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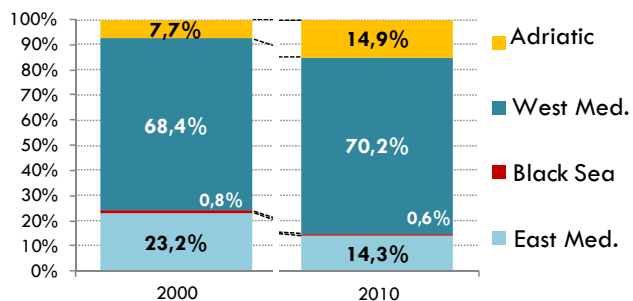
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## THE PASSENGER TERMINAL OF THE PORT OF KOPER: PROSPECTS OF DEVELOPMENT IN CRUISING

<b>CRUISE TRAFFIC IN ADRIATIC</b>	<b>A</b>	<i>Structure and traffic trends in the Adriatic. Koper compared to other ports.</i>
<b>CRUISE OFFER IN THE MED AND NORTH ADRIATIC</b>	<b>B</b>	<i>The deployment options of cruise lines, routes and itineraries in the Mediterranean and Adriatic seas, the factors of choice of port calls and destinations.</i>
<b>CRUISE DEMAND FOR KOPER AND NORTH ADRIATIC</b>	<b>C</b>	<i>Demand dynamics of cruising in Koper and some assessments about relevant markets.</i>
<b>PASSENGER TERMINAL OF KOPER AND DEVELOPMENT PLANS OF OTHER CRUISE PORTS</b>	<b>D</b>	<i>The current features of the Koper terminal, the comparison with other cruise ports in the area and a review of the investment plans in different areas of the cruise industry world.</i>
<b>PROSPECT OF DEVELOPMENT IN CRUISING FOR KOPER CRUISE PORT</b>	<b>E</b>	<i>Key issues for the future of the cruise industry, opportunities and priorities for the future work of Koper as a port of call, home port or interport for the cruise itineraries in the Mediterranean.</i>

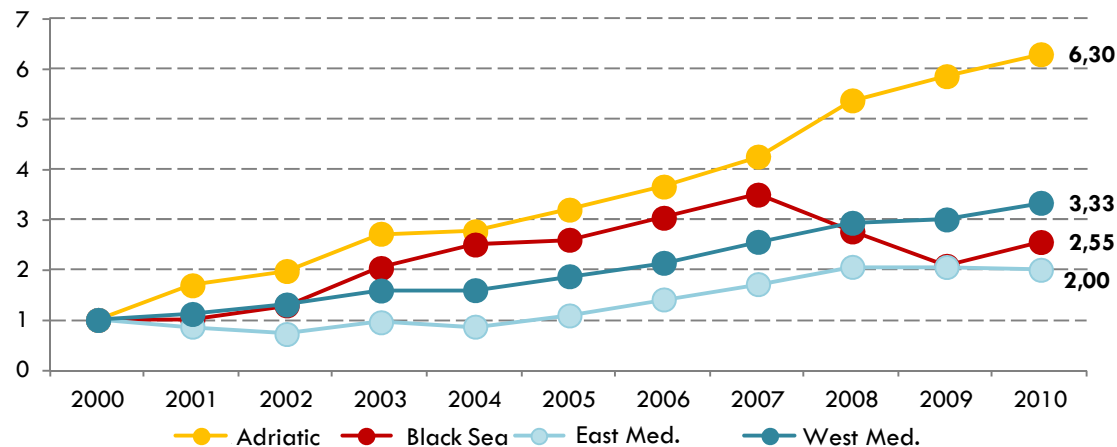
## THE ADRIATIC SEA IN THE MEDITERRANEAN CONTEXT

### CRUISE TRAFFIC (PAX MOVEMENTS) 2000-2010 TREND IN THE 4 MEDCRUISE MACROAREAS



Source: Medcruise Statistic Report 2011 (data referred to 69 MedCruise Members).

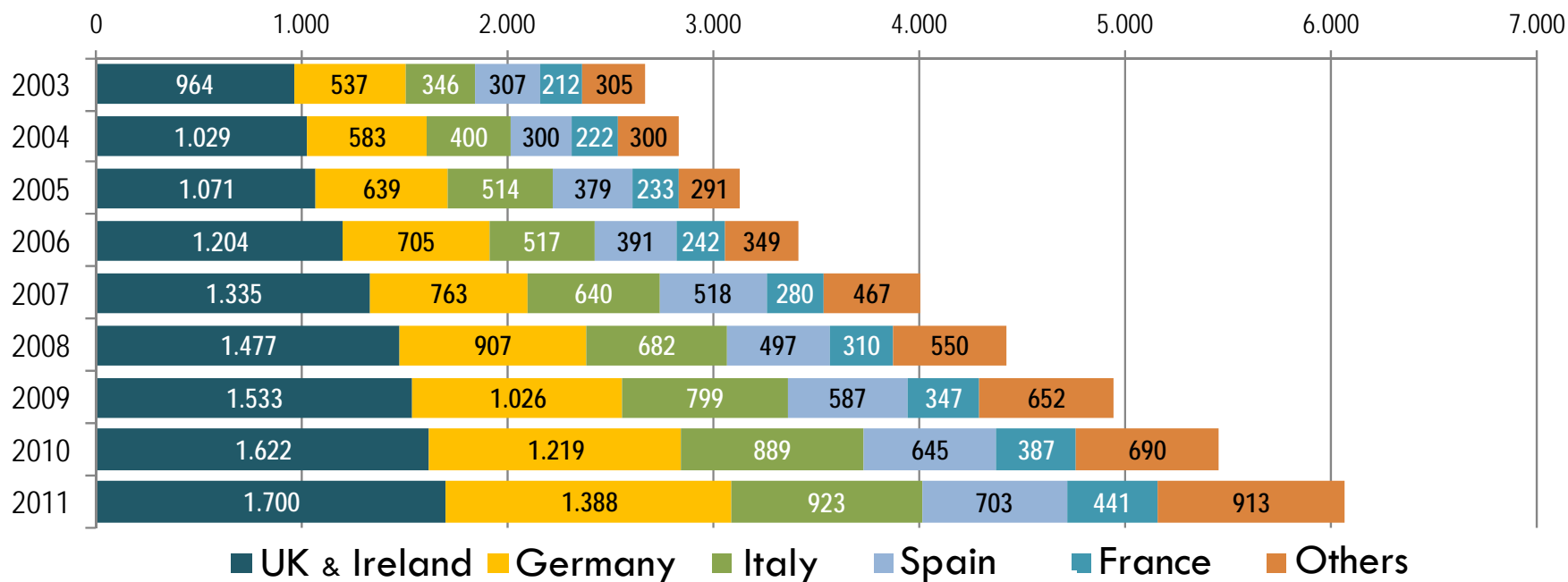
### GROWTH IN THE 4 MEDCRUISE MACROAREAS 2000-2010 TREND VALUE INDEX YEAR 2000 (2000 = 1)



