# Vacancy for Agripool Mission

**Youth Kick-Off Workshop in Tanzania**

### Ref. no. EV. 11002

**Who are we looking for?**1 young and enthusiastic agricultural professionals. You have experience in cooperative governance. You care about the position of youth and have a big agricultural heart. You know how to reach an audience, like making a connection and debating about issues that matter. This means that you listen and understand, before giving your opinion. You enjoy giving a presentation and creating interaction with your audience. Your English skills are good enough to get your message across. Last but not least: this exciting assignment appeals to you.

**Context   
Tanzania & Farmer cooperatives**Tanzania is a wonderful and peaceful country in East-Africa. With political stability, a steady economic growth of 6% and new *no-nonsense* leadership, the country is going forward. However, development is less tangible in rural areas. The rural population has a low education level and is hardly exposed to innovative ways of improving its income via their cooperatives. A rather passive behaviour is also common in Tanzania, partly due to the time of strong governmental influence and supervision. Still rural marketing cooperatives and cooperative banks play an important role in accessing markets, safeguarding people’s money and getting access to loans.

The youth in Tanzania have a biased perception of agriculture and cooperative have not grasped the wealth and potential that lie in agriculture. Most young people would rather work in offices and as a result they leave farming in the hands of the older generation. It has become critical to attract and train a new generation of farmers, farm leaders and agribusiness workers and managers. Since agriculture is the biggest economic sector in Tanzania it could be the solution to the rising youth unemployment and the ageing farming population



**Country**Tanzania

**Period**From: August 03 till 11 August 2019 including travel days

**Deadline**25 February 2019

**Number of experts we need**1

## The assignment

A key objective of the Youth Agriculture Event is to encourage organisations in the agriculture sector to invest in the youth in order for them to develop their skills so as to invest back into the economy. In line with this objective, the contribution of Agriterra Tanzania to the event is to share experiences from the Dutch agricultural sector with promoting youth involvement in agriculture and on how to promote active youth participation in their organizations.

Expected results:

* More awareness of youth involvement among event participants and Agriterra clients & partners
* To have more young farmers actively participate and take up leadership positions in cooperatives and farmer organisations
* To have farmer organisations and cooperatives increase their youth membership

The language of the training will be mostly Swahili. Translation to and from the Agripooler will be facilitated.

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|  | **Profile 1** | **Profile 2** |
| Knowledge | Cooperative principles and practice |  |
| Experience | experience in a Youth Dutch  agricultural cooperative |  |
| Competences | Flexible, analytical  Cultural sensitivity |  |
| Language level | E /F on medium proficiency level |  |

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