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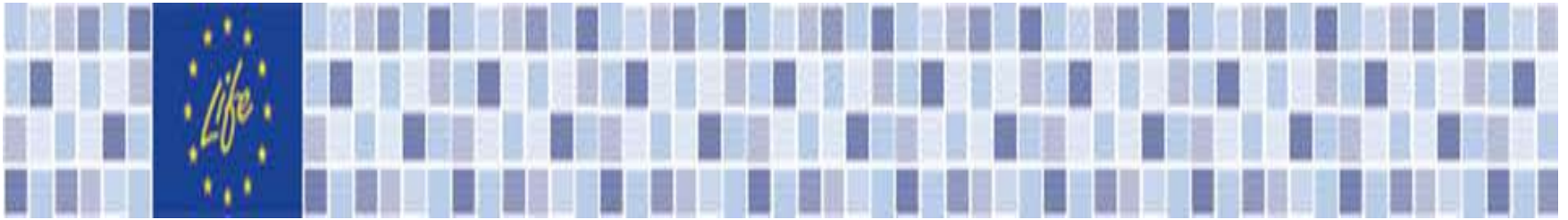


Structure and budget for 2014-2020

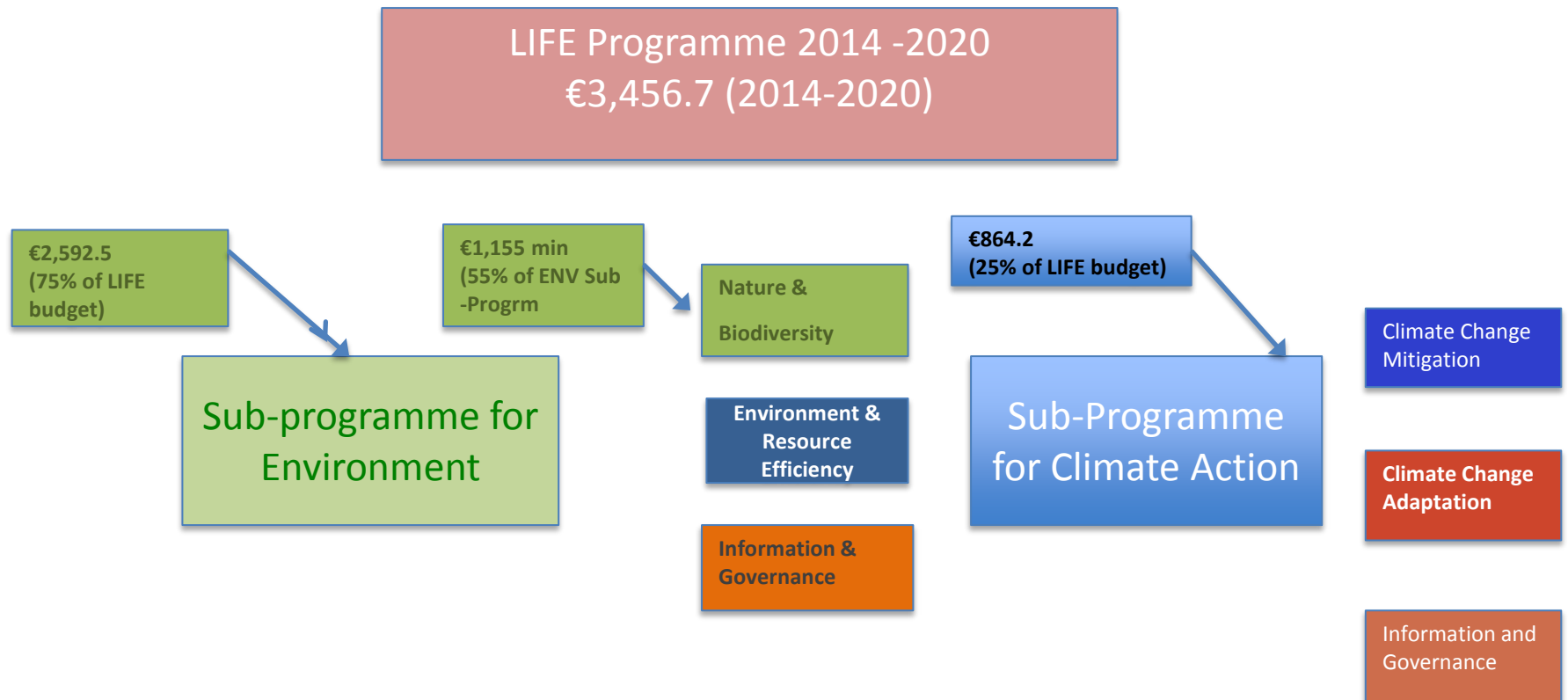
Creation of two sub-programmes

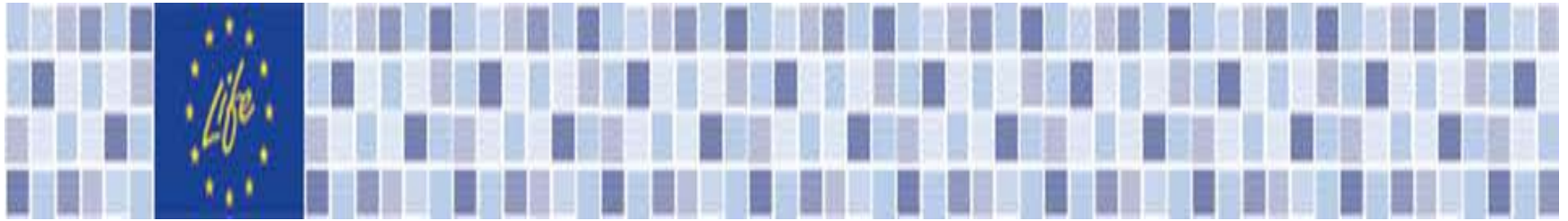
- **LIFE sub-programme for Environment**, including as priorities areas environment and resource efficiency, nature and biodiversity, and governance and information
- **LIFE sub-programme for Climate Action**, including as priorities areas adaptation, mitigation and governance and information

