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Joint Workshop

MOSES is not just a biblical figure



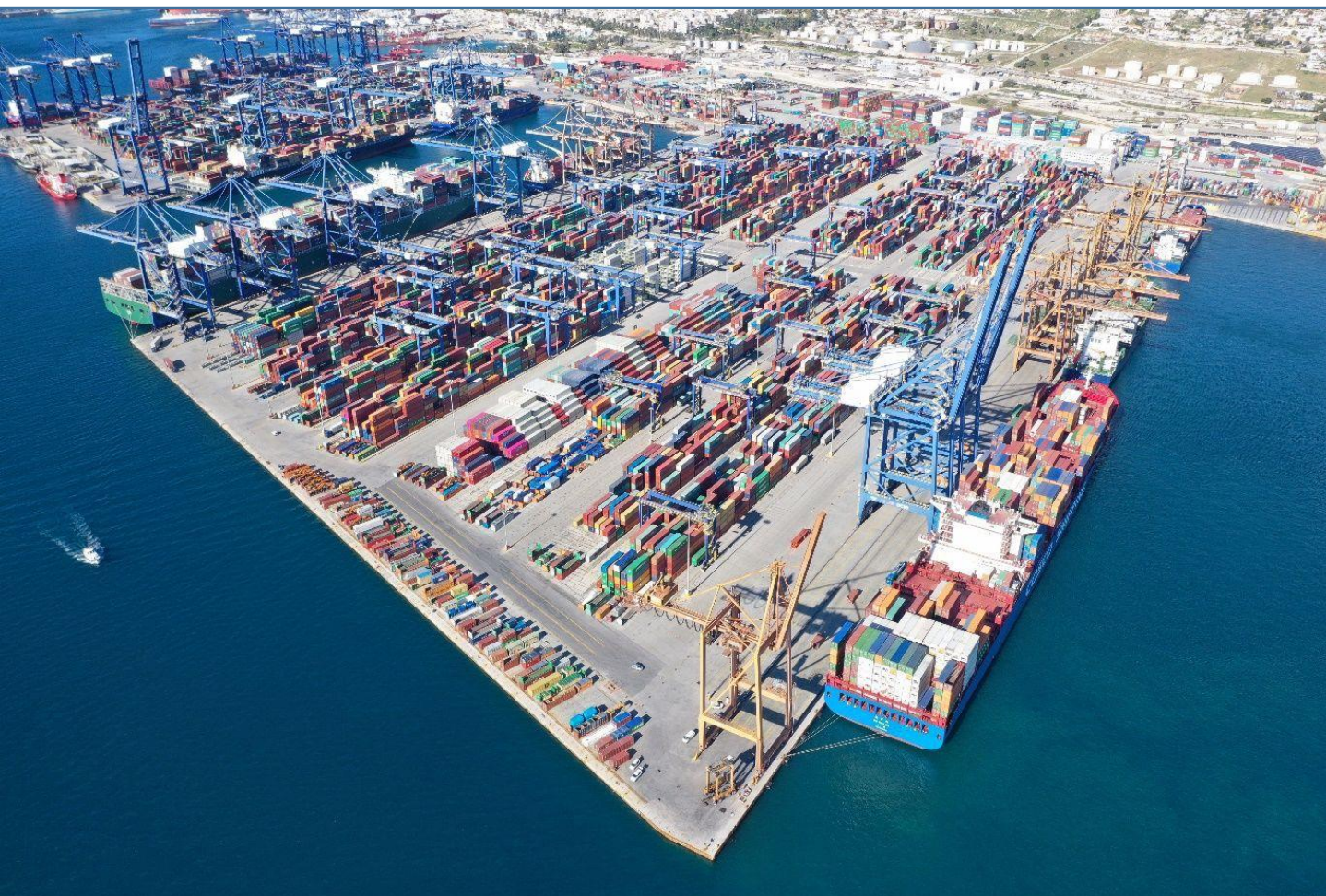
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More containers globally  
need to be transported  
by larger ships (economies of  
scale)

\* the total container throughput in the Mediterranean increased  
from 20 m TEU (2000) to 51 m TEU (2015)





Larger container ships bring more cargo to terminals that needs to be transshipped to the hinterland





