Piraeus Port Authority S.A. (PPA) was founded in 1930 as a public entity. In 1999 was converted into a Limited Company with the Law 2688/1999 and since 2003 is listed in the Athens Exchange. Its purpose is to manage and operate the Port of Piraeus and other ports. The Company’s scope spans throughout the whole range of port and cargo services to ships, cargoes and passengers. Moreover, PPA leases to third parties the use of premises and facilities under its management.

The port of Piraeus is the main sea gateway of Greece and one of the busiest ports in the Mediterranean. The location of the port makes it a hub port for international trade and a focal link between the Greek islands and the mainland as well as a cruise center. The PPA functions as a development lever for the local and national economy and plays a significant role in the development of the shipping, tourism and international trade clusters.
The PORT OF PIRAEUS is situated at the intersection of sea routes linking the Mediterranean with Northern Europe and due to its geographic position (south of the 38th parallel) enables major liner ships to access it without significant deviation from the Far East trade routes.
COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES OF PIRAEUS

/ Strategic location on Asia - Africa - Europe's crossroads.
/ Adequate infrastructure and natural depth to serve the largest modern container, car and cruise ships.
/ Operation of container terminals under Type 1 Free Zone status.
/ Operation of container and car terminals 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
/ Hub for container mainliners to and from China / Far East.
/ Large network of feedering lines to all ports in the Mediterranean, Black Sea and the Adriatic.
/ Land connections by train or by road to the Balkans and Central Europe.
/ Implementation of an integrated information system for all port operations.
/ ISPS compliant in all terminals and operations.
/ Qualified and experienced staff for all port operations.
/ To be certified as AEO (Authorized Economic Operator).

Piraeus Port offers unique advantages because of its strategic location and its infrastructure.
It is the natural port of Athens just 10km away from the Athen’s Center. Piraeus is the country’s main import and export gateway.
It is the first European westbound port after crossing Suez Canal with the suitable infrastructure to serve international trade and landside transportation.

PPA S.A. is certified to ISO 9001:2015 & ISO 14001:2015 for the:
/ Cruise & Ferry Terminal Services
/ RoRo Terminal Services
/ Container Terminal Services
/ Management of Logistics center (at former ODDY area)
/ Port construction and maintenance projects management
1930
Foundation of the Piraeus Port Authority

2016
Sale of the majority share of PPA to COSCO SHIPPING (Hong Kong) Co.

1997
Completion of container terminal - Pier II

2017
Establishment of new management of COSCO SHIPPING

2002
Signing of the Concession Agreement with the Greek State

2018
Completion of container terminal Pier III

2003
Listing on the Athens Stock Exchange

2006
Conversion of PPA into a S.A.

2008
Concession out of Containers’ Piers II & III through an agreement between PPA S.A. & COSCO Pacific Ltd.

2010
Commencement of operation of Pier I - Container Terminal

2014
Amicable Settlement Agreement with COSCO Pacific Ltd.

2015
Amicable Settlement Agreement with COSCO Pacific Ltd.

2016
Amicable Settlement Agreement with COSCO Pacific Ltd.

The PPA offers modern and dynamic port services

- Container Terminals
- Car Terminals
- Cruise Terminals
- Ferry Terminals
- Shipyards Services
- Logistics Center

It continuously expands its infrastructure, improves the services provided by upgrading the quality, protects the environment and provides high security services on the following areas on its passenger and commercial harbors.
CONTAINER TERMINALS

- Among the 10 largest in Europe (in terms of traffic).
- The biggest transshipment center of Eastern Mediterranean.
- Provides services to the largest shipping companies and alliances.
- Infrastructure appropriate to serve the largest container ships in the world.
- Railway connection with the national and European network.
- Continuous Operation (24x7).
- Integrated Port Services (water supply, waste management, etc.).
- Modern equipment.
- Experienced and qualified staff.
- Available draft alongside berth - up to 19.5 m (tide free).
- Favourable climate conditions.
Two Container Terminals operate in the port of Piraeus:

PPA S.A. manages Pier I and PCT S.A. manages Piers II and III.

The Container Terminal of the Piraeus Port Authority S.A. has a capacity of 1,000,000 TEUs, infrastructure and equipment of high standards and capability to offer advanced stevedoring and container handling services.

As of October 1st 2009, following an international tender process, PCT has undertaken for 35 years the Concession of Piers II & III. Based on this agreement, investments have been made for the refurbishment of Pier II and the construction of the East Pier III. Additionally, under the Amicable Settlement Agreement of 2014 the construction of West Pier III, which will be completed in 2018, will raise the management capacity of Piers II and III to 6,200,000 TEUs.

The total operational capacity of Piers II and III together with the capacity of Pier I, make Piraeus Port the largest Container Terminal in the Mediterranean. Piraeus from 2018 is the only Mediterranean port that will be able to simultaneously service 4 mega container ships over 18,000 TEUs.
Demand for transshipment of vehicles in the Eastern Mediterranean, Black Sea and North Africa put Piraeus port at the center of the car trade. The list of port customers includes the major car carriers operators as well as all of the major automakers. The implementation of the investment plan concerning the expansion of the Ro-Ro Terminal facilities will result in a significant increase of its productive capacity and will allow large-scale agreements with customers and will lead to the further upscale of its global footprint.

