

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

DIRECTORATE-GENERAL
REGIONAL AND URBAN POLICY
Smart and Sustainable Growth and Southern Europe
Cyprus and Greece

Brussels,

Dear Sir,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref Gestdem 2015/6019

We refer to your request submitted on 7/11/2015 and registered under the above mentioned reference number for access to all the documents related to the Rehabilitation Project for Eleutheria Square in Nicosia, Cyprus.

Firstly, let me clarify that in accordance with European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIFs) Regulations, assistance is provided for on the basis of the shared management principle, according to which the implementation of the co-funded operations is under the responsibility of the Member States, at the most appropriate territorial level and according to the institutional system of each Member State. This means, in particular, that the Commission does not intervene in the selection of projects. The Member States are not obliged to communicate to the Commission detailed information about the selected projects unless they are major projects, in the sense of Article 39 of the Regulation (EC) N° 1083/2006 (i;e. total cost exceeding EUR 50 million).

The Eleftheria square in Nicosia, selected by the Cypriot authorities for EU co-financing under the programming period 2007-2013, is not a major project. Therefore, the detailed information relating to this project, including environmental assessment and other documents, is not available to the Commission. Any information concerning this project may be requested from the Managing Authority of the Cyprus operational programme:

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