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China's Shipbuilding Boom As Order Bookings Stretches Well Into 2030

China's shipbuilding sector keeps global leading status, with its 2026-H1 completed output, new and backlogged orders accounting for 62.2%, 82.3% and 71.2% worldwide. Many shipyards have orders till 2030-2031. Key tech breakthroughs cover LNG carriers, large cruise ships and marine equipment to end foreign monopolies. **(Global Times)**

Pinglu Canal Vessel Trials Mark Major Milestone for Chinese Inland Logistics

China has launched vessel trials on the Pinglu Canal, a key 134.2-kilometer waterway connecting Southwest China to the Beibu Gulf. Built with an estimated €9.32 billion (72.7 billion yuan) investment, the canal shortens sea journeys by 560 kilometers and is expected to reduce regional logistics costs by 18 to 30 percent, utilizing China's BeiDou satellite navigation and smart sensors. **(China Daily)**

DHL Expands Chinese Logistics Network with €177 Million Gateway Upgrade

DHL Express has expanded its logistics infrastructure in China by investing €177 million in its Shenzhen "Super Gateway," tripling daily processing capacity to 900 tons. The company also launched a direct Shanghai-Bangkok air route connecting Bahrain and Brussels, enhancing air freight connectivity across Asian, Middle Eastern, and European markets. **(China Daily)**

China Launches Regular Arctic Container Route to Europe

The China-Europe Arctic container express route officially entered regular weekly operations as the vessel Dubai Tower departed from Ningbo-Zhoushan Port. Operated by Sea Legend Line along the Arctic Northeast Passage, the 20-day journey halves traditional transit times to European destinations including Felixstowe, Rotterdam, and Hamburg, establishing a highly resilient logistics corridor for Chinese manufacturing exports. **(China Daily)**

First Tunnel Completed On Kyrgyzstan Section Of China-Central Asia Railway

On Sep 6, 2026, the first tunnel on the Kyrgyzstan section of the China-Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan Railway was completed. Since Jun 2025, work has started on 27 tunnels (one of which is complete), 43 bridges, 88 road sections, and 20 stations. The project employs more than 2,000 locals and transports 1,800 passengers annually, uses over 60% local cement and all local fuel, while protecting wildlife and restoring land. **(China Daily)**