

# Farmer-to-Farmer (F2F) Program

IN EASTERN EUROPE, CAUCASUS, & CENTRAL ASIA

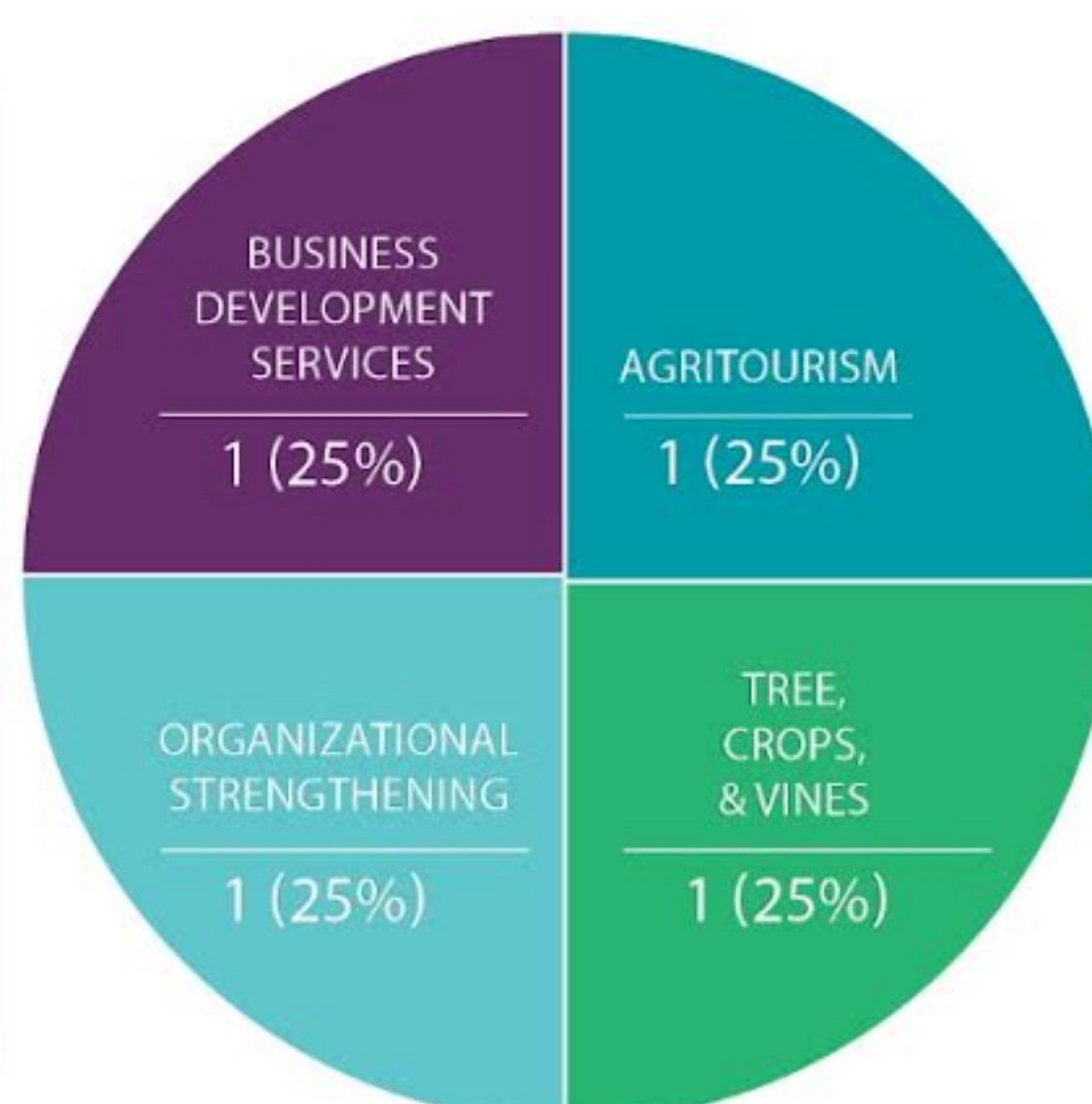
## Monthly Highlights

JUNE 2022

### MONTHLY ASSIGNMENTS BY COUNTRY



### MONTHLY ASSIGNMENTS BY TYPE



### LOP TOTALS



## ASSIGNMENT SPOTLIGHT

### Georgia Training in Agricultural Microbiology

(5/13 – 6/3/2022, Business Development Services)

**Host:** Association for Agricultural Development

**Activities:** Trainings on food safety, the impact of climate change in food security and transboundary infectious diseases. Workshops in testing procedures, including the development of an Antibiotic Stewardship program to ensure proper operation and maintenance of microbiology laboratories

**U.S. Volunteer:** Aliyar Fouladkhah

**Ph.D. Food Microbiology,** Colorado State University

**12+ years** experience in Food Safety Modernization, Product Development and Quality Control, and Public Health Microbiology



U.S. Volunteer Aliyar Fouladkhah (middle) in a workshop with training participants



U.S. Volunteer Andreea Botezatu (middle) talking with participant

### Georgia Winemaking Technology

(6/1 – 6/12/2022, Tree Crops & Vines)

**Host:** Rati Shavgulidze

**Activities:** Visits to vineyards and winery locations to evaluate wines produced. Recommendations on thinning harvests to improve quality of grapes, use of commercial yeast depending on the variety and style of wines produced, and use of equipment like pH meter, Vinematrix analyzer (for TA, SO<sub>2</sub> and pH analyses) and ebulliometer (alcohol analyses)

**U.S. Volunteer:** Andreea Botezatu

**Ph.D. Oenology,** Brock University

**20+ years** of experience in winemaking and as an Assistant Professor and Extension Enology Specialist

### Kyrgyzstan Tourism Marketing to American Tour Operators

(6/11 – 6/26/2022, Agritourism)

**Host:** NoviNomad Travel Company

**Activities:** Visits to destination hosts. Action plan to promote Kyrgyzstan tourism to American, Canadian, and Australian tour operators with a focus on Geotourism which promotes geological attractions and activities like hiking, trekking, cycling, climbing. To support promotion and stimulate interest and demand Mr. Harrill recommended the creation of high-quality short videos for social media

**U.S. Volunteer:** Rich Harrill

**Ph.D. Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management,** Clemson University

**20+ years** of experience specializing in tourism planning and development, destination management and marketing, and economic development



U.S. Volunteer Rich Harrill (second to the left) with training participants