



OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT
CHIEF OF STAFF



THE NATIONAL BOARDROOM GOVERNANCE SUMMIT

— 2025 —

"We are all in this together for the common good"

THEME:

DARING TO BE DIFFERENT:
THE ROLE OF THE CHAIRPERSON
IN EFFECTIVE BOARDROOM GOVERNANCE



PROGRAMME LINEUP

Arrival of Guests
Breakfast and Networking
Arrival of Chief of Staff
MC Opening
Opening Prayer
Acknowledgement of Dignitaries
Opening Remarks
Interlude
KGL Remarks
Interlude
Keynote Address
Book Launch and Unveiling
Citation Presentation
Sponsors Videos
Panel Discussion 1
Open Forum (Q&As)
Sponsors Videos/Change over
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IoD Ghana Presentation
Summary of Discussions
Closing Remarks
Photography/Departure



ABOUT

THE NATIONAL BOARDROOM GOVERNANCE SUMMIT

The Boardroom Governance Summit is a premier event dedicated to fostering excellence in corporate governance, leadership, and accountability. Conceived and convened by Prof. Douglas Boateng in collaboration with The Chief Of Staff of Ghana, and Labadi Beach Hotel, the Summit brings together distinguished leaders, board members, and governance experts from various sectors to explore critical issues at the intersection of boardroom governance and sustainable development.

Following a successful maiden edition of the Boardroom Governance Summit, The Summit seeks to delve into the intricacies of governance, accountability and transparency. The goal of the summit seeks to equip board members and governance professionals with actionable insights for enhancing board effectiveness. Foster discussions around the evolving role of governance in sustainable value creation. Facilitate networking opportunities among governance leaders, academics, and policymakers



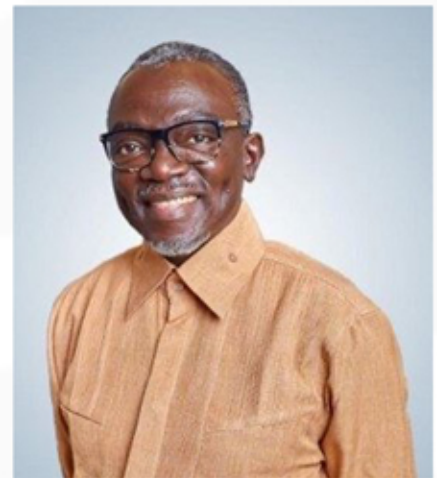
ABOUT

THE CONVENER

Professors Douglas Boateng (MSc, EngD, FCILT[1], FSOE, FIPlantE, FCIPS[2]FCMI[3], FIC[4], Finst.D[5] FIOM[6], FCIPS[7], FloD, CDir), is an international chartered director, industrialist, business strategist, industrial and operations engineer, adjunct academic, and a seasoned social entrepreneur. He holds a Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma in Company Direction, a master's in industrial and manufacturing Logistics Systems and a Doctorate in Engineering. He was Africa's first-ever appointed Professor Extraordinaire for supply chain management, governance, and Industrialisation. With extensive experience and expertise in corporate governance, Director development, strategy, supply chain management and procurement, value chain relationships and trade development, he has successfully held several multi-sectorial C-Suite and chairmanship positions in various industries and government sectors.

Prof. Boateng is the nonexecutive chairman of Ghana's Mineral Income and Investment Fund (MIIF). Under his supervisory leadership, the fund has grown from Assets under Management (AUM) \$180m to over \$1 BILLION* within 22 months. He is also the non-executive chairman of Labadi Beach Hotel, a state-owned 5-star hotel currently one of the most profitable and admired for service quality in the ECOWAS sub-region. Under his guidance, the hotel has continuously declared record dividends to the state. Prof Douglas Boateng has been inducted into various global institutional and organisational Walls of fame. Among them is the Institute of Directors Southern Africa (2008) for his worldwide contribution to logistics, supply chain governance and management. For various ground breaking awareness campaigns, leadership roles, mentorships, public speaking and thought provoking publications and books on supply chain management governance, strategic sourcing and its inextricable link to industrialisation and long term economic development, he has also been honoured with over six (6) independent lifetime achiever's awards from various global organisations including Hewlett Packard(2018)

He is the Founder of PanAvest International, the founding non-executive chairman of MY-future YOUR-Future and OUR-Future ("MYO") and the originator and wordsmith for the highly popular daily NyansaKasa ("words of wisdom"), which has over a million global daily readers and followers aiming to inspire themselves and others for mindset change in support of the UNSDGs and long-term inclusive development. Other notable roles include an adjunct industrialisation and supply chain governance professor at the University of Mines and Technology (UMAT).



