Development milestones

FESCO's history began on 25 April 1880, when a representative office of the Russian Volunteer Fleet (Dobroflot) was founded in Vladivostok. That same day, the Moscow ship heading from Odessa entered the Golden Horn Bay, thus giving a start to regular cargo and passenger voyages between the European part of Russia and its Far East.

1880 – Dobroflot agency established in Vladivostok.

1935 – the Company renamed to Far-Eastern Shipping Company.

1971 – container transportation launched.

1973–1990 – the country's largest transportation company.

1991 – Far-Eastern Shipping Company registered as a state enterprise.

1992 – the state enterprise transformed into a joint stock company.

2003 – Dalreftrans LLC acquired, refrigerated containers segment entered.

2006 – Firm Transgarant LLC acquired, segment of railway rolling stock entered.

2008 – Commercial Port of Vladivostok PJSC acquired.

2011–2012 – transition to asset management by business segment completed; FESCO Integrated Transport designated as the Group's single intermodal operator; FESCO's shipping business solidified as the linchpin of the Liner and Logistics Division.

2015 – a container terminal network covering Novosibirsk, Khabarovsk, Tomsk, and Vladivostok built.

2016 – project and comprehensive 3PL logistics solutions added to FESCO's range of services; railway assets optimised, with the Group's fleet now predominantly consisting of fitting platforms.

2017 – FESCO Fast Forward project launched to significantly reduce the average cargo transit time from Southeast Asian countries to Moscow.

2019 – transit services from Asia to Europe expanded; MY.FESCO customer's personal account launched; regular railway routes expanded to encompass 45 destinations.

2020 – Commercial Port of Vladivostok emerged as the largest container port in Russia; regular railway routes expanded to encompass 50 destinations.

2021 – three new vessels added to FESCO's asset portfolio, and 11 new services introduced on export, import, and domestic routes.

2022 – representative offices opened in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan, FESCO Air and FESCO Flexi services launched, as well as regular shipping lines from Novorossiysk to Turkey and from Vladivostok to ports in Vietnam.

2023 – shipping services launched on the deep sea route from ports in China and India to St Petersburg and Novorossiysk, and FESCO's first domestic line launched in the Baltic Sea; eight vessels added to the Group's fleet, and the container fleet ramped up to a record-breaking 170 thousand TEU with nearly 5 thousand refrigerated containers.

2024 – historic milestone achieved as FESCO's container fleet surpassed the 200 thousand TEU threshold and fitting platform inventory expanded to 15 thousand units; FESCO emerged as the market leader in maritime international transportation volumes to Russia, also ranking 36th in the global rating of maritime container carriers.

2025 – our history continues...