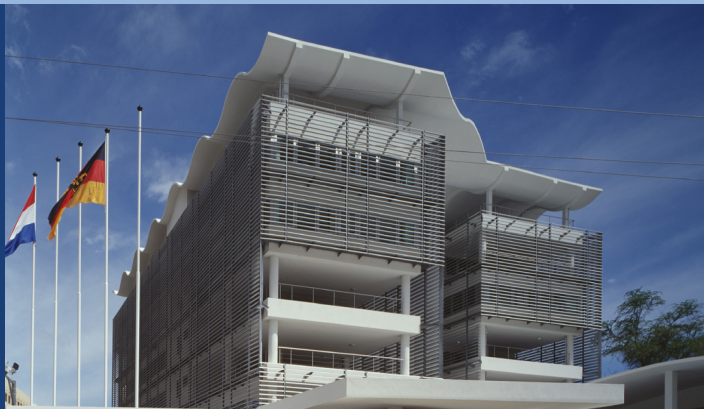


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It has been an eventful few months in Tanzania, with the elections just finished, business has not been as usual for many of us. However, we continue to hear many inspiring stories from the sector, from Tanzanians who travel to the Netherlands to study, to projects making strides in their respective fields. 2020 was a challenging year, we're all figuring out the new way to make the world move forward. However a new year is on the way and the possibilities are endless. Wishing you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2021!

Kind regards, the Agricultural Counsellor, Ms. Ingrid Korving

News



H.E. Dr. John Pombe Joseph Magufuli
President of the United Republic of Tanzania

Tanzania's president wins a second term

On 28th October 2020, general elections were held in the mainland Tanzania and in Zanzibar. This prepared for the election of the President, members of the National Assembly and

local government leaders (councilors). The elections resulted in a landslide victory for the ruling party Chama cha Mapinduzi (CCM). H.E Dr. John Pombe Magufuli won the Presidential election. He was sworn in on 5th November 2020 in Dodoma and with that he officially started his second term of five years from 2020-2025 as the President of the United Republic of Tanzania.

In his first speech, during the inauguration of the 12th parliament, he outlined priority areas for the coming five years. Among others, agriculture continues to be one of the priority sectors. Highlighting the key value chains, emphasis will be given to promoting agribusinesses, access to affordable agriculture loans and insurance, reduction of post-harvest losses, increase production of food crops and value addition.



An Interview with Ingrid Korving

"The agricultural value chains are better organized now than they were five years ago, but strides can still be made. The post-harvest losses are still big. Dutch companies can assist in coordinating a joint approach.

Climate change also opens windows of opportunities. Now, it negatively affects food production. The weather is unpredictable. It is no longer certain when the rain seasons start, sometimes it is too dry other times too wet. This leads to new pests and diseases in crops. Furthermore, we see a lot of salinization. There is an urgent need for more drought resistant and salt tolerant seeds and efficient irrigation technologies. The Netherlands is leading in these fields and can share their solutions and knowledge."

You can read the full interview [here](#).



Latest Publications

Making knowledge work: Learning about Aquaculture and Marine Resource Management in the Netherlands

The Netherlands welcomes international students from across the globe. In 2020, a 27 students received a full-scholarship through the Orange Knowledge Programme. Jonas Festo Nyandwi, from Tanzania, is one of eight students from Tanzania who received a full-scholarship to study in the Netherlands. With the knowledge gained during the course in Aquaculture and Marine Resource Management he will work on sustainable development of the fisheries and aquaculture sectors in Tanzania.

Read the full article [here](#).



Strengthening skills to boost the Tanzanian horticulture sector

Horticulture exports have increased steeply and the Tanzania Horticulture Association (TAHA) expects this to grow further to reach a value of US\$ 1.85 billion by next year (2021). It is crucial for the horticulture Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges to educate a practical, entrepreneurial workforce that has what it takes to find work in the ever-modernizing industry. One OKP project aims at exactly that, narrowing the gap between TVET colleges and the horticulture industry by sharing knowledge of its project partners

Read more on the project in the full article [here](#).

The second successful digital Training of Trainers session for potato inspectors

What is needed to set up a local workshop? This was one of the themes of the digital training given to 20 participants from Plant Health Services (PHS) and Tropical Pesticide Research Institute (TPRI). During the interactive workshop, participants learnt how to deal with different target groups. This session is part of a larger series with the goal of turning the participants into trainers themselves to increase their outreach.



Increasing the use of solar powered pumps for Irrigation in Tanzania

Tanzania's smallholder farmers are more frequently practising irrigation as a means of increasing agricultural productivity. At the moment, the main source of power used for irrigation is the petroleum generator, which has negative impacts on both on the financial means of the farmer and the environment. To promote the uptake of the solar powered pump the Solar Water Pumping Policy Dialogue Project was started in Tanzania, with the help of financing from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from the Netherlands.