/ One of the largest Car transshipment centers in the East Mediterranean.
/ 2 terminals with a total area of approximately 191,000 m² and a total berth length of 1.5 km long.
/ 5 berths with a maximum draft of 11m.
/ Ability to forward transit cars through the rail connection.
/ Free congestion terminal - berth on arrival.
/ Total annual handling capacity of about 600,000 vehicles.
/ Increase of the available space with piers expansion as well as modern multi-level parking facilities for all type of vehicles.
/ Continuous operation 24x7 through the year.
/ ISPS compliant operation.
/ Security supervision and surveillance cameras monitoring.
/ Entry and exit gateway monitoring and control system.
/ Integrated Port Services (water supply, waste management, etc.)
/ Close to zero damage rate.
/ Experienced and qualified staff.
/ Above average productivity.
/ Moderate weather conditions all year around.
/ Competitive volume scaled tariffs and 10-day free storage for transshipment vehicles.
/ Specific area for heavy vehicles.
/ Charging station for electric vehicles.
/ Yard management information system under implementation.
LOGISTICS

PPA S.A. has an onsite operator at the Type 1 Free Zone area, namely “Piraeus Consolidation & Distribution Center S.A.”. In its modern facilities within the FREE ZONE of Piraeus Container Terminal, it provides integrated Logistics services and offers spaces of different specifications enabling the handling of general and dry cargo, refrigerated products, as well as flammable and chemical materials.

Ample space is available through the underground connection to the former ODDY area.

Piraeus is the largest port in Europe and one of the largest in the world concerning passenger traffic. It has a throughput volume of more than 15 million passengers per annum (including the ferry traffic Salamis - Perama). It is the main link between the mainland and the Aegean islands and Crete, while also being the main sea gate of the European Union at its southeastern edge.

- The largest passenger port in Europe.
- Services to passengers in coastal shipping, Saronic Gulf and Salamis ferry.
- Quays of total length of 2.8 km and draft reaching 11 m.
- 2.5 million annual traffic of vehicles.
- Ferry connections to many Aegean islands on a daily basis.
- Integrated Port Services (water supply, waste management, etc.).
- Access to the city center of Athens in 30’.
- Fully equipped passenger waiting areas.
- Fully equipped facilities for people with disabilities.
- Free transport of passengers on PPA buses within the Central Port.
- 24 hour information center by calling 14541.
- Free wireless internet.
- Electronic notice boards for travelers.
CRUISE TERMINALS

The Center of Mediterranean Cruise Experience

- 9-11 berthing positions and 3 positions for new generation ships.
- Total length 2.8 km. and draft up to 11 meters.
- Continuous operation (24x7).
- 3 fully equipped passenger terminals of approximately 13,000 m².
- Infrastructure for 200 parking places for buses plus VIP helipad.
- Integrated Port Services (water supply, waste management, etc.).
- Expansion of the southern port with 2 berths (350m +) to serve the new generation cruise ships.
- Logistics services provided to the major cruise lines.
- Free shuttle bus service within the port.
- Short distance from the major tourist destinations of the Aegean.
- Near Athens, the historical capital of Europe, and the Acropolis, one of the leading European tourist destinations.
- Free wireless internet.

On the occasion of the Olympic Games, Piraeus port evolved into a modern service and hospitality hub.

Indicatively, as regards passenger transits, the 600,000 passengers in 2004 have increased now to more than 1,000,000 passengers per year.

The vision and strategy of PPA is to make Piraeus, a growth factor for the cruise industry.

The benefits from increased cruise traffic diffuse both to local communities and the general national economy, especially in the case of cruise itineraries using Greek ports as ports of departure (home porting).

For this reason, the Management of the Port of Piraeus focuses on the development of home porting, with the attraction of major cruise companies, strengthening the national effort for economic growth.
Traditionally, Piraeus has significant shipyard activity and know-how. The lack of infrastructure renewal and the loss of competitiveness versus neighboring countries led to the loss of the leading role in the region.

The operation of a new PANAMAX size dry dock by PPA, combined with the upgrading of other infrastructure at the Ship Repair Zone will positively increase the ship repair works. At the same time, the upgrading of provided services at the SRZ will contribute to improving competitiveness and will give the opportunity for competitive offers at international level.

/ Planning, development, management and marketing of shipbuilding and ship repairing related activities.
/ Implementing investments to upgrade existing infrastructure and install new equipment to allow ship repair services for every type and every size of vessels.
/ Development of ship repair logistics.
PPA S.A. is ISO 14001:2015 certified for its Cruise & Ferry Terminal services, RoRo Terminal services, Pier I Container Terminal services, Management of Logistics center (at former ODDY area) and Port construction and maintenance projects management.

PPA S.A. also implements an environmental management system since 2004, certified according to the Port Environmental Review System (PERS Certification) of the European Ports Organization (ESPO) and at the same time, PPA S.A. is an active member of the European Port network-EcoPorts.

In this framework, PPA S.A. has developed and implements a specific environmental policy and a monitoring program of the environmental parameters associated with its activities.

At the same time, PPA aims at continuously improving its environmental performance. As part of the environmental management system, the following procedures have been elaborated focused on the prevention and monitoring of the environmental impacts related with the port activities:

- Environmental quality monitoring program on air quality
- Environmental quality monitoring program on acoustic environment
- Integrated waste management system produced on land installations
- Ship-generated Waste Management Plan
- Emergency & Terrestrial Marine Pollution Contingency Plan

PPA raises awareness on the resources consumption by promoting initiatives to improve the balance of the demand and supply of energy and to reduce energy consumption. In this scope, PPA’s first photovoltaic station has been put into operation in July 2016, generating up to 430 kWp.