

PRESS RELEASE

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Athens Fair for “Technology, Research & Innovation 2007”

The **Minister of Development, Mr. D. Sioufas** & the **General Secretary of Research & Technology, Professor J. Tsoukalas**, attended at the ending ceremony at Zappeion Megaron of the “**Technology, Research & Innovation 2007**” exhibition, which was held for third consecutive time and lasted from 29th of June till the 5th of July 2007.



The Minister of Development, Mr. D. Sioufas, the General Secretary of Research & Technology, Professor J. Tsoukalas & the President of ParOS EPE, Mr. D. Alamaniotis, have been informed by the President of Tropical S.A., Mr. G. Lagios, about the cooperation of Tropical S.A. and HELBIO S.A. as well as for the operation of HT-5000, an innovative fuel cell power generator, that produces 5kW power by reforming ethanol, bio-fuels, natural gas, LPG, etc.

A significant number of innovative & pioneer products, Tropical S.A. have exhibited for second consecutive year such as the “HT-5000”, a fuel cell power generator producing 5kW of electric power, using reformat hydrogen being produced by reforming ethanol as well as several hydrogen related products for demonstration and education purposes suitable for universities, schools and research institutes.

The Minister of Development, Mr. D. Sioufas, have been informed by the President of Tropical S.A., Mr. G. Lagios, about the capabilities of the hydrogen fuel cell 3-wheeled scooter and had the opportunity to drive at the Zappeion Megaron premises as it is shown on the above photograph. Also he had being informed about the exact phase that the Hydrogen MiniBus project is at the moment and the next steps.

Minister of Development, Mr. D. Sioufas, has been shown around at the exhibition fair, at Zappeion Megaron in Athens, where the “Technology, Research & Innovation 2007” fair is taking place under the supervision & shield of the Ministry of Development & the General Secretarial of Research & Development. Tropical S.A. exhibited & presented to its visitors its full range of fuel cell products including:

1. “GREENSCOOTER”, a three wheel scooter operating with a complete hydrogen fuel cell system and a metal hydride storage tank.
2. “HT-5000”, a fuel cell power generator producing 5kW of electric power, using reformat hydrogen being produced by reforming ethanol.
3. “TR-100”, a portable hydrogen fuel cell power generator producing 100W of electric power with voltages 12V/DC and/or 220V/AC
4. Several hydrogen products for demonstration and education purposes.
5. A poster related to the Hydrogen minibus project and the ceremony that took place at the Ministry of Transportation in Athens.

The Minister of Development has driven the first Greek hydrogen 3-wheeled scooter being manufactured by Tropical S.A., being informed about the research teams and the projects that are taking place concerning the use of alternative fuels and of course about the delivery ceremony at the Ministry of Transportation of the **OASA minibus which will be then converted into Hydrogen Fuel Cell MiniBus**. Also he was informed about the **leading & innovative reformat fuel cell power generator, HT-5000**, which produces electric power by reforming ethanol, biofuels, natural gas, methane, propane or LPG. Being fascinated by the number of products being exhibited by our organization, we have been informed personally by the Minister that **at the International Fair of Thessaloniki, which will take place at the beginning of September 2007 (8 - 15), that he would like all our products, including, HT-5000, to be in a fully operational mode.**