**PROF. DOUGLAS
BOATENG**



ABOUT

THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Julius Debrah is a distinguished Ghanaian statesman and public servant, widely recognised for his impactful tenure as Chief of Staff to the President of the Republic of Ghana. With a unique background blending deep expertise in cultural heritage, a dynamic entrepreneurial spirit, and extensive experience in governance, Mr. Debrah has consistently brought innovative perspectives and pragmatic leadership to national development challenges. A consummate public servant and visionary, his career journey exemplifies a commitment to leveraging diverse skills for the betterment of the nation, particularly in fostering growth, institutional efficiency, and grassroots development.

Born on 24 April 1966 in Suhum, Eastern Region, Julius Debrah received his early education in Suhum before attending Mpraeso Secondary School and Achimota School for his O' and A' levels. Rather than proceeding immediately to university, he embarked on an entrepreneurial path after Achimota, a decision that profoundly shaped his practical skills and leadership style. Later, driven by a passion for cultural preservation and study, he pursued higher education at the University of Ghana, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Archaeology and Sociology (2005). He further deepened this expertise with a Master of Arts degree in Archaeology, specialising in Museums and Heritage Studies (2016-2018), and is currently undertaking a Doctor of Philosophy in the same field at the University of Ghana, reflecting his lifelong dedication to learning and cultural scholarship. His academic pursuits are underscored by his recognition as a proud fellow of the prestigious Mellon Foundation.

Mr. Debrah's professional journey began in the early 1990s in the tourism sector. Trained under a Ministry of Tourism/UNDP initiative, he quickly established himself as a pioneering certified tour operator. He founded Ronnel Express, one of Ghana's first major tour companies, leading expeditions across West Africa and gaining recognition as one of the subregion's most respected tour guides.

His innovative approach extended to promoting Ghana's tourism internationally. He launched the African Choral Festival and Regional Competitions, drawing large choirs from the US and other countries for unique mass tours, significantly boosting cultural tourism. His efforts saw him champion African tourism at major global platforms like the International Travel Exchange in Berlin and the World Travel Market in London.



JULIUS DEBRAH

CHIEF OF STAFF, REPUBLIC OF GHANA



Parallel to his tourism ventures, Mr. Debrah demonstrated a strong entrepreneurial spirit. He became a founding partner and director of the Royal Derby Group of Companies (1993–present) and successfully built businesses across various sectors, including hospitality, microfinance, vehicle inspection, real estate, media, and manufacturing (bottled water). This broad private sector experience equipped him with invaluable insights into operational efficiency and strategic growth.

Mr. Debrah transitioned into public service in 2009, bringing his private sector vigour and tourism expertise to government. President John Evans Atta Mills, of blessed memory, appointed him Chief Executive Officer of the Ghana Tourist Board. In this role, he spearheaded a significant institutional transformation, rebranding the board into the Ghana Tourism Authority (GTA) under the new Tourism Act (Act 817). He championed the establishment of the Tourism Development Fund and significantly expanded the popular Kwahu Paragliding Festival into the broader Kwahu Easter Festival, enhancing its economic and cultural impact. His effectiveness led to further appointments by President John Mahama. In 2013, he was appointed Eastern Regional Minister, and later as Greater Accra Regional Minister, before returning to the Eastern Region, becoming the only individual to hold both regional portfolios within a two-year period, demonstrating exceptional capacity and adaptability. In June 2014, he was elevated to national office as Minister for Local Government and Rural Development. Here, he implemented transformative initiatives, including the highly successful National Sanitation Day, a nationwide civic action embraced by traditional leaders across Ghana. He also oversaw the implementation of the street naming and property address system and piloted affordable housing schemes, directly impacting urban development and service delivery.

In February 2015, Mr. Debrah was appointed Chief of Staff, assuming the critical role as the topmost official in the Mahama Presidency. This demanding position placed him at the heart of government operations, responsible for managing the President's office, coordinating policy implementation, ensuring inter-agency collaboration, and driving the government's agenda. His tenure was characterised by a focus on enhancing institutional efficiency, streamlining processes within the Presidency, and ensuring effective delivery of government programmes. Drawing on his diverse background, he brought a pragmatic, results-oriented approach to the highest level of public administration.