Budget: €3,456.7million (€2,592.5m for ENV, €864.2m for CLIMA)



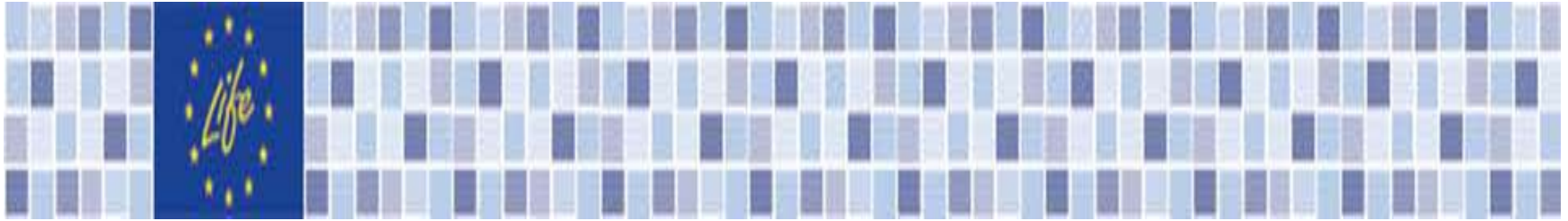
Structure and budget for 2014-2020





Objectives of the LIFE Programme (2014-2020)

- LIFE should be used as a **catalyst**;
- LIFE should promote **implementation and integration** of environment and climate objectives in other policies and Member State practice, including mainstreaming;
- Emphasis will also be placed on better **governance**
- Specific links to EU priorities: **resource efficiency, biodiversity loss and climate adaption and mitigation**



HOW DOES A LIFE PROJECT FIT INTO EU THINKING

**HORIZON 2020
COMMISSION CONTRACTS**

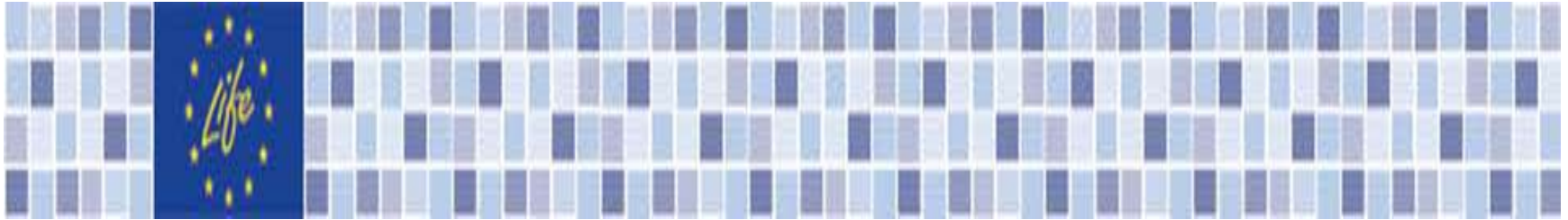
Research, policy &
development results

LIFE FUNDING

Life programme projects

ERDF

WIDE SPREAD ADOPTION



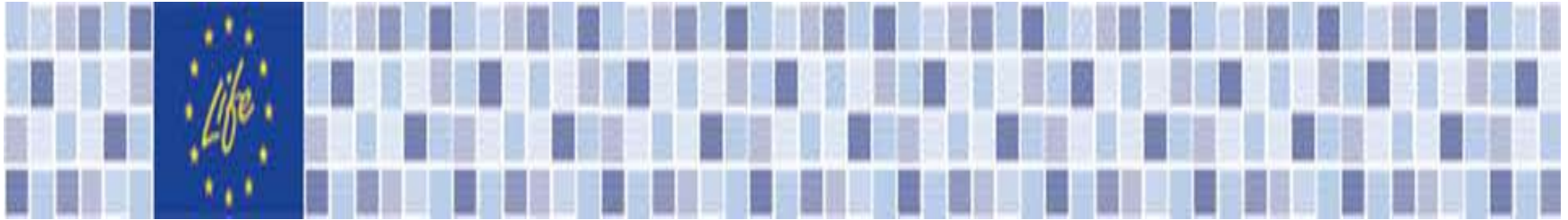
Types of Projects

READ – GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS 2016

LIFE ENVIRONMENT AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY

Traditional projects: (similar to LIFE+)

- Pilot Projects;
- Demonstration Projects;
- Best Practice Projects; and
- Dissemination/information awareness projects.



