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## 72<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR OF THESSALONIKI (HELEXPO 2007)

72<sup>nd</sup> International Trade Fair of Thessaloniki (HELEXPO 2007) was one of the most successful fairs that were organized this year in Greece. On **hall 13** with thematic title **“Innovation”** presented the most innovative products that have been researched and developed in Greece with the aid of the Ministry of Development. Our booth was visited by the **Greek Minister of Development, Mr D. Sioufas**, the **General Secretary of Research & Technology, Professor J. Tsoukalas**, the **Deputy Minister of Athletics, Mr G. Orfanos**, the **Minister of Culture, Mrs Fani Palli Petralia**, the **President of the National Observatory of Athens and Member of the Academy of Athens, Mr. C. Zerefos (Awarded with Nobel Peace Prize 2007)** and many professors from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki as well as from many other institutes & foundations



**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. and the operation of HT-1000, an innovative fuel cell power generator, that produces 1kW power by reforming natural gas, LPG, ethanol, bio-fuels, etc. as well as for the Ecological Green Fire Truck.**



**The President of the National Observatory of Athens and Member of the Academy of Athens, Mr. C. Zerefos (Awarded with Nobel Peace Prize 2007), has been informed by the President of Tropical S.A., Mr. G. Lagios, about the capabilities of the hydrogen fuel cell 3-wheeled scooter and the innovative fuel cell power generator, HT-1000, operating with reformed hydrogen from fuels like natural gas, lpg, biofuels, etc. Also, Mr Zerefos informed about the exact phase that the Hydrogen MiniBus project is at the moment, the next steps and the Ecological Green Fire Truck.**

Tropical S.A. exhibited & presented to its visitors its full range of fuel cell products including:

1. “GREENFIRETRUCK”, an ecological zero emissions fire vehicle (electric, solar & hybrid versions) for immediate & express interference
2. “GREENSCOOTER”, a three wheel scooter operating with a complete hydrogen fuel cell system and a metal hydride storage tank.
3. “HT-1000”, a fuel cell power generator producing 1kW of electric power, using reformed hydrogen being produced by reforming natural gas, lpg, biofuels, etc.
4. “TR-100”, a portable hydrogen fuel cell power generator producing 100W of electric power with voltages 12V/DC and/or 220V/AC
5. Several hydrogen products for demonstration and education purposes.
6. A poster related to the Hydrogen minibus project and the ceremony that took place at the Ministry of Transportation in Athens.

During the 72<sup>nd</sup> International Trade Fair of Thessaloniki (HELEXPO 2007) there was great interest from Greek but also from foreign investors for our innovative products which are on pre-commercial phase.