Following his tenure as Chief of Staff, Mr. Debrah continued to play a significant advisory role, serving as a Senior Advisor to H.E. John Dramani Mahama during his period in opposition. He was instrumental in mobilising working groups that shaped the National Democratic Congress's (NDC) 2020 and 2024 manifestos. His enduring influence and organisational expertise were further evident in his role as co-chair of the Presidential Transition Teams in both 2016 and 2024. In 2025, President John Dramani Mahama, upon assuming office for his second term, re-appointed Julius Debrah as Chief of Staff. Julius Debrah is widely respected for his humility, deep cultural roots, and pragmatic leadership. His unique career trajectory – from heritage tourism and entrepreneurship to executive statecraft – symbolises a commitment to service that effectively bridges traditional values with modern governance. He is married and a devoted father of four.

His career stands as a testament to the power of diverse experience in shaping effective public leadership.



ABOUT

THE LABADI BEACH HOTEL

The Labadi Beach Hotel, Ghana's Premier 5-star Hotel is set amidst tropical landscaped gardens and in close proximity of 10 minute's drive to the Kotoka International Airport and 15 minutes drive to the Central Business District. The hotel is located adjacent to Ghana's most popular Pleasure Beach and boasts a well-maintained private beach with 24 hours security surveillance offering colorful cocktails and bites as you watch the sunset. Labadi Beach Hotel is set to meet the demands of both Leisure and Business travelers; offering a modern Spa with four treatment rooms in the serene ambiance of the beach gardens, a well-equipped gymnasium, an outdoor lap pool as well as a leisure pool, two flood-lit tennis courts and an outdoor running space within its expansive gardens filled with coconut trees.

With 164 well-appointed rooms and seven room types including 2 Presidential suites, room sizes ranging from 30m² to 126m² to choose from, be certain to be pampered, well-rested, and totally taken care of as you enjoy a combination of opulence and elegance in a classy en-suite bathroom with separate shower, toilet, and bathtub, a bidet, bathrobe and slippers, shaver point, hair dryer, direct dialing telephone services, complimentary fully stocked mini-bar, complimentary high-speed internet access: both WIFI and CAT6 Cabled, 40" flat screen LED TV with DSTV bouquet and of course complimentary tea and coffee making facility. Labadi Beach Hotel has the state of art conference facilities with a maximum seating capacity of 800 people theater style and serene garden space for your weddings, parties, and corporate events.

Foodies have the luxury of choosing any of our extended hours dining spaces – a la carte Cocktail Bar, the al Fresco Terrace bar overlooking the swimming pool, the Lagoon Bar on the preserved cultural and spiritual Lagoon of the La Traditional People, the beach bar overlooking the Atlantic ocean as well as the Akwaaba Buffet Restaurant.



SPEAKER PROFILES



CHIEF ALHASSAN ANDANI
CEO, LVS Africa Limited

Naa(Dr.) Alhassan Andani was born in Banvim, a village in the Northern Region of Ghana. After elementary school, he had his second cycle education at Ghana Secondary School (O'levels from 1973 to 1978) and Tamale Secondary School (A'Levels in 1979/1980). In 1980, he gained admission into the University of Ghana to Study Agriculture at the undergraduate level. After graduating, he joined the then Social Security Bank (SSB) in 1984 where he rose through the ranks to become the Regional Manager of the Development Finance Division of the Bank in charge of the then Upper Region of Ghana. In 1990, he gained admission into the Finafrica Institute in Milan, Italy where he was awarded a master's degree in Banking and Finance. Mr. Andani has had numerous Executive Level education, prominent among is the Oxford Strategic Leadership Programme at SAID Oxford Business School and holds an International Management Certificate from INSEAD, Fontainebleau, France

