

ELENA Completed Project Factsheet

Development of Smart-Grid Infrastructure in Autonomous Islands on The Aegean Sea

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Lessons learnt	 The main lesson learnt during the course of the technical assistance provision include: Close cooperation between the applicant and the investor and /or guarantor of the proposed investment programme is a prerequisite for the successful implementation of the contract. More specifically, the establishment of working groups with the participation of all key persons involved who will closely follow-up, discuss and resolve all issues that may arise is of outstanding importance; A parameter that was not foreseen and had an important impact on the time schedule for the launch of the tender for smart meters, was the high number of comments received by the interested companies during the public consultation, which required important resources and time to be evaluated and to revise the tender documents accordingly.
Further information sources	Not available
Contact person at Beneficiary	http://www.dafni.net.gr/en/contact.htm