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### Date of birth

07-20-1984

### Nationality

Tanzanian

### Link

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## Skills

Detail Oriented  
Fast Learner  
Team Player  
Self Motivated

## Languages

English and Swahili  
Advanced

# Robert Christopher

## Investment Manager

Agribusiness Finance Specialist (MBA, BA and ECAF) with over 10 years of practical experience in the industry. Through working in the agribusiness banking and impact investment space, Robert had developed solid skills and expertise in many aspects including agricultural value chain financing, ESG impact assessment, investment assessment (on site due-diligence), small and medium enterprise development as well delivering private sector development consulting services among others.

## Professional Experience

Arusha, Tanzania

August 2013 - Present

### Investment Manager

#### SME Impact Fund Tanzania

An Impact Investment Fund originating from the Netherlands, that provides finance and technical assistance to food and agribusiness SMEs in Tanzania. I am reporting directly to the CEO of the fund, for the major role of building and managing overall performance of the investment portfolio.

Arusha, Tanzania

January 2015 - Present

### Senior Consultant

#### Match Maker Associates

A business consultancy firm that empowers emerging businesses in Africa to grow and to create impact, by delivering professional consultancy services. I am reporting directly, to Principal consultant on several professional consultancies assignments conducted, mostly around value chain assessments, on site due diligence visits, financial sector mapping and strategic business planning for private enterprises and investments.

Dar es salaam, Tanzania

July 2012 - July 2013

### Program Coordinator, Agribusiness

#### NMB Bank Plc

A fully-fledged retail and commercial bank in Tanzania. I reported directly to Head of Agribusiness department, for the major role of coordinating, managing growth and performance of the Emerging Farmers Program.

Dar es salaam, Tanzania

September 2011 - June 2012

### Relationship Officer, Agribusiness

#### NMB Bank Plc

I reported directly to Manager of Agribusiness Department, for the major role of providing full support to different bank's branches. Through reviewing loan applications, assisting in performing credit assessment and monitoring of the performance of the agricultural loan portfolio.

Dar es salaam, Tanzania

September 2009 - August 2011

### Management Trainee

#### NMB Bank Plc

Commenced professional banking career as Management Trainee. A special two year's program that was designed to build capacity and develop competent young managers, to meet the demand of the competitive banking industry.

## Formal Education

Dar es salaam, Tanzania  
2010 - 2012

■ **Masters of Business Administration (Corporate Management)**  
**Mzumbe University**

Dar es salaam, Tanzania  
2005 - 2008

■ **Bachelor of Arts (Public Relations and Advertising)**  
**University of Dar es salaam**

Nairobi, Kenya  
2012 - 2013

■ **Executive Certificate (Agricultural Finance)**  
**Kenya School of Monetary Studies**

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## Consultancy Assignments

2021 : Third-party on-site due diligence assignment in Tanzania. Commissioned by Alterfin C.V.

2020 : Third-party on-site due diligence assignment in Tanzania. Commissioned by Common Fund for Commodities (CFC).

2020 : Design of a Small Business Growth Pilot Program in Arusha, Tanzania. Commissioned by Social Capital Foundation (SCF).

2018 : Market scoping study and facility structuring for the establishment of the Facility for Agriculture Finance in Southern Africa. Commissioned by Rebel Group for African Development Bank (AFDB).

2016 : Market analysis and options for a PPP irrigation financing facilities in Tanzania. Commissioned by 2030 Water Resources Group (WRG) and Financial Sector Deepening trust Fund (FSDT).

2015 : Assessment of the local supply and demand for financial services targeted at SMEs, Selection and due diligence of partner lending institutions in two identified clusters in the Southern Agriculture Growth Corridor of Tanzania. Commissioned by International Union for Conservation of Nature.

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## Other Certifications

2014 : Certificate of SME Credit Processing Course by Africa Management Services

2013 : Certificate of Weather Index Insurance course by Micro Ensure Tanzania

2012 : Certificate of Agricultural Financing Course by Rabo Foundation

2011 : Certificate of Management Trainee Program by NMB Bank Plc

2010 : Certificate of Micro Loans Operation Course by Fine Line Specialists

2010 : Certificate of Foundation Courses in Banking by NMB Bank Plc

2008 : Certificate of Company Ambassador Course by Radar Training Centre

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## Honors & Awards

2015 : Won the Tanzania Annual Young Professionals Awards. An annual event for recognizing young professionals across all industries in both the public and private sectors, who are high performing and strive to make a difference in their respective fields and communities at large.

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