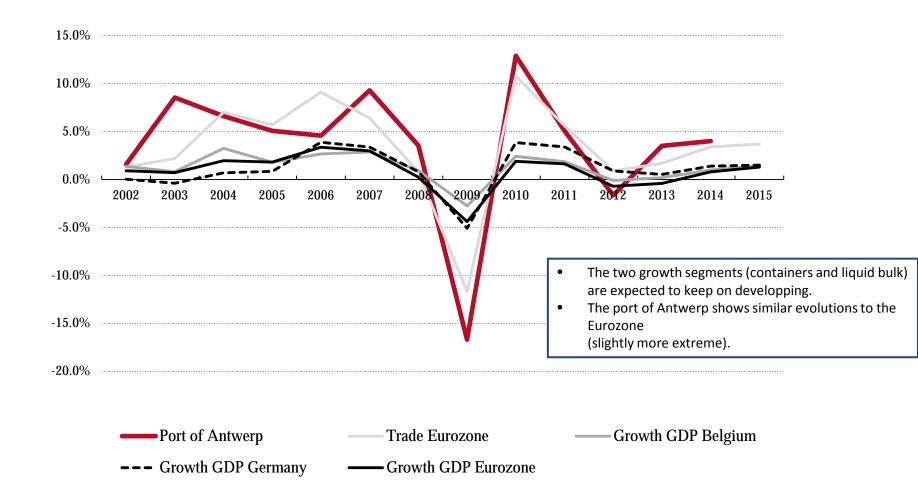
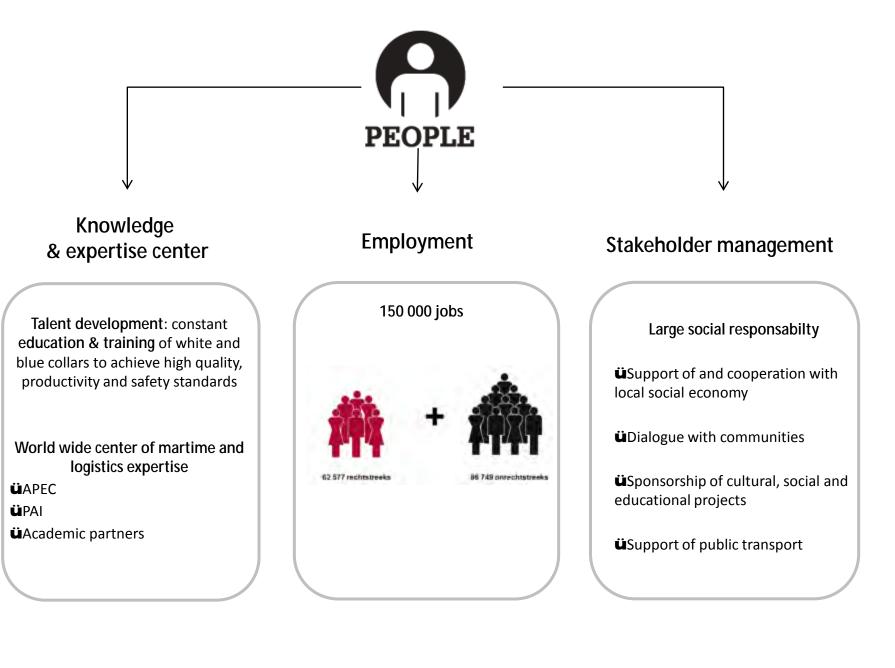
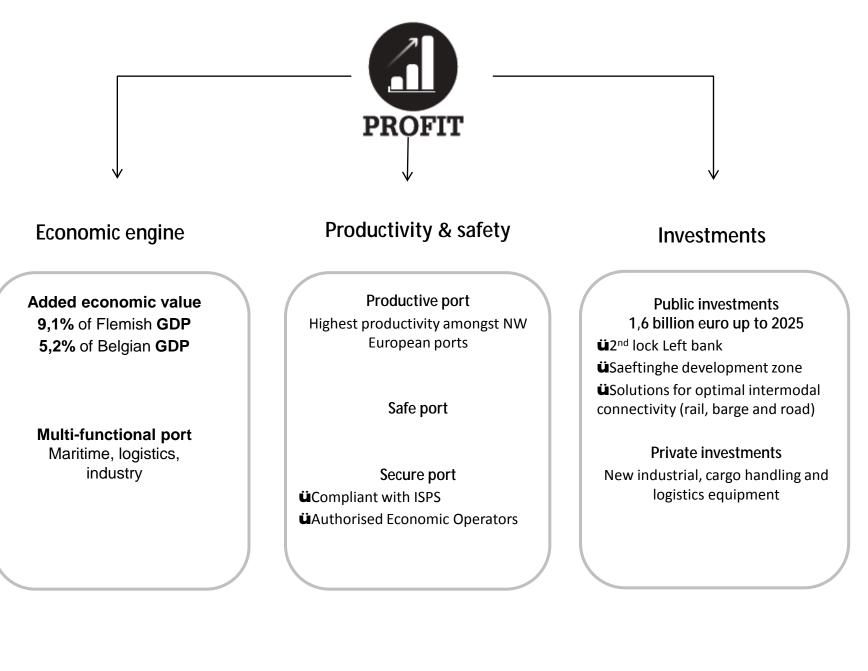
# Port as an engine of economic growth

