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Gain legal experience in Tanzania and support animal welfare advocacy.

ARUSHA, TANZANIA



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## **A PROGRAM WITH A PURPOSE**

Voices for Animal Welfare (VFAW), in partnership with **Aymak Attorneys**, offers a unique internship and volunteer program in Arusha, Tanzania. This program combines **legal training**, hands-on experience, and advocacy for **animal welfare**, providing participants with the opportunity to make a meaningful impact by improving **Tanzanian animal law** while exploring the country's rich culture and biodiversity.

Immerse yourself in a vibrant and welcoming culture, yet one facing challenges in animal welfare. Spend your mornings working in a Tanzanian law firm to explore the country's legal practices—focusing on general cases, including wildlife law—and your afternoons participating in specialized animal law workshops to analyze and discuss legal frameworks with experts.



#### Who can apply?

- Law students, legal professionals, and students in humanities or political science.
- Must be 18+ years old and fluent in English.
- Rabies vaccination and a laptop are required.

## WHY CHOOSE THIS PROGRAM?

This program is ideal for law students, recent graduates, and legal professionals passionate about animal welfare, advocacy, and international law. We are looking for adaptable, motivated individuals ready to make a real difference for animals and communities. At Voices for Animal Welfare, we believe the law is a powerful tool for change. That's why we've created a unique program that combines an internship with Aymak Attorneys, a **Tanzanian law** firm specialized also in **Wildlife Law**, providing participants with a foundation in Tanzanian law – followed by specialized workshops led by Vanessa, VfAW's founder, president, and a jurist specialized in animal law. These workshops will focus on **animal law**, advocacy strategies, and developing proposals to strengthen animal protection laws in Tanzania. More than just a program, this is a chance to become a VfAW **Ambassador**, bringing your experience, knowledge, and passion back to your home country to raise awareness and inspire change.

## **YOUR ROLE**



- Assist lawyers with legal research, drafting documents, and preparing cases.
- Attend **hearings**, client **meetings**, and case discussions.
- Focus on **wildlife cases** while supporting other legal matters based on the law firm's agenda.
- Participate in afternoon **animal law workshops** with experts.
- Contribute to **outreach programs** promoting animal welfare and legal reforms.
- Spread **awareness** and work directly with local communities to advance animal welfare laws.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Gain expertise in Tanzanian law and animal welfare advocacy.
- Develop legal research, case management, and advocacy skills.
- Learn from experienced legal professionals and deepen insights into international law practices.
- Enhance cultural adaptability and cross-cultural communication skills.
- Prepare for careers in animal law.

## **VOLUNTEER COMPONENT**

In addition, participants are also **volunteers supporting the community**.

Activities may include:

- Organizing animals vaccination campaigns.
- Promoting **awareness** about animal welfare through education and advocacy.
- Assisting with **shelter** construction and supporting rescued animals.



## INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AND CROSS-PROGRAMS

This program is conducted alongside other VFAW programs, including:

- Animal Photography Internship
- Veterinary Internship with a Veterinary School
- Teaching Animal Welfare in a Primary School Program

**Collaboration Days:** Four times per month, volunteers from all programs come together for joint activities, fostering teamwork, and providing a broader understanding of animal welfare initiatives.



## WHY CHOOSE TANZANIA?

Tanzania is renowned for its breathtaking landscapes, rich biodiversity, and iconic wildlife, including elephants, lions, and rhinos. It offers a **unique setting to combine legal training with animal welfare advocacy.** 

While Tanzania's natural beauty captivates visitors, it also highlights **the urgent need for stronger animal protection laws and sustainable reforms**. Cultural practices, economic challenges, and limited resources often affect animal welfare, making it a prime location for impactful programs aimed at promoting legal advocacy and education.

Choosing Tanzania means not only contributing to meaningful change but also immersing yourself in a **vibrant culture**, exploring world-famous sites like Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Crater, and experiencing safaris that bring you closer to the animals you aim to protect.

