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Summary

Zeila Tesoriere (1971) is associate professor with tenure at the University of Palermo (UniPA), member of LIAT _ Laboratoire de Recherche Infrastructure, Architecture, Territoire with location at the Ecole Normale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris Malaquais. She also directs the InFRA Lab, a research unit at UniPA, focused on the relationships between architecture and infrastructure in contemporary design problems. She has published internationally, notably with recent papers in relevant journals and books chapters in France, the USA, Portugal, Italy. She regularly publishes in "Trasporti & Cultura", an academic journal on infrastructural, landscape and architectural studies, the scientific committee of which she integrates since 2014. whose scientific committee she integrates since 2014

Currently ongoing research explores the ability for infrastructures to expand the field of architectural design, both in theory and practice, within a framework marked by energy transition, sustainability issues, deindustrialization, counter urbanization. Within the mains case studies, stands the elaboration of a general model for the re-cycle and transformation of the areas surrounding Palermo ring-road, a city within the city. Tesoriere obtained his Ph.D. in 2004 at the University Paris8 and at the University of Palermo, after achieving an international co-tutelle thesis. Prior than in Palermo, she has taught at ENSAP Malaquais and ENSAP Val de Seine.

Publications

Fra le reti e le città Between networks and cities Curatela di Trasporti & Cultura n. 38 "Stazioni e città"(Link)

Trasporti & Cultura n. 38

November 2014

Reframed by the new challenges of sustainable actions, energy transition, shrinking economies, the architectural design of contemporary high-speed railroad stations has undergone significant transformations, that cannot be totally ascribed to the innovations of high speed technology. This monograph issue of "Trasporti & Cultura" examines the relationship of new high-speed railroad stations to...[more](#)

L'infrastruttura scomparsa - The vanishing infrastructure : AVE Barcelona Sagrera(Link)

Trasporti & Cultura 38

November 2014

This article situates the subordination of the Sagrera Station to the Camì Comtal park within a theoretical debate about the role of architecture in these significant urban regeneration processes. Questioning how architecture can still matters in contemporary big-picture planning, the article first reports on the two adjacent planning processes, then argues for a transfer of representational and...[more](#)

Infrastructure as Interface: Thinking the Urban and the High-speed Railway Station: Italian Case-studies(Link)

Spaces and Flows - A journal of Urban and Extraurban studies

December 1, 2012

Focusing on contemporary stations, the article argues how the notion of flow acts in synergy with other design tools, in order to redefine infrastructure as an interface, urban-space definer and connector.
<http://ijf.cgpublisher.com/product/pub.203/prod.131>

La nuova architettura del viaggio. Le stazioni per l'Alta Velocità a Torino, Firenze, Roma(Link)

Agathòn

2012

Superstrade urbane. Dall'alta velocità alle trasformazioni contemporanee(Link)

Trasporti & Cultura n. 36

October 2013

This article focuses on urban freeway deconstruction processes that recognize this infrastructure as a resource to be reclaimed for urban regeneration. Since they first appeared, freeways have been more than simple carriers of traffic flow. Following the suggestions provided by Le Corbusier, Drexler and Rudofsky in their "ROADS" exhibition, Lawrence Halprin, Reyner Banham, particular attention is...[more](#)

L'High Line elevated parkway. Metamorfosi di un'infrastruttura([Link](#))

Trasporti e Cultura n.35

May 2013

The reuse of the abandoned High Line Elevated Parkway, claimed and partnered by the association Friends of the High Line, is based on certain characteristics of the former viaduct which runs between buildings nearly 30 feet in the air. The Phoenix-like metamorphosis that the ancient infrastructure has undergone, has produced one of the most popular destinations in the city. Embracing adaptive...[more](#)

Recuperare l'infrastruttura. L'high Line di New York. 1929-2009([Link](#))

Agathòn

2010

Dopo l'obsolescenza _ Recycling abandoned railway viaducts([Link](#))

Franco Angeli_ Esperienze nel restauro del Moderno

2013

Addressing the increasing number of abandoned railways converted into new parkways, this article investigates them through the prism of obsolescence. Over the past forty years, the features matching with the average lifetime of infrastructural buildings have become of growing relevance dealing with contemporary policies in restructuring our territories.

In the beginning of 21th century, facing the...[more](#)

Bunker Culturel. La régénération du patrimoine militaire urbaine à Saitn- Nazaire([Link](#))

In Situ

2011

Experience

Associate Professor of practice of architecture and urban design at the Faculty of Architecture

Università degli Studi di Palermo

September 2008 – Present (8 years 5 months)