

GRIMALDI TAKES DELIVERY OF THE NEW CAR CARRIER *GRANDE EGITTO*

Featuring exceptional capacity and environmental performance, the Group's fourteenth Ammonia Ready unit supports an increasingly efficient and sustainable service offering.

Naples, 21 September 2026: With the arrival of the **Grande Egitto**, delivered today by China Merchants Heavy Industries Jiangsu, the Grimaldi Group's fleet of **latest-generation PCTC (Pure Car & Truck Carrier)** vessels expands further. For the Italian shipping group, this is the **fourteenth Ammonia Ready unit**; together with her sister ship *Grande Pacifico*, which entered service last month, the new vessel holds the record for the largest PCTC in the Grimaldi fleet.

With a length of 220 metres and a beam of 38 metres, the **Grande Egitto** has a gross tonnage of 95,534 tonnes and a service speed of 18 knots. Thanks to the configuration of her 15 decks, her cargo capacity reaches **9,800 CEU**. In addition to **electric vehicles and conventionally fuelled vehicles**, the ship is also designed to transport **compressed natural gas (CNG)-powered vehicles**.

The **Grande Egitto** has been awarded the **Ammonia Ready** class notation by the Italian Shipping Register (RINA), certifying that **she can be converted to operate on ammonia as a zero-carbon alternative fuel**. Built to the highest standards, the vessel has also received several additional class notations, including *Green Plus*, *Green Star 3*, *Comfort Vibration* and *Comfort Noise Port*.

Thanks to the numerous environmentally friendly technologies installed on board, the **Grande Egitto** is capable of **reducing fuel consumption by 50%** compared with previous-generation car carriers.

Equipped with **mega lithium batteries** with a total capacity of **5 MWh** and designed for **shore power supply (cold ironing)** at suitably equipped ports, the vessel can achieve zero emissions while berthed. She also incorporates the most advanced energy-efficiency solutions, including **2,500 square metres of solar panels**, intelligent energy management systems, silicone hull coatings to reduce drag, an **air lubrication system**, an optimised hull design and the innovative **gate rudder**, which enhances both propulsion efficiency and manoeuvrability. In addition, her electronically controlled main engine is fitted with exhaust gas treatment systems that significantly reduce emissions of **sulphur oxides (SOx)**, **particulate matter (PM)** and **nitrogen oxides (NOx)**, with the latter well below **IMO Tier III** limits.

The name chosen for the new car carrier evokes the strategic centrality of Egypt in the global and regional maritime connections of the Grimaldi Group. The Italian company is indeed tied to the country by a deep-rooted multi-decade presence, guaranteed by regular calls at the port of Alexandria within the Euro-Med network.

The maiden voyage of the **Grande Egitto** will begin next week on the Asia–East Africa service, connecting Far Eastern markets with the main commercial hubs of East Africa. The ship will load a total of 4,150 cars and 6,200 linear meters of rolling freight (excavators, buses, trucks) in the Asian

ports of Taicang (China), Yokohama and Nagoya (Japan), bound for Dar Es Salaam (Tanzania) and Mombasa (Kenya).

"With the entry into service of the Grande Egitto, we are giving a new, important boost to the expansion and modernization path of our vehicle transport fleet," stated Emanuele Grimaldi, Managing Director of the Grimaldi Group. "This new 9,800 CEU unit represents the perfect synthesis of commercial efficiency and environmental respect. By choosing to deploy it on the Asia–East Africa route, we want to provide a concrete response to the demands of an increasingly dynamic market, offering our customers regular, flexible maritime connections characterized by the lowest possible environmental impact."

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***The Grimaldi Group**, headquartered in Naples, operates a fleet of over 130 vessels and employs approximately 21,000 people. Wholly owned by the Grimaldi family, it is a multinational logistics Group specialized in the operation of roll-on/roll-off vessels, car carriers and ferries. It comprises seven shipping companies, namely: Grimaldi Deep Sea, operating in the transport of rolling cargo and containers on the Atlantic routes and between the Mediterranean and West Africa; Grimaldi Euromed, specialists in the transport of rolling freight in Europe, in the Motorways of the Sea and in passenger transport in the Mediterranean with the Grimaldi Lines brand; Atlantic Container Line, which offers transport services for containers and rolling cargo between North America and Northern Europe; Malta Motorways of the Sea, whose vessels connect Malta to the main ports in the Mediterranean; Minoan Lines, operating in Greek cabotage for the transport of freight and passengers; Finnlines, carrying freight and passengers in the North and Baltic Sea; and Trasmed GLE, active in the transport of freight and passengers between mainland Spain and the Balearic Islands.*

These maritime connections are the core of an advanced logistics chain, which includes port terminals and road transport companies. The 20-plus ports and terminals owned/operated by the Grimaldi Group are located in 13 countries: Italy, Spain, Greece, Germany, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Ireland, Belgium, Egypt, Cameroon, Nigeria and Benin. Most of these terminals are fitted with Pre-Delivery Inspection (PDI) facilities, warehouses and workshops.