

1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DECENTRALISATION, LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

11-12 September 2024

Multipurpose Conference Centre,
Institute of Local Government Studies (ILGS),
Accra, Ghana



DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 11th September, 2024

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OPENING CEREMONY

8:00 – 9:00	ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION
9:00 – 9:05	Opening Prayer Mrs Sethina Annang Danquah
9:00 – 9:05	Introduction of Chairperson for the Conference Mrs. Millicent Asare
9:05 – 9:10	Chairperson's Acceptance Remarks Professor Yaw Agyemang Badu, Former Rector, GIMPA
9:10 - 9:20	Welcome Statement Prof. Nicholas Awortwi, Director, Institute of Local Government Studies (ILGS)
9:20 – 9:45	Address by Special Guest of Honour Hon. Martin Adjei-Mensah Korsah, Minister for Local Government, Decentralisation, and Rural Development (MLGDRD)
10:00 – 11:30	KEYNOTE SPEAKERS
10:00 – 10:30	Keynote Speaker I Mr. Charles Abani, United Nations Resident Coordinator for Ghana
10:30 – 11:00	Keynote Speaker II Prof. Joseph Roland Atsu Ayea, Fellow of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Political Science, University of Ghana, Legon
11:00 – 11:30	Keynote Speaker III Dr Emmanuel Akwetey, Executive Director, Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG)
11.30 – 11:40	Group photograph and snack
PLENARY AND PARALLEL SESSIONS	
11:40 – 13.00	Plenary Session I
11:40 – 12:10	Building Local Economies for Sustainable Growth and Prosperity Dr. Esther Ofei-Aboagye, Former Director, ILGS
12:10 – 12:40	Governance Dynamics for Balancing Authority and Efficiency Ing. Dr. Nana Ato Arthur, Head of Local Government Service
12:40 – 13:00	PLENARY QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
13:00 – 14.00	LUNCH
	Breakout for Parallel Sessions I & II
14.00 – 16.30	Building Local Economies for Sustainable Growth and Prosperity (Dome Room 1) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Murtala Gariba Labaran• Aaron Alesane (PhD)• Mawuko Dza (PhD)• Mr. Abdul-Moomen Salia• Richard Dabine Kambootah• Paul Rex Danquah (PhD)• Felix Agyei Amakye
14.00 – 16.30	Governance Dynamics for Balancing Authority and Efficiency (Dome Room 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sulley Ibrahim (PhD)• Hamdu Abdul Hamid (PhD)• Sabeen Azam (PhD)• Ronald Adamtey (Prof)
16:30	Closing Remarks by Chairperson

MC: David Osei-Wusu, Registrar, ILGS

DAY 2: THURSDAY, 12th September, 2024

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8:00 - 8:30	Arrival and Registration
8:30 - 8:35	Opening Prayer Mr. Kwasi Larnyoh
8:35 - 9:00	Introductory Statement by the Chairperson Professor Yaw Agyemang Badu, Former Rector , GIMPA
9:00 - 10:50	Plenary Sessions II
9:00 - 9:30	Decentralisation, Inclusive Governance and Development Prof. Nicholas Awortwi, Director, ILGS
9:30 - 10:00	Building Sustainable and Healthy Communities for a Resilient Future Dr. John Kingsley Krugu, Executive Director, EPA
10:30 - 10:50	PLENARY QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
10:50 - 11:00	SNACK BREAK
11:00 - 16:30	BREAKOUT FOR PARALLEL SESSIONS III & IV
11:00 - 13:00	Decentralisation, Inclusive Governance and Development (Dome Room 1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judy Wangalwa Oduma • Abee Muhammed Abideen (PhD) • Benjamin Annan Bortey • Samuel Seth Passah • Hawa Mahama (PhD) • Sunday Webakura Kampoli (PhD) • Idris Ahmed Jamo (PhD) • Nana Adwoa G. Adutwum
11:00 - 13:00	Sustainable and Healthy Communities for a Resilient Future (Dome Room 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charity Dzardozi Elikem (PhD) • Stephen Omari (PhD) • John Kwesi Ocran (PhD) • Sethina Annang Danquah • Raphael Akangoa Apora • Joseph Ampadu-Boakye • Lilian Namuma S. Kong'ani • Gideon Kofi Agbley (PhD)
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 - 16:30	BREAKOUT FOR PARALLEL SESSIONS III & IV (continues)
16:30 - 17:00	Chairperson's Closing Remarks
17:00 - 17:05	Vote of Thanks Ivy Ahoefa Adorboe
17:05 - 17:10	ANNOUNCEMENTS
17:10 - 18:30	DINNER
18:30 -	DEPARTURE

MC: Dr. Stephen Omari, ILGS



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