This leads to congestion from heavy container truck traffic



Island ports with no infrastructure are usually serviced by trucks on Ro-Pax Ferries





Large and more container ships  
also lead to adverse consequences  
in terms of safety







# ~~Problem~~ Solution

Short Sea Shipping to small ports with no cargo handling infrastructure could provide an alternative to land-based transshipment

**Efficient**

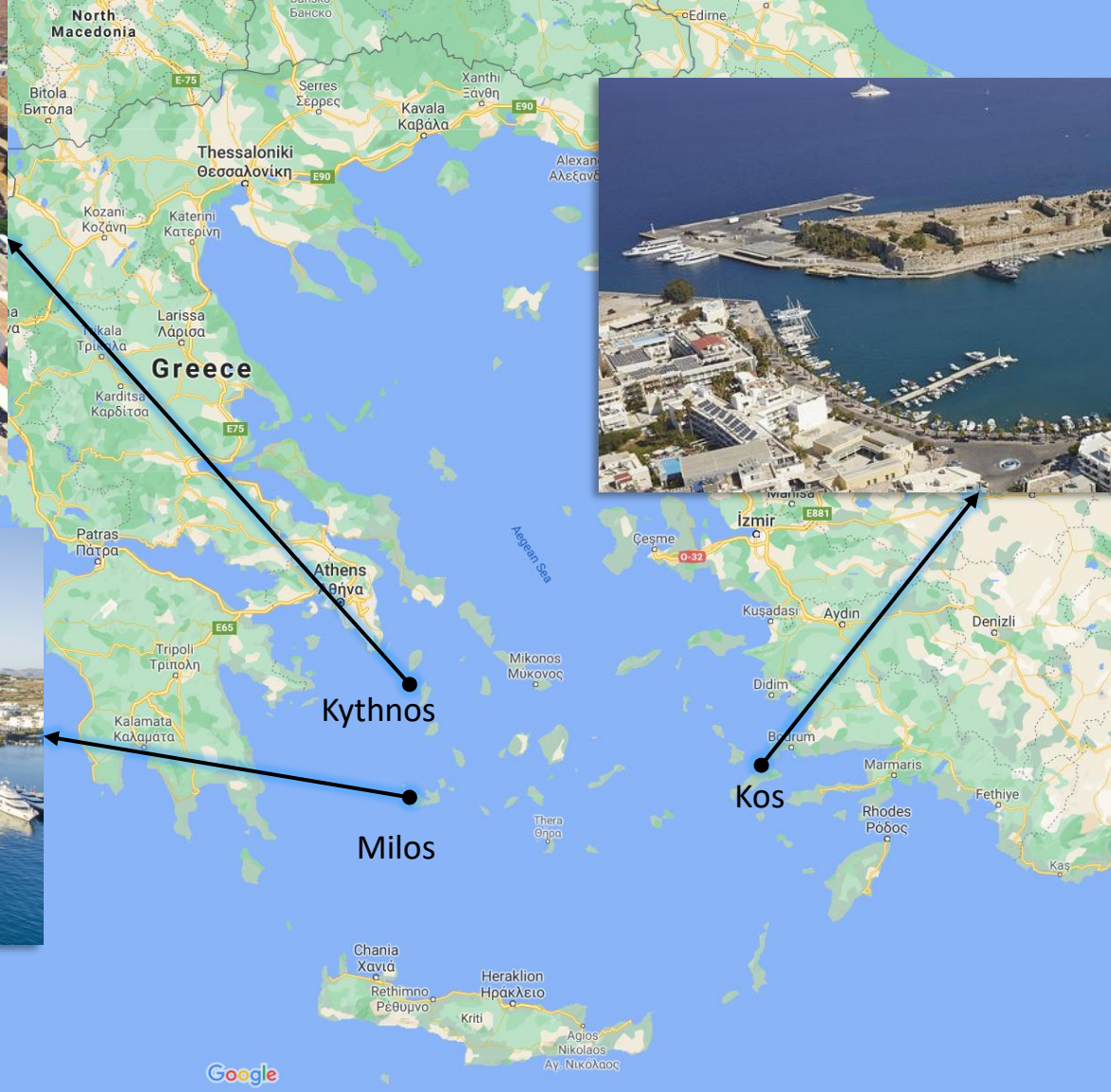
**Green**

**Safe**

This potential is mostly untapped, because

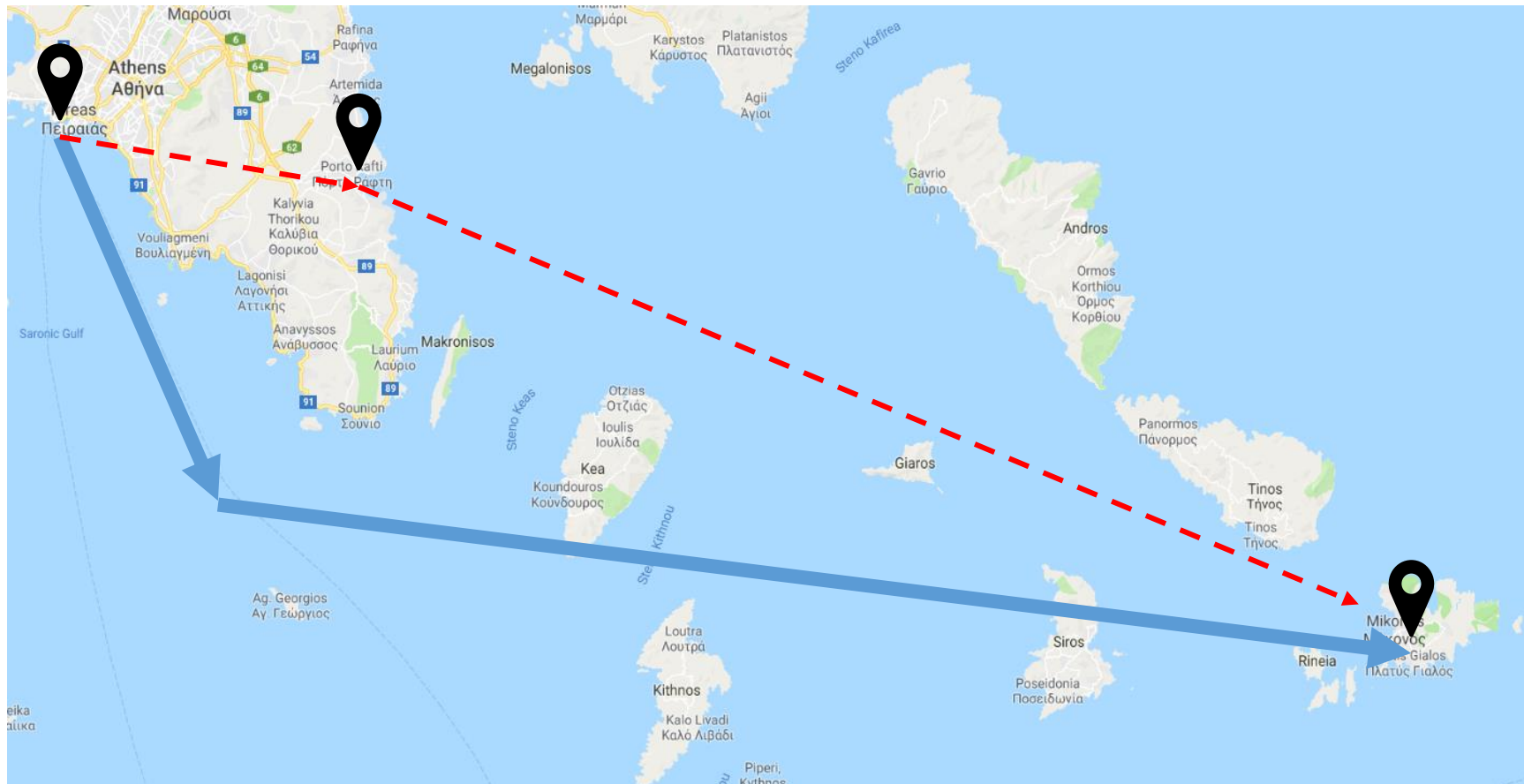
- existing feeders cannot be served by small ports
- there is little incentive for carriers to choose maritime transport instead of road/rail modes.