By joining this program, you'll be part of efforts to strengthen animal welfare laws, raise awareness, and create sustainable solutions, all while gaining invaluable legal experience and exploring one of **Africa's most inspiring destinations.** 

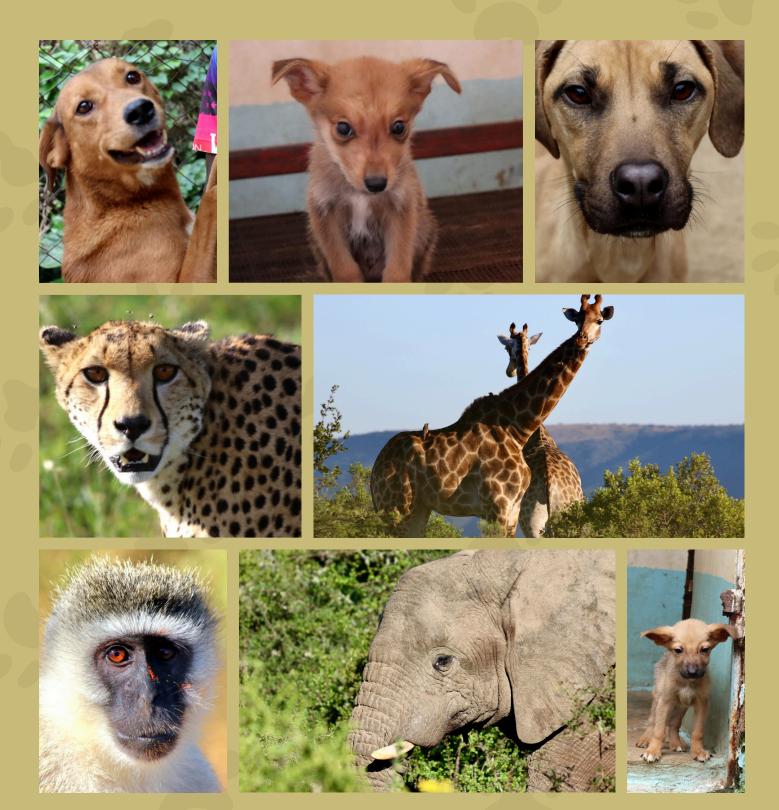


**Arusha** is a vibrant city located in northern Tanzania, nestled at the foot of Mount Meru. Known as the safari capital of Tanzania, Arusha serves as the starting point for exploring some of Africa's most iconic wildlife destinations, including Serengeti National Park, Ngorongoro Crater, and Mount Kilimanjaro.

## **OUR GALLERY**



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## **TYPICAL DAY**



Morning Legal Internship (9:00 AM - 2:00 PM)	<ul> <li>Start your day at a Tanzanian law firm, working alongside experienced lawyers.</li> <li>Assist with legal research, drafting documents, and preparing case files.</li> <li>Attend client meetings, court hearings, and case discussions.</li> <li>Focus on general legal cases, including wildlife law.</li> <li>Observe and learn about Tanzania's legal system and courtroom procedures.</li> </ul>
Afternoon Animal Law Workshop (3:00 PM – 5:00 PM)	<ul> <li>Join interactive workshops led by animal law experts.</li> <li>Analyze case studies, review legal frameworks, and discuss solutions for improving animal welfare laws.</li> <li>Collaborate with fellow interns to brainstorm ideas and create advocacy strategies.</li> <li>Develop presentations and educational materials to raise awareness about animal rights.</li> </ul>
Evening Relax and Explore (Free Time)	<ul> <li>Unwind at your accommodation, which features a bar and swimming pool.</li> <li>Enjoy dinner with fellow interns and share insights from the day.</li> <li>Take part in optional cultural activities, group outings, or simply relax.</li> </ul>
Weekends Time Off and Excursions	<ul> <li>Weekends are generally off, allowing you time to rest, explore the area, or participate in additional activities.</li> <li>Safari trips, such as the 3-day Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater experience, may be scheduled on weekends (please note that Safari is only available in the full package option).</li> <li>Additional trips and excursions can be organized upon request, offering you more opportunities to discover Tanzania's beauty and culture.</li> </ul>



## **YOUR ACCOMMODATION**

Participants will stay at **Arusha Lodge & Safari** (formerly known as Vijiji Center Lodge and Safari), a comfortable and welcoming lodge located in Arusha, Tanzania. Some of our activities, such as afternoon workshops, will also take place at the lodge.

#### About the Lodge:

The Arusha Lodge & Safari Center offers a relaxing environment surrounded by nature, providing a perfect base for both exploration and relaxation. It combines modern amenities with a traditional African atmosphere, giving participants a unique cultural experience.

