



# 2026 Tasmanian Freight & Logistics Forum



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<https://tasports.com.au>

TasPorts connects Tasmania to national and international markets through a network of 11 ports located around the state. As a state-owned company, TasPorts plays a central role in supporting Tasmania's economy by providing the critical infrastructure that enables the movement of goods to and from the island.

With around 99 per cent of Tasmania's freight moving by sea, the port network is essential to maintaining reliable and efficient supply chains. TasPorts manages key trade gateways including Burnie, Devonport, Bell Bay and Hobart, supporting the movement of containerised, bulk and general cargo that underpins the state's industries.

TasPorts works closely with customers, industry and government to support the safe and efficient operation of ports and to respond to changing freight demands. The business supports a broad range of sectors, including agriculture, aquaculture, forestry, mining, manufacturing and tourism, each of which relies on consistent and dependable access to shipping services.

A strong focus for TasPorts is maintaining and renewing its asset base. The business is progressing a significant capital investment program aimed at improving the safety, reliability and capacity of port infrastructure across the network. This includes both major projects and ongoing maintenance activities to ensure assets remain fit for purpose over the long term.

TasPorts is also committed to operating responsibly, with a focus on safety, environmental management and supporting the communities in which it operates. This includes working to reduce environmental impacts, improve operational practices, and ensure ports continue to deliver value for Tasmania.

As Gold Sponsor of the Tasmanian Freight & Logistics Forum, TasPorts supports the opportunity for industry, government and stakeholders to come together to share insights, strengthen connections and contribute to the future of freight and logistics in Tasmania.

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<https://amc.edu.au>

The University of Tasmania's Australian Maritime College (AMC) is Australia's leading institution for maritime education, training, and research. Located in Launceston, Tasmania, AMC is globally recognised for its expertise in the maritime and logistics sectors, offering world-class programs across a wide range of disciplines including maritime engineering, maritime logistics, and seafaring.

AMC's commitment to innovation and industry collaboration makes it a key partner in advancing the future of Tasmania's maritime and freight sectors. Through its cutting-edge research, industry engagement, and specialised training programs, AMC plays a pivotal role in supporting the growth and competitiveness of the global maritime and logistics industries.

AMC's highly skilled graduates contribute to the workforce of Tasmania and beyond, equipped with the practical knowledge and technical expertise necessary to meet the challenges of the evolving maritime landscape. In addition, the college is actively involved in industry research and the development of sustainable and efficient maritime practices, further strengthening its position as a leader in maritime education.

As a gold sponsor of the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum, UTAS AMC is proud to showcase its dedication to fostering excellence in maritime education, research, and industry collaboration, helping shape the future of the freight and logistics sectors in Tasmania and globally.

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<https://www.bws.net>

Blue Water Shipping is a global provider of tailor-made transport and logistics solutions, with a growing presence in Australia and a strong commitment to the local freight and logistics industry. Founded in Denmark in 1972, Blue Water now operates in more than 80 offices worldwide, delivering expertise across general freight forwarding, project logistics, marine logistics and supply chain management.

In Australia, Blue Water serves key sectors including energy, mining, renewables and heavy industry. They deliver end-to-end solutions encompassing air, sea, road freight, customs clearance, warehousing and oversized cargo solutions. Their team combines global capability with local insight, ensuring efficient, safe, and cost-effective transport—even for the most complex freight requirements.

Blue Water's reputation is built on reliability, transparency and a strong customer-first approach. Their commitment to innovation, digitalisation and sustainable practices ensures clients benefit from modern, agile supply chain solutions.

As a sponsor of the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum, Blue Water Shipping demonstrates its ongoing commitment to enhancing freight connectivity and infrastructure across Tasmania and the broader Australian market, contributing to a resilient and future-ready logistics network.

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<https://www.optim.global>

Optim Global Logistics is a proudly Australian-owned company delivering tailored, end-to-end logistics solutions across international freight forwarding, customs brokerage, and warehousing. With a team of highly experienced industry professionals, Optim Global is committed to simplifying global trade for Australian businesses by offering flexible, customer-focused services that prioritise transparency, efficiency, and reliability.

