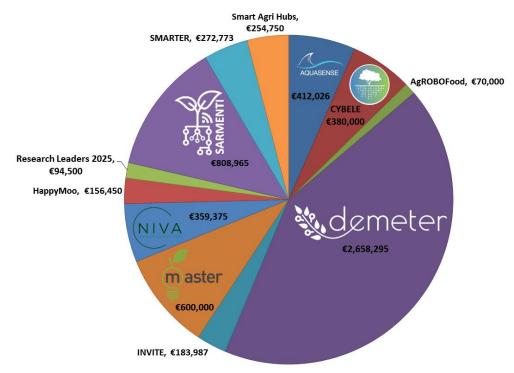




## **Focus on External Funding**

We are now well and truly into 2020, the final year for the EU's Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation before the new <u>Horizon Europe</u>. This month is a very busy time on the EU-funding front as several relevant calls have had submission deadlines over the last few days. Best of luck to all those of you who are involved in applications to these calls!

In 2019, the VistaMilk team has been extremely successful in securing non-exchequer, noncommercial funding. Since the launch of the Centre in September 2018, VistaMilk colleagues have already been participating in 12 EU-funded projects. Team members now coordinate 3 large EU projects totalling over  $\xi$ 44 million, with more than 120 partners. In total, the VistaMilk team has secured  $\xi$ 6,251,118 (plus overheads), see below.



There are several new projects currently under review with more projects being prepared for submission over 2020, totalling well over €4M for VistaMilk partners, across several strands of Horizon2020 funding (Marie Curie Actions, ERA-Nets...). There are also numerous regular National and Exchequer funding opportunities available, such as DAFM's Research Stimulus Funds or the Irish Research Council fellowships.

VistaMilk also organises events during the year with National Contact Points giving you the opportunity to interact directly with funding bodies' representatives. Do get in touch with Guillaume Le Palud, External Funding Manager, at <u>Guillaume.lepalud@teagasc.ie</u> to discuss any project or funding programme.

So, be sure to keep an eye out for the regular funding update emails and dedicated section in the monthly newsletter.