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## EUROPEAN CRUISERS

### GROWTH OF EUROPEAN MARKETS (2003-2011)



Source: European Cruise Council

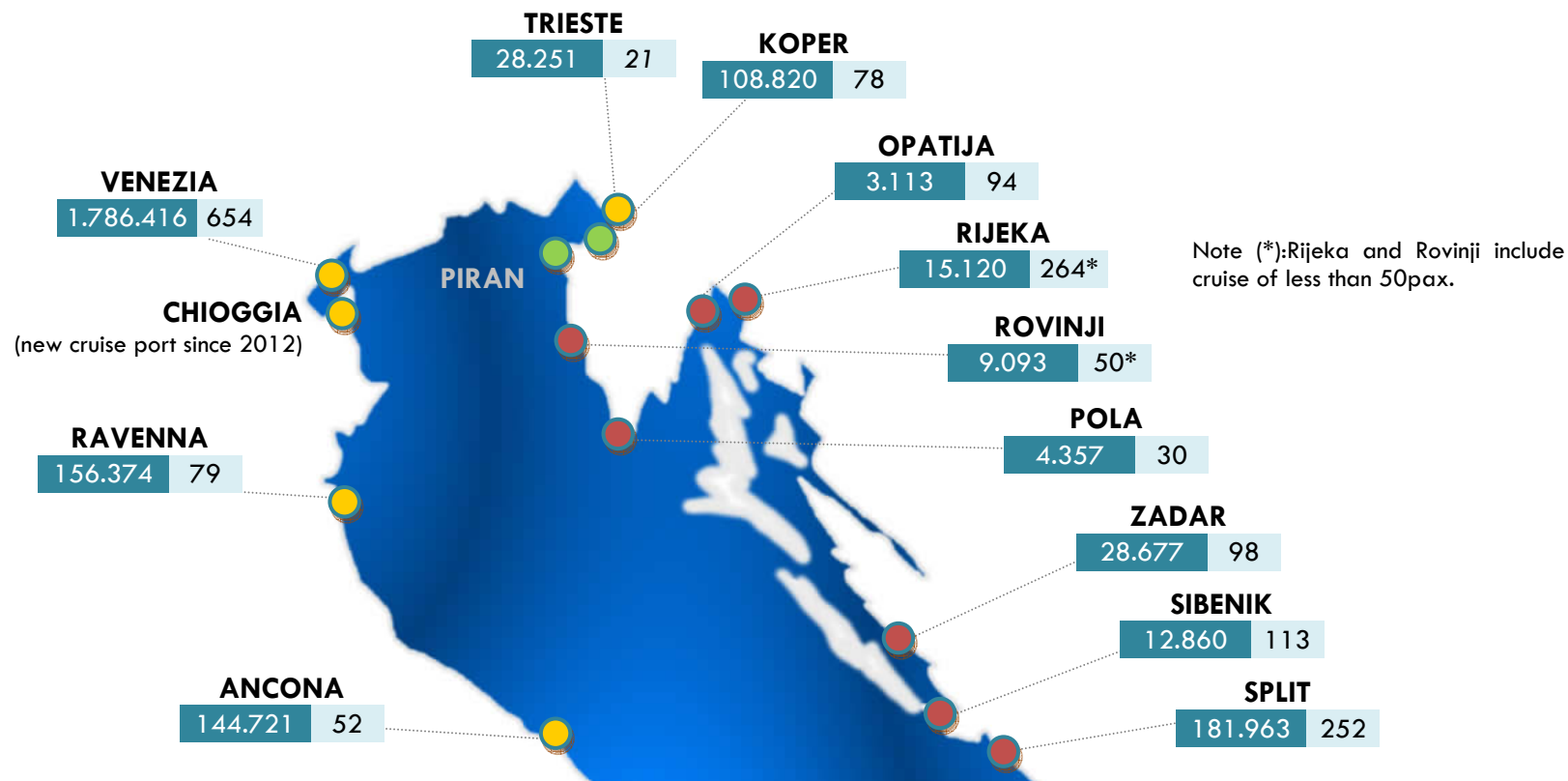
**THE MAIN 5 SOURCE COUNTRIES REPRESENT 85% OF CRUISERS**

## CRUISE DEMAND: CENTRAL EUROPE MARKET

Country	Population (2011)	Share % abroad travels	Estimates on market size depending on penetration rate			Income per capita: 2010 value in euro*		Income per capita: variations %	
			0,5%	1%	1,5%	nominal	real	2010 su 2009	2011 su 2010*
Slovenia	2.050.189	59,14%	10.251	20.502	30.753	17.300	15.300	0,7%	0,0%
Austria	8.404.252	49,14%	42.021	84.043	126.064	34.100	31.400	2,3%	2,6%
Slovakia	5.435.273	35,72%	27.176	54.353	81.529	12.100	8.900	3,5%	3,8%
CZ Republic	10.532.770	23,23%	52.664	105.328	157.992	14.200	11.400	2,7%	0,9%
Hungaria	9.985.722	22,94%	49.929	99.857	149.786	9.700	8.800	1,2%	2,3%
Poland	38.200.037	16,14%	191.000	382.000	573.001	9.300	8.100	3,9%	n.d.
Romania	21.413.815	6,49%	107.069	214.138	321.207	5.800	4.200	-2,3%	n.d.

Elaborations by Risposte Turismo on Eurostat data, 2012 (Rif. Tab. "demographic balance and crude rates", "number of tourism trips" and "GDP per capita - Annual Data")

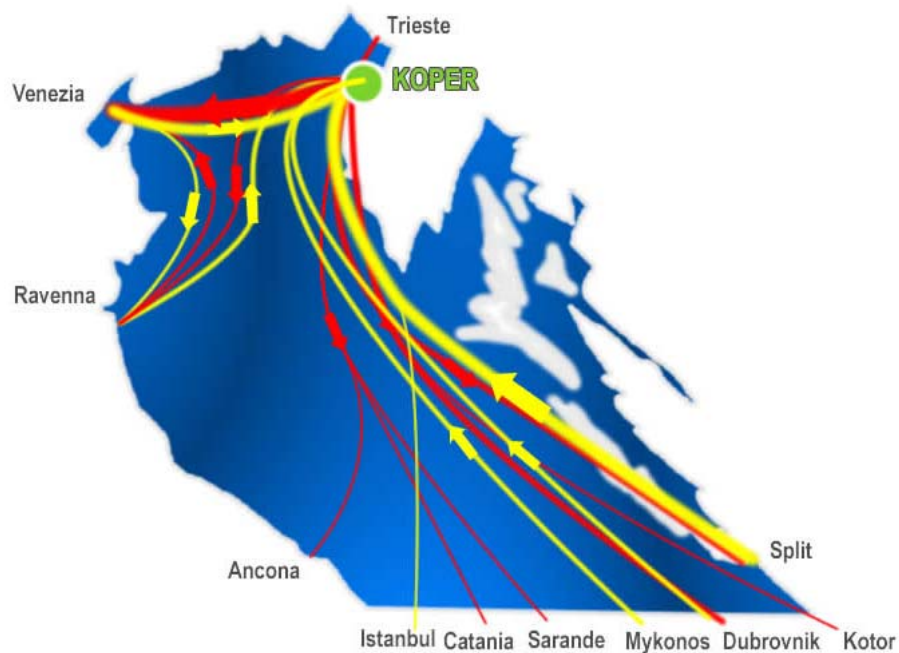
## THE CRUISE TRAFFIC IN NORTH ADRIATIC SEA (2011)



