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### **DSOs hold the leading part in the EU Clean Energy Package.**

"DSOs hold the key role in the transition in line with the Clean Energy Market", stressed HEDNO Chairman and CEO Mr. Nikos Chatziargyriou speaking at the HEDNO "7<sup>th</sup> Day Conference on Smart Grids", held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

The Conference featured the anticipated investments in Grids in the years to come and the incentives given across Europe. Energy storage in the non-interconnected islands was also discussed in detail. The Conference has also been an opportunity to present innovative technologies implemented by HEDNO Departments in the Distribution Network with regard to the operation of medium Voltage Networks, to the introduction of Geographic Information System in Attica, and in pilot projects for taking and connecting coordinates of consumers in Xanthi.

The Conference also featured 4 new research and innovation projects (WISEGRID, SHAR-Q, GRIDSOL, ERIGRID) financed by EU HORIZON2020 Programme, in which HEDNO is a partner along with other DSOs, material suppliers, IT&C companies, universities and research institutions, and whose aim is to uphold broader penetration of decentralised RES, foster energy saving, support active consumers –now becoming "prosumers"– energy cooperatives, electromobility, storage and "smart: islands.

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