# the Antwerp Port Authority case study

# Economic and trade growth in the Eurozone vs. throughput growth in the Port of Antwerp







## The Antwerp Port: three Key Words

### - Inland location

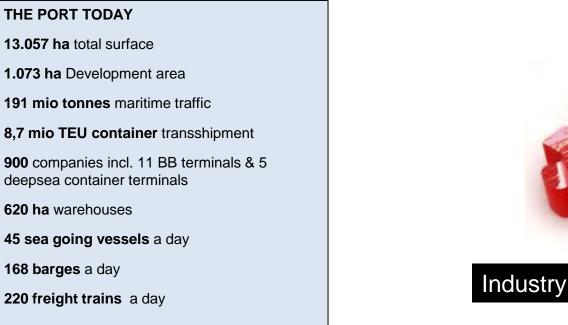
closest seaport to/from industrial and demographic heart land Europe superior connectivity to fore- & hinterland

### - Mainport

Critical mass available

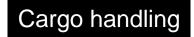
- Diversified

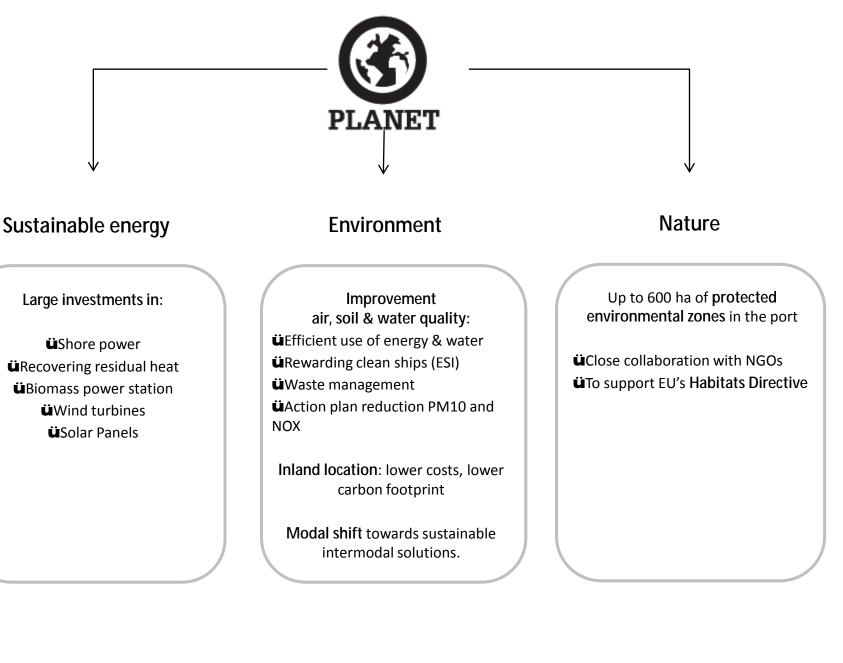
complete range of services, strong cargo generation