**VENEZIA ROLE: 70% OF PAX MOVEMENTS BUT ONLY 37% OF CRUISE CALLS**

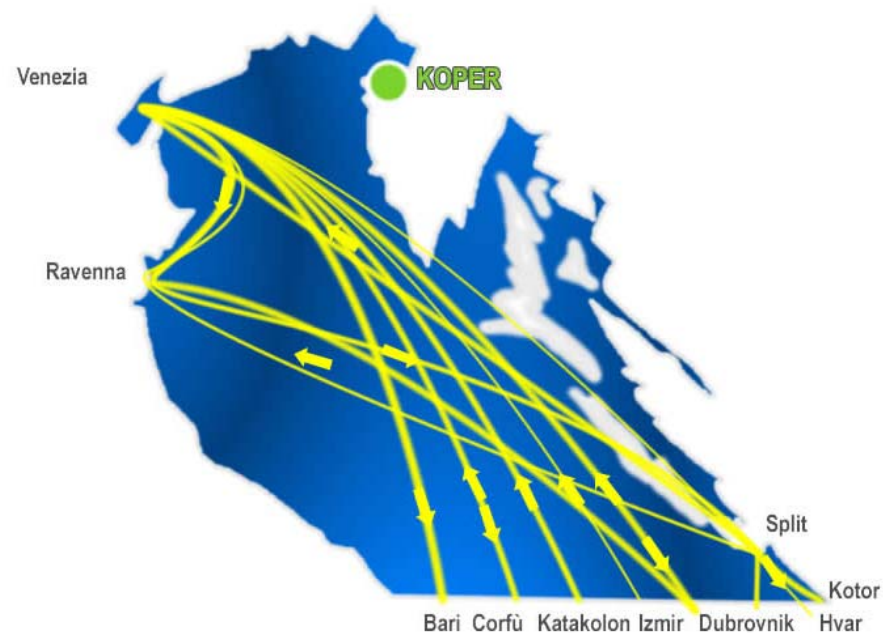
## ADRIATIC ITINERARIES

### EXAMPLES CALLING KOPER



*Ships calling in Koper are always a pre or post Venice (apart when Ravenna is among them)*

### SAME CRUISE SHIPS WHEN SKIPPING KOPER

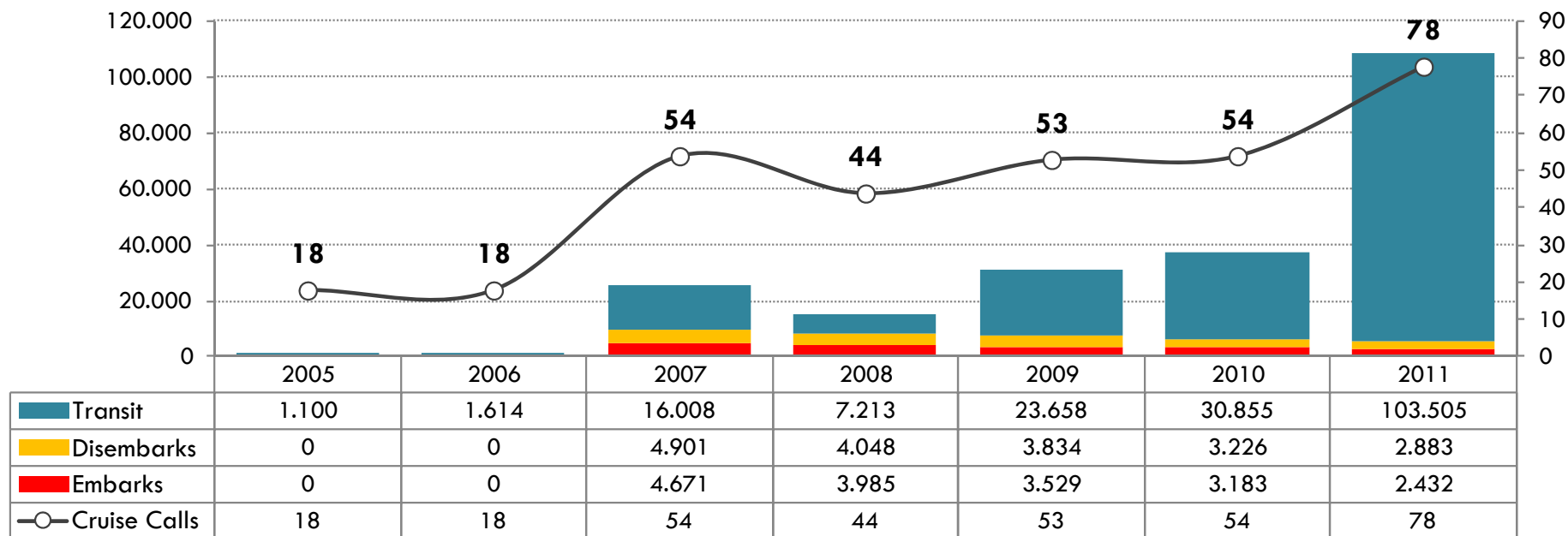


*Venice is always present, sometimes Ravenna but cruise ships skip northern-central Adriatic*