Sub-programme for Environment

Thematic Priorities for funding (defined in Annex III):

- Thematic Priorities for **Nature** and for **Biodiversity**;
- Thematic Priorities for **Water**, including the **marine** environment;
- Thematic Priorities for **Waste**;
- Thematic Priorities for **Resource Efficiency**, including **soil and forests** and **green and circular economy**;
- Thematic Priorities for **Environment and Health**, including **chemicals and noise**;
- Thematic Priorities for **Air Quality and Emissions**, including the urban environment;
- Thematic Priorities for **Information and Governance**

To be translated into project topics for funding in the Multiannual work programme

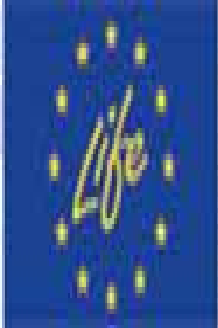




PRIORITIES FOR THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT (2015)

- **REDUCING ECONOMIC PRESSURE**
 - UNDERWATER NOISE
 - PHYSICAL DISTURBANCE OF THE SEA BED
 - IMPACTS OF DEEP SEA MINING AND AQUACULTURE
- **REDUCING IMPACTS OF MARINE LITTER**
 - REDUCING MARINE LITTER AT SOURCE
 - REDUCING MICROBIAL CONTAMINANTS
- **MARINE PLANNING**
 - SYNERGIES BETWEEN INTEGRATED COASTAL MANAGEMENT AND MARINE SPATIAL PLANS





Sub-programme for Climate Action Priorities

Mitigation - contributes to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

Adaptation - supports programmes to increase resilience to climate change.

LIFE Climate Governance and Information - Changing behaviours.

Specific objectives:

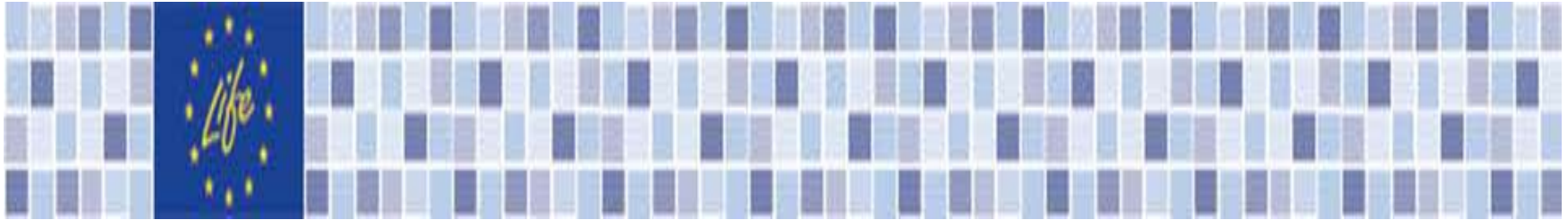
→ Implement and develop **Union policy and legislation** and **mainstream activities** across policy areas

→ Improve and apply **knowledge base** in practice

→ **Develop and implement integrated strategies and action plans**

→ Develop and demonstrate **innovative technologies**, systems, methods and instruments for replication, transfer or mainstreaming



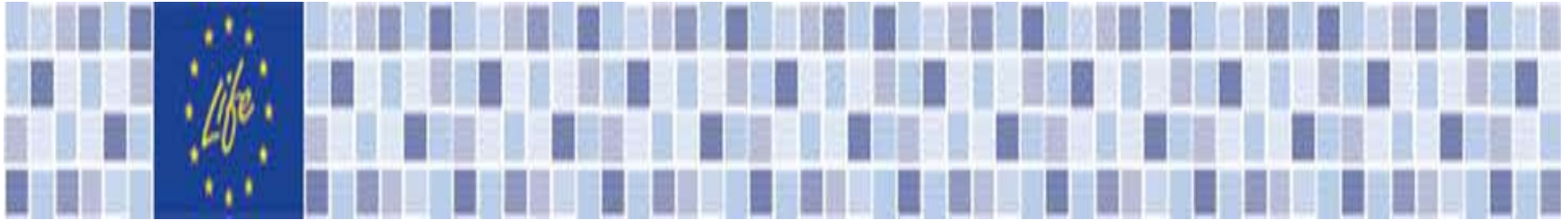


CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

Agriculture

- Implementation of low emission farming practices with a transformational impact (i.e. a lasting behavioural change in the targeted sector or region).
- Low-carbon woodland land use management systems and application of agroforestry systems with a transformational impact.
- Carbon foot-printing or measurement in labelling and quality schemes, or to support sustainable use and/or protection of rare/local crop and animal genetic resources.
- Comprehensive land-use analysis on farms and incorporation of low emission practices in a broad geographical area, e.g. region, for example application of landuse calculators.
- Analysis and improvements of existing climate measures, in particular under the Common Agricultural Policy, preparation and facilitation of incorporation into future EU policy approaches, operational programmes or rural development programmes. This could for example be related to land planning and management with regards to the potential carbon sequestration and carbon storage potentials.

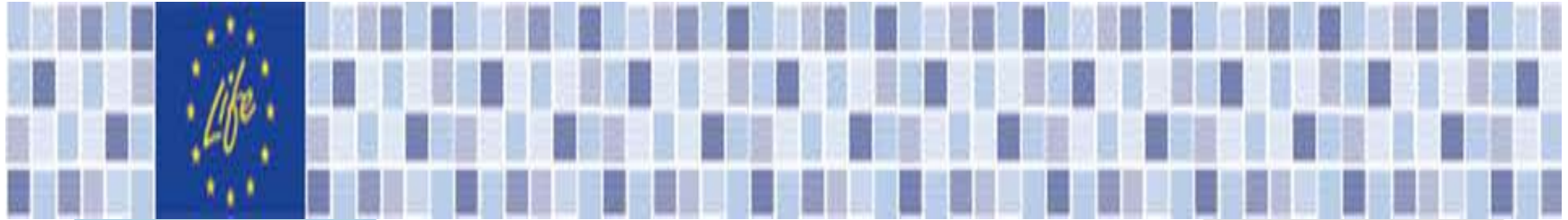
EXTRACT FROM - LIFE CLIMATE ACTION – GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS 2015



CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

Sustainable use of solid biomass

- Local value-chain exploration and facilitation of low-carbon production and transformation of biomass into long term carbon stores (material substitution).
- Assessment and implementation the life cycle flows of carbon in biomass in important economic processing chains in the community, i.e. cascading principle.
- Deployment of new approaches (e.g. model cities or regions) for producing, consuming and governing biomass in a sustainable way, with a transformational impact (i.e. a lasting behavioural change in the targeted sector or region).
- Implementation of low-carbon forestry technologies into forestry and connected public and private sector practices with a transformational impact.