Operating with offices across key freight hubs in Australia, Optim Global has built a strong reputation for going the extra mile to ensure shipments move seamlessly across the globe. Their integrated solutions cover air, sea, and road transport—supported by robust technology platforms and real-time tracking to keep clients informed at every step.

Optim Global takes pride in developing long-term partnerships with customers, offering personalised service that adapts to changing needs. From SMEs to major corporations, their team works closely with clients to design logistics strategies that optimise supply chains, reduce risk, and improve bottom-line performance.

As a sponsor of the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum, Optim Global Logistics demonstrates its commitment to advancing freight efficiency and supply chain resilience throughout Tasmania and beyond.

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<https://www.tasrail.com.au>

Established in 2009, TasRail has become Tasmania's trusted provider of safe, reliable rail logistics. Its state-wide network of terminals ensures seamless access to key export hubs for heavy industry and freight forwarders. Purpose-built rollingstock for containers, logs, minerals, coal, and cement offer flexible, tailored solutions for industry partners.

TasRail owns and operates the Bulk Minerals Export Facility and Shiploader at the Port of Burnie, supporting West Coast mines with integrated storage and bulk shiploading services via both road and rail.

Jointly funded by the Tasmanian and Australian governments, TasRail is delivering a major infrastructure investment program to modernise the network. These upgrades have driven record operational and safety performance, including unprecedented levels of on-time running. In 2023-24, TasRail achieved its highest annual rail haulage to date, led by strong growth in containerised freight and bulk commodities.

Future capital projects include a new storage and rail loading hub in Northwest Tasmania and improved rail connectivity at Bell Bay.

TasRail is proud to sponsor the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum and contribute to the future of efficient freight movement in the state.

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<https://straitlink.com.au>

**Strait Link: Tasmania's vital link—across the island and across the strait.**

With terminals and depots across Tasmania—including Burnie, Devonport, Hobart and Launceston—and two strategic ports at either end of the Bass Strait, Strait Link delivers a complete, end-to-end logistics solution across road and sea.

Our two purpose-built vessels operate dedicated sailings six days a week between Burnie and the Port of Melbourne. These are supported by an integrated road transport fleet and local delivery services across Tasmania, with seamless connections into international shipping, and nationwide road and rail networks. Strait Link ensures freight gets where it needs to go —across Tasmania, Australia and the globe.

What sets us apart is our Tasmanian story. We're not just a link in the supply chain—we're part of the community. Our team lives and works here, understands the local conditions, and knows what's at stake when freight is delayed. Whether by truck, ship or local delivery vehicle—from containerised cargo to trailer freight—we take pride in delivering with reliability and care, backed by the strength of an integrated logistics network built for Tasmania.

Driven by experience, built for purpose, and proudly local, Strait Link supports the industries, people and places that power Tasmania. As the state evolves, we continue to invest in operational excellence, safety and service—keeping Tasmania connected to opportunity and moving forward.



<https://www.anl.com.au>

ANL is a key part of the global CMA CGM Group, one of the world's largest container shipping companies, with an extensive Oceania network spanning Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific, and seamless connectivity into Asia, Europe, the Americas, and other major global trade lanes. Through this broad regional footprint, customers across Oceania—including Tasmanian exporters—benefit from access to a truly global shipping and logistics network that extends well beyond domestic borders.

Across Oceania, ANL delivers a combination of regional and international container shipping services, calling at a wide range of ports and supporting intraregional trade as well as long-haul export and import flows. Its services connect producers and manufacturers throughout the region to key global markets, enabling efficient movement of goods across industries such as agriculture, resources, retail, and manufacturing.

ANL's role extends beyond freight movement. The business places strong emphasis on customer service, sustainability, and compliance across all markets in which it operates. Ongoing investment in environmentally responsible shipping practices and digital solutions supports greater supply chain visibility, efficiency, and resilience for customers throughout the region.