After a successful 8-year career, with SSB, Mr. Andani joined Standard Chartered Bank Ghana in 1993 and held Senior Management Positions in the Corporate Banking Division of Standard Bank in the Northern Cluster, based in Kumasi, and later as Regional Manager, Domestic Corporate for the Accra-Tema Business Cluster. He led the Bank's effort to create a Public Sector Portfolio which within a short space of three years became the largest Corporate Banking Portfolio of the bank, and in the process secured and led Standard Chartered Bank's first ever mandate to syndicate the Receivables Backed Pre-Export Facility for Ghana Cocoa Board in 1999. By the time he was leaving the bank in 1999, he had helped make Standard Chartered Bank the most profitable bank in the country. In April 2000, Barclays Bank Ghana made a swoop for him, and he joined the bank as the Executive Director, Corporate Banking, and was later elevated contemporaneously to the position of Deputy Managing Director of the Bank. Under his leadership, the Corporate Banking Division of Barclays Bank grew significantly, building a balanced portfolio of parastatal, multinational, domestic corporate, and SME portfolios that made Barclays Bank the leading Bank in Ghana by 2005. He secured and led three consecutive mandates for Barclays Bank to arrange the Internationally famous Receivable Backed Pre-Export Facility for the Ghana Cocoa Board. At this point, he had already created indelible footprints in the banking industry in Ghana, but the best was yet to come.

Standard Bank Group appointed him as the Managing Director of Stanbic Bank Ghana in 2006. Over the next 14 years, Mr. Alhassan Andani, through impeccable leadership, and good corporate governance, transformed Stanbic Bank Ghana into the top-tier Bank we see today. By the time he was retiring as the Chief Executive Officer in the year 2020, he had increased the number of branches from the 3 there were when he took over in 2006 to thirty-four branches with top notch innovative systems, making Stanbic Bank one of the most technologically advanced banks in Ghana, able to rival any other bank in Africa.



His passion for developing enterprises led him to establish LVSafrica Limited in March 2021 with aim of helping to build profitable and sustainable African Enterprises. Having served on Boards and Committees that span the entire socio economic gamut of the country, including Gold Fields, CSIR, Teacher's Fund, Ministry of Finance, etc, it is safe to say that he has vast experience and exposure to a myriad of sectors including banking, agriculture, governance, and human capital development among others. Naa Alhassan Andani, is above all dedicated to service, and is currently serving the people of the Dagbong Traditional Area as the Paramount Chief of Pishigu. An office he is determined to use as a medium for development and self-actualization for the people of Pishigu and Dagbong. In his spare time, he loves to read, meditate, and strategise.



ALEX APAU DADEY
Executive Chairman, KGL Group

Alex Apau Dadey is a prominent Ghanaian entrepreneur and philanthropist with over 30 years of experience across various industries, including fintech, logistics, agriculture, property development, and commerce, particularly in the United Kingdom and Ghana. He is the Executive Chairman of the KGL Group, a wholly owned Ghanaian conglomerate comprising seven subsidiaries operating in multiple sectors and jurisdictions. Under his leadership, the KGL Group has achieved significant milestones, including KGL Technology being honored as the "Technology Company of the Year" at the Ghana Club 100 Awards in 2023. In addition to his corporate endeavors, Dadey served as the Board Chairman of the Ghana Investment Promotion Centre (GIPC), a position he held since November 2021 to January 2025. He is also credited with initiating the Ghana Diaspora Homecoming Summit in 2017 and the Ghana Investment and Opportunities Summit UK in 2018, both now held biennially, to promote investment in Ghana. His contributions have been recognized with several awards,

including the Overall CEO of the Year (Private Sector) at the 8th Ghana CEO Summit and Excellence Awards in May 2024, marking his second consecutive win in this category. Dadey is an alumnus of Mfantsipim School in Cape Coast and holds a Bachelor of Science in Administration from the University of Ghana Business School, Legon. He began his career in the United Kingdom in 1986, progressing from Export Sales Supervisor to Export Sales Director at Gordon Richman Textiles Limited, overseeing key accounts across Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. As a philanthropist, Dadey established the KGL Foundation, which focuses on social intervention programs in sports, health, and education in Ghana. The foundation has been involved in sponsoring the Ghana National Soccer Team—the Black Stars—in their 2021/22 AFCON and World Cup campaigns, among other initiatives. The Group has also sponsored major events such as the Diaspora Investment Summit 2021, the GIPC Diaspora Investment Summit, Diaspora African Forum's Iconic Visit of Mother Viola Fetcher and Uncle Redd in Ghana and the Ghana Investment and Opportunities Summit 2020 in London. KGL Foundation also frequently collaborates with other charities in Ghana including the KoKroKoo Foundation, the Rebecca Foundation, Achievers Ghana Foundation and many others to pursue social interventions





