



# ADDING VALUE TO COFFEE PULP TO IMPROVE SMALLHOLDER'S LIVELIHOOD IN UGANDA





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## CONTEXT

Coffee is the 2nd highest export commodity of Uganda grown by an estimate 1.7 million smallholder farmers from 108 districts. Producers are the most vulnerable members of the coffee value chain. It is estimated that almost half of all smallholder coffee producers live in poverty most of whom are in East Africa. Coffee producers tend to encounter food insecurity between harvests.

## **CURRENT STATUS OF THE BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION**

Agri Evolve was established in 2015, with the vision to have a significant impact on the development of agriculture business in East Africa for the benefit of farmers, their families, and their communities. Over the past 7 years, Agri Evolve has been working with a network of 20,000 smallholder coffee farmers in the Rwenzori region. Agri Evolve works closely with the full supply chain from supporting farmers with trainings, inputs, resources to buying and processing 3,000 MT export coffee per year.

#### **OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT**

The project aims to scale-up and formalise the process to utilise coffee pulp, removed during the processing of coffee, to create nutrient rich natural fertiliser which is accessible and affordable for smallholder farmers resulting in improved soil health and increased production for sustainable coffee farming.

The main expected results are:

- Produce 100MT organic fertiliser.
- Provide organic fertiliser and trainings to 1,500 smallholder farmers.
- Develop a shared value model which is providing incentives to all involved parties throughout the various stages.

## **IMPACT INVESTOR**



#### **BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION** Agri Evolve (SME) – Uganda

**TARGET** 1,500 farmers

#### **AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN** Coffee

#### STARTING DATE

September 2024

#### **DURATION**

12 months

#### **TOTAL TA BUDGET**

€ 71,848 Including € 49,623 (69%) contribution from SSNUP

