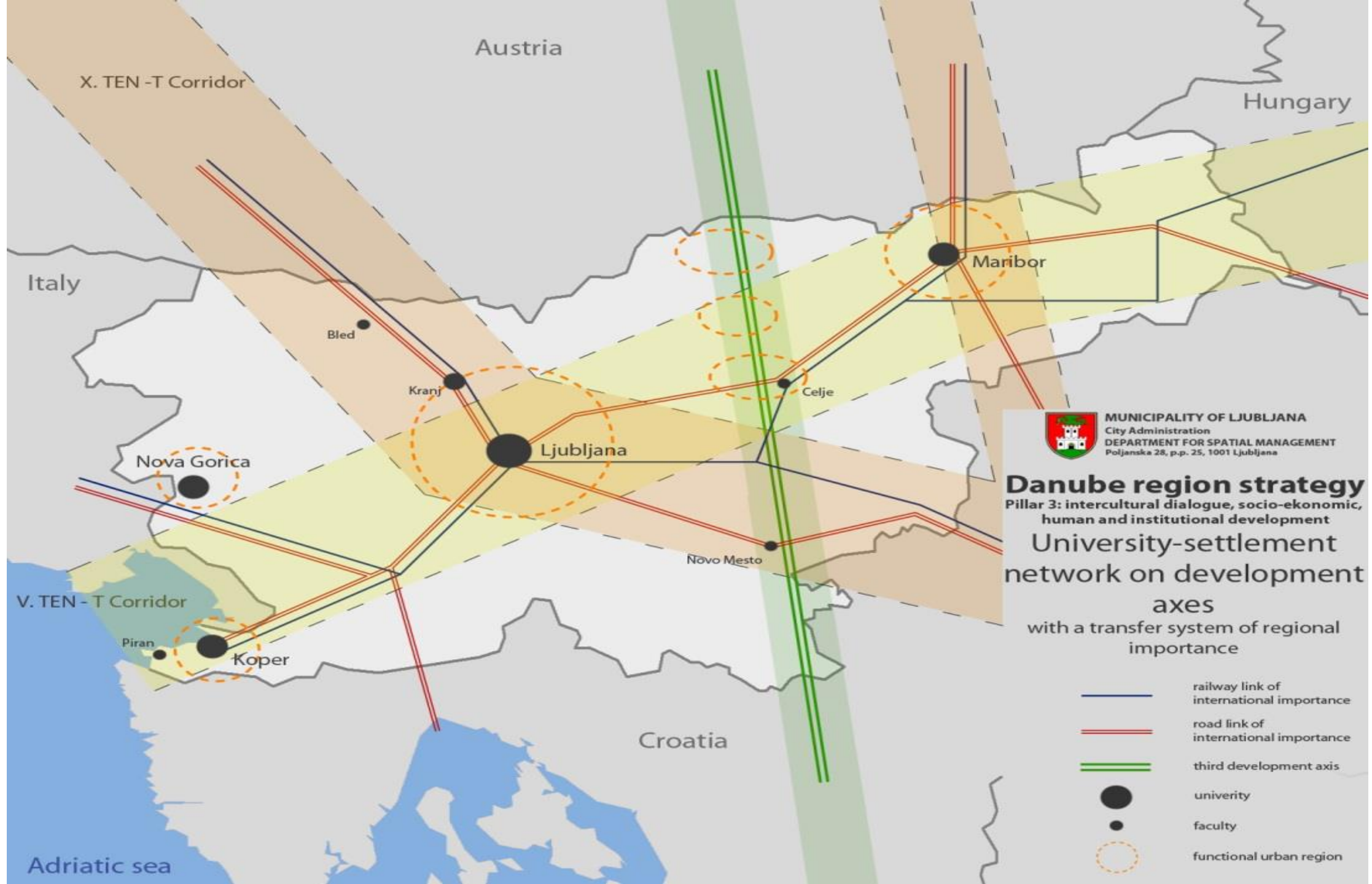


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**Danube region strategy**  
 Pillar 1: connectivity and communication  
 Pillar 2: environment, water and risk prevention





**Tourist-energy water transversala**  
 Sava, Drava, Mura

-  400 kV electricity line
-  oil pipeline
-  intended oil pipeline  
Constanta-Trieste Corridor
-  South Stream gas pipeline Corridor
-  river
-  hydroelectric power plant completed
-  hydroelectric power plant planned

