

Centurion joins Hellenpont fleet

Hellenpont Tankers recently took delivery of the *Hellenpont Centurion*, the first in a series of eight 17,000 dwt IMO-2 chemical tankers.

The Hamburg-based shipping company will commercially manage the vessel, which has been entered into the Hamburg-based Seatramp intermediate tanker pool while technical management will be carried out by Hellenpont Hammonia.

Built at Korea's Sekwang Shipbuilding yard, the vessel can load 15 different grades in epoxy coated tanks and the cargo handling system uses Framo pumps. *Hellenpont Centurion* is now on her maiden voyage to load her first cargo in Southeast Asia for Europe. The Marshall Islands flag vessel weighs in at 16,866 dwt, has an overall length of 144m, a 22.6m beam, a 9m summer draught and a carrying capacity of



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19,170 m³ (98%).

Powered by a 5,920 kW STX built MAN B&W low-speed 8S35MC-MK7 diesel engine driving a four-bladed FP propeller, the newbuilding has a 14.2 knot service speed. Auxiliary power is provided by three 770kW MAN B&W L16/24 diesel gensets.

Manoeuvrability is enhanced by an HRP 4003TT bow thruster.

The Seatramp intermediate tanker pool commercially manages three 13,000 dwt and one 17,000 dwt chemical tankers with Hellenpont committing a further seven 17,000 dwt new-buildings to the pool between now and 2011.