## KOPER CRUISE TRAFFIC

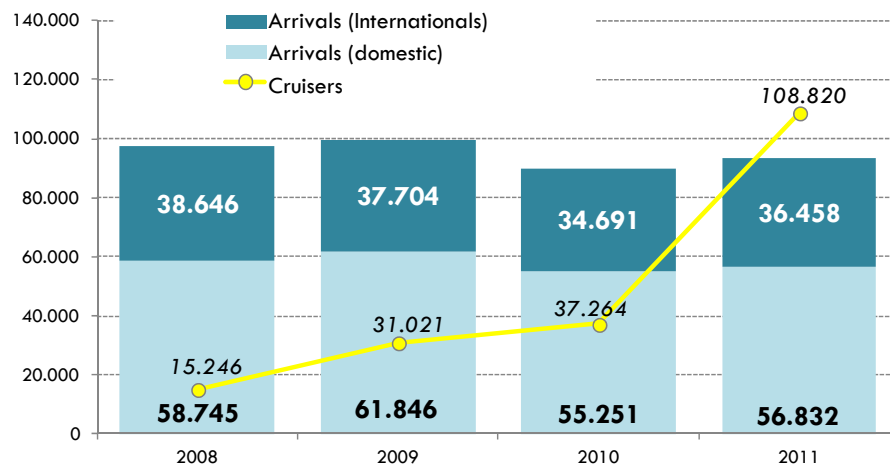
### CRUISE PASSENGER TRAFFIC EVOLUTION IN KOPER (2005-2011)



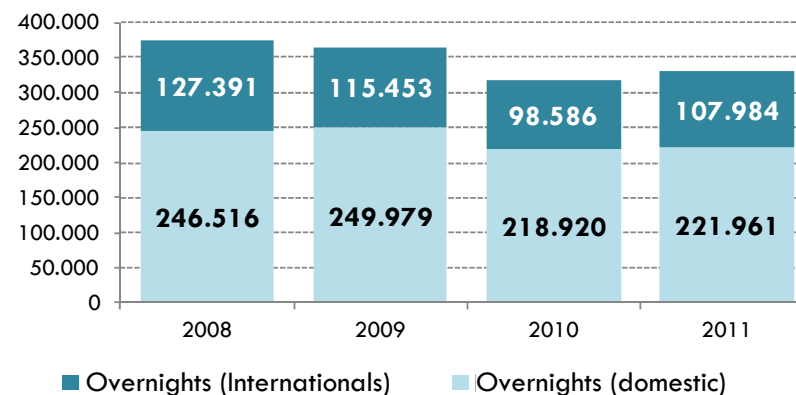


## CRUISE TOURISM ROLE VS TOURISM IN KOPER

### TOURISM AND CRUISE TOURISM IN KOPER



### HOTEL OVERNIGHTS SOURCE IN KOPER DOMESTIC vs INTERNATIONAL



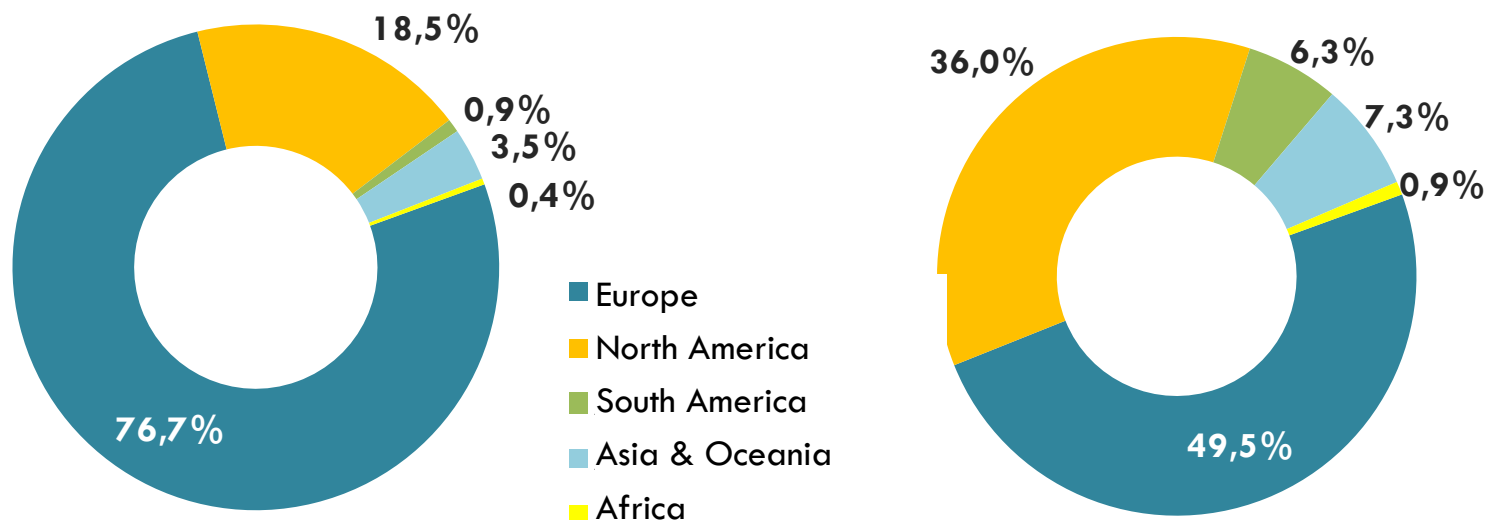
Source: Statistični urad Republike Slovenije

*CRUISERS PASSED, IN 2011, THE TOURIST ARRIVALS*

*CRUISERS HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED AS INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ADDED VALUE*