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Port of Melbourne



<https://www.portofmelbourne.com>

Port of Melbourne is Australia's largest capital city container and general cargo port, handling more than one-third of the nation's container trade. We operate as a landlord port and are responsible for planning, operating and maintaining port land and shipping channels. We ensure the port has the capacity and capability needed to handle cargo, and that facilities and infrastructure are developed and maintained as needed.

Located in the heart of Melbourne, among growing communities, vital industrial precincts and transport corridors, we are the cornerstone of Victoria's port freight transport network, operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Melbourne has continued to develop and evolve closely around the port, supporting the prosperity of thousands of businesses and the daily lives of many people across south-eastern Australia.

With the necessary port facilities and transport connections to handle each of the major trades, the Port of Melbourne serves as a vital freight hub for Australia, including southern New South Wales, South Australia and Tasmania.



Tasmanian  
Government

<https://www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au>

**Department of State Growth Tasmania**

The Department of State Growth was established on 1 July 2014.

When creating the Department, the government bought together four interrelated divisions developing a strategic approach that drives economic growth, and supports the community, industry and business in the creation of jobs and opportunities for Tasmanians.

The department has seven ministers spanning 10 portfolios. We work across industry and services that include investment attraction, transport, infrastructure, creative industry, visitor economy, skills, training and workforce growth, international relations and trade, science and technology, resources, energy and emissions reductions, and region and sector development.

### --- NETWORKING REFRESHMENTS ---



<https://www.dsv.com/en/countries/oceania/australia>

As a global freight forwarder, DSV provides and manages supply chain solutions for thousands of companies every day. Whether you are a small family-run businesses or large global corporation we focus on keeping your supply chains flowing through operational excellence and sustainable growth. This is at the core of our purpose, vision and mission.

Our skilled people with industry know-how, modern warehouses, strong carrier relationships and a global network across 90 countries position us to better serve your needs. We help you achieve your business objectives through a unique blend of optimised and flexible solutions, combined with visibility tools, secure IT infrastructure and sustainability.

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<https://www.afilogistics.com.au>

AFI Logistics is a leading Australian logistics provider, offering end-to-end solutions that span warehousing, distribution, and supply chain management. With decades of experience in the industry, AFI Logistics specialises in tailored services designed to meet the specific needs of its clients, ensuring operational efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and seamless transportation.

The company's services cover a broad range of sectors, including retail, manufacturing, and food and beverage, with a strong focus on delivering superior logistics solutions to support the growth of Australian businesses. AFI Logistics operates a network of strategically located warehouses and offers flexible transportation options, including road, rail, and sea freight.

As a business committed to sustainability, AFI Logistics prioritises green practices, investing in technology and infrastructure that reduce environmental impact while improving operational performance. Their customer-centric approach, combined with a robust digital framework, ensures real-time visibility and control over supply chain processes.

AFI Logistics is a 100% owned Tasmanian business. By sponsoring the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum, AFI Logistics reaffirms its commitment to enhancing Tasmania's freight and logistics capabilities, advancing industry collaboration, and driving innovation for a more efficient supply chain.

**linklogistics**



<https://linklogistics.com.au>

Link Logistics is a trusted Australian logistics company with a reputation for providing high-quality, tailored supply chain solutions. With a focus on delivering exceptional service, Link Logistics offers a comprehensive range of freight, warehousing, and distribution services that are designed to streamline the supply chain process for businesses across various industries.

With a strong presence in key Australian markets, Link Logistics delivers efficient and cost-effective transportation options that include road, rail, and sea freight, backed by advanced technology and innovative solutions. The company is known for its ability to adapt to the ever-changing needs of its clients, ensuring that each logistics challenge is met with practical, customised solutions that drive business growth.

Committed to sustainability, Link Logistics prioritises green logistics practices that reduce the environmental impact of freight operations. Their focus on providing reliable, efficient, and sustainable logistics solutions makes them a key player in the Australian supply chain industry.

By sponsoring the Tasmanian Freight and Logistics Forum, Link Logistics reinforces its dedication to supporting industry growth, enhancing collaboration, and contributing to Tasmania's logistics landscape.