#### **Shared Accommodation:**

Participants will stay in **triple rooms** with shared facilities, designed for a cozy and social experience.

#### **Room Features:**

- Comfortable Beds with mosquito nets.
- Private Bathrooms with showers and hot water.
- Free Wi-Fi access in common areas.
- Daily Housekeeping services.

#### **Facilities and Amenities:**

- Swimming Pool to relax and cool off after activities.
- Restaurant and Bar offering delicious meals, including local and international cuisine.
- Lounge and Garden Areas for socializing and unwinding.
- Safe and Secure Premises with 24/7 staff assistance.

#### **Location Highlights:**

- Conveniently located near Arusha town, allowing easy access to local markets, shops, and attractions.
- Ideal starting point for safari tours and other excursions.
- Peaceful surroundings, perfect for relaxing after busy days of activities and excursions.



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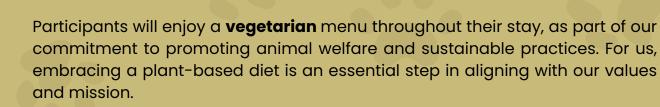








## MEALS



#### **Meals Provided:**

#### 1. Breakfast:

- Fresh fruits (e.g., bananas, papayas, and mangos).
- Porridge, bread, and spreads (e.g., peanut butter, jam).
- Tea, coffee, and juice.

#### 2. Lunch (Snack):

• A light snack will be provided to keep participants energized throughout the day.

#### 3. Dinner:

- Balanced vegetarian meals made with locally sourced and seasonal ingredients.
- Main dishes include rice, pasta, or potatoes served with vegetables, legumes, and beans.
- Occasional specialties such as vegetarian curries, stews, and soups.

#### **Dietary Requirements:**

• Special Diets: Vegan, gluten-free, or other dietary preferences can be accommodated with prior notice.

#### **Drinks:**

- Unlimited access to water, tea, and coffee during meals.
- Fresh juices available with breakfast.
- Additional drinks (e.g., sodas or alcoholic beverages) can be purchased at the lodge.







## **ABOUT US**



Voices for Animal Welfare (VFAW) is an international non-governmental organization dedicated to advocating for the rights and well-being of animals. Founded by Vanessa Vichi, VFAW was born out of a deep commitment to bridging the gap between continents, cultures, and communities to create a world where animals are treated with respect, empathy, and compassion.

#### **Our Mission**

At VFAW, our mission is to ensure the welfare and protection of animals, regardless of their species or location. We aim to inspire a global shift in how animals are perceived and treated, fostering a culture of empathy and responsibility. By focusing on international collaboration, we work to connect individuals, organizations, and communities from Europe and Africa, creating opportunities to share knowledge, resources, and experiences that drive meaningful change.

#### **Our Vision**

We envision a future where all animals live free from suffering, cruelty, and neglect. A world where humans coexist with animals harmoniously, acknowledging their intrinsic value and the critical role they play in the ecosystem. VFAW is committed to building stronger ties between Europe and Africa, recognizing the unique challenges and opportunities in each region, and working collectively to address them.

#### Why VFAW?

VFAW stands out as a unique organization because it not only focuses on animal welfare but also emphasizes creating human connections between Europe and Africa. By fostering collaboration across cultures and continents, we aim to create a united approach to tackling animal welfare issues. We believe that by working together, we can learn from each other's strengths, address challenges more effectively, and ultimately make the world a kinder place for animals and humans alike.

Click <u>here</u>to meet our Team.



#### **Your coordinator**

Vanessa is the coordinator of the Law Program at Voices for Animal Welfare (VfAW). A jurist specialized in Animal Law, she holds a Master's degree from the University of Paris Cité and is currently pursuing a PhD at the University of Vienna. She brings both academic expertise and practical experience, having worked on animal abuse cases in France and in different organizations as a volunteer in France and Africa. Vanessa will lead the workshops, guiding participants in developing legal strategies to strengthen animal protection laws in Tanzania and beyond.

## **ABOUT OUR PARTNER**

**Aymak Attorneys** is a respected and forward-thinking law firm based in Tanzania, known for its broad legal expertise and commitment to delivering high-quality legal services. With a team of dedicated legal professionals, the firm handles a wide array of cases, providing comprehensive legal support in areas such as corporate law, commercial law, environmental law, and dispute resolution.