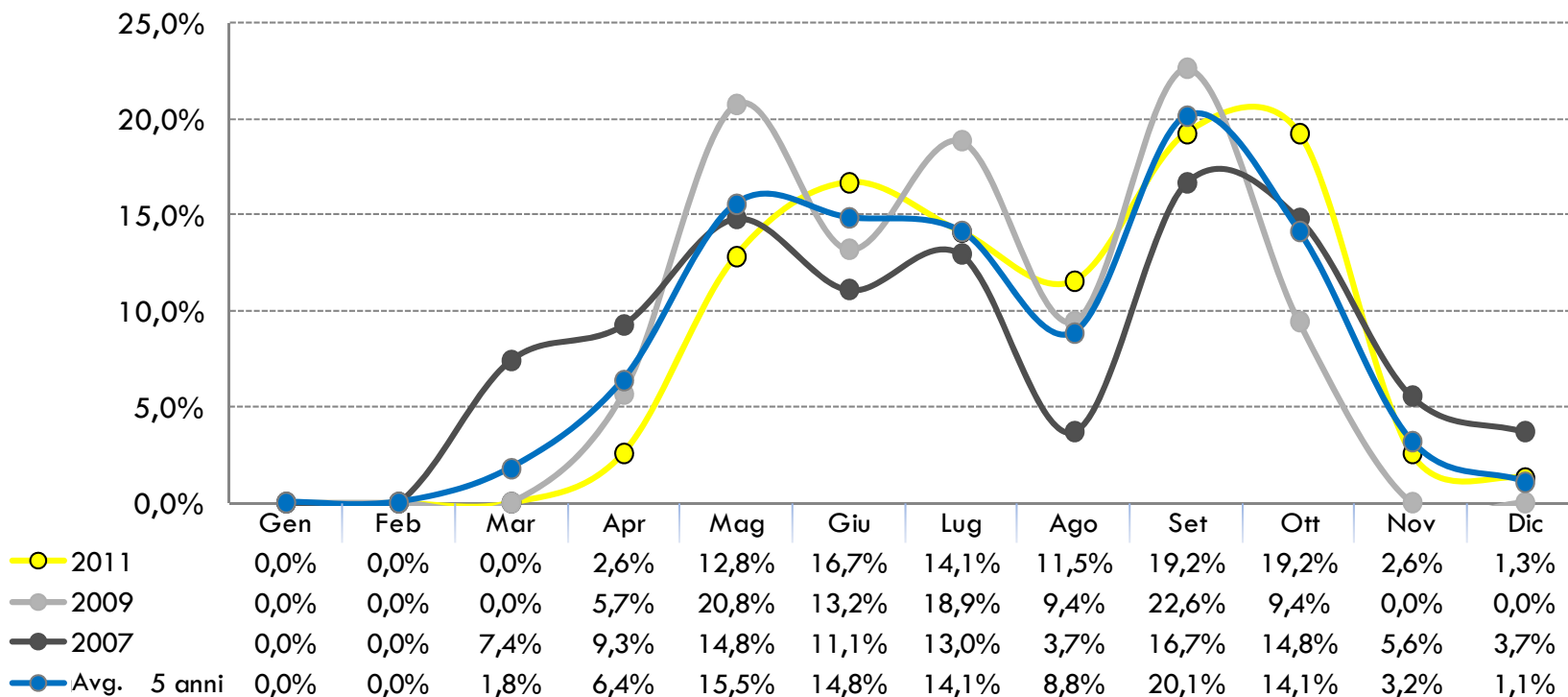
## CRUISE PASSENGERS NATIONALITY IN KOPER

COMPARING CRUISE SOURCE MARKETS 2010 (left) AND 2011 (right)



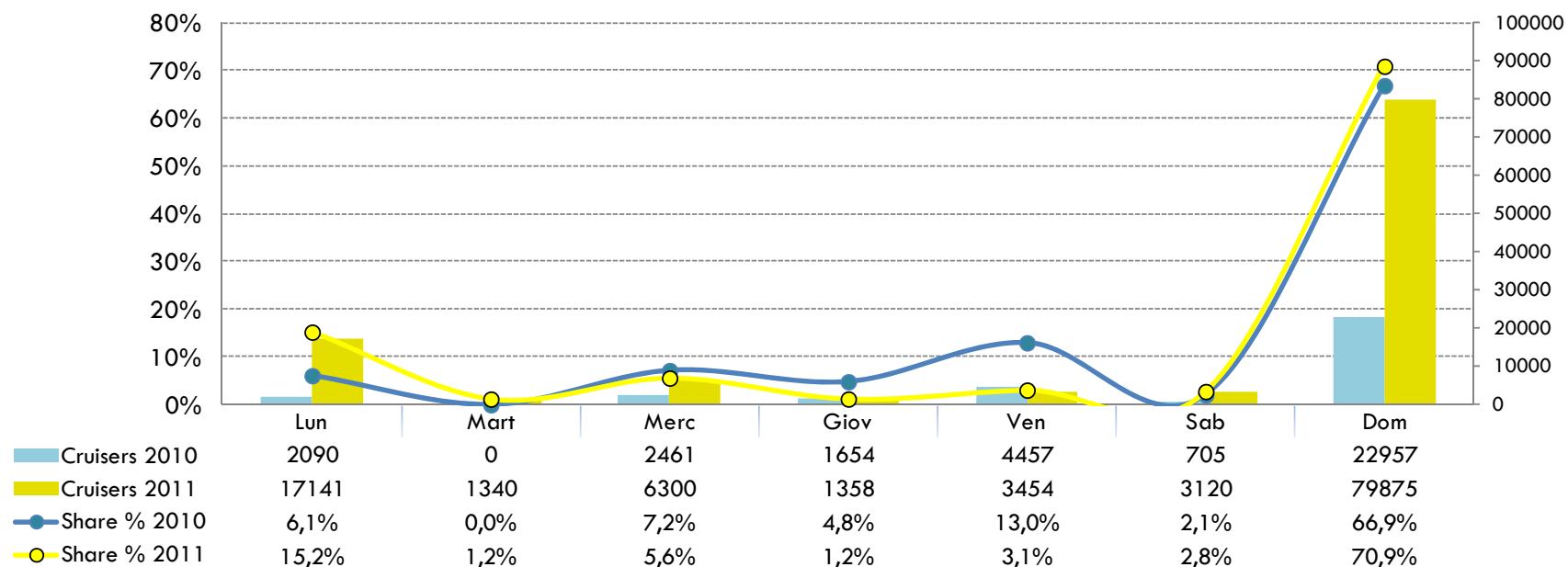
*A DAY BY DAY WORK WITH CRUISE REPRESENTATIVES LEADS TO ENRICH THE QUALITY OF PASSENGERS AND REDUCE THE DEPENDANCE ON FEW MARKETS*

## MONTHLY SEASONALITY: CRUISE CALLS IN KOPER IN LAST 5 YEARS



FROM 2007 TO 2011 CRUISE SEASON STARTS LATER BUT LASTS A LITTLE BIT LATER TOO

## WEEKLY SEASONALITY: CRUISERS IN KOPER IN 2010 AND 2011



# HOW TO EVALUATE THE PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT IN CRUISING OF KOPER?

OPPORTUNITIES?

PRIORITIES?

## SCENARIO ELEMENTS IN SHORT AND MIDDLE-LONG TERM

	SHORT TERM (2012-2015)	MIDDLE-LONG TERM (2015-2025)
<b>DEMAND</b>	Hi interest of new customers. Weakening of European markets.	More people not anymore first time cruiser.
<b>OCCUPATION RATES</b>	Over 100%	Future demand, new markets to fulfill
<b>NEW SHIPS BUILDING</b>	Slowing down. Competition on conquering the existing ones	Using old ships to create local brands
<b>DEPLOYMENT</b>	Winter in Mediterranean (large exploitation during last years).	Panama channel complete (2014). South Asia development.
<b>COMPETITION AMONG TERMINALS</b>	Competition with already built terminals (Trieste and Ravenna that now invest a lot in promotion and commercialization).	Other terminals? (i.e. Pola, Rijeka e Rovinji)
<b>NEW TERMINALS</b>	Promotion and relation with companies are more and more needed.	Port performances evaluations not strictly related to infrastructures.