STEPHANE MIEZAN
President, GNCC

Mr. Stéphane "Abbas" Miezan is a seasoned Ghanaian entrepreneur and visionary leader with over 25 years of experience spanning real estate development, oil and gas, tourism, administration, and media. He currently serves as the President of the Ghana National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GNCCI) and 1st Vice President of the Federation of West African Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FEWACCI). As CEO of KoffmanInvestments Limited, REDOIL Ltd, 1st Traidfx Ltd, and Everlove Medical Center, Mr. Miezan has led strategic growth initiatives and championed innovation across multiple sectors. He also serves on several boards, including the Ghana Ports and Harbours Authority (GPHA) and the West African Examinations Council (WAEC). His leadership reflects a strong commitment to business excellence, education, and social impact in Ghana and the West African sub-region

Professor Ernest Kofi Abotsi is the Dean of the UPSA Law School, Managing Partner of Axis Legal Solicitors, and an Associate Professor of law. Prior to his appointment, he was the Dean of the GIMPA Law School, also in Ghana. A public intellectual, Dean Abotsi is a member of the Ghanaian Bar, a lifetime member of the Governing Council of the Africa Bar Association, and a member of the Corporate & Commercial Committee of the Commonwealth Lawyers Association. Dean Abotsi holds a Bachelor of Laws Degree and Barrister-at-Law Certificate from the University of Ghana and the Ghana School of Law respectively, a Master of Laws Degree from the Harvard Law School, and a Doctorate in Law from the University of Milan, Italy. He is widely consulted by leading local and international bodies including the IMF and UNICEF, and has in this context led and been part of teams that have undertaken training, structural and system reforms in Ghana and other African countries. As an academic, Dean Abotsi has been a visiting scholar and guest lecturer in leading African, European and American universities including Oxford University, Fordham Law School, Indiana Law School and the University of Milan, Bicocca, Italy and has written extensively across the field of law including corporate and trade law.



PROF. ABOTSI
UPSA, School of Law

He serves on several corporate boards and advisory councils in Ghana and abroad, playing key roles in shaping corporate policy. He is the current chairman of the advisory board of the Chief Executives Network Ghana. Additionally, he is an honorary fellow of the Institute of Directors Ghana, and a member of both the Ghana Bar Association and Rotary International.





ANGELA LIST
CEO, Nguvu Mining Limited

Angela List is one of Africa's leading mining executives, with a strong track record in building and managing successful mining operations across West Africa. As the Chief Executive Officer of Nguvu Mining Limited, she has positioned her companies at the forefront of West Africa's gold industry while expanding into other regional markets. A results-driven leader, Angela has been instrumental in advancing sustainable mining practices, driving local content participation, and advocating for women's leadership in the extractives sector. Her experience spans project development, operations management, stakeholder engagement, and strategic partnerships.

Under her leadership, Adamus Resources Limited has become a top gold producer in Ghana, contributing greatly to the economy and local communities. Angela is recognized as a trailblazer in African mining for her technical expertise, entrepreneurship, and commitment to responsible resource management.

David Eduaful is a seasoned hospitality professional with over 30 years of experience and the first Ghanaian Managing Director of a five-star hotel in Ghana. As Director of Hotel Investments Ghana Ltd and Managing Director of Labadi Beach Hotel, he oversees the hotel's strategic direction and operations. He holds an Executive MBA from the University of Ghana Business School and a Marketing degree from Central University.

Throughout his career at Labadi Beach Hotel, David has held various leadership roles, gaining comprehensive experience across operations, sales, marketing, and guest relations. His international experience with Metropole Hotels UK, Lonrho Africa Hotels, and Legacy Hotels & Resorts in South Africa has enriched his global perspective and managerial skills.



DAVID EDUAFUL
Managing Director, Labadi Beach Hotel

Known for his strong leadership and commitment to excellence, he has been instrumental in maintaining Labadi Beach Hotel's reputation as Ghana's premier five-star hotel. He has also been recognized as the CIMG Marketing Man of the Year 2023 and has spoken at major tourism and hospitality conferences across Africa. Outside of work, David enjoys breeding large dogs, cooking, swimming, cycling, and playing tennis. He is also a proud alumnus of Accra Academy.





