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Turin to war: the reconstruction of the Command Zone

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Our thesis wants to study the issues, urban-scale and micro-urban, arising as a result of the destruction of the Second World War. These problems were not only the devastation of property, but also its reconstruction.

In particular, our analysis focused on the eastern side of the Piazza Castello, the so-called Command Zone, including isolates of St. Luke and St. William.

Our work began with the reconstruction of the development of the area over the centuries, from his birth (late seventeenth century) until the early twentieth century. After that, we have defined the consistency of the buildings in the area before the bombing.

Then, our attention was concentrated about what happened to individual buildings during the Second World War. The study and reading of documentation for this tragic moment, has allowed us to know what were the damages caused to the asset and the interventions on this.

Investigating, finally, the current conditions prevailing in the Command Zone, we have identified the problems and strengths. In fact, as a result of the above analysis, we were able to identify, within the area, the elements of which it would be appropriate to work in order to develop this part of the city. In fact, it is full of opportunities and favorable conditions for the development of activities and services that engage and attract the citizens, which until now has only benefited the area as a place of transition and rapid transit.

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