# The case of a European Archipelago





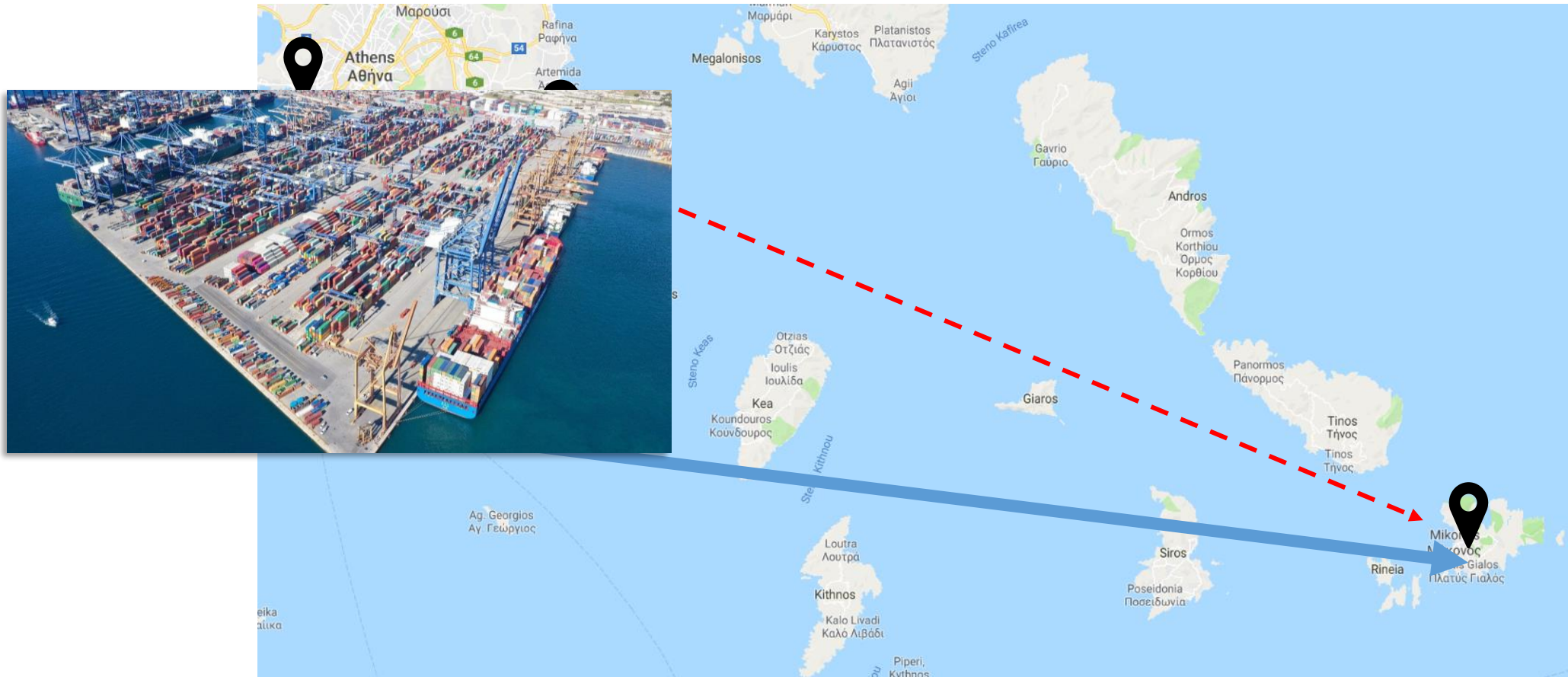
# The case of a European Archipelago



MOSES will create **new pathways** in the EU container supply chain by **integrating small ports** with no infrastructure into the EU container supply chain