What truly sets Aymak Attorneys apart is its specialization in **Wildlife** and Environmental Law. As Tanzania's rich biodiversity faces growing threats from poaching, habitat destruction, and illegal wildlife trade, Aymak Attorneys has emerged as a key player in the fight to protect the country's natural heritage. The firm works closely with government agencies, conservation organizations, and international partners to develop legal strategies that safeguard wildlife and uphold environmental justice.

In addition to litigation and legal advisory services, Aymak Attorneys is also deeply invested in legal education and capacity building. Through internships, legal training programs, and workshops, the firm nurtures the next generation of legal professionals, equipping them with the skills and knowledge needed to address complex legal challenges in both human rights and animal welfare contexts.

Partnering with Voices for Animal Welfare (VfAW), Aymak Attorneys hosts international interns who gain hands-on experience in Tanzanian law, while actively contributing to wildlife protection and environmental justice cases. This partnership reflects the firm's commitment to combining legal excellence with ethical responsibility, fostering a legal system that protects both people and animals.

With its blend of legal expertise, ethical commitment, and dedication to environmental and animal welfare causes, Aymak Attorneys stands as a model of socially responsible legal practice – demonstrating how the law can be a powerful tool for positive change.

Website: <u>https://aymak.co.tz/</u>



## **PROGRAMS FEES**

### START DATES (MINIMUM STAY 1 MONTH)

1st of June | 1st of July | 1st of August | 1st of September

You can choose between the full package or the half package.

#### FULL PACKAGE

FEES: 84 Euros per Day | 625 per Week | 2500 Euros per month

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#### What's Included in Your Fees

- Accommodation: Shared triple rooms in a secure, comfortable lodge with a bar and swimming pool.
- Meals: Breakfast, dinner, and a snack for lunch.
- **Safari Experience:** 3-day safari in Serengeti and Ngorongoro, including camping and meals.
- Airport Transfers: Pick-up and drop-off at Kilimanjaro or Arusha airports.
- Minor Excursions: Additional trips in and around Arusha to explore the area.
- Daily transportation in a Bajaji (except during week-ends): to and from the internship location and our lodge.
- **NGO Fees**: Contributions to support ongoing animal welfare programs, local staff, and operational expenses.

Payment methods: PayPal or Bank Transfer. Payment in 3 installments is possible\*.

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of 700 EUR is required to secure your spot in the program. This deposit covers administrative and preparatory costs and cannot be refunded under any circumstances. However, if you have **travel insurance** (mandatory for this program), you may be able to claim this amount back from your insurance provider in case of unforeseen issues.

\*The first installment is a non-refundable deposit of 700 EUR.

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#### HALF PACKAGE

#### FEES: 38 Euros per day| 295 Euros per week | 1178 Euros per month



#### What's Included:

- Accommodation: Shared triple rooms with a bar and swimming pool.
- Meals: Breakfast, dinner, and a snack for lunch.
- Daily transportation in a Bajaji (except during week-ends): to and from the internship location and our lodge.
- Airport Transfers: Pick-up at Kilimanjaro or Arusha airports.
- **NGO Fees:** Contributions to support ongoing animal welfare programs, local staff, and operational expenses.

**Payment methods:** PayPal or Bank Transfer. Payment in 3 installments is possible\*.

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of 330 EUR is required to secure your spot in the program. This deposit covers administrative and preparatory costs and cannot be refunded under any circumstances. However, if you have **travel insurance** (mandatory for this program), you may be able to claim this amount back from your insurance provider in case of unforeseen issues.

\*The first installment is a non-refundable deposit of 330 EUR.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Fill out the **form** on our website <u>here</u> (click on *"Apply here"*). Our team will review it as soon as possible and contact you for a chat!

If you're unsure about anything, feel free to contact us or book a call with us <u>here</u>!

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Read our Terms and Conditions here and our Refund Policy here.

Once your application is approved, you will receive a set of **guidelines** with useful tips about everything you will need to know before your departure.

Upon arrival, you will receive a **Welcome Packet** containing important information for your stay, along with a few surprises to thank you for joining our program.

#### **CONTACT US**

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