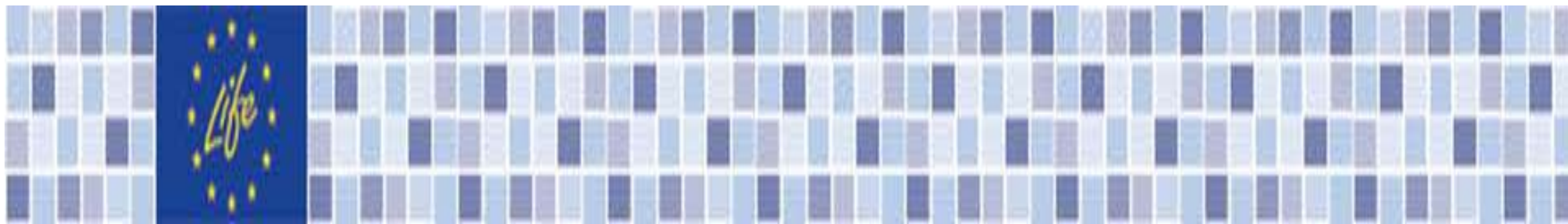


LIFE URBAN-ADAPT - LIFE URBAN-ADAPT:
demonstrating urban climate adaptation and
resilience in inner city Rotterdam

LIFE14 CCA/NL/000302

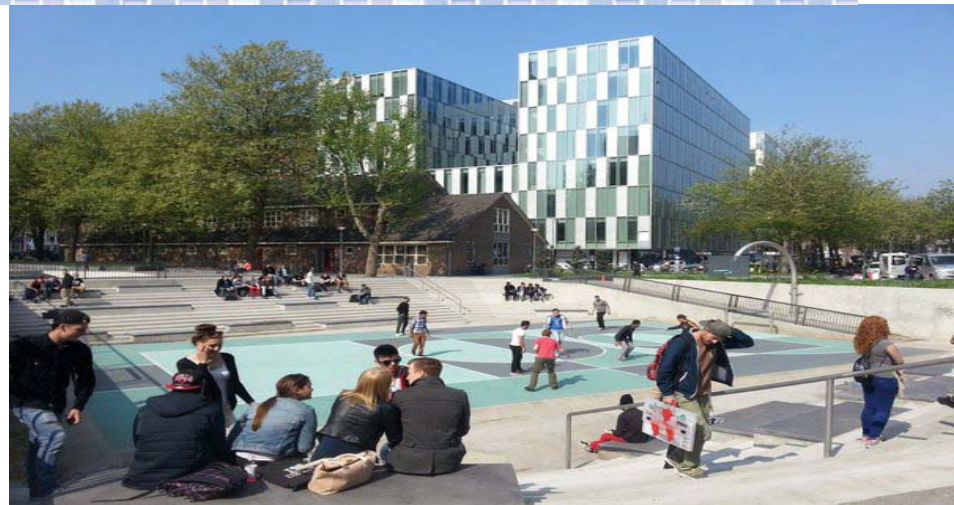


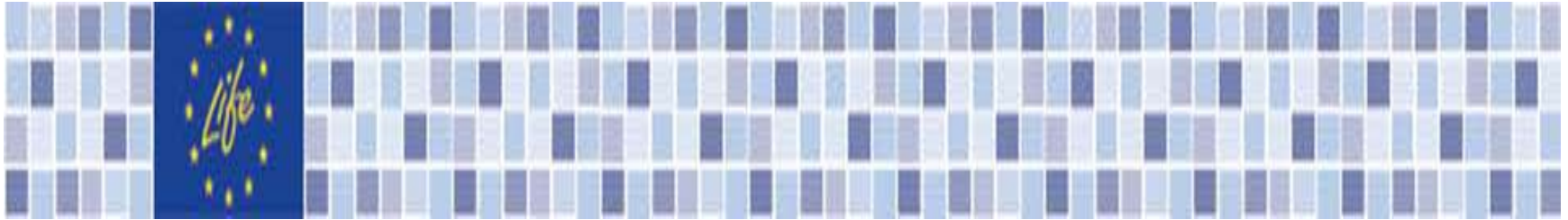
- Large scale implementation of urban adaption strategies
- Blue print for the development of climate strategy & participatory decision-making
- Increase the resilience of of two districts ZoHo and the Nieuwe Mass
 - Circa 50,000m² newly planted green infrastructure
 - 10% reduction in nitrogen dioxide air pollution
 - 800m³ additional water storage capacity
 - 20% reduction in reported sewage overflow events
 - 0.5C reduction of surface temperatures
 - 250 people involved in climate adaption strategies
 - Circa 38,000m² reduction in hard river banks
 - Significant increase in biodiversity at demonstration sites
 - Improvements in public perception and engagement in the target areas
 - Improved accessibility and use of riverside areas.