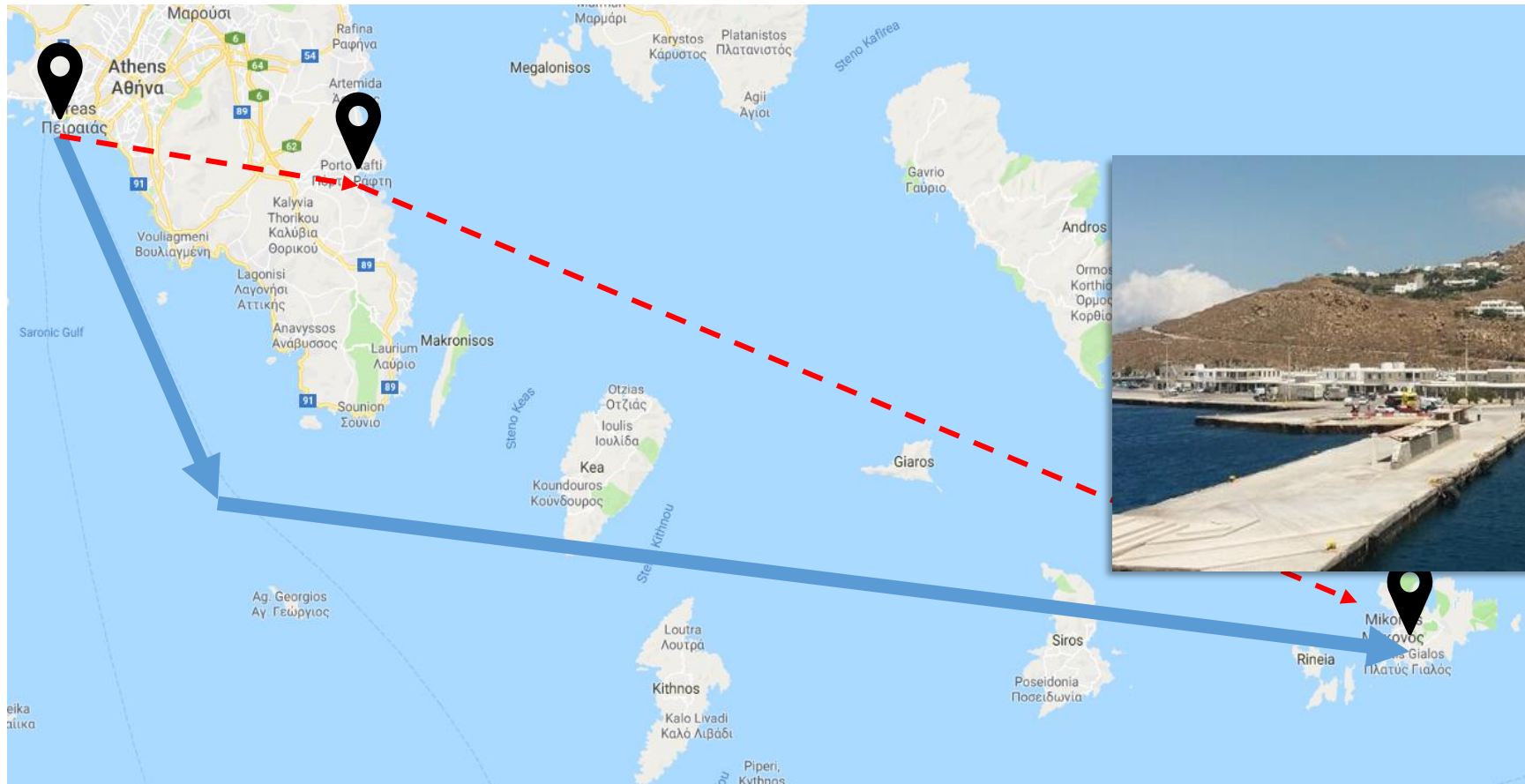


# The case of a European Archipelago



MOSES wants to take container cargo directly  
from large container terminals...

# The case of a European Archipelago



To small ports via Short Sea Shipping feeders



# Current thinking on how to define autonomy



## **Automation:**

the implementation of processes by automatic means – under specified conditions can function without human intervention

## **Autonomous ship:**

the ship uses automation to operate without human intervention, related to one or more ship processes, for the full duration or in limited periods of the ship's operations or voyage

## **Crewless ship:**

a ship with no crew on board

MSC 102/5/18 (2020)

## Degrees of automation and human presence

**Degree one:** Ship with automated processes and decision support

**Degree two:** Remotely controlled ship with seafarers on board

**Degree three:** Remotely controlled ship without seafarers on board

**Degree four:** Fully autonomous ship

MSC 101/5/4 (2019)