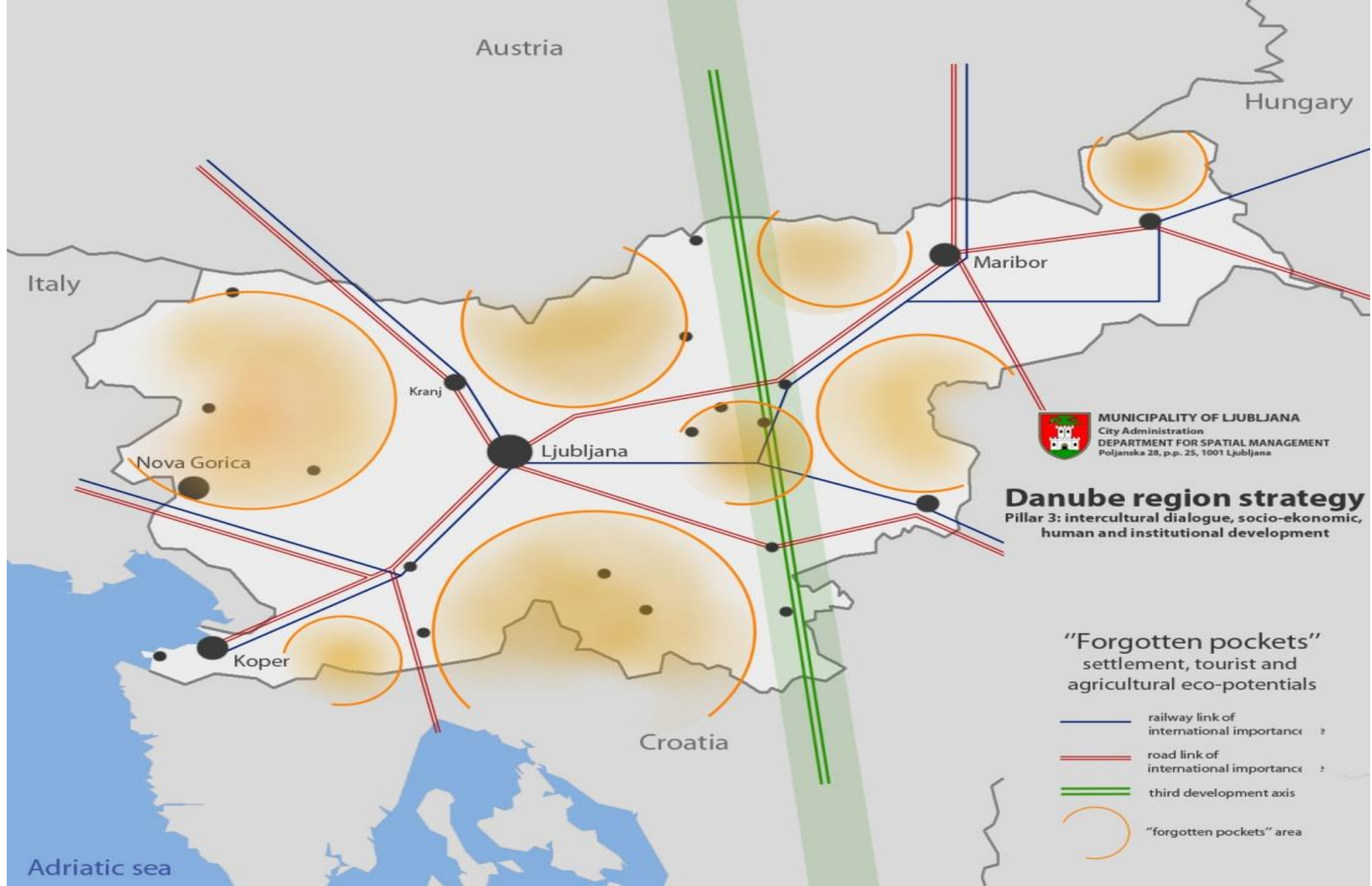


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**Danube region strategy**  
 Pillar 3: intercultural dialogue, socio-economic,  
 human and institutional development  
**University-settlement  
 network on development  
 axes**  
 with a transfer system of regional  
 importance

-  railway link of international importance
-  road link of international importance
-  third development axis
-  university
-  faculty
-  functional urban region





