



UNI-ASIA GROUP LIMITED
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Uni-Asia's First Newbuild Order in Over a Decade

- Uni-Asia signed contract with Nihon Shipyard for new 40,000 dwt eco-specification bulk carrier
- Vessel features eco-type engine and dual-fuel ready design, positioning the Group ahead of tightening international environmental standards
- Expected delivery in 2H2028; acquisition funded through internal cash and external debt financing



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SINGAPORE, 4 March, 2026 – Uni-Asia Group Ltd. (SGX: CHJ) (“Uni-Asia Group” or the “Company”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”), an alternative investment management group specialising in maritime assets, has entered into an agreement with Nihon Shipyard Co., Ltd. (“NSY”) for the acquisition of a 40,000 dwt double-hull bulk carrier. The contract marks the Group's first newbuild order in more than 10 years and represents a significant step in its fleet renewal strategy.

Strategic Fleet Renewal

The transaction is a core component of Uni-Asia's long-term strategy to modernise its maritime portfolio. Investing in newbuild capacity for the first time in more than a decade positions the Group to maintain a competitive and efficient fleet as global market conditions continue to evolve.

Commitment to Sustainability

The vessel, scheduled to be delivered in the second half of 2028, incorporates high-specification environmental technology:

- **Eco-Type Engine:** Optimised for fuel efficiency and reduced emissions
- **Dual-Fuel Ready Design:** Engineered to allow future retrofitting of dual-fuel engines and eco-fuel systems, ensuring compliance with tightening international environmental standards

The vessel's specifications represent a meaningful improvement over the Group's existing fleet, reflecting Uni-Asia's commitment to keeping pace with evolving industry environmental requirements.

Construction and Delivery

The vessel will be constructed by Imabari Shipbuilding Co., Ltd. at the Shimanami Shipyard, ensuring it is built to the exacting standards for which Japanese shipbuilding is renowned.

Financial Strength

The acquisition will be funded through a combination of internal cash reserves and external debt financing. The purchase price was determined through arm's length negotiations and is consistent with market benchmarks for vessels of this class.

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About Uni-Asia Group Limited (Bloomberg Code: UAG SP)

UNI-ASIA GROUP LIMITED and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) is an alternative investment group specialising in creating alternative investment opportunities and providing integrated services relating to such investments. The Group’s alternative investment targets are mainly handy dry bulk ships and properties. The Group also has extensive know-how and networks relating to such alternative investments and provides services relating to these investments. The two main alternative asset classes the Group focuses on are Shipping and Property.

The business strategy for shipping employed by the Group is to offer one-stop, integrated ship-related service solutions for clients, including ship investments, ship asset management services, ship chartering, ship management, ship brokerage and ship finance arrangement solutions. The strategy of offering a wide array of maritime-related services ensures the Group remains resilient regardless of market conditions and allows for growth in the long term. The Group currently owns 9 wholly/majority-owned ships and 3 joint-investment ships.

The Group’s property investment business enhances its asset base as well as asset management business. Within Japan, the Group has a Japan-licensed property asset management subsidiary which specialises in property asset management as well as development of trademark small residential properties, the “ALERO” series.

Listed on the Mainboard of Singapore Exchange in August 2007, Uni-Asia’s offices are located in Hong Kong, Singapore and Tokyo.

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