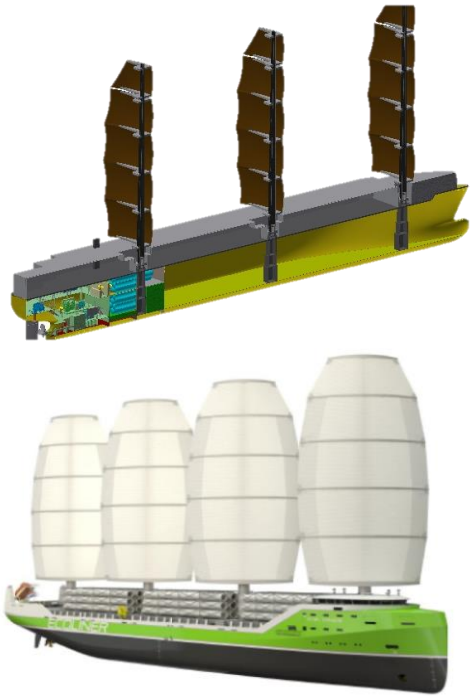


## Robotic Container Handling System

Automated infrastructure

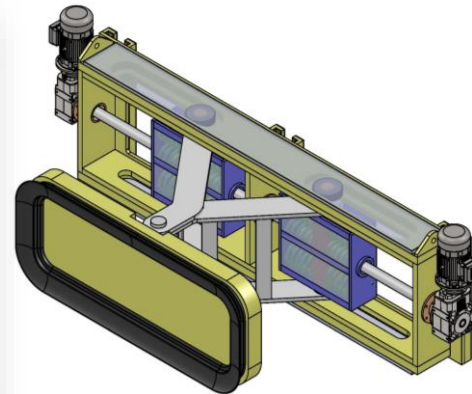
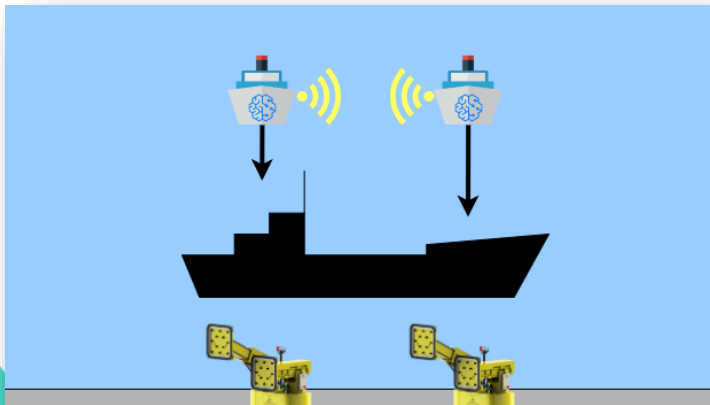


**Innovative Feeder**  
Concept design,  
feasibility for  
autonomous  
operation



## AutoDock

Autonomous Tugboat swarm collaborating with automated mooring



# MOSES Demonstrations

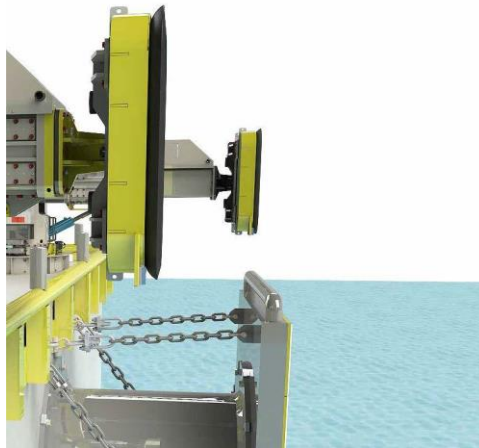


## Pilot #1: AutoDock

Demonstration and testing of:

1. The automated control infrastructure
2. Intelligent swarm operation
3. The collaboration of the autonomous tugboats with the automated mooring system

within the mooring process of a barge



Faaborg harbour, Denmark (TUCO's facilities)

## Pilot #2: Feeder

Testing of propulsion, seakeeping and autonomous operation at representative operational conditions:

1. Transit
2. Port entrance/departure
3. Mooring capability



MARIN's Seakeeping and Manoeuvring Basin (SMB), Netherlands



# MOSES Demonstrations



## Pilot #3: Robotic Container Handling System

Demonstrate and evaluate operational characteristics:

