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Info-Day for the 2nd Call and 3rd Call for Project Proposals – Operations of Strategic Importance

GREECE – ALBANIA 2021-2027

Info Day for Strategic Projects

June 2025

Lessons Learned 2014-2020

Challenges 2021-2027

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Eligibility of Expenditures



Invoices not
clearly
linked to
the project

Failure to maintain this linkage may result in disputes, rejected reimbursements and other legal consequences (e.g. financial corrections).

Eligibility of Expenditures



Recruitments
without
following
the legal
procedure

Hiring employees without adhering to the established procedures - unfair practices - may result in unqualified hires, discrimination claims or compliance violations.

Eligibility of Expenditures

Supply of goods & service



Non-compliance to the required procedures may lead to legal penalties and financial loss. Ignoring protocols undermines trust and exposes the organization to regulatory violations.

Supplies /
services
without
required
procedures



Tender
documents
with
errors

Appeals and corrections
(e.g., insufficient
publicity, fragmentation,
lack of division into
lots, unclear
selection/award criteria,
major modifications,
conflicts of interest)

Staffing

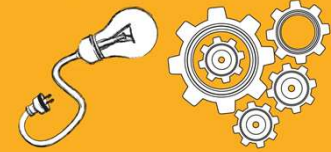


Overturn in key roles
disrupts operations, causes
knowledge gaps, and delays
projects.

Frequent
changes in
personnel

Modificati ons

GENERAL MODIFICATIONS



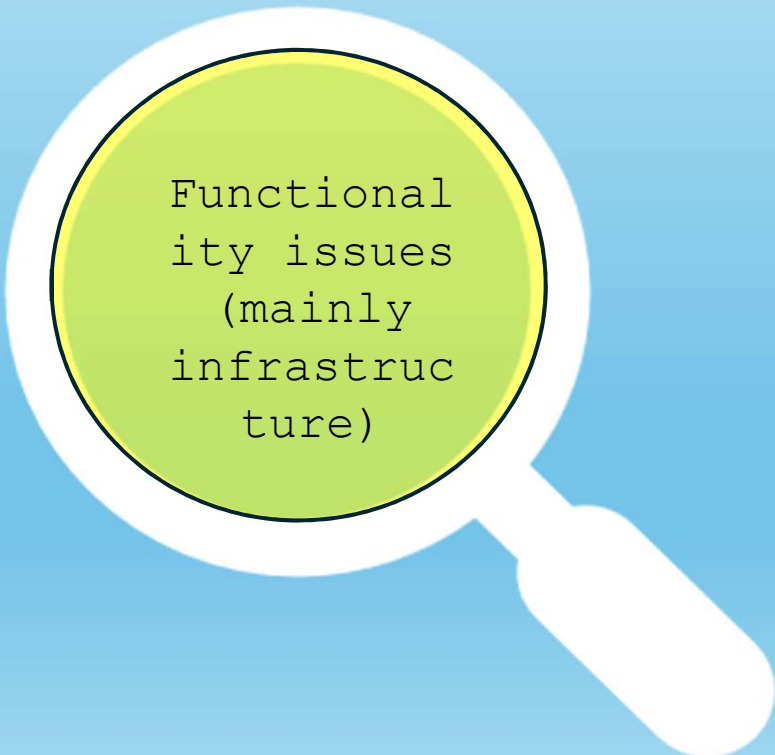
Too many
modifications,
lot of
extensions,
undocumented
requests

Excessive modifications,
numerous extensions, and
vague or undocumented
change requests (whether
physical or financial) can
derail projects, causing
delays, cost overruns, and
confusion.

Functionality of projects



Often arise from poor planning and unforeseen challenges. Failure to anticipate necessary permits, can lead to delays. Staffing shortages hinder execution, while inadequate coordination with utility providers (electricity, water, etc.) causes operational disruptions. These gaps result in incomplete or non-functional projects, increasing costs and frustration.



Functional
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(mainly
infrastructure)

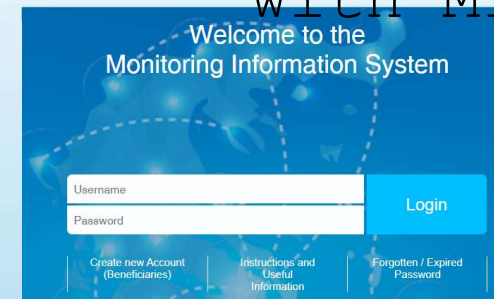
Financing of projects




Imbalance in
project funding
across
countries

Sometimes beneficiaries should speed up in order to realize their actions and to obtain verified expenditures but other beneficiaries should wait to receive the pre-financing before starting their activities.

Unfamiliarity with MIS



Despite the support from the JS, many beneficiaries and controllers remain unfamiliar with the Management Information System (MIS). This lack of proficiency slows processes, causes errors and reduces efficiency.