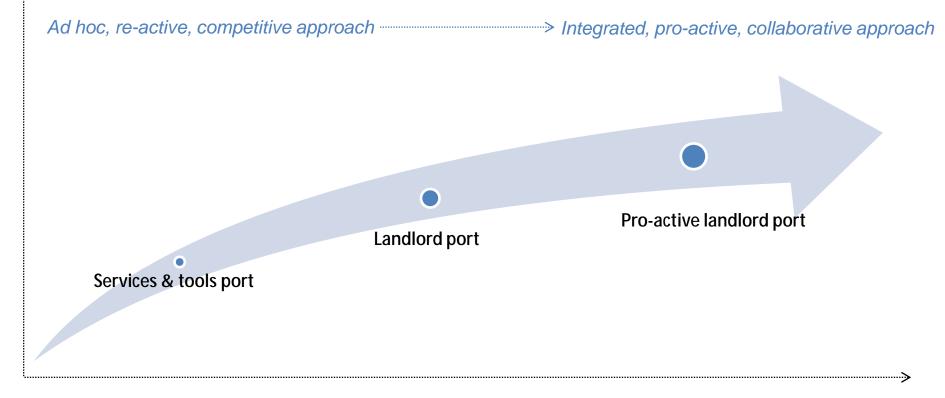




# Port authority as enabler and facilitator of sustainable growth

#### New sustainable growth path

Size



Time

# Landlord model : Successful cooperation

### Port Authority (public)

- **ü** Management of <u>territory</u>:
  - investments
  - concessions
- **ü** Management of <u>Infrastructure</u>:
  - docks, quays
  - bridges, locks
  - land
- **ü** Trade facilitation
- **ü** Vessel traffic management
- **ü** Marketing & Branding

# Port companies (private)

- ü Management of <u>superstructure</u>:
  - terminals
  - cranes
  - equipment
  - warehouses

#### ü Handling of the cargo

# Organisation in the Port of Antwerp

The Antwerp Port Authority is an autonomous body, managing

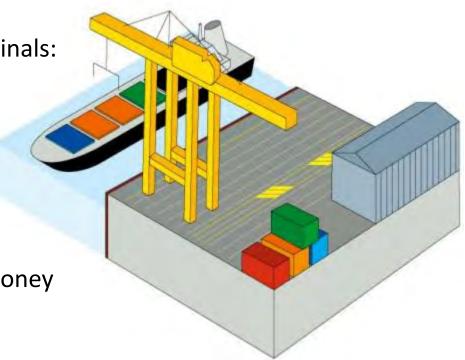
- ü Infrastructure
  - -docks
  - bridges
  - –locks
  - quays
  - –land
- ü Vessel traffic in the port
- ü Trade facilitation
- ü Marketing & branding activities



# A landlord port

The private companies manage superstructure and operate the terminals:

- terminals
- cranes
- equipment
- Warehouses
- More efficiency in spending public money and increase in expertise.



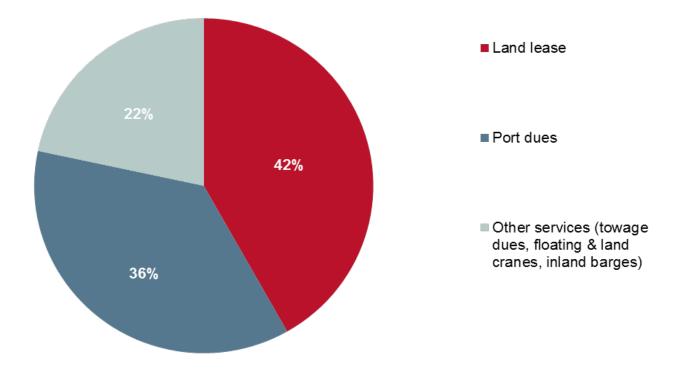
# Financing of the port authority

- Port dues /revenues of the exercise of the port management competences and other activities.
- Investments/financial responsibility of the Flemish Region : the construction, the maintenance and operation of the maritime gateways and the basis infrastructure of the port (except port internal basis infrastructure, e.g. the docks).
- <u>Subsidies</u> by the Flemish Region (specific Executive Orders by the Flemish Government): e.g. for the maintenance of the sea locks, for investments in port internal basis infrastructure and equipment infrastructure (e.g. commercial mooring facilities for transshipment).