Otunba Adetunji Oyebanji is the President and Chairman of the Council of the Chartered Institute of Directors (CioD) Nigeria, leading the institute's strategic direction and governance. With over four decades of experience in the oil and gas industry, he rose through the ranks to become the Managing Director and CEO of 11 Plc (formerly Mobil Oil Nigeria Plc), where he manages the operations of one of Nigeria's largest oil and gas companies.

Mr. Otunba Adetunji Oyebanji holds a B.Sc. in Economics from the University of Lagos and an MBA from Bayes Business School, City, University of London. He has also completed executive programs at Lagos Business School and Thunderbird School of Global Management, along with a Diploma in Marketing from the Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK).

With over four decades in the oil and gas industry, he has played a key role in shaping Nigeria's downstream petroleum sector, notably serving as Chairman of the Major Energies Marketers Association of Nigeria (MEMAN) from 2019 to 2021. His leadership and advocacy have contributed significantly to the modernization and sustainability of the energy sector.

Recognized among Nigeria's top 25 CEOs by Business Day, he has received multiple honors, including a Lifetime Achievement Award, an Honorary Doctorate from the International University of Panama, and the PENGASSAN Merit Award. Mr. Oyebanji exemplifies visionary, transformative leadership and a lasting commitment to national economic development.

Adjoba is the Executive Director of the UK-Ghana Chamber of Commerce, recognized as the British Chambers of Commerce International Chamber of the Year 2024 and a leading voice for UK-Ghana trade relations. With over 20 years of senior management experience in the FMCG and media sectors, she has a strong background in legal and corporate affairs, stakeholder engagement, and compliance.

Before joining the Chamber, she spent 12 years in executive roles and private legal practice, developing expertise in corporate reputation management, sustainable development, HR, procurement, and corporate transactions. Adjoba also serves as a non-executive director for several organizations, including the European Chamber of Commerce, Ghana, and Ghana Tourism Development Ltd.



ADJOBA KYIAMAH
Executive Director, UKGCC





SANDRA EWURAMA THOMPSON
Board Secretary, Bank of Ghana

Sandra Thompson is a seasoned lawyer and a well-grafted public servant with expertise in Civil and Corporate Governance, Public Administration, Government Business, Public and Justice Sector Reforms straddling Leadership, Political Economy, Anti-corruption, International Relations, Legal and Regulatory Advisory, Stakeholder Engagement, Negotiations, Policy and Strategy Development, Board and Top Executive Advisory among other areas. She is an award-winning Board Secretary.

She has over 30 years' experience as a lawyer exhibiting a dynamic range of skills across private legal practice, academia and government business, with several years' experience in the public sector at very senior levels, in State Institutions, Ministries, Departments and Agencies, Bilateral and Multilateral Agencies, Development Partners, Donors and Civil Society.

She served as Secretary to the Bank of Ghana, where she played a key leadership role in law, governance, and strategy, and now acts as Special Aide to the Governor on governance and stakeholder management. Previously, she led major judicial reforms as Director of Judicial Reforms and Projects at the Judicial Service of Ghana. An experienced academic, she has lectured at GIMPA and the Ghana School of Law and currently teaches Corporate Governance and ADR at GIMPA. Her work also spans leadership on donor-funded justice and security reform programs across West Africa, with expertise in governance advisory, donor relations, and institutional capacity building.



DR. AWURAA ABENA ASAFO-BOAKYE
Chief Legal Officer and Company Secretary, Ecobank

Dr. Awuraa Abena Asafo-Boakye is the Chief Legal Officer and Company Secretary of Ecobank Ghana PLC, with additional oversight for the Ecobank Anglophone West Africa region, including Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, and Gambia. She previously served as the bank's Head of Human Resources and began her career as a legal practitioner at Sena Chambers.

A highly respected lawyer, she was recognized by Legal 500 in 2015 as one of Africa's top 100 in-house counsels and is listed in the Legal 500 GC Powerlist Ghana 2025. She is a member of the Ghana Bar Association and the International Bar Association and serves on the Board of Trustees of the Underwriters Tier 3 Master Trust Pension Scheme.

Dr. Asafo-Boakye holds an LLB, an Executive MBA in Finance from the University of Ghana, and a DBA from SBS Swiss Business School in Zurich.





