

Event Sustainability Report



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The Global Impact of Posidonia 2022

- Posidonia 2022 was the largest ever in terms of exhibition space, visitor attendance and publicity in the exhibition's 50-year history and is now the most impactful international trade show in Greece.
- As the world's leading maritime exhibition and global influencer of developments in the
 maritime sector, Posidonia 2022 welcomed 1,964 exhibiting companies from 88 countries &
 territories and was attended by 28,892 visitors from 103 countries.
- In total, the Exhibition was attended by **40,950 participants** including exhibitors, visitors and media representatives and welcomed **24 national pavilions**.
- Posidonia also affects global policy making, as the event was attended by **11 international**Ministerial delegations, representing major maritime nations, as well as the EU

 Commissioner for Transport and the heads of all major shipping organisations.





40,500 total participants







from 88 countries

Top Visitors' sectors

Shipping Companies 15.9%

Shipmanagement 12.8%

Top Visitor countries:

Greece United Kingdom Cyprus

Turkey USA

The Netherlands

over

5

years history

24 National Pavilions

Austria, Bahamas, Belize, Brazil, Cayman Islands, China, Cyprus, Denmark, Georgia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Lebanon, Liberia, Malta, The Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Republic of Poland, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Turkey, United Kingdom, USA

Posidonia 2022 Receives Certification as Greece's First Sustainable Event

Posidonia 2022 has become **the first exhibition in Greece to receive the ISO 20121** certification, attesting the Greek exhibition industry's commitment to organising sustainable events.

Posidonia's event management system was successfully assessed according to the ISO 20121 main focus: the balanced approach and performance to **economic activity, environmental responsibility and social progress.**

Lessons derived from the pandemic, as well as the introduction of **new sustainability policies and legal requirements**, were the main drivers behind Posidonia's commitment to incorporate sustainability aspects during the planning and implementation stages of Posidonia 2022.

"We are delighted to have received this certification as it's a testimony to the sustainability credentials of our signature event. The thorough auditing process we underwent with the guidance of Bureau Veritas made us delve deeper into crucial areas of our operations, helped boost our people's interest in sustainability, sharpened the team's focus and attention to detail and armed us with renewed drive and desire to continue our efforts to produce the high quality, internationally acclaimed events Posidonia has become synonymous to. This is the way forward for the exhibition industry."

Theodore Vokos, Managing Director, Posidonia Exhibitions S.A. & President, Greek Exhibition Industry Association

Having successfully completed the exhibition, Posidonia Exhibitions' commitment has contributed to the achievement of significant milestones in below sustainability pillars:









Health, Safety, Quality & Environment (HSQE) Achievements of Posidonia 2022

11.25%* reduction in exhibitors' total electrical consumption

21.25%* reduction in total water consumption

50,000 paper cups used instead of plastic

55% of exhibitors implemented extended sustainability practices (i.e. recycling, LED lamps)

18.33%* increase in re-usable stands

50% of exhibitors plan to use again the same stand for upcoming events



Posidonia promoted Sustainability via actions such as seminars on sustainable development of the sector, publication of 'Sustainability Tips' to exhibitors, etc.



Extended shuttle bus service **reduced carbon footprint** of the exhibition



Choosing suppliers with certifications contributes to event's sustainability and quality, e.g., ISO 14001 on Environmental Management Systems, ISO 22000 on Food Safety Management, TUV Covid Shield



Full compliance with all European Health and Safety Standards by exhibitors and their contractors



Digitalisation of communication

Posidonia print material was radically reduced and replaced with digital means in all aspects of Posidonia operations -from sales to stand design & construction and all communication channels.

Social Contribution of Posidonia 2022

Over

€200,000

allocated for the support of organisations, NGOs and social/environmental initiatives by Posidonia Exhibitions S.A.:



Direct: €49,540

Indirect: €151,911

Education: €53,132

- → Posidonia scholarship
- → Athens University of Economics & Business
- → National Technical University of Athens
- → University of Piraeus
- → University of the Aegean
- → National Documentation Center
- → Hellenic Institute of Marine Technology
- → SYN-ENOSIS
- → Isalos.net
- → YES to Shipping Forum
- → Project Connect/ Adopt a Ship
- → Hellenic Offshore Racing Club (HORC)

Health: €27,175

- → SYN-ENOSIS
- → Doctors without Borders
- → Mercy Ships
- → Sailors' Society
- → Mission to Seafarers

Environment: €26,739

- → Hellenic Marine Environment
 Protection Association (HELMEPA)
- → North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA)
- → Hellenic Offshore Racing Club (HORC)
- → Social Fashion Factory (Soffa)

Culture: €36,325

- → Ministry of Culture
- → Hellenic Navy General Staff
- → Hellenic Maritime Museum
- → Hellas Liberty Museum
- → Benaki Museum
- → Maritime Photo Art Exhibitions

Welfare: €58,080

- → Embassy of Ukraine
- → SYN-ENOSIS
- → WISTA Hellas
- → Propeller Club of Piraeus
- → Chatzikiriakeio Foundation of Child Support
- → Boroume
- → Social Fashion Factory (Soffa)
- → Support of Ukrainian refugees via the Public Benefit Municipal Corporation of Piraeus



Contribution of Posidonia to the Local Economy

over generated for the local economy



stand constructions



people visit Greece for Posidonia



customs transportations



meetings



Exhibitors: Visitors:

7 days







corporate events



restaurants



hotels



tax revenue



foreign direct investment

DIRECT BENEFITS of Exhibitions (on global basis)

VACATIO

THE WIDER IMPACT

Posidonia promotes Greece as a destination

- → Direct spending per Exhibiting Company: €25,600
- → Direct spending per Square Meter: €7,900
- → Creation of ¼ of total overnight stays in the city during exhibition days

Source: Oxford Economics & UFI

Supported Organisations Throughout the Years





Adopt a Ship



Benaki Museum



BlueGrowth



Boroume



Chambers Group for the

Development of Greek Isles

Agaliazo











Chatzikiriakeio Foundation of Child Support



Association of Diabetes Mellitus – Piraeus

Destination Piraeus

Doctors Without Borders

Greek Embassy in Lithuania















Greek Economic Forum

Greek Shipping Miracle

Hellenic Offshore Racing Club

HELMEPA

HEMEXPO

Hellenic Institute of Marine Technology

Hellenic Maritime Museum

















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ICS Greek Branch

Friends of Liberty Association

Piraeus Marine Club

Medical Association of Piraeus

Mercy Ships

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Museum of Cycladic Art

National Archaeological Museum

National Documentation Center

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Public Benefit Municipal
Corporation of Piraeus
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