If the port managerial competencies are not exercised in conformity with the Port decree, the subsidies can be withdrawn /recovered.

# Revenues Antwerp Port Authority

#### Revenues Antwerp Port Authority (2013): 275 million euro



## **Concessions - introduction**

- Landlord Port
- The port of Antwerp is a landlord port. The port authority owns most of the port grounds and administrates the infrastructure.
- Concession
- 'an administrative contract by which a public authority grants a private partner the right of use of a part of a public good (e.g. public domain) for a given time'

# **Concession Policy**

- Key factors of negotiation:
  - **§** Duration Investments
  - § Price
  - Productivity clauses: efficient use of space, tonnage obligations

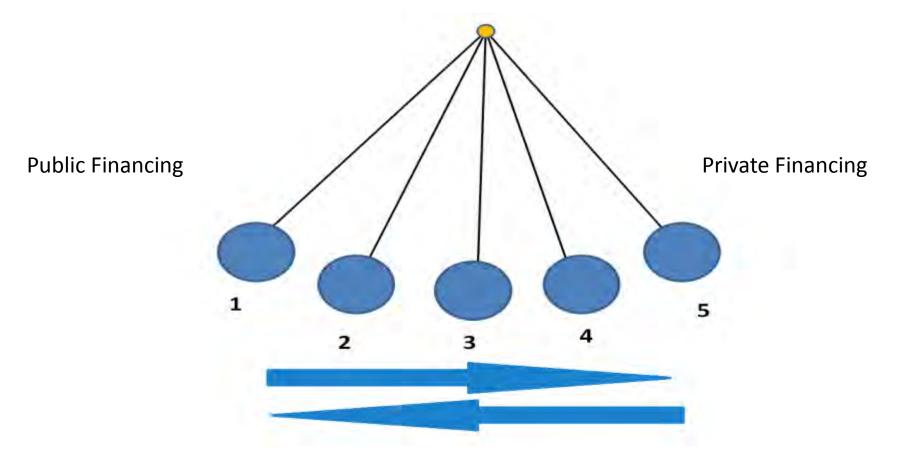
## **Concessions - allocation**

- Basic principle:
- principle of equality (good governance)
- •
- Tendering:
- Ø public
- Ø objective
- Ø transparent

- Tendering procedure:
- Main focus = kind of activity, employment, traffic generation, added
  value, investments,...
- **‡** maximising profit for the port authority
- - How? : decision is based upon objective criteria

**Concessions - prices** 

- Financial: PPP means enough financial means for core business



## **Concessions - prices**

• Parameters for Price setting

ØLocation (quay/land)

**Ø**State of grounds (paved/unpaved)

 Nature of planned activity (traffic generating activities / services to traffic generating / other services)

• Specific tariffs for: Private parking facilities

## Concessions - terms

• Determination of the term of the concession agreement based on following criteria:

ØPlanned investment in real estate

**Ø**Decisive factors for activities on the quay:

- Quality of the project
- Planned lay-out/efficient use of space
- Projected traffic generation

### **Concessions - terms**

- Maximum duration of 40 years (maritime) / 30 years (services)
- Duration linked with investments/m<sup>2</sup>

•	Table of investments	Duration
•	Investment >= 375 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	40 ans
•	225 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= investment < 375 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	35 ans
•	175 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= Investment < 225 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	30 ans
٠	150 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= Investment < 175 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	25 ans
•	125 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= Investment < 150 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	20 ans
٠	100 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= investment < 125 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	15 ans
٠	25 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= Investment < 100 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	10 ans
•	0 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> <= Investment < 25 EUR/m <sup>2</sup> builded surface	trimestre

## **Concessions - productivity**

• Special clauses to stimulate productivity :

ØEfficient use of spaceØMinimum tonnageØUse of modern technologies for container handling



# Concessions - efficient use of space

### • Existing measures

- Use of modern technologies for container handling (e.g. stacking)
- Obligation to inform the port authorities about the planned lay-out, the handling techniques, the projected traffic etc.
- New measures
- Special clause regarding to an efficient use of space
  - Evaluation every five year
  - Ø Possibility to add special clauses to enhance efficient use of space

# Thank you for your attention