LIFE14 CCA/NL/000302 CITY OF ROTTERDAM

- Duration 16-JUL-2015 to 31-DEC -2021
- Total budget €10,362,411.00
- EU contribution € 2,767,982.00
- Project location Zuid-Holland
- Partners
- WNF(Stichting Het Wereld Natuur
- Fonds-Nederland), Netherlands
- RWS(Rijkswaterstaat), Netherlands



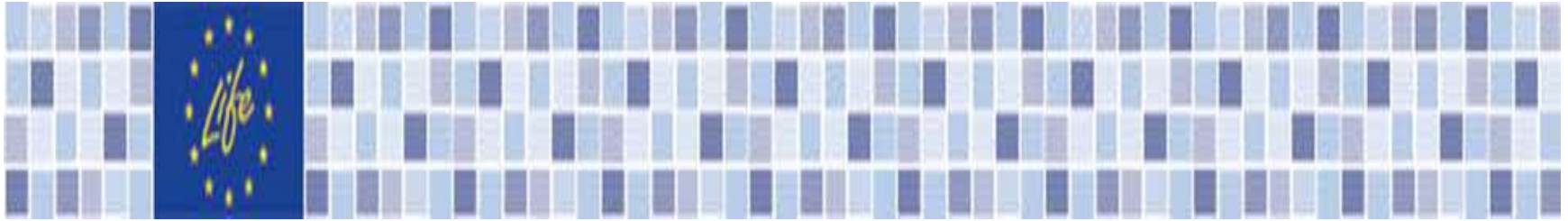


Co-financing Rates

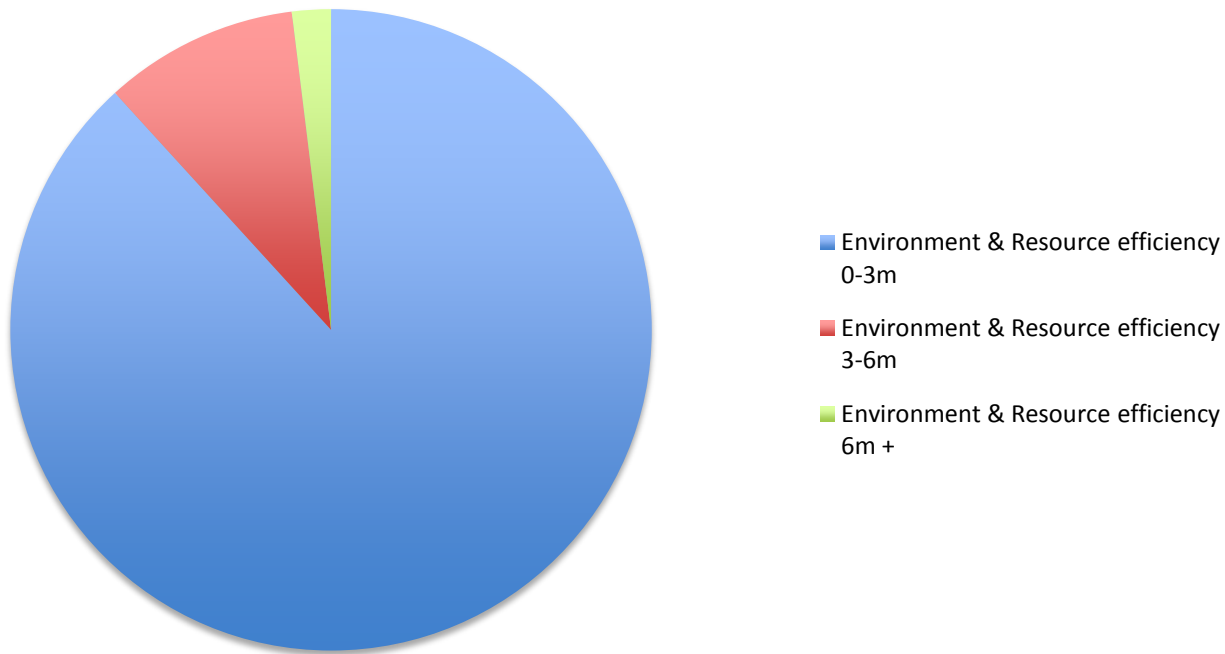
Traditional projects Climate Action; Environment and Resources Efficiency and Environment Governance and information Projects.

