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Liz Gavin combined her love of European Policies with her passion for agriculture and sustainability to create NuaFund, which helps businesses and researchers access EU funding.

After almost 20 years working with EU Institutions across Brussels and The Hague, Liz and her family moved back to Mallow, Co Cork, where she has brought home knowledge and expertise to help local and national businesses, as well as research centres, access EU funding.

With contacts in development and budget departments across Europe, Liz knows how the system works and she coordinates with Government departments, Enterprise Ireland and the EU institutions to connect funding organisations with those in need of funding.

At NuaFund, Liz and her team walk their clients through the entire process from helping companies discover what funding is available to completing funding applications. The business has grown to now also provide project management services on to awarded projects.

NuaFund has 6 team members, operating fully remotely and says ACORNS helped her to evaluate and grow her own business by focusing on game changing organisations and ideas, and leveraging digital skills to streamline workflows.

Since 2017, Liz and her team have focused on the agricultural sector and the bio-economy. The company has secured over 62m € in funding from both EU and National funding opportunities, including the highest funded and first Innovation Action project in Ireland under the Circular Biobased Europe funding round in 2024. NuaFund also helped to secure the only awarded Agricultural project under the Shared Island funding scheme in 2025. In addition, NuaFund has successfully navigated the awarding of 3 EIP projects for clients to date.

Over the next five years, Liz plans to continue to grow the business while taking on new opportunities.

Providing early stage female entrepreneurs, living in rural Ireland, with the knowledge, support and networking opportunities to meet and even exceed their current aspirations.



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