



The MOSES Innovative Feeder Vessel: Creating alternative pathways for transporting containerized cargo to the Greek islands



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Facts about the MOSES project

- Project Title: AutoMated Vessels and Supply Chain Optimisation for Sustainable Short SEa Shipping
- Duration: 01.07.2020 30.06.2023
 (36 months) to be extended
 31.12.2023 (42 months)
- o Budget: 8 million €
- **Consortium:** 17 Partners
- Coordinator: NTUA







The MOSES Concept





5. MOSES matchmaking platform

MOSES ambition/main objective

Significantly enhance the SSS component of the European container supply chain!



5%

15%

10%

Sustainable feeder services



Increase of feeder traffic between large terminals and small ports

Modal shift to Short Sea Shipping in designated areas Create sustainable feeder services from large container terminals to small ports with no infrastructure



The problems to be addressed and the innovative feeder's solutions

The *problems* addressed to the feeder:

- Missing operational capacity in small ports (no or limited infrastructure for loading/unloading cargo)
- No independency from the *availability of port services* in the large ports

What does the innovative feeder bring to the table?

- **No need of port infrastructure** (has its own container handling crane Robotic Container-Handling System)
 - *Large ports*: doesn't depend on the use of the gantry cranes with high operational cost
 - <u>Small ports</u>: load/unload without any additional infrastructure on/from a dedicated area or directly on/from container trucks
- Environmentally sustainable propulsion (supported by MOSES Recharging Station)





Innovative Feeder | State of the art

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"Eastern MED-Greece" use case



Roundtrip: Piraeus – Kea – Syros – Tinos – Mykonos – Naxos – Paros (266nm)



The 6 island ports represent 87% of the total general cargo traffic of the islands around Mykonos (based on 2019 data)



Decongest Piraeus container terminal and integrate small Greek ports into the container supply chain

- The feeder would be competitive to existing cargo transport options if 80% of the maximum estimated demand is captured
- At least two weekly services in each port
- The expected cost-effective capacity of the vessel is 90-200
 TEUs



The innovative feeder's characteristics

- *Two* Greek feeder *designs*: *1) 96 TEU*, *2) 180 TEU*
- Improved *energy performance*
- *Two options* were considered:
 - 1. Hybrid (the chosen one)
 - 2. Full electric (rejected, as the required battery capacity may limit the cargo space)
- Automated onboard *crane* for container (un)loading
- Azimuth thrusters for *enhanced maneuverability*
- Envisioned autonomous operation



	Principal dimensions	
	Propulsion type	Hybrid (methanol ICE + batteries)
	Capacity	96 TEU
	L _{OA}	76.25 (m)
	В	13.00 (m)
-	Т	5.00 (m)
	D	7.83 (m)





Innovative Feeder | Robotic Container-Handling System functionality

- The feeder *arrives* at a small port
- The Robotic Container- Handling System (no crane driver onboard):
 - **Unloads** TEUs directly on trucks waiting and at the port
 - Loads TEUs from the port
- The RCHS is remotely supported by Intelligent Operator Support System (IOSS)
 - The feeder *continues its journey*





The innovative feeder's additional functionality

- A *feasibility study* was conducted in order to identify if unexploited time (*10 waiting hours based on trip simulations performed*) could be used for passenger transportation to other nearby islands:
 - 1. Mykonos-Delos
 - 2. Naxos-Small Cyclades
- Modular concept design for the accommodation of passengers



Mykonos-Delos



Naxos-Iraklia-Schoinousa-Koufonisia



The innovative feeder's additional functionality

- **Specially designed FEUs** handled by the feeder's crane (weight estimation performed):
 - 1. Accommodation FEU with aircraft seats
 - 2. Bar FEU that will cover the needs for refreshments
 - 3. Lounge, W.C. & Galley FEU
- *Three* different accommodation *options*:
 - 1. 201 pax (bow passenger area)
 - 2. 194 pax (stern passenger area)
 - 3. 395 pax (combined)



The accommodation FEU



The combined accommodation solution



3rd Tier

2nd Tier





Impact on freight transport sustainability

- Reduced environmental footprint
- Modernization of waterborne transport
- Increase containerized cargo flows to the Greek islands
- Improved efficiency and delivery times compared to the current conditions (mainly trucks on Ro-Ro)











Reduce the CO₂ and air pollutant emissions of intra-European freight transport





MOSES experience and key take-aways





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