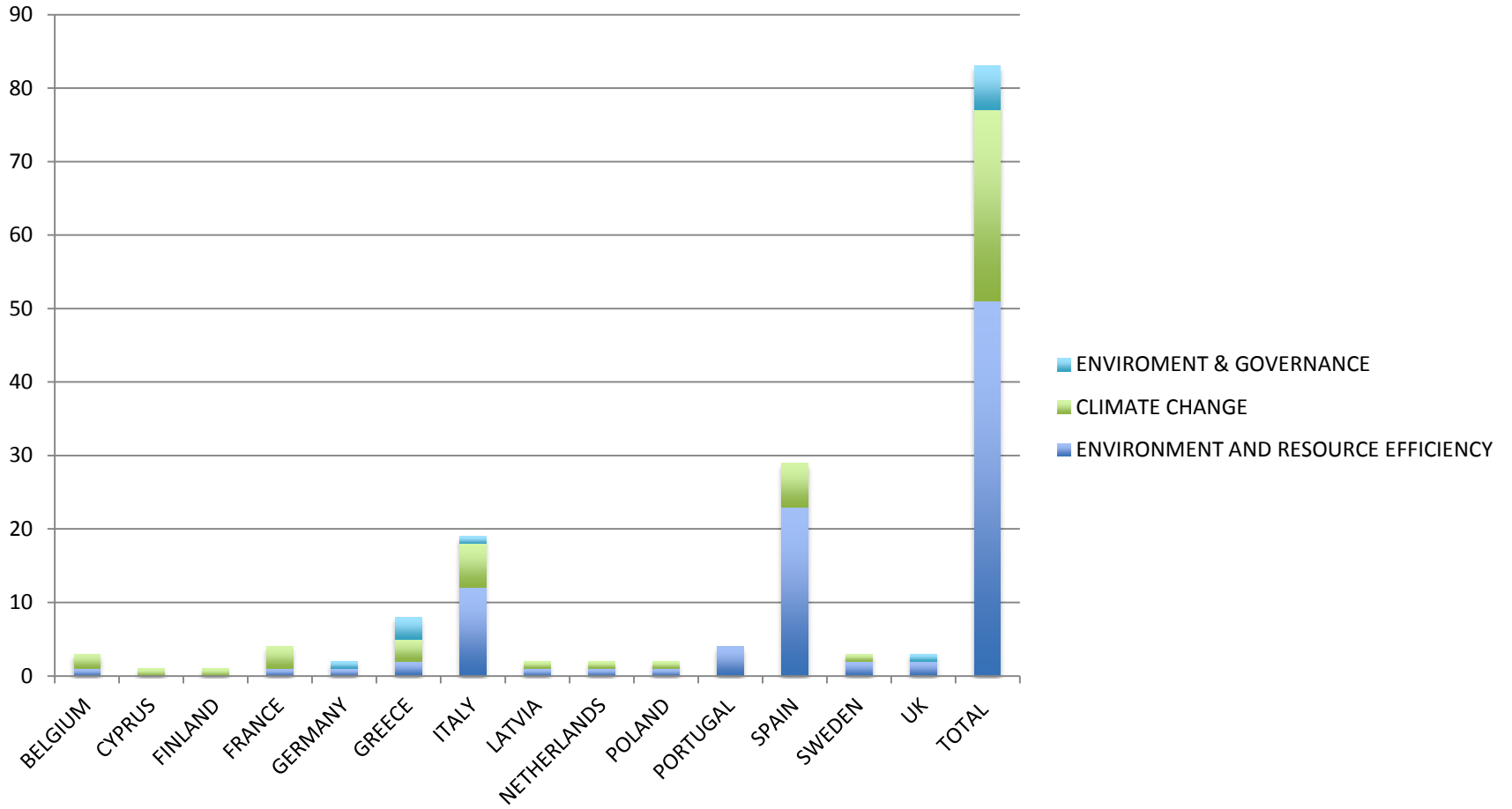
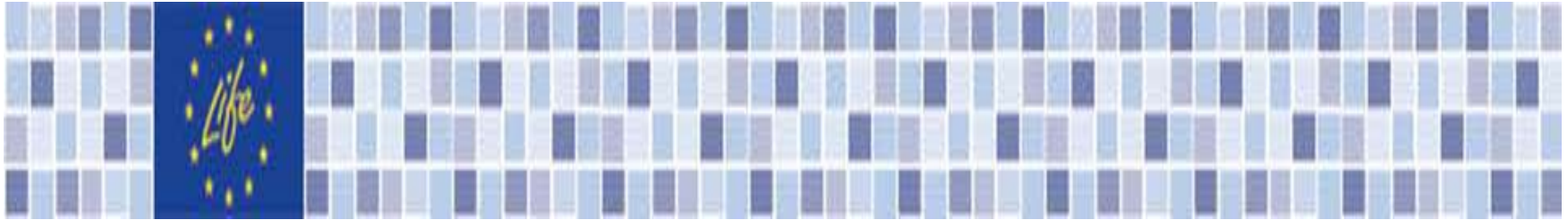
Sub-programme for Environment:

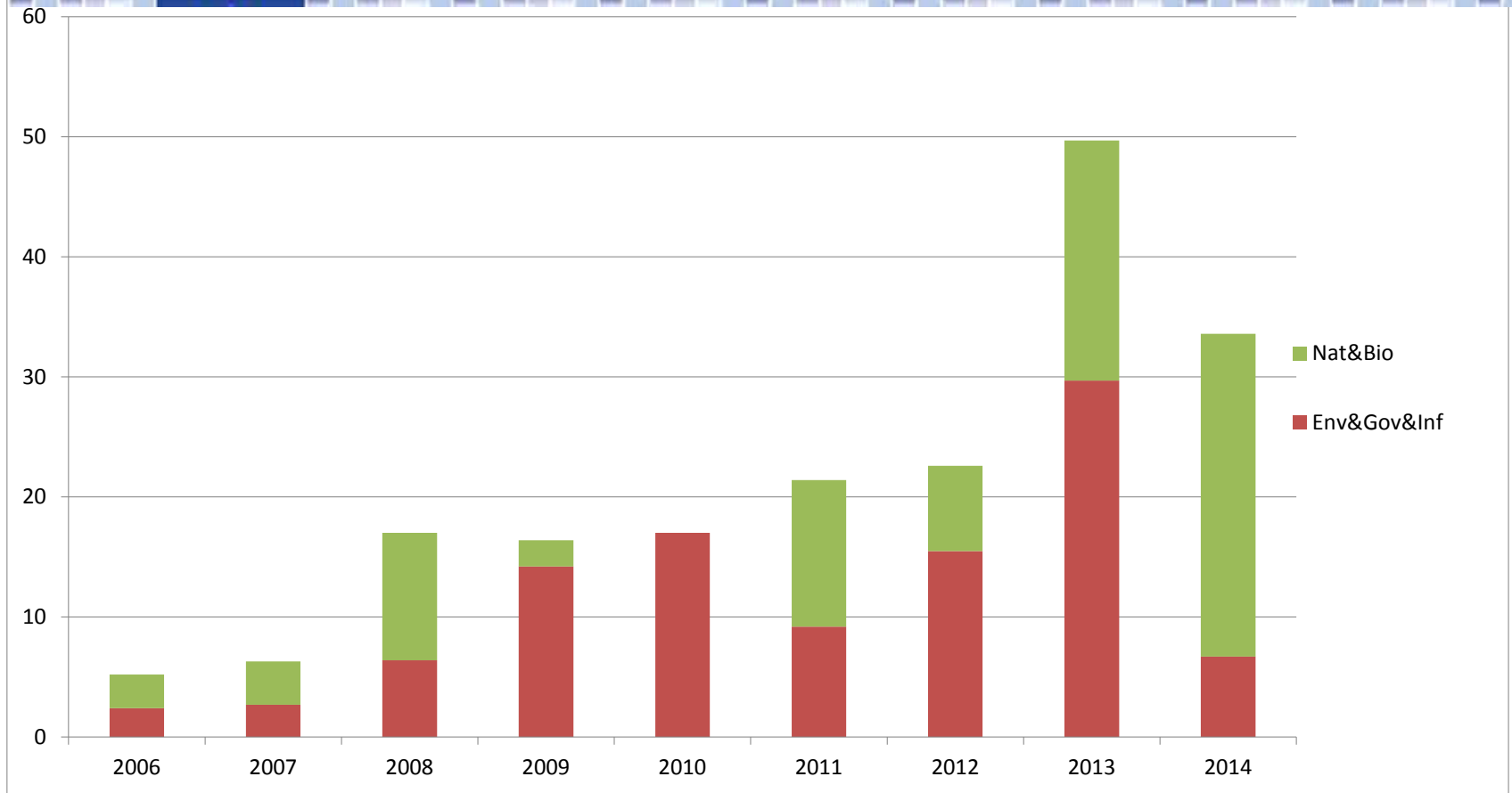
- 2014-2017 **60% co-financing** during the first multiannual work programme
- 2018-2020 **55% co-financing** during the second multiannual work programme



