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Naval Group brings together its Hellenic industry, academic and research partners for the second edition of the “R&D Partners Days” in Athens

On 20th and 21st June 2022, Naval Group has organised the second edition of the “R&D Partners Day” in Athens, in order to develop cooperation between Naval Group and Hellenic partners through R&D initiatives and European projects.

Naval Group is a major industrial partner of the Hellenic Navy and is further developing its R&D partnerships with Hellenic industry, academic and research institutes to support the development of the future Hellenic naval warfare capabilities.

The second edition of the R&D Partners Days confirms the importance for Naval Group to identify, structure and strengthen partnerships with Hellenic partners on cutting edge technologies in various fields such as unmanned vehicles (UxV), artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, energy storage and production, augmented reality, I-maintenance and eco-conception.

Partnerships with Hellenic academic partners

Naval Group has signed partnerships with three leading Hellenic universities: the National Technological University of Athens, the University of Patras and Forth Research centre. These partnerships have led to fruitful academic exchanges between the National Technological University of Athens and ENSTA Bretagne to develop work on composite material.

Cooperation on European projects

Since the first edition of the R&D Partners Days in June 2021, Naval Group and its partners answered several European calls such as the Modular Multirole Patrol Corvette program to which it answered with six Hellenic companies: Terra Spatium, IDE, ISD, FEAC Engineering, Prisma Electronics and Hydrus.

Two Horizon Europe projects were also awarded on composite material: Ithaca and Joining MAMA, for which the Group has partnered with the University of Patras and the University of Thessaloniki.

Some Hellenic partners shared their experience on ongoing successful European programs such as USSPS (Unmanned Semi-fixed Sea Platforms for Maritime Surveillance), MIRICLE (Mine Risk Clearance for Europe) and PANDORA. A special focus has also been made on the cyber domain which is a major domain of cooperation for Naval Group.

The GODIA (General Directorate for Defense Investments and Armaments) also presented their innovation policy. Exchanges on future cooperation in innovative domains followed, thanks to the support and coordination of SEKPY (association of Hellenic Defence Manufacturers) and HASDIG (Hellenic Aerospace Security & Defense Industries Group).

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Naval Group is a partner to its customers' maritime sovereignty. An international player in naval defence and heir to French naval know-how, Naval Group develops innovative solutions to meet the needs of navies. Present throughout the entire life cycle of the ships, the group designs, builds, integrates and maintains submarines and surface ships, as well as their systems and equipment, through to dismantling. It also provides services for shipyards and naval bases. A high-tech company, it builds on its exceptional expertise, its unique design and production resources and its ability to set up strategic partnerships and successful transfers of technology. With operations on five continents, the group has a turnover of 4.1 billion euros and employs 16028 people (full-time equivalents / December 2021 data).

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