Region of Sterea Ellada – Decontamination of the Asopos River

As part of the project financed by DG REGIO related to the promotion of a strategic use of public procurement in the context of Cohesion Policy, the Region of Sterea Ellada in Greece submitted an application. This application for support relates to procurement processes necessary for the decontamination of the Asopos River.

The project is implemented by the Region of Sterea Ellada, focusing directly on solving the chronic problem of the industrial sewage of the Asopos River and indirectly in shaping the new Business Park for the Restoration and Development of Inofyta. Particularly, the project concerns:

- Demarcation, flood protection and other necessary settlement projects of Asopos river and restoration of its natural bed both as a hydrogeological element and as an ecosystem.
- Pollution and groundwater contamination actions and measures, including containment and protection, sanitation and rehabilitation measures for water and ecosystems in the area of Asopos river.

Fast facts

Country: Greece, Region of Sterea Ellada
Timeframe: January 2018 – December 2021
Main Counterparts:
- Directorate General for Planning, Environment and Infrastructure, Region of Sterea Ellada
- Managing Authority of the Regional Operational Programme

Areas of focus
- Efficiency
- Evaluation
- Balance
- Capacity

List of deliverables

- Guide on the design of an infrastructure procurement strategy
- Support to decision-making in choice of delivery modes for infrastructure projects
- Workshops, and interventions
Content of the project

The objective of the technical assistance for the decontamination of the Asopos river is the creation of guidance that allows for the definition of an infrastructure procurement strategy including the identification of most suitable delivery modes.

This guidance will be designed in a step-by-step approach to support decision making in the identification of suitable options for delivering infrastructure projects. It will be structured around the following steps:

- Define assessment parameters of contract scope and delivery options
- Analyse options for delivery and contractual relationships
- Define the basis for competition

Timeline

- **July 2018**: Selection of the procurement initiative
- **December 2018**: Letter of agreement defining the scope of OECD's support signed by both parties
- **23 January 2019**: Fact-finding mission
- **Winter 2019**: First draft of the guide on the design of an infrastructure procurement strategy sent to counterparts
- **Spring 2020**: Feedback received from stakeholders and counterparts

Resources

OECD Recommendations on Public Procurement