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### 2024 February Freshmen Orientation: Embracing New Beginnings and Academic Excellence

The beginning of each year at the Greenhill Campus of the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) marks the arrival of numerous new students from various parts of Ghana and the sub-region. This year was no exception, as freshmen arrived on the campus, eager to embark on their educational journeys.

The orientation for undergraduates took place on January 30, 2024, at the GB Auditorium. Subsequently, the graduate students underwent their orientation on the following

day, January 31, at the same venue. GIMPA has two main streams of intake in a year; February and September. The February intake is targeted at both undergraduate and graduate programmes.

The Ag.Deputy Rector of GIMPA, Dr. Augustina Akonnor, formally welcomed the newcomers, congratulating them for securing admission to study at GIMPA. She expressed gratitude for their choice of GIMPA and underscored the significance of the orientation process. Dr. Akonnor empha-

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sised that orientation provided an invaluable opportunity for students to familiarise themselves with the Institute's policies and procedures, meet faculty and staff, and gain insights into available resources.

"Your arrival here marks a new chapter in the story of your life. You have the opportunity to determine the direction, the plot, and the tempo of your story," she remarked. Dr. Akonnor encouraged students to create an education that opens new worlds and possibilities, with the guidance of the talented faculty and administrators.

She further urged the students, to thoroughly acquaint Representing the Dean of Students, Mr. Kwabena Amoah, themselves with the Students' Handbook available on the Institute's website. She stated that adherence to the rules and obligations outlined in the handbook was crucial for a \* successful stay at GIMPA.



Dr. Victoria Kunbour, the Secretary of the Institute, provided students with a historical overview of the Institute. She navigated through the various Schools, Directorates, Departments, and Units, explaining the chain of command system associated with each.

Dr. Kunbour also outlined the rules and regulations that students needed to adhere to for a fulfilling experience at the Institute, reassuring them of the Institute's readiness to support and partner with them throughout their academic journey.

the Senior Assistant Registrar at the Students Affairs, extended a warm welcome to the students. He encouraged them to leverage the opportunities offered by the Students Affairs Unit, including counseling sessions and exchange programs. Mr. Amoah urged students to engage with each other beyond the classroom, fostering a sense of community.

The orientation was attended by Directors, Deans, and other senior members of the Institute. The Kumasi and Takoradi Satellite campuses conducted their orientation sessions on their various campuses, setting the stage for an enriching academic year at GIMPA.

## GIMPA Welcomes the 6th Annual Ghana-France Higher **Education and Research Conference - 2024**



The 6th edition of the annual "Ghana-France Higher Education and Research Conference," organised by the Embassy of France in Ghana and Campus France Ghana, opened from February 5-9, 2024. The conference served as a pivotal platform for intellectual discourse, fostering collaboration among institutions and advancing the pursuit of knowledge.

Commencing on Monday, February 5, 2024, the opening took place at the Greenhill Campus of the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), specifically at the Moot Court, Faculty of Law. GIMPA was honoured and thrilled to welcome nearly 200 participants from various tertiary institutions and organisations in and around Accra who eagerly registered to attend the opening session.

The participants were warmly greeted by the Ag. Deputy Rector of GIMPA, Dr. Augustina Akonnor, who expressed gratitude to the Embassy of France in Ghana and Campus France Ghana for selecting GIMPA as the host venue for the conference's opening ceremony. "We remain profoundly grateful for these valued partnerships," she affirmed.

Dr. Akonnor highlighted GIMPA's longstanding collaborations with higher educational institutions in France over the past two decades. These partnerships, facilitated by academic exchange programmes initiated by the Embassy of France in Ghana and Campus France Ghana, have yielded mutual benefits for students of both GIMPA and France. Notably, mobility exchanges have enriched the academic experiences of students from both nations.

"Beyond student exchanges, there have been staff visits to various French institutions to explore partnership opportunities aimed at enhancing GIMPA's programmes," Dr. Akonnor elaborated, citing the collaborative efforts between GIMPA and ESSEC to enhance and elevate the hospitality programme at GIMPA and collaboration with Sciences Po as noteworthy examples.

Encouraging representatives of higher education institutions present, Dr. Akonnor urged them to facilitate the participation of as many students and faculty members as possible in the four-day conference. The subsequent sessions were scheduled to continue at the Accra International Conference Centre the next day and conclude with two days in Kumasi.

In attendance, the Deputy Minister of Education, Reverend Ntim Fordjour, acknowledged the government of Ghana's appreciation for the enduring partnerships with the French government, which had promoted French education in Ghana. He highlighted the collaborative efforts that have fostered cultural exchanges and educational cooperation between Ghana and francophone countries.

The French Ambassador to Ghana, H.E. Jules-Armand Aniamboussou, reiterated France's unwavering commitment to enhancing its partnership with Ghana in the realm of higher education and research. Similarly, Ms. Beatrice Khaiat, the Deputy Director of Campus France, Paris, emphasised the conference's significance in exemplifying the potential and mutual interest of Ghana and France in cultivating educational, research, and scientific partnerships.

Among the attendees were the Secretary of the Institute, Dr. Victoria Kunbour, Deans, Directors, Faculty, and staff of GIMPA, underscoring the institution's dedication to fostering global academic alliances.

Campus France, serving as the French government agency entrusted with promoting French higher education abroad, remains committed to nurturing international educational collaborations.





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## GIMPA Law School Launches the Gertrude Sackey Torkornoo National Moot Court Competition



The GIMPA Law School on February 8, 2024, launched the Gertrude Sackey Torkornoo National Moot Court Competition at the Greenhill campus. The event was in honour of the Chief Justice of Ghana, Her Ladyship, Justice Gertrude Sackey Torkornoo, and commenced with a compelling public lecture on the theme 'Ethics, Compliance, and Accountability: A Holistic Approach to Adjudication' delivered by Her Ladyship herself.

Chairing the event was Prof. Victor Kwame Agyeman, representing the Chairman of the GIMPA Governing Council, Mr. Kofi Asante Darko.

Despite being away on official duty, the Rector of GIMPA, Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu, extended a warm virtual welcome to the guests. In his remarks, Prof. Bonsu expressed profound gratitude to Her Ladyship Justice Torkornoo for the honour bestowed upon the Institute by allowing GIM-PA to name the competition after her.

He emphasised the importance of practical application alongside classroom learning, affirming his full support for this innovative addition to GIMPA's Law resources.

"I believe this competition will entrench GIMPA's Law in the legal education landscape of Ghana," he asserted, highlighting its potential to enhance the institution's reputation as the leading Law School in Ghana and the sub-region. Justice Gertrude Sackey Torkornoo, in her response, conveyed appreciation to the Management of GIMPA for the recognition. She envisioned the competition as a catalyst for students' legal learning journey, pledging a generous cash prize of GH¢10,000 to augment its significance. Additionally, the Director of the Ghana School of Law, Barima Nana Yaw Kodie Oppong, offered support by providing Law books authored by himself.

Accompanied by an entourage of Justices, Her Ladyship underscored the stringent focus and skills development inherent in the moot court competition, positioning it as a pivotal milestone in legal education.

Dr. Kwaku Agyeman-Budu, the Dean of the Law School, reiterated the School's commitment to academic excellence and ethical responsibility. He lauded the Chief