## IN THIS SCENARIO WHY CALLING IN KOPER?

- > Mediterranean climate (season long)
- > Tourism attractions
- > Historic center within walking distance
- > Variety of tours and excursions
- > Fly & cruise opportunities
- > Close cruise markets (catchment area)
- > Shuttle bus to nearby destinations
- > Dedicated quay to cruise ships
- > Reduced distance from other ports in the area
- > Embarkation and disembarkation procedures (incl. luggage & XRAY)

**SHOULD WE  
CONSIDER THEM  
AS COMPETITIVE  
ADVANTAGES?**

**ARE THEY ALSO  
OWNED BY CLOSE  
CRUISE PORTS?**



## SOME APPARENT COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES FOR KOPER PORT AND DESTINATION

**HISTORIC CENTER WALKING DISTANCE**

**VARIETY OF TOUR & EXCURSIONS**

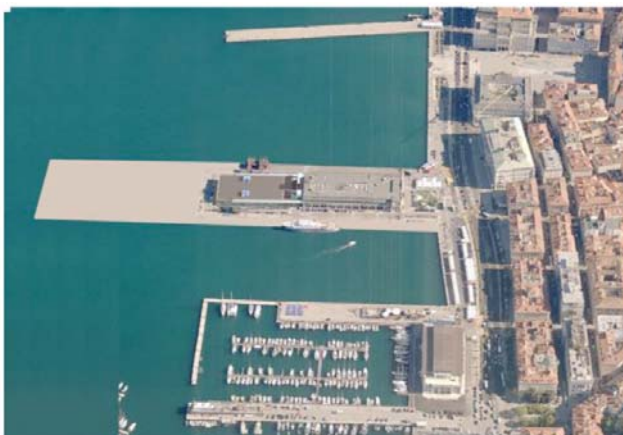
**FLY & CRUISE OPPORTUNITIES**

**CATCHMENT AREA (MARKETS CLOSE BY)**

*THEIR POSSESSION MAY NOT NECESSARILY TRANSLATE INTO  
A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE FOR KOPER*

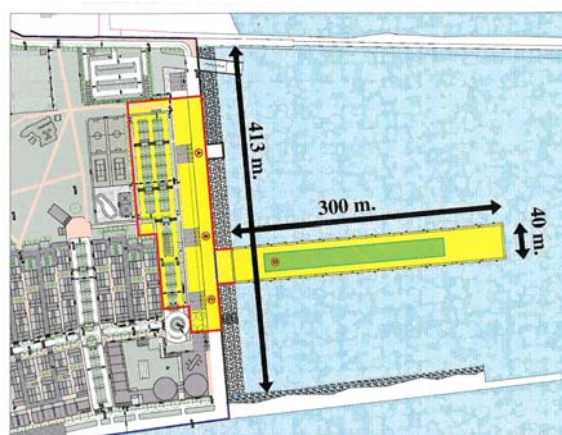
## NORTH ADRIATIC: AMONG WORK-IN PROGRESS AND PROJECT IDEAS

### TRIESTE



Development of “Molo Bersaglieri”  
Started in 2007

### RAVENNA



25mln Euro: new Porto Corsini terminal  
open since April 2011

### PULA



Development plans

*SEVERAL PORTS ARE INVESTING IN NORTH ADRIATIC  
NOT ONLY IN TERMINALS BUT ALSO IN ENHANCING THE EMBARK/DISEMBARK EXPERIENCE  
(I.E. SERVICES, AESTHETIC OF THE PORT AREA)*

## SOME CRITICALITIES OF KOPER PORT (IN CRUISING ACTIVITIES)

**OPERATIVE COSTS**

**AIR CONNECTIONS**

**PORT SCENERY**

**DEDICATED QUAY FOR CRUISE SHIPS**

**EMBARK AND DISEMBARK PROCEDURES**

**RIGIDITY IN CUSTOMS OPERATIONS**

## POSSIBLE STRATEGIC OPTIONS FOR KOPER IN THE CRUISE PORT SCENARIO

### Port of Call

*Strengthening all the activities and interventions that already characterize the port, recognizing all the potential of a port of call, leaving any inclination (and intervention) to act as home port.*

### Home port

*Apply to be considered home port for ships of new generation or specializing in this role only for ships of small-medium size.*