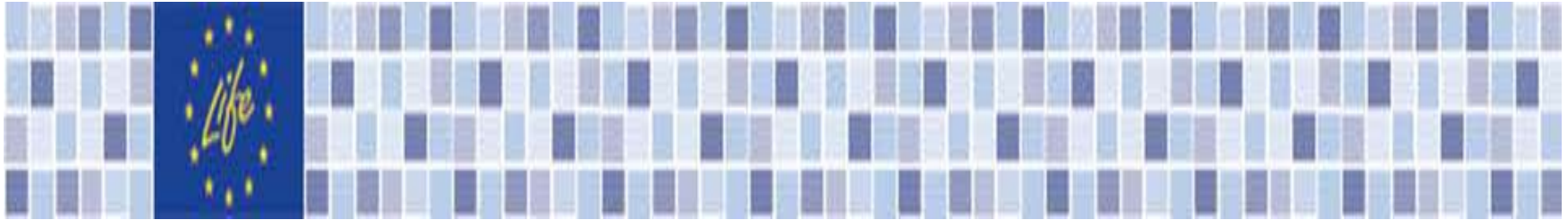
- Scale of bid 2014 – Environment & Resource efficiency – Millions Euros.







LIFE PROGRAMME – UK SUCCESS RATE



National allocations:

- 2014- 2017, **only applicable to traditional projects** ENV sub-programme
- **UK Allocated €74,254,393 (4th highest allocation in the EU)**
 - €21,779,562 used in 2014 (29%)
 - €52,474,831 balance after 2014 (71%)
 - Allocation to 2015 applications!

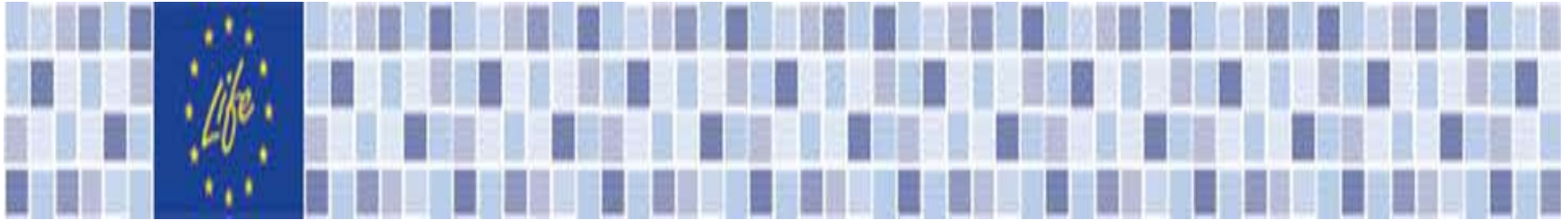
Other allocations – Germany (10%)
Italy (36%)

Spain (35%)
Poland (6%)

France (15%)
Romania (3.9%)

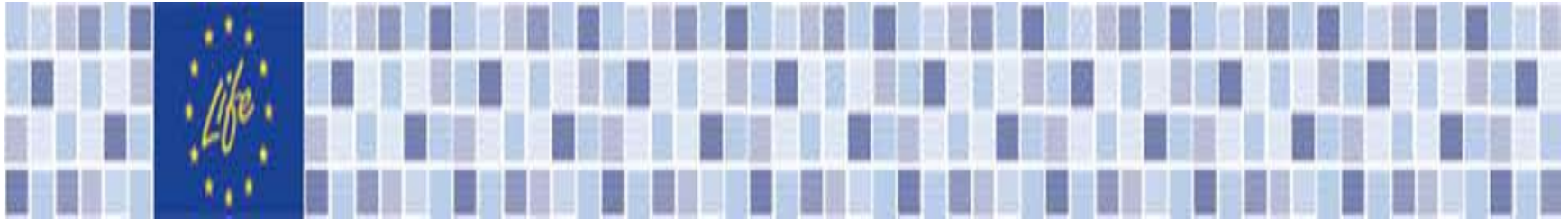
- 2018-2020, national allocations are **phased out** and selection is only merit based
- **Selection for traditional projects under the Climate sub- programme** only merit based for the duration of the whole Programme (2014-2020)