Unfamiliarity
of
beneficiaries
with MIS

Key Recommendations for the 2021–2027 Program



Preventive
Legality Checks

Organized
Implementation

Emphasis on
Communication

Strict
Timeline
Adherence

Process
Transparency

Σύμφωνα με την ΥΠΑΣΥΔ (Αριθμ. 45820/17-5-2023, Άρθρο 40, Περί Ελέγχου νομιμότητας συμβάσεων

Φάση :

Προληπτική

Βάση	Τι	Πότε	Ποιος	Πως	
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	Έργα	>250.000			

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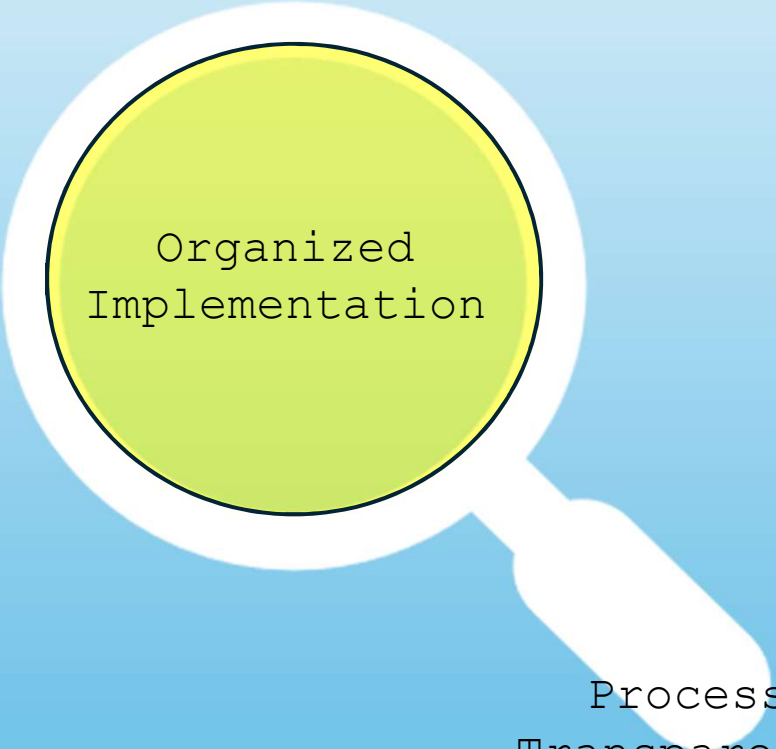
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Κατασταλτική

Βάση	Τι	Πότε	Ποιος
Δειγματική	Προμήθειες, υπηρεσίες	≤80.000	Κατά την εξέταση ΔΔΔ/επιτόπια επαλήθευση
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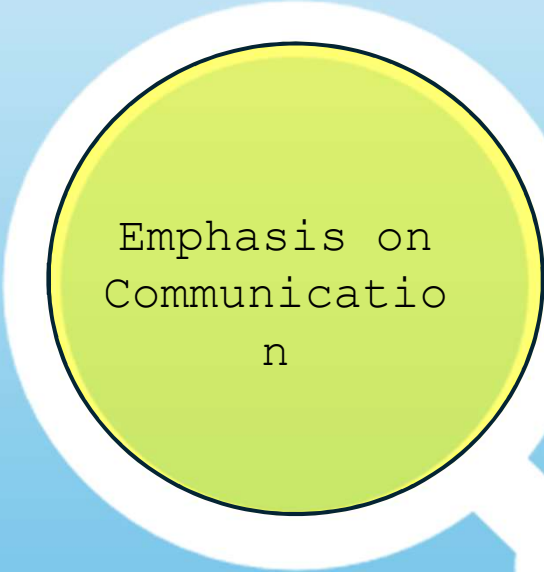
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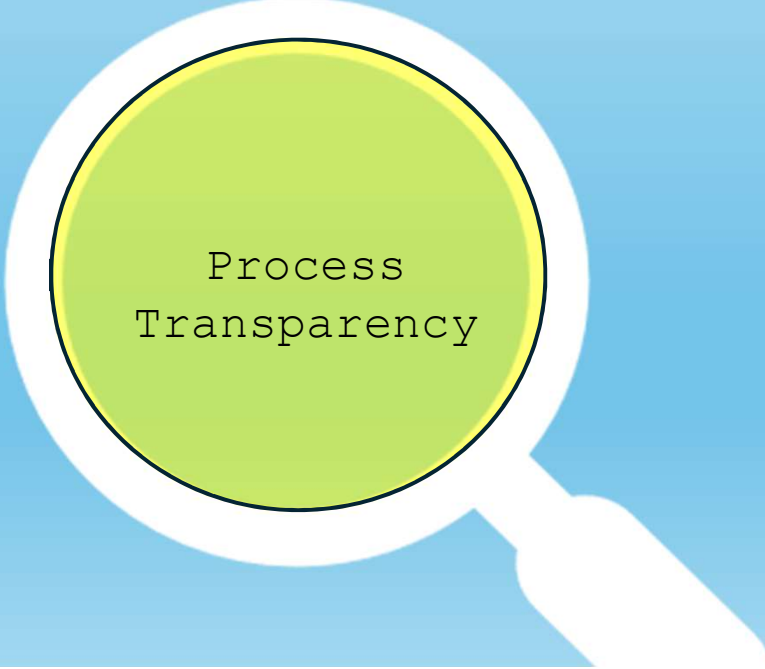


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Thank you for your
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