

AD Ports Group Signs Landmark Agreements with Nimex Terminals to Establish LNG and LPG Terminal Hubs at Khalifa Port in a Deal Valued at Over AED 30 Billion

Abu Dhabi, UAE — 04 November 2025: In a major step toward strengthening the United Arab Emirates' position as a global energy hub, AD Ports Group (ADX: ADPORTS), a leading enabler of global trade, logistics, and industry, and Nimex Terminals, have signed two long-term agreements that will position Khalifa Port into a leading trading hub for low-carbon energy and petrochemical logistics.

The agreements include the development of the UAE's first private-sector Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) terminal hubs, that can accommodate large, long-haul gas carriers. Together, these two facilities will expand Khalifa Port's capabilities to meet the evolving demand of international energy trade, while supporting the UAE's Net Zero 2050 strategy.

The deal, based on the projected 50-year multiple revenue streams from the two terminal hubs, is valued at over AED 30 billion (over USD 8 billion). The agreements will provide Khalifa Port, ranked 39th in the prestigious Lloyd's List Top 100 Ports for 2025, with the infrastructure required to fuel vessels with lower-emission LNG and LPG, two of the fastest-growing alternative fuels in the global maritime industry.

Captain Mohamed Juma Al Shamisi, Managing Director and Group CEO, AD Ports Group, said: "These agreements represent a transformative milestone for Khalifa Port and the UAE's energy sector. Through our partnership with Nimex Terminals, we will equip Khalifa Port, one of the world's fastest growing ports, with lower-impact fuel infrastructure that advances our commitment to a more sustainable future for the global ports and shipping industries. Guided by the wise leadership of the UAE, AD Ports Group remains dedicated to investing in a sustainable future that creates long-term value not only for our Group and our industry, but also for the people of Abu Dhabi and the UAE."

Both of the gas facilities will benefit from Khalifa Port's state-of-the-art maritime infrastructure and multimodal connectivity via sea, land, air, and rail, as well as its proximity to Khalifa Economic Zones – Abu Dhabi (KEZAD), the Group's integrated system of economic cities and free zones. Strategically located between Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, Khalifa Port offers unparalleled access to major trade corridors, enabling efficient supply chains and optimised logistics.



Mr. Azmat Mahmood, Executive Chairman of Nimex Terminals Ltd., said: “Nimex Terminals is proud to partner with AD Ports Group, one of the world’s leading enablers of trade, logistics, and industry, to advance the clean energy transition through our joint investment at Khalifa Port. The LNG and LPG infrastructure investments we have agreed upon, will further enhance the attractiveness of one of the world’s fastest growing container ports, and reaffirm our commitment towards driving sustainable economic growth through the adoption of advanced, low-emission fuel technologies.”

Under the agreements, AD Ports Group has committed to invest up to AED 1.3 billion (USD 354 million) to develop the required infrastructure (primarily dredging and development of jetties), while Nimex Terminals will invest up to AED 2.6 billion (USD 700 million) in advanced LNG and LPG storage tanks and other superstructure construction, including regassification facilities, pipelines with instrumentation controls, loading arms, flare structures, and firefighting systems.

The two facilities will be developed in phases over a 5-year period with the associated investments spread over the same timeframe.

The LNG terminal, spanning an area of 130,000 m², will feature cryogenic storage facilities with a total capacity of 400,000 cubic metres. The LPG facility, occupying 90,000 m², will ultimately offer a total capacity of 280,000 cubic metres. Both terminals will serve as hubs for import, export, and transshipment operations, primarily catering to the growing demand from Asian markets.

Initial operations are expected to commence by mid-2028, with steady-state operations projected to be achieved by 2031 for the LNG terminal, and by 2033 for the LPG terminal. This phased approach ensures early market readiness while supporting medium and long-term growth in LNG and LPG trade volumes.

Beyond infrastructure, the agreements are expected to deliver significant economic impact, attracting foreign direct investment, creating high-value employment opportunities, and stimulating ancillary sectors such as shipping, logistics, and energy services.

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Established in 2006, AD Ports Group today serves as a global enabler of trade, logistics, and industry, as well as a bridge linking Abu Dhabi to the world. Listed on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX: ADPORTS), AD Ports Group's vertically integrated business approach has proven instrumental in driving the Emirate's economic development over the past decade.

Operating five business clusters covering Ports, Economic Cities & Free Zones, Maritime & Shipping, Logistics, and Digital, AD Ports Group's portfolio comprises 34 terminals, with a presence in over 50 countries, and more than 550 square kilometres of economic zones within KEZAD Group, the largest integrated trade, logistics, and industrial business grouping in the Middle East.

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