



Agronomic For Community  
Empowerment



## ORGANIZATION PROFILE

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## ABOUT US

Agronomic for Community Empowerment (ACE) is a registered training organization (NGO) that focuses mainly on empowering local communities through various agriculture training programs that are targeting smallholder farmers, young single mothers, youth and children .

ACE was formed by the commercial company Farm For the Future (FFF) in Ilula, Iringa Tanzania. Farm For the Future Tanzania Limited (FFF) started in April 2018 as a registered private company with the registration number 136366610. FFF focuses on two main bottom lines, Commercial farming, and Community empowerment to address the problem of food insecurities in Africa, end poverty, and establish good nutrition standards. ACE is the engine of FFF's community empowerment work.

The project aims to be a model that can inspire, be transferred elsewhere – and scaled up and down.



## FOUNDER'S STATEMENT



**Osmund Ueland**

Founder & Project Manager

I found Agronomic for Community Empowerment as an engine to get a community of farmers around FFF in Ilula out of poverty and to a good nutrition standard. My vision was to develop a sustainable community by working with partners, sponsors, and the government.

We can already document great results after our 3 start-up years, thanks to those that have taken part.

We invite you to participate in a significant development project which focuses on sustainable phenomenal results.

Our plan is that after 10 years the Community should be able to take care of themselves.

## Our Vision

"An agriculturally sustained and empowered community"

## Our Mission

"To promote sustainable, modern, quality and productive agricultural practices through training, seminars, workshops in collaboration with Government and other stakeholders".

## Our Core Values

- Result oriented
- Responsibility
- Commitment

## Our Goal

"Our goal is to create a resilient community after a 10-year development period. A community with access to affordable and nutritious food and a community of people all having a living wage income"

# AREAS OF FOCUS

ACE programs were developed following the results of the Baseline survey report conducted in 2021 in the 16 villages that are around the FFF farm. The report highlighted issues of unemployment, low farm productivity, poor farming knowledge and malnutrition, which led to ACE developing 4 programs to empower the community.



Children's Farm for the future



Women for the future Program



Role model Program

Farmers for the future Program



Goat milk for Nutrition and Profit Program



## 1. Farmers for the Future program.

Developed with a goal of improving productivity of the smallholder farmers through practical training, particularly on fertilizing, conservation farming, and GAP.

After starting this program in 2019, already more than 600 smallholder farmers have increased their yields from 1.5 t/ha to 4.0 t/ha, which also changes their income. Giving priority to value chain productions and access to water, also in combination with mechanization, will lead to more food, better food security, and much higher income for the farmers.



### Agriculture Knowledge Centers

FFF in collaboration with key commercial partners, Yara Tanzania and Seed Co Tanzania Ltd agreed to establish an Agri-Knowledge Center with a vision to strengthen food system resilience and improve smallholder farmers' productivity. The mission of this Knowledge Center is to establish a unique multi-stakeholder agricultural platform that uses advanced technology, skills, and knowledge fundamental to improving smallholder productivity & profitability. The Knowledge Center will be an available platform for smallholder farmers in the Southern region of Tanzania.



## 2. Goat milk for Nutrition and Profit program

Program that aims at fighting against poverty and improving health, by providing poor families with milking goats for milk production.

In the package, each family is provided with 2 Norwegian milking goats, which will increase to 5 milking goats after two years. In addition, a solid goat shed, a home garden, a training program, and assistance with caring for the animals for two years.

After 2-3 years from starting, those 40 families through their CBO, will be part of a value chain production, delivering 250 liters of goat milk every day to a milk collection station. ASAS, a dairy company in Iringa, is a partner in the project and will buy milk from the families for their production line.



40

families sponsored.

20

families are selling milk

2.4\$

Income generated per day

### 3. Children's Farm for the Future program

A program that offers a chance for children to connect with real-life agricultural experiences designed to ultimately nurture their interest in agriculture.



IOP Founder, Berit Skaare, expressed her wish in 2015 that the children from Sollerud Kindergarten Tanzania, could visit a “Children’s Farm at FFF” in order to awaken their interest and develop their knowledge of agriculture. FFF is pursuing the idea of building a “Children’s Farm at FFF” as part of its community development program



#### 4. Women for the Future program

The first program was launched in 2019, in line with Government priorities. A program that empowers young mothers through vocational training, financially and socially to become able to provide for herself and her child. The program is based on agriculture and has modules in poultry, horticulture, women's rights, business strategy, communication and nutrition.



25 Young mothers trained.  
21 Children sponsored to education

#### Role model training program

This is an extension program for all of the 4 ACE programs. A 2-years role model empowerment program in the 16 Villages around FFF during a 5-year period, to accelerate the Community Development and bring the development into long lasting sustainable growth. The program aims at empowering the existing beneficiaries to become community role models and development influencers. Training role models is a sustainable way of making sure the relevant knowledge stays in the community and is being used to the benefit of the community and the people living there.



Please refer to the ACE Community Investment Guide for more details on all the programs and investment opportunities offered by ACE.

## OUR TEAM



Our team is our most valuable asset. It consists of first-class professionals and experts with excellent cumulative agricultural work experience.

We have a “One Team” attitude and approach to work, we engage equally and efficiently to deliver the best high yields.

We collaborate with international organizations and local communities to achieve the goals of our projects. We care about the relationships we build with our clients, partners, sponsors, investors, and community members, just as much as we care about getting things done.

## THEIR WHY'S



We had sponsored development projects at Ilula Orphan Program (IOP) back to our first contact with them in 2012, and learned through our project manager Osmund Ueland's contact with the Government in 2016, the priorities for the area.

This is the background for Team Ueland to become the main sponsor for the two first Women for the Future programs at FFF from 2019, and now also becoming the main sponsor for the construction of Children's FFF.



"We have already seen the importance of this program from the first 20 households. This can not stop with that number". *Kolbein Rege,*



"The sustainability of the model motivated us to support ACE on giving more priority to Nutrition, through the first Goat Milk for Nutrition and Profit project. *Inger Elise Iversen, GM, Kavli Trust.*



"It takes a village to raise a child, the goat milk project for nutrition and profit makes it happen! I have been there, seen it! The goat milk project helps, not only a family but an entire village" *Tina Nyquist,*



I partnered with FFF so as to give back to the community and support projects done by FFF including the support for Women being done in the communities around the FFF. *Winston Odhiambo- MD of YARA*

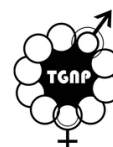


"Our partnership with FFF will enhance the grower productivity and its future fit in aligning with the government's goal of making Tanzania seed secure through local production". *Clive Mugadza MD Seed Co Tanzania Ltd.*

# ACE PARTNERS & SPONSORS



Farm for the Future



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## ILULA MAP SHOWING ACE LOCATION