PROF. ALBERT PUNI
Dean, Distance Learning (UPSA)

Professor Albert Puni is a Professor of Management with over 20 years of academic and industry experience. He is the founding Dean of the Distance Learning School at the University of Professional Studies, Accra (UPSA), and has previously served as Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and the Faculty of Management Studies. He has consulted for numerous organizations across Ghana and West Africa, specializing in corporate governance, board evaluation, strategic planning, and leadership development.

Prof. Puni has trained board members of major banks, including Zenith, Stanbic, Republic, and Consolidated Bank, through the Bank of Ghana's Corporate Governance Certification Programme. Additionally, he has served as a consultant for the Public Services Commission of Ghana, the Nigeria Judicial

Service, and the Data Protection Commission. A Chartered Secretary and experienced researcher, he is known for bridging theory and practice to help organizations strengthen governance, enhance performance, and achieve sustainable growth.



LILY ACQUAYE
Partner, JLD & MB Legal Consultancy

Lily Acquaye is a partner at JLD & MB Legal Consultancy, a top-tier corporate and commercial law firm in Ghana. With over 20 years of legal experience, she leads the firm's Corporate Governance and Company Secretarial practice group and also specializes in Energy, Natural Resources, Banking, and Finance law.

Recognized by international legal ranking agencies such as Chambers and Partners, Legal 500, and IFLR1000, Lily is highly regarded for her expertise. She holds an LL.B from the University of Botswana, a Qualifying Certificate in Law from the Ghana School of Law, and an LL.M in Corporate Law from New York University School of Law. She is admitted to both the New York State Bar and the Ghana Bar Association.





EFUA GHARTEY
President, Ghana Bar Association

Called to the Bar on 4th October, 1991, Efua Gharthey has served the Bar in various capacities, beginning as an Executive Member of the International Federation of Female Lawyers (FIDA) Ghana in 1993 and then, as an Executive Member of the Ghana Bar Association in the role of Assistant Public Relations Officer in 1998 and a member of several committees of the Bar, as well as, representing the Bar on Statutory Boards/Commissions.

Committed to giving of her best in her God ordained profession, in 2015, she stood unopposed and was sworn in as only the 2nd Female President of the largest Regional Bar, the Greater Accra Bar and in 2024, she made history by being elected the 1st Female President of the Ghana Bar Association, an Association that had been in existence since the Courts were established in Ghana in 1874.

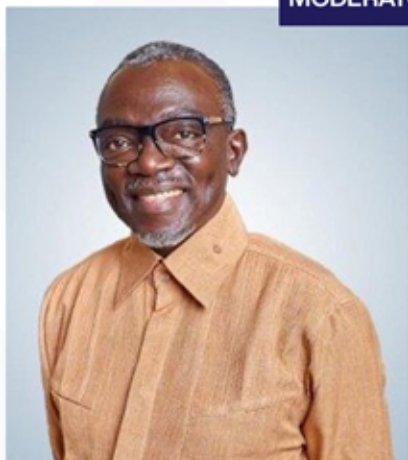
Efua has served on over twenty (20) Boards, both local and international, some of which she has Chaired, and she is now, the Head of Chambers of Gharthey & Gharthey, a Law Firm she co- founded in 1994 with Hon. Joe Gharthey, a former Attorney-General and Minister of Justice of the Republic of Ghana.

The Firm has a vibrant Corporate, Alternate Dispute Resolution and Litigation practice and has by God's grace, produced some prominent personalities in private and public service over the years, notably two Ministers of State, some Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature, Heads of Chambers and distinguished Lawyers. She is Mother to five (5) children from her union with Hon. Joe Gharthey, three of whom have read Law.



PANEL 1

TOPIC: THE ROLE OF THE CHAIRMAN IN EFFECTIVE BOARDROOM GOVERNANCE.

MODERATOR

PROF. DOUGLAS BOATENG
CONVENOR, PANAVEST
INTERNATIONAL & PARTNERS



CHIEF ALHASSAN ANDANI
CEO, LVS AFRICA LIMITED



ALEX APAU DADEY
EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN, KGL GROUP



STEPHANE MIEZAN
PRESIDENT, GNCC



PANEL 2

TOPIC: CHAIR OR CEO-SEQUENCE AND GOVERNANCE DYNAMICS.