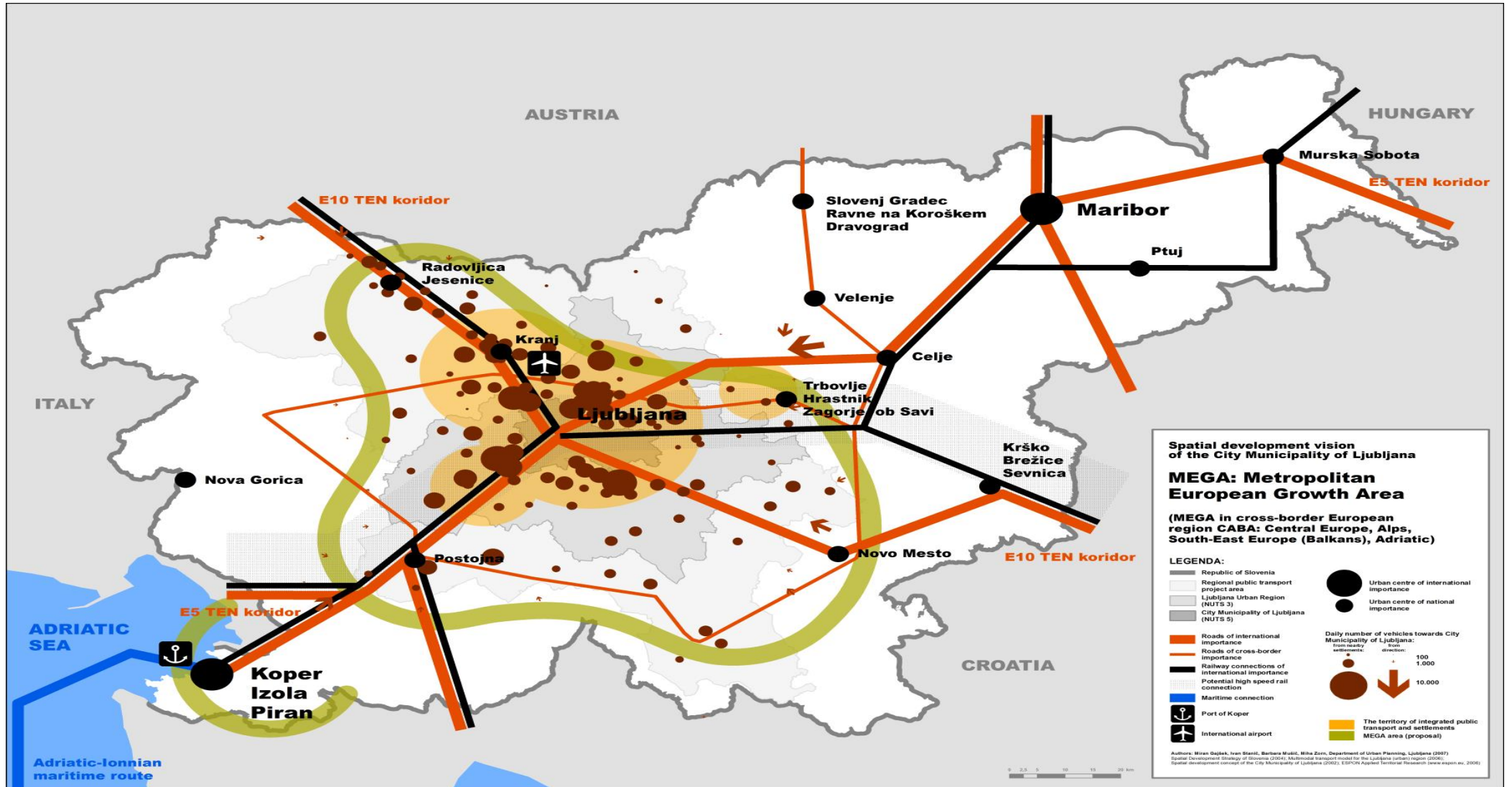
## **5. Republic of Slovenia and Ljubljana – The Capital City**

- Ljubljana: metropolitan European growth area; core city (railroad terminal, airport Ljubljana ...)
- Ljubljana – the capital of the Republic of Slovenia (constitution, one of the eleven city municipalities ...)
- Ljubljana urban region: regional development program 2014-2020; the project Public transport in the Ljubljana region ...
- The city of Ljubljana: European green capital 2016 ...



