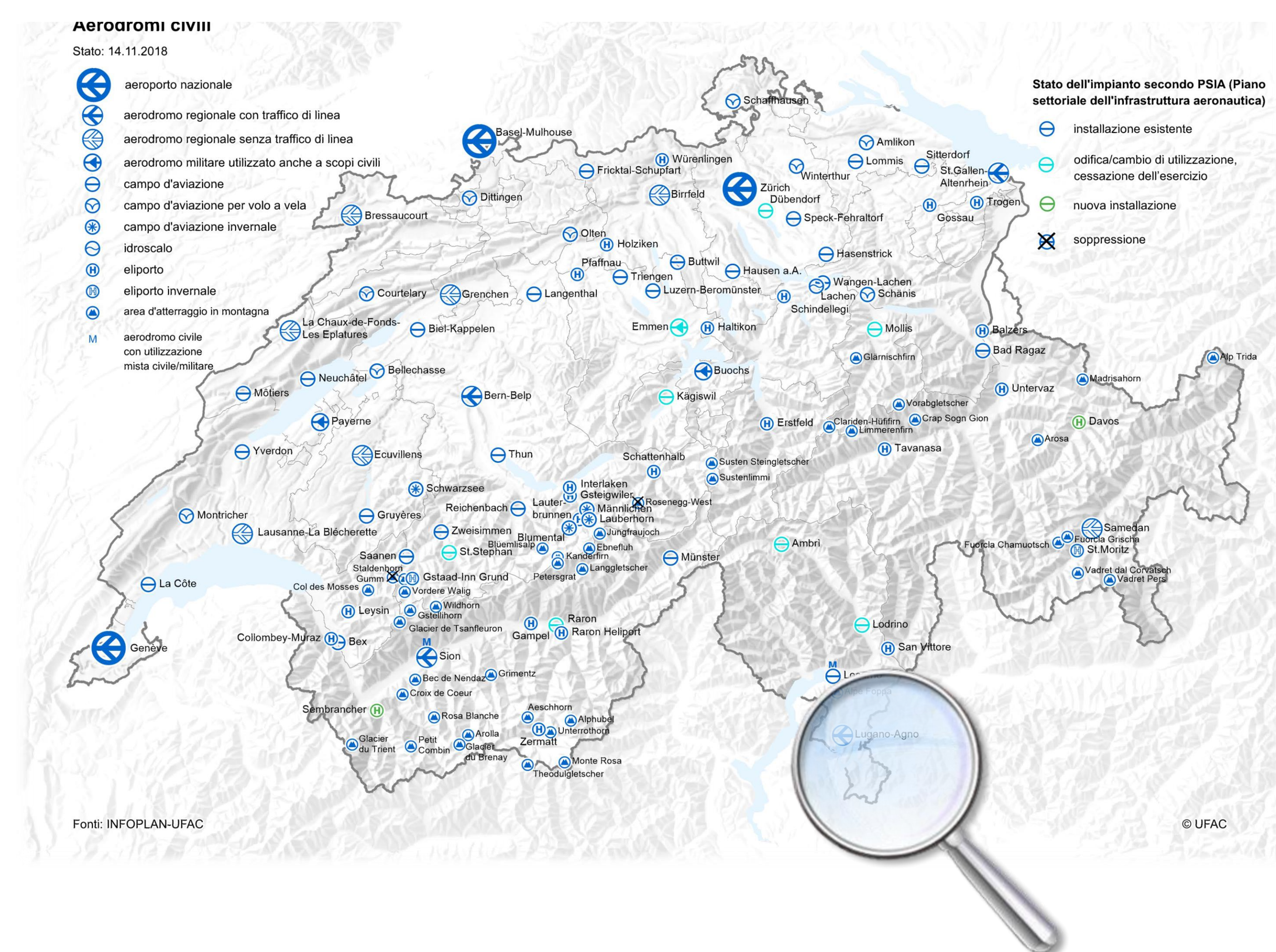


Riviera Aviation Technological Pole

Mandate and Objectives

In June 2014 the Department of finances and economy, Canton of Ticino (Switzerland), in collaboration with the Municipality of Rivera and the Regional Institution for the Development of the Bellinzona and Valleys area, granted the inno3 Competence Centre with a mandate to **evaluate the feasibility and sustainability of an aviation technological pole in Riviera district**, an integral part of a potential cantonal cluster in the aerospace sector.

Geographical and sectoral context of the project



Method

- **First survey** involved more than 50 companies in the Ticino aviation, aeronautic and avionics sector (in order to reconstruct and map out the relationships);
- **Semi-structured interviews**;
- **Second survey** involved not only the companies operating directly in the sector, but also those economic sectors that could potentially be classified under the industry in question. The «**discrete choice models**» methodology made it possible to explore company behaviour in terms of location choice.
- Definition of the different **business models** (scenario analysis).



Project status and Results

- According to the results obtained from the quantitative and qualitative studies conducted, we can say that **it is possible to hypothesise the creation of an aviation technological pole in the Canton of Ticino**.
- This aviation technological pole will be specialized in the drone sector. With this specialization, we will bring high level of competences in this area.
- Currently a **feasibility study** is being conducted.

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