MODERATOR



PROF. ABOTSI
UPSA, SCHOOL OF LAW



**OTUNBA ADETUNJI OYEBANJI
F. CIOD**
PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN, CHARTERED
INSTITUTE OF DIRECTORS NIGERIA



ANGELA LIST
CEO, NGUVU MINING LIMITED



DAVID EDUAFUL
MANAGING DIRECTOR,
LABADI BEACH HOTEL



ADJOBA KYIAMAH
CEO, UKGCC



PANEL 3**TOPIC: THE ROLE OF THE BOARD SECRETARY.****MODERATOR**

SANDRA EWURAMA THOMPSON
BOARD SECRETARY, BOG



DR. AWURAA ABENAA SAFO-BOAKYE
CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER AND COMPANY
SECRETARY, ECOBANK



EFUA GHARTEY
PRESIDENT, GHANA BAR ASSOCIATION



LILY ACQUAYE
PARTNER, JLD & MB LEGAL
CONSULTANCY



PROF. ALBERT PUNI
DEAN, DISTANCE LEARNING (UPSA)



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BANK OF GHANA

Established on 4th March 1957, just days before Ghana's independence, the Bank of Ghana stands as the nation's central bank and a cornerstone of its economic sovereignty. Evolving from the former Bank of the Gold Coast, the Bank was created to issue currency, stabilize the monetary system, and serve as banker and financial adviser to the government.

Over the decades, it has grown into a modern central institution guided by the Bank of Ghana Act, 2002 (Act 612) formulating and implementing monetary policy, safeguarding the value of the cedi, regulating the banking sector, and maintaining financial stability.

Through its leadership and reforms, the Bank continues to promote sustainable economic development, strengthen Ghana's financial system, and uphold public confidence in the nation's economy.





Nguvu Mining Limited was started by Angela List, a Ghanaian with over 25 years of experience in the mining industry, mainly in mining services. The first acquisition of an operating mine was Adamus Resources Limited in Ghana, from Endeavour mining in the last quarter of 2016.

In 2018, Nguvu acquired Segala Mining SA in Mali from Endeavour mining. The group further acquired 80% of Samira Hill SA, a mine in Niger, formerly owned by SEMAFO Inc, from the government of Niger in 2019. This was followed by the acquisition of Northern Ashanti Mines Company Limited, formerly Owere mines, Ghana in 2020.

In 2021 Nguvu acquired Poura Resources Limited in Burkina Faso from Newmont in 2021 which is in advanced stage and expects that to go into production by the close of 2025. Other assets in the group include exploration licenses in Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire and Liberia.

Nguvu currently recovers, produces and sells around 250,000 Oz of gold on an annual basis. This production is expected to increase further from current operations and new developments.

Nguvu currently employs over 3,400 employees, 90% of which are locally employed with 10% being female.





KGL Group is a wholly-owned Ghanaian group of companies, with interests in Technology Innovation, FinTech, Logistics, Trade, Property Development, Gaming and Commerce. The parent company commands a network of specialized business units that promote efficient solutions and effective tech-based related services to customers across Ghana and partner operating regions. KGL Group's expansion is based on carefully planned corporate strategy that relies on leveraging our core competencies and working within our corporate governance guidelines to achieve below.

As a Group, our vision is clear and within reach: Becoming a power house in digitalization across Ghana and emerging markets across the sub-region by capitalizing on our portfolio of strong operating companies across diverse areas of expertise.

KGL Group, established in 2018, has grown to over 100 Ghanaian staff, attracting top talent across various fields. The company has made major investments in leading platform solutions and global partnerships, serving clients and partners across private, public, government, and non-profit sectors.

KGL Group is committed to corporate citizenship, applying the same strategies and accountability used in business to achieve real social and environmental impact across all its subsidiaries.





For over 30 years, BOSTenergies has stood at the core of Ghana's energy infrastructure pioneering storage, transportation, and safety in energy logistics. Rooted in the mission of securing national energy supply, we have grown from the Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation Company (BOST), through the performance-focused transformation into BEST Ghana, to the forward-looking identity of BOSTenergies.

Vision: To lead Ghana's energy storage and distribution landscape through excellence, reliability, and integrity.

Mission: To deliver safe, efficient, and high-integrity storage and distribution solutions that uphold national energy security.

We manage a strategic network of depots across Ghana to store, transmit and distribute liquid fuels reliably. Our infrastructure supports vessel and pipeline transfer, market loading, and ensures that fuel reaches regions both urban and remote. Continuous modernization, infrastructure expansion, and operational rigor are at the heart of what we do.





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