Home port  
solo piccole navi

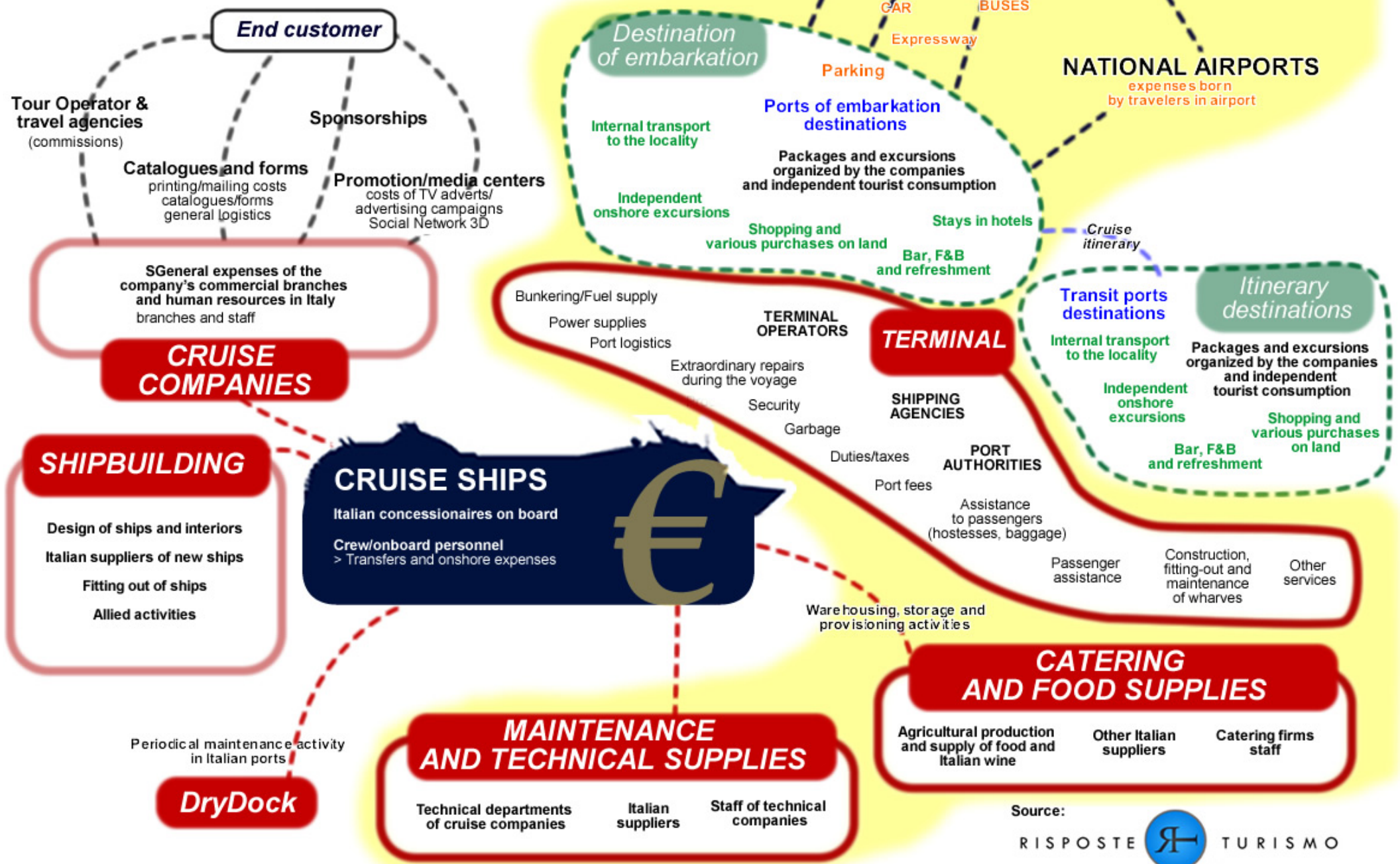
Home port  
tutte le navi

### Interport

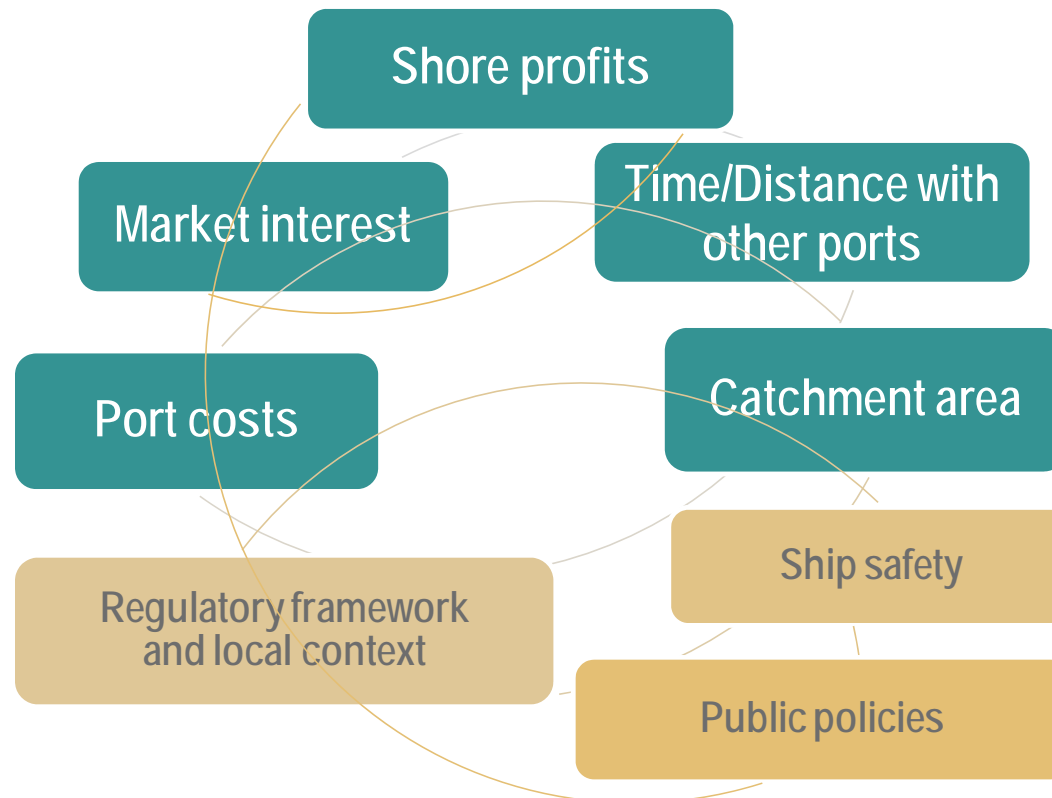
*Take advantage of new solutions for embarkation and disembarkation offered by companies in the itineraries turn around. It may seem like a "middle way" between the above options but assumes characteristics, conditions, constraints and opportunities all its own.*



# CRUISE ECONOMIC INVOLVEMENT FOR TERRITORIES



## CRUISE SHIPS DEPLOYMENT: KEY FACTORS IN DECISIONS



## EACH SCENARIO HAS ITS OWN PRIORITIES

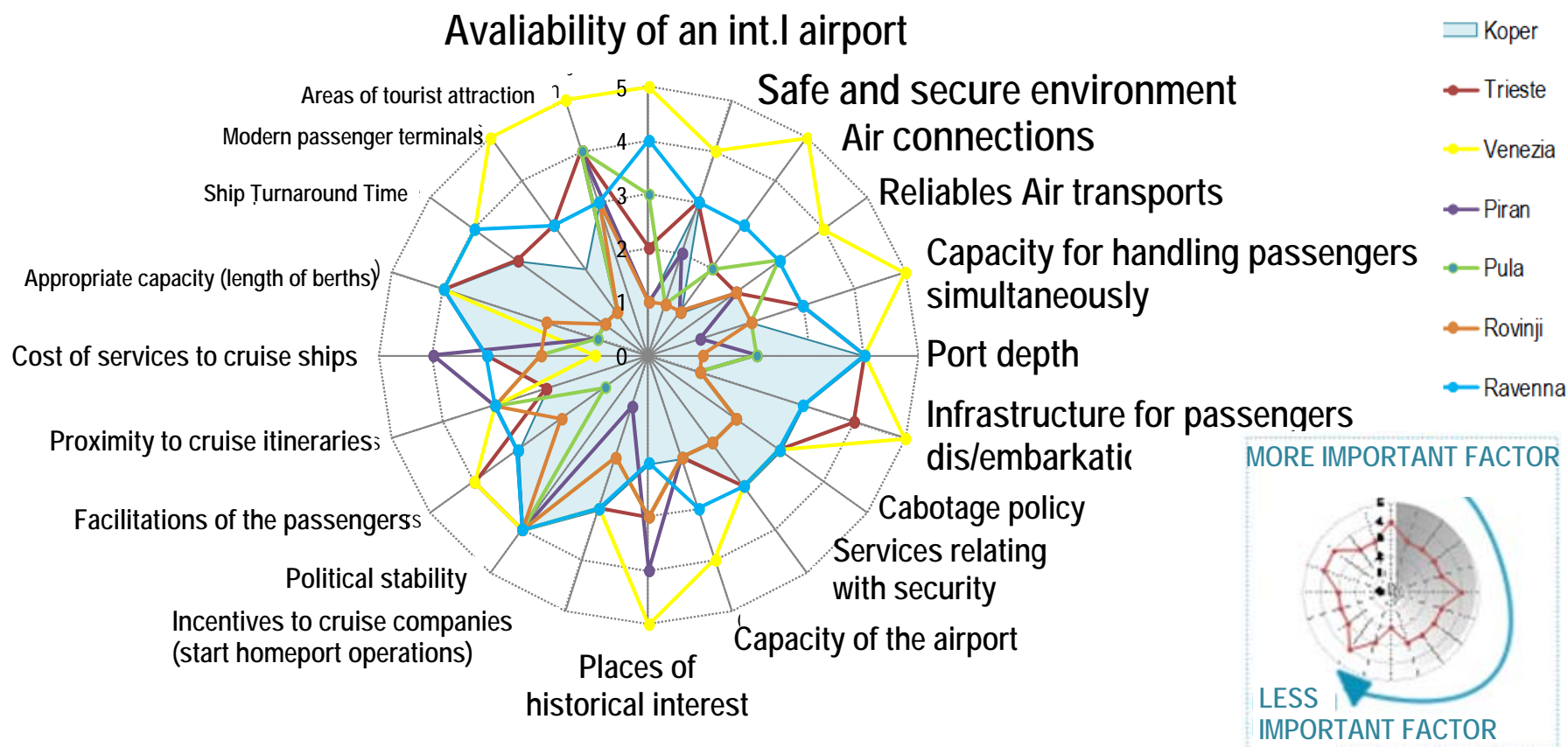
	PoC	HP all	HP only small ships	IntP
Developing a subject /work table for the interest convergence of local stakeholders	Green	Yellow	Gold	Blue
Develop / coordinate joint operations to cruise companies to ensure continuity of relationship	Green	White	Gold	Blue
Acquire "real" competitive advantages	White	Yellow	Gold	Blue
Encourage commercialization and marketing activities (selling cruises)	White	White	Gold	Blue
Reduce the accessibility constraints of the destination	Green	White	White	Blue
Improving air links	White	Yellow	Gold	White
Review the pricing policy and the overall costs of port	Green	Yellow	Gold	Blue
Building an incentive scheme (in prices and rates) based on the seasonal trend	White	Yellow	Gold	Blue
Improve the security and safety of the ship (bollards, fenders, display ship)	Green	Yellow	Gold	Blue
Increase the space of quay (wharf extension)	Green	Yellow	White	White
Increase the space of quay (improving and using more often a second quay)	White	White	Gold	Blue
Set up / improve a terminal "soft" (<1000pax)	Green	White	Gold	Blue
Set up a terminal "hard" (> 1000pax)	White	Yellow	White	White



