

# LIFE+

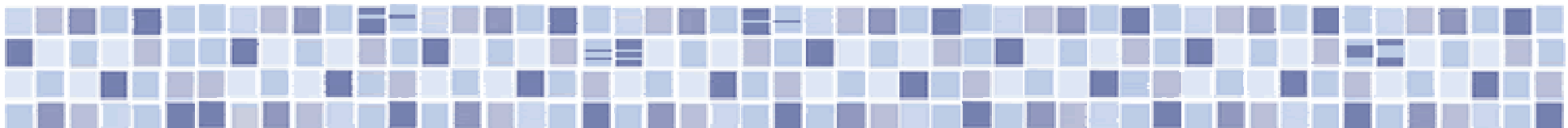


## Funding for SMEs



# A successful history...

- Some 18% (1992-2004) of LIFE projects accounted for by SMEs
- Projects focussed on:
  - Minimizing the environmental impact of business
  - Waste management



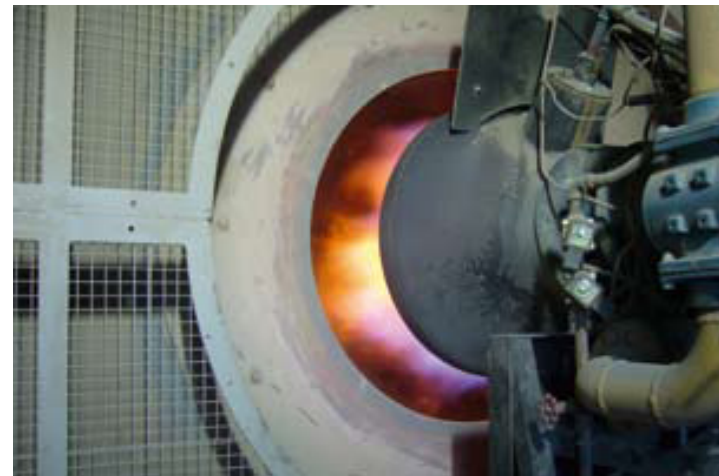


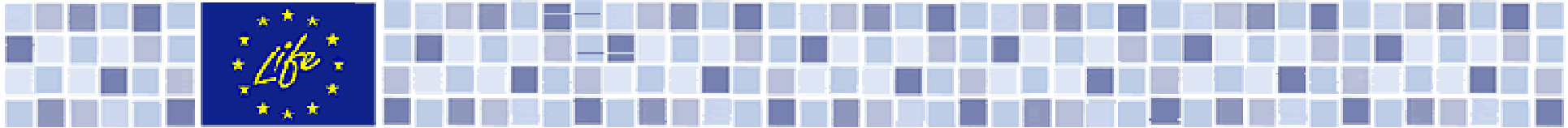
# A successful present: Mixlance



Modular unit developed by the project

Even aggregate distribution –  
more efficient heating





# A successful present...

- Best of the best project (for the preparation of asphalt) led by UK SME Mixlance reduced:
  - Electricity consumption by up to 75%
  - Gas and oil consumption by up to 30%
- Cut:
  - Operation costs, times and space requirements
  - CO<sup>2</sup> and particle emissions
- And is waste free





## A successful future...

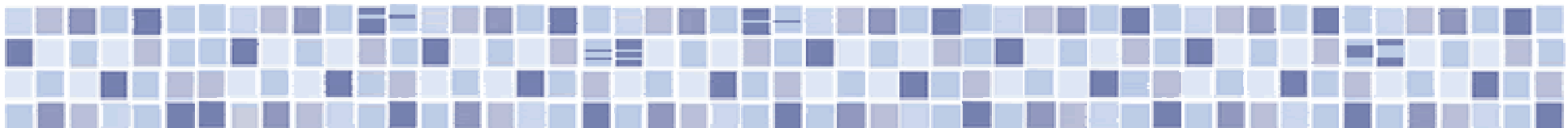
- LIFE+ has available some €700 million for environmental projects in 2008-2013
- SMEs are eligible to seek project funding through an annual, competitive process
- Standard grant rate is 50%





# LIFE+ priorities for SMEs

- ETAP
  - Innovative or pilot projects for the demonstration and dissemination of innovative technologies and practices
- ECAP
  - Innovative or pilot projects for improving environmental performance (individually or at a network level)





# Further information

- 2008 call for proposals foreseen for mid-July
- <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/funding/lifeplus.htm>