1. Variability in loading and offloading operations
2. Adaptation capabilities and human intervention
3. Remote operator supervision



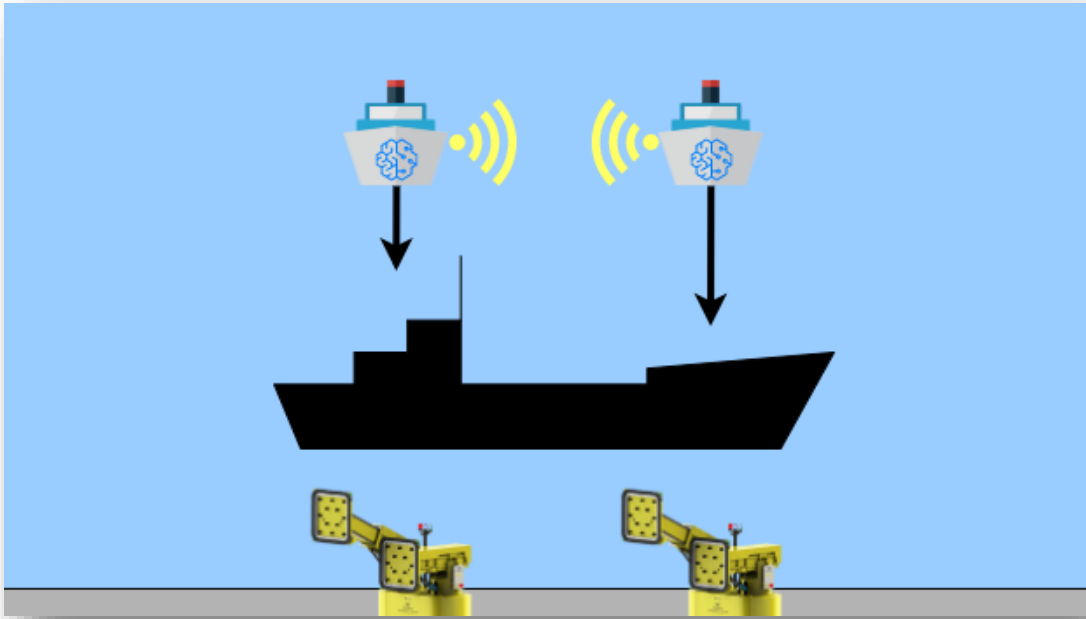
Stage 1: MacGregor test facilities at Örnsköldsvik, Sweden

Stage 2: TNO test facilities at Soesterberg, the Netherlands

# MOSES Impact on sustainable SSS cargo transport



## Autonomous Tugboat swarm collaborating with automated mooring



### Safety

Minimize human error in towing  
Reduce accident during berthing

### Environment

Reduce air emissions, tugs will use electric propulsion

### Efficiency

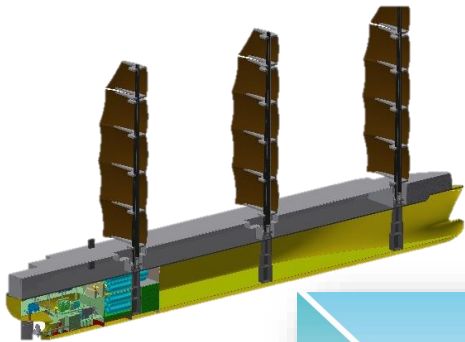
Reduced time to berth  
More reliable towing services  
Increase service availability



# MOSES Impact on sustainable SSS cargo transport



## Innovative feeder with robotic container-handling system



### Safety

Minimize risk in cargo handling

### Environment

Green propulsion technologies  
Reduce total emissions/TEU  
Reduce road congestion in port areas

### Efficiency

Delivering cargo where no infrastructure is available

# MOSES Impact on sustainable SSS cargo transport



## Matchmaking platform



### Environment

Promote environmentally-friendlier  
alternative to land-based transshipment

### Efficiency

Ensure viability of SSS services based on  
innovative feeder  
Increase freight using SSS