## HOME PORT

## A POSSIBLE NORTH ADRIATIC PORTS BENCHMARK (1/2)

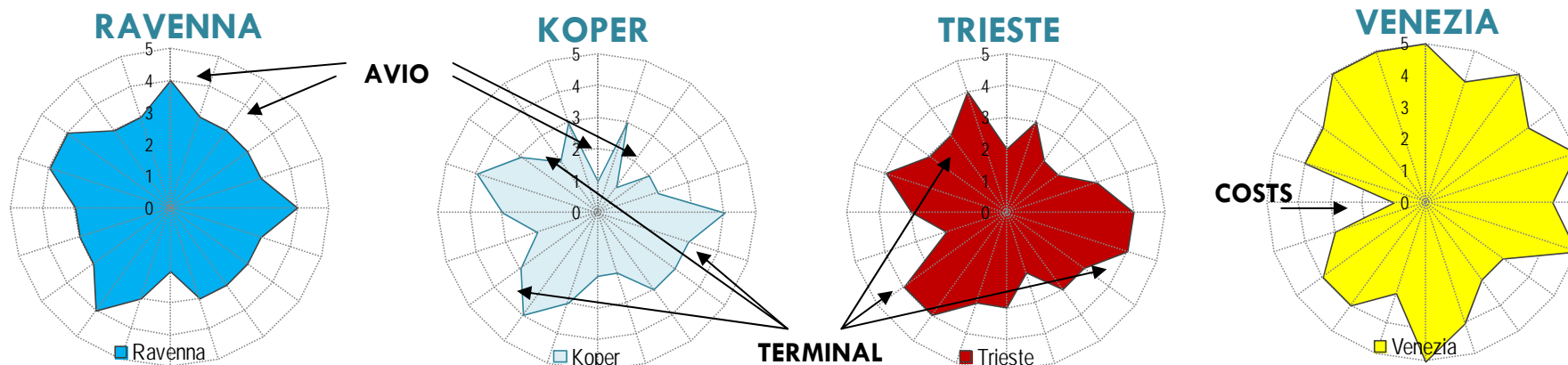
FROM A STUDY WHICH RECOGNIZED MORE THAN 60 FACTORS, WE RANKED FOR EACH PORT THE FIRST 20 FACTORS ASSIGNING 1 TO 5 POINTS



## HOME PORT

## A POSSIBLE NORTH ADRIATIC PORTS BENCHMARK (2/2)

### COMPARING NORTH ADRIATIC CRUISE PORTS AT PRESENT TIME



### WHERE ARE THE WEAKNESS ZONES?

EVEN IF INCREASING ONE POINT (I.E. REALIZING A NEW TERMINAL)  
THE FILLED AREA WON'T BE REVOLUTIONIZED  
AS TO BE COMPETITIVE IT IS NECESSARY TO WORK WITH A WIDE VIEW

### WHERE KOPER COULD WORK TO BE MORE COMPETITIVE THAN THE OTHER PORTS?

## A PATH OF DEVELOPMENT IN EVOLUTION (1/2)

### > DESTINATION INVOLVEMENT



> DIALOGUE WITH OTHER PRIVATE AND PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS (HYP. CRUISE BUREAU)

> CRUISE LINES OPEN RELATION

> CONTINUE IMPROVING SERVICES WITH TARGETED INVESTMENTS

> DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE PORT AESTHETIC/WELCOME VIEW

> REFLECTING ON FEES, CHARGES, TARIFFS

> CHOSE AND WORK ON SOME COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

## A PATH OF DEVELOPMENT IN EVOLUTION (2/2)

AS 2011 WAS **EXCEPTIONAL** >  
2012 AND 2013 ARE A MORE  
CONCRETE START POINT TO WORK

KOPER TERMINAL IS ABLE TO  
**SUCCESSFULLY MANAGE** DIFFERENT  
CRUISE ACTIVITIES  
(SOME LIMITS FOR +3.000 PAX SHIPS)

KOPER PORT SHOULD ADAPT TO  
**CRUISE LINES NEEDS AND EXPECTATIONS**  
CREATING LONG TERM RELATIONSHIPS

### IT IS NECESSARY TO BALANCE POTENTIALITIES AND FEASIBILITY:

- ~ Continue to work on transits.  
Affirmation as a reliable port of call;
- ~ Approach an home port scenario  
creating the condition to start  
interporting activities;
- ~ Approach the idea of a new terminal  
with chariness (which demand?  
Airport lift, Venice role, Trieste new  
terminal).

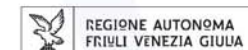
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