

	Project title		Environmental Impact Assessment of the Community Framework Programme II projects in the national highway network in Western Greece N.R. Kastoria - Florina: Section Koromilia - Chani Mpiriki					
Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	No of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partner(s) [if any]
EPSILON	Greece	14.673,51	100%	3	Ministry of Environment, Planning and Public Works / DMEO	Ministry of Environment, Planning and Public Works / DMEO	11/1995 – 06/1998	IMPETUS LTD, V. LEMPESIS, M. ANASTASAKIS, F. PERGANTIS
Detailed description of project						Type of services provided		
 The project aims to improve the Kastoria – Florina national road, as a result of the increased transportation of people and goods through Krystallopiegíe and the tourist rendering of Prespes and Pisoderio Florinis regions. In addition, the new alignment is less affected by snow and frost during the winter, while it deviates the city of Kastoria. Environmental impacts • Nuisance from dust and noise in neighbouring houses, during construction. • Soil erosion, in slopes and embankments. Changes in sedimentation and riverbed, in sections where the new alignment is along Aliakmonas river. • Loss of riparian vegetation along Aliakmonas river and loss of important habitats. • Hindering of animals' movements and increased mortality. • Deviation of the city of Kastoria and decrease of vehicle circulation in the city center. • Morphological changes and landscape degradation. • Possibility of forest fires incidents. Mitigation measures • Limitation of torrent excavation during dry period only, followed by removal and proper disposal of material (not in torrents and streams), in order to maintain the natural inclination of the riverbed. • Compliance with acceptable noise limits. • Securing of unhindered water flow. • Avoiding of unnecessary tree-cutting and reclamation works. • Use of excavation material in embankment construction and other works. • Sediment extraction from active local quarries. • Collection and proper disposal of waste and wastewater.						• Environmental Impact Assessment		