– **NOTE NO SUCCESSFUL UK APPLICATIONS 2014**



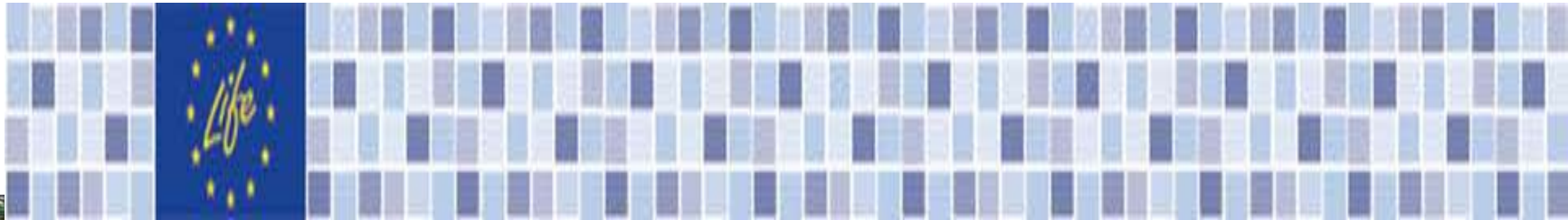
ISSUES TO BE AWARE OF

- 2% rule – You must put in 2% more than salary costs
- 35% rule – Re contracting out unless strong justification
- Sub-contractor rules
- Public, Private or NGO status
- Procurement delays – be realistic or plan in advance



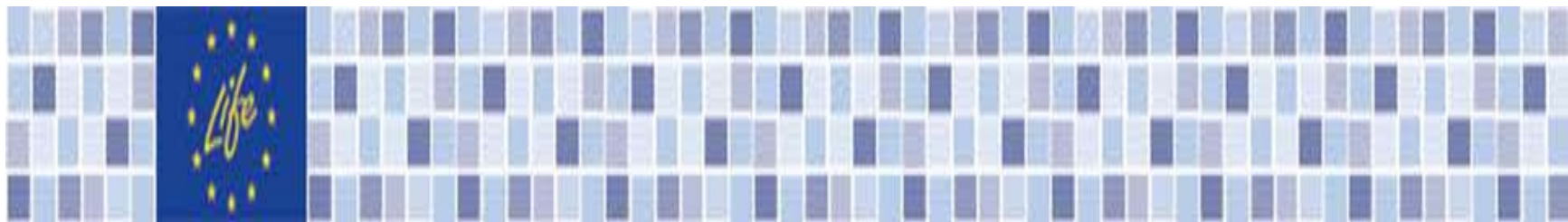
APPLICATION DATES

- 2016 LIFE CALL – LATE MAY
- 2016 PRE-SCREENING DATE 27TH JUNE 2016 – **95 working days left from today**
- SUBMISSION DATE SUB-PROGRAMME CLIMATE CHANGE –
 - **DATE 07 SEPTEMBER 2016 - 148 working days left from today**
- SUBMISSION DATE SUB-PROGRAMME ENVIRONMENT & RESOURCE EFFICIENCY
 - **12 SEPTEMBER 2016 – 150 working days left from today**
- **BUDGET 107 MILLION FOR CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & RESOURCE EFFICIENCY**



Best LIFE Environment projects 2014

<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/publications/lifepublications/bestprojects/documents/bestenv14.pdf>



Project number: LIFE09 INF/UK/000032

Title: RESTORE – RESTORE – Rivers: Engaging, Supporting and Transferring knOWledge for Restoration in Europe

Beneficiary: Environment Agency for England

Contact: George Gerring

Email: george.gerring@environment-agency.gov.uk

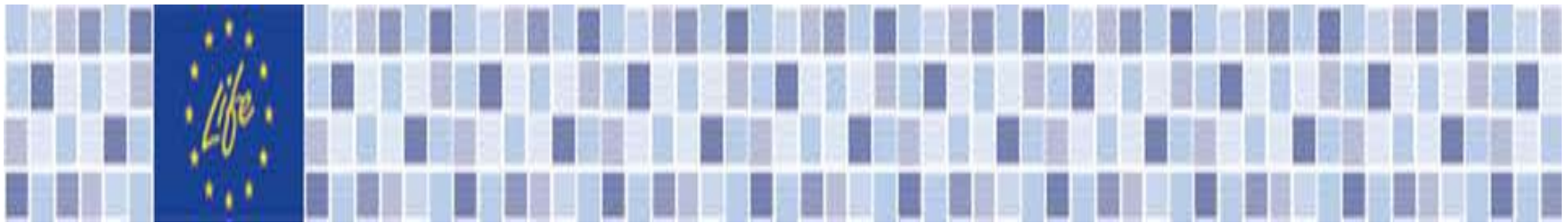
Website: www.ecrr.org/

Period: 01-Sept-2010 to 31-Dec-2013

Total budget: €1 795 000

LIFE contribution: €873 000





RESTORE LIFE09 INF/UK/000032

RESTORE held 66 events, enabling knowledge of river restoration to be shared with more than 10 000 river management practitioners across Europe. The RiverWiki the project developed contains around 1 000 restoration case studies from 31 countries.

