

Represent and support the youth in agricultural development with YPARD!



YPARD is the "Young Professionals for Agricultural Development". It has a mission to serve as a global collective platform through which young professionals (under 40) can realize their full potential and contribute proactively towards innovative agricultural development. YPARD is a movement of young professionals. It creates spaces for deliberation and interaction. At the heart of YPARD as a movement are its members, who are encouraged to become active in their area, spread the news about YPARD to other young professionals, encourage a stronger voice of youth in their own organizations and share their views and ideas with other young professionals in the network.

In order to realize its vision, YPARD has the following strategic objectives,

- Improving perception of agriculture among young professionals
- Facilitating young professionals' contribution into strategic debates in agricultural development
- Enabling young professionals to reach their full potential in agricultural development
- Building and maintaining YPARD as a sustainable platform

To meet its goals, YPARD works with young professionals on a regional, national or local level to undertake activities at a more geographically appropriate level. YPARD is looking for representatives to contribute actively to a growing YPARD and help YPARD achieve its ambitious goals.

Become a YPARD country-level representative!

Are you a Young Professional (less than 40)?

Are you active in Agricultural Development?

Do you want to make a difference and represent YPs from your region?

Are you ready to commit time and effort to the YPARD movement?

The position of YPARD representative is a post that is intended to reflect the commitment and activities of a representative in their country of residence.



Before the YPARD representative is selected, they are expected to have demonstrated commitment to YPARD by being an active member. An active member may have already organised an event, engaged in some of these activities and/or organised or participated in online events.

Role and activities of a YPARD representative.

The responsibilities of this post include:

- 1. To represent and be an ambassador for YPARD in the country or region;
- 2. To make connections with relevant youth and agricultural development organizations in your country or region:
- 3. Publicise YPARD in your country or region and encourage more YPs to sign up;
- 4. To provide updates on activities related to youth and agricultural development in your region and communicate these activities to the regional coordinating units (RCUs).
- 5. Engage in fundraising for YPARD country offices at national, regional or international levels;
- 6. Actively work on the local plan and management of activities by forming a local working group which consists of active YPs;
- 7. Communicate regularly with the YPARD Regional Office and YPARD Global Office.
- 8. Motivate YPs in your country or region to get involved;
- 9. Implement activities to address the declining interest in agriculture among young people;
- 10. Work to make the voice of the youth heard within your own institution;
- 11. Strive to bring youth issues to the fore in broader strategic and political discussions.

This is a great opportunity to become part of the YPARD team and work towards greater contribution of youth a more dynamic ARD.

- 1. All activities on Behalf of YPARD should respect its values, missions and objectives.
- 2. Regional approval must be obtained before launching any activity on behalf of YPARD
- 3. This is purely voluntary assignment- No Salary will be paid. However, candidates may have the chance to attend YPARD sponsored overseas meetings.
- 4. To maintain continuity and sustainability, it is suggested that candidate should stay with the organisation for a minimum three years.
- 5. Representatives are required to be under 40 years of age.

 Once a representative reaches the age of 40, they are tasked with suggesting a suitable replacement and can continue to support YPARD in their region as an experienced professional.
- 6. YPARD reserves the right to remove this title from any representative, if conditions warrant such an activity.



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