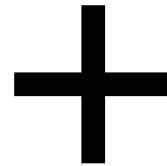


# MOSES Impact on sustainable SSS cargo transport



**Automated technologies/processes**  
**Autonomous operation**

**Safety**



**Efficiency**

**Sustainable SSS feeder services** to small  
(and remote) ports without infrastructure

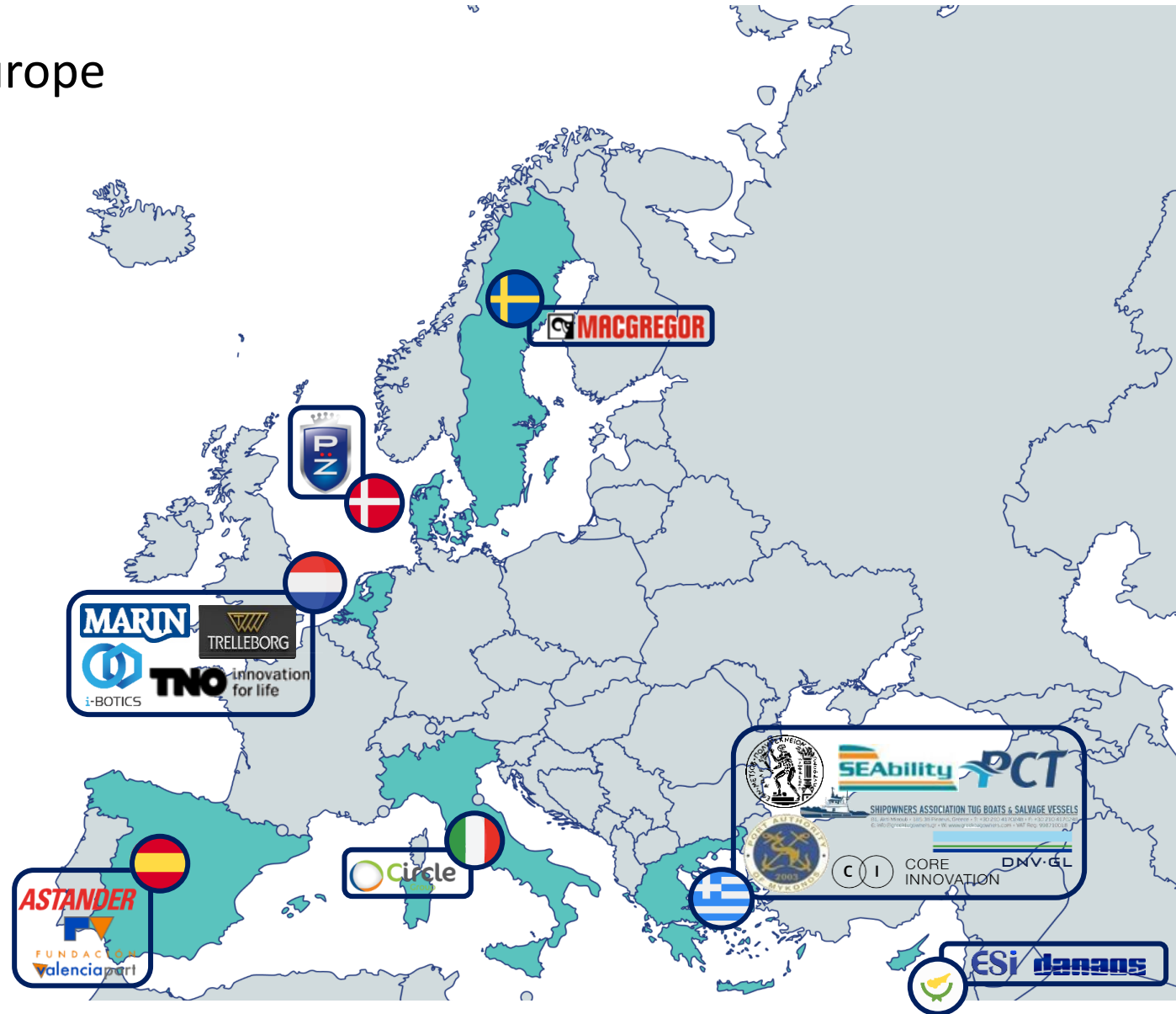
# The National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) coordinates



17 expert partners throughout Europe

Budget: EUR 8,1m

36 months (2020 – 2023)







# MOSES

## Paving the way towards the future of Short Sea Shipping!

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