# Ljubljana – MEGA

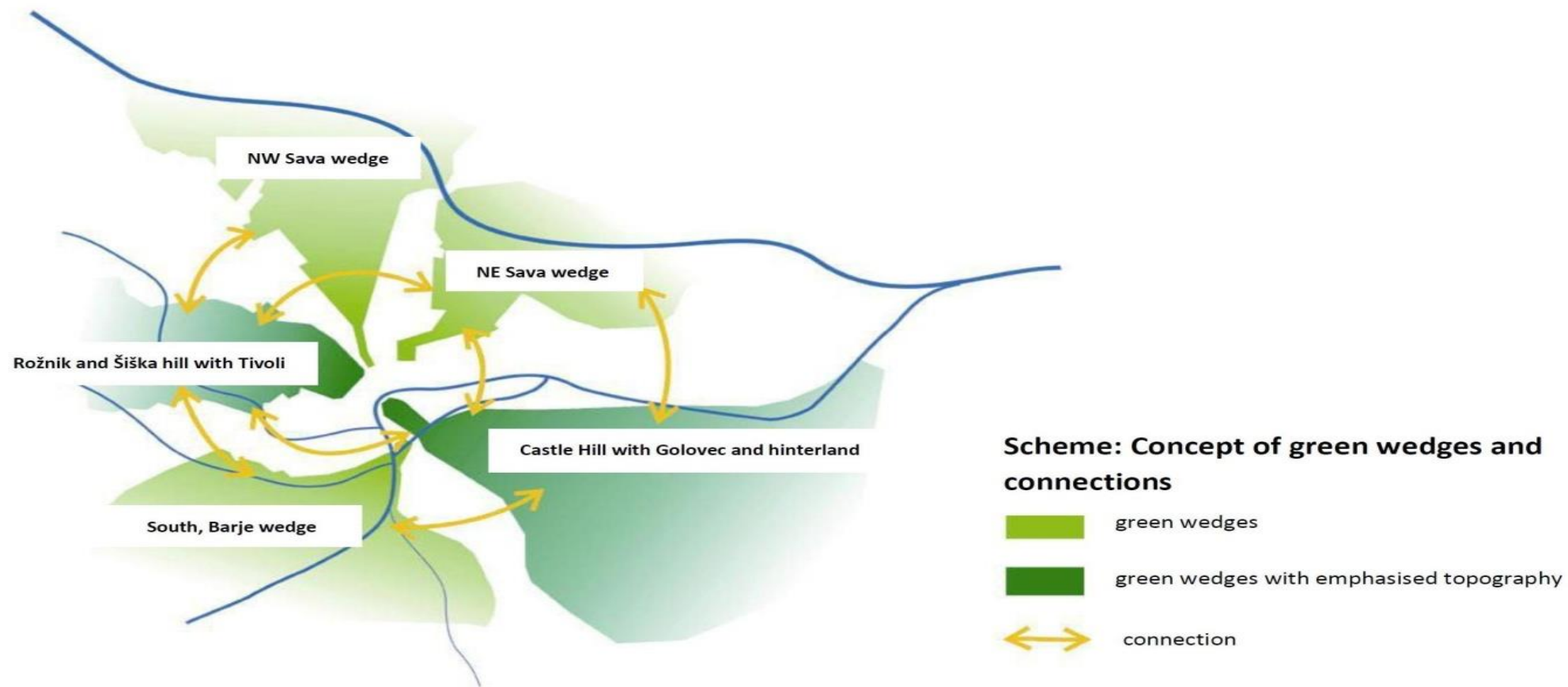
Metropolitan European Growth Area





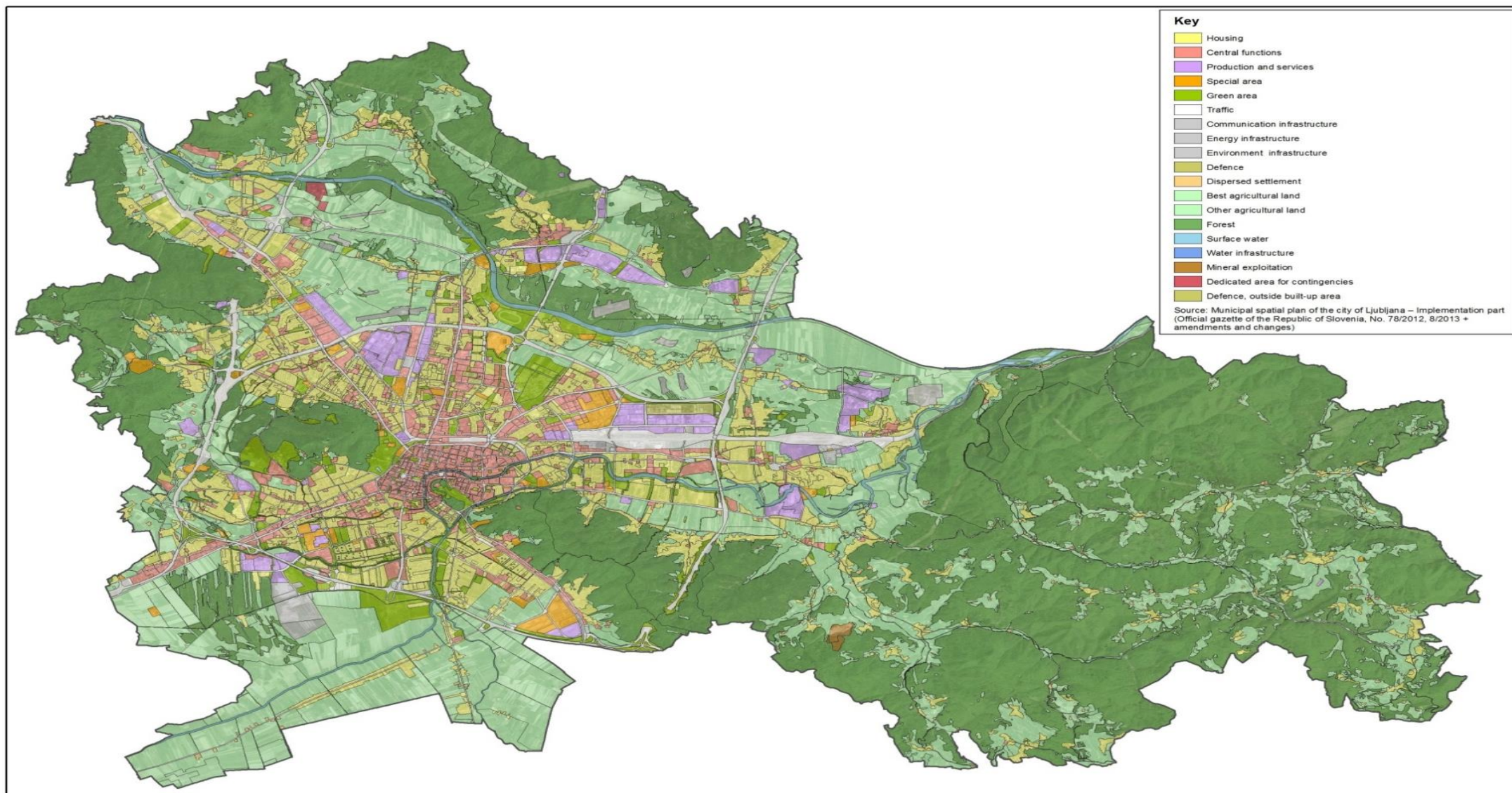
# Ljubljana – green capital

## *The planning rationale*





# Ljubljana – Planned green capital city





# Ljubljana – Partnership Šmartinska



**MASTERPLAN**

Hensy Schaefer Architects AG  
Space Syntax Limited  
EM/ Hensler AG  
Moutonwortsch / Fabroni &  
Vogl Landschaftsarchitekten  
Ampf Ltd  
**Partnership Šmartinska Ljubljana**

“Crystal Palace”



Hotel Plaza



**Figure 14: Šmartinska Partnership**

# 6. Conclusions

- The macro-regional strategies are not prepared.
- **Cohesion corridors** through development axes (for example: along core corridors – Adriatic-Ionian, Mediterranean ...) could represent the functional and not administrative regions for EU cohesion policy.
- Enterprise zones, business accelerators and business zones inside the core cities, metropolitan European growth areas and second tier cities have to be the issue for economic, social and territorial cohesion policy.
- The ECTP-CEU could propose the establishment of the **European cohesion corridors** projects.
- The very first EU cohesion corridor project could be between North Adriatic ports (Venice, Trieste, Koper, Rijeka), core cities like Ljubljana and Zagreb, and finally Mid-Danube capitals (Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, ...).

# Thank you for your attention!

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