The Grand Paris network: investing in modernisation, investing in new capacities?

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The current system

Size

Pas / year: 4 billion, +25 % in 10 years

Total operational cost: 8,1 billion€

Direct users contribution 2,4 billion €

Mean invesment for network extension 0,4

billion €/ year over the last decade

Governance:

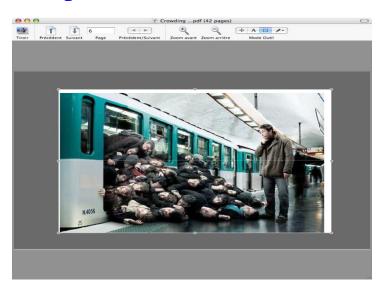
From 2005, under the full responsibility of the region

Large part of funding through companies

Problems

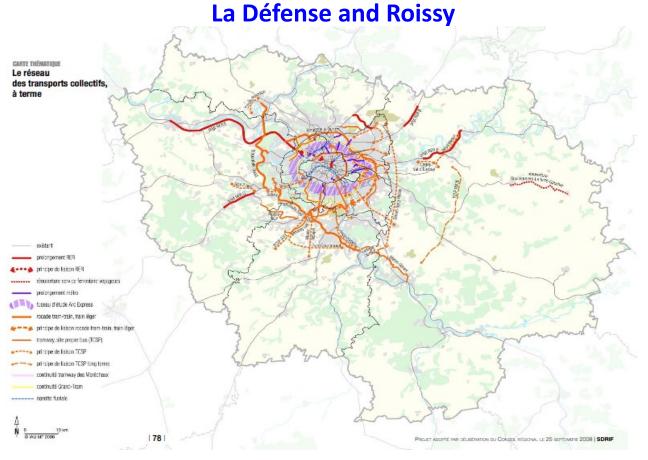
Patronage growth (!)

Poor quality of service
Cancelled trains, irregularity
(up to 20 % trains late or cancelled)
Saturation at peak hours



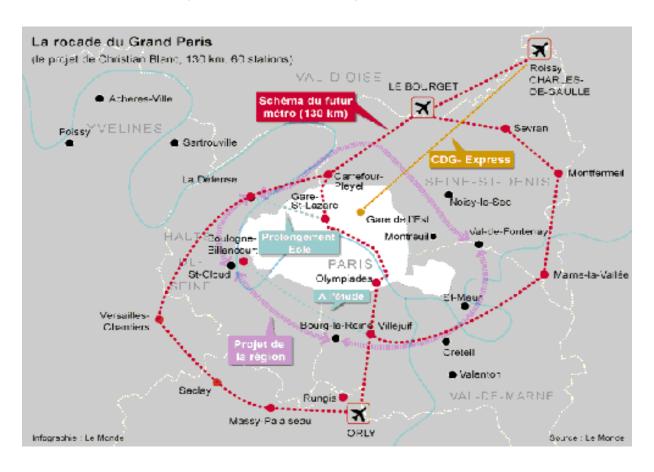


Region's answer: new long term projects in the masterplan, huge modernization effort (18,5 billion€) a new project « Arc express » for 9 billion. Government opposes: too expensive, unsufficient consideration of



The announcement of « Grand Huit » in the media (2009) by the government

Key words: automatic/public private partnership/ self financing through land appreciation recovery/ 800000 new jobs induced Houah, fantastic!



The basic representation: « great » means clusters and high speed

La Défense: global finance

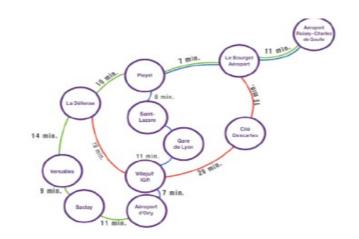
CDG: global access

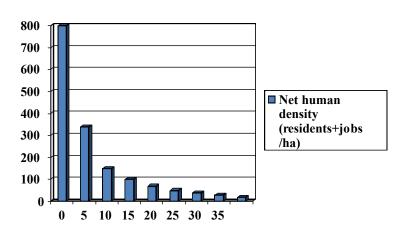
Saclay: global science

And the resident population?

 A « small » problem from a transport point of view: density vanishes quickly

A risk of a huge, but inefficient investment, compromizing our capacity to develop useful ones



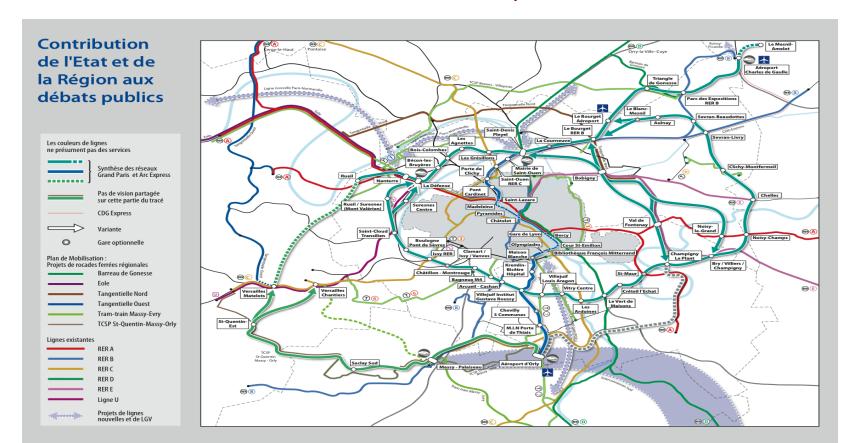


The results of the public debate The government / region agreement

Feople's view on » great »: « great » means Human first, attention to users and quality of service on the existing network first!

Arc express is a mid term project, Grand Huit is a long term one Ridiculous to have 2 competing projects, need to merge

Modernizing: 11,2 billion€; New network: 20,5 billion €; Rolling stock renewal: 3,3; for new lines: 2,2 Funding from new taxes, new public loans, marginal only land appreciation recovery. Regional masterplan to be revised. RATP will be the operator



An expert's view on « great »

A transport system is not only a physical network, it is a system of relations between stakeholders

(companies, national/regional public bodies, users)

This system is now like a computer with a virus,

Adding new functionalities is useless since the virus has not been eliminated

Redefining funding mechanisms, structure of fares, ways of operating in a way whre every stakeholder would be more responsible is possible and would:

Contribute to significant improvements

Prepare new developments

And then, may 2011



This is not the end of the story