Read more on the project in the full article [here](#).

Short Newsflashes



Key findings and lessons from Dutch publicly funded horticulture initiatives in low- and middle-income countries

Valuable Vegetables Synthesis Paper

Indira Moreno-Echeverri, Johann Bonnard, Salome Boyd and Edwin van der Maden



Synthesis Paper on valuable vegetables

€210 million of public investment has been used since 2009 to fund 160 horticulture projects in 47 countries! The Synthesis paper gives insight in the most important lessons from these initiatives. For example, the creation of partnerships – particularly between farmers and service/ input providers – and information flow between various actors within the value chain fostered adoption of technologies and created better trust among actors. *Read more [here](#).*

Investment in Tanzanian Dairy sector

Tanga Fresh, a dairy processor in Tanzania has acquired additional investment from Dutch family-backed impact investor DOB Equity, to expand its production in the long-life milk market. DOB Equity's investment will also allow the dairy processor to expand its overall production capacity, providing access to a fair and reliable market for dairy farmers in the Tanga region. *Read more [here](#).*



Poultry training demofarm develops

The Kukua na Kuku (Growing with Chicken) impact cluster training farm that is located in Kilacha, Moshi, Tanzania has taken strides in development. Training equipment as well as branding of the building is now in place. The Poultry Impact cluster in Tanzania is a collaboration between Tanzania and the Netherlands to transform Tanzania's poultry sector using Dutch technologies. *See more on the cluster [here](#).*

[NL] Prinsjesdag

Tijdens Prinsjesdag stonden er een aantal thema's op de agenda die interessant zijn voor internationale bedrijven: dienstverlening aan Nederlanders in het Buitenland; duurzame ontwikkeling en wereldwijde gezondheidszorg; verder herstel van de handelspositie; en een sterk Europa.

Wilt u meer weten over de belangrijkste plannen voor 2021 zie [dit artikel](#).



Supporting farmers through fitting solutions

One Acre Fund Tanzania program supports farmers growing maize, potato, sunflowers, beans and tomatoes through solutions that fit the local context. For example, Esta Kanyombwe, a 30-year-old smallholder farmer from Mbeya has made several changes to her household since joining One Acre Fund. She has since increased her acreage and has invested the income obtained from her surplus into her tailoring business. *You can find more info on their activities [here](#).*

Events & Developments



Information on COVID-19 in the Netherlands

The Central Bureau for Statistics in the Netherlands expects that the Dutch economy will shrink with 8.5% in the second quarter of 2020. See more [here](#).

For more information on COVID-19 in the Netherlands, visit [this website](#).



Financial instruments

- ◆ **A Kickstart voucher** is available for internationally active companies in the Netherlands. With this voucher an external advisor can be hired - See more [here](#).
- ◆ **DHI** - You can apply for the subsidy scheme for demonstration projects, feasibility studies and Investment preparation projects (DHI). More info can be found by clicking [here](#).
- ◆ **The Dutch Good Growth Fund (DGGF)** offers loans, guarantees and export financing. The fund can help you take the first step towards trading and investing in developing countries and emerging markets abroad - [link](#)
- ◆ **Partnering for Green Growth (P4G)** helps create public-private partnerships. P4G aims to advance breakthrough solutions. P4G is for SMEs, bigger companies, NGOs, knowledge institutions (except universities), local government and government institutions in the Netherlands and abroad - [Link](#)
- ◆ **Seed Money Projects** is now open for Dutch companies who want to increase their international activities and strengthen their networks (deadline 18 Dec) - [Link](#)

Information on COVID-19 in Tanzania

For all information about COVID-19 in Tanzania please use the official [website](#) of the Government of Tanzania.

The Embassy of the Netherlands in Tanzania has carefully compiled a bi-annual economic update selecting public information using the sources from Tanzanian and Dutch government authorities. This update serves to enable Dutch businesses with general information and multiple web links to make better-informed decisions. You can find the update created by the Netherlands Embassy [here](#).



Upcoming Events

On 16 Nov 2020 the Netherlands Embassy together with HDIF, UNDP and other partners co-launched the Tanzanian COVID-19 recovery and resilience innovation challenge. Selected startups will be assisted to develop strategies for shock absorption in the case of unforeseen events in the future, the challenge will take place from Nov 2020 to Apr 2021.

Interested or want to join? See [this link](#).

For other upcoming events check our [twitter](#) and our [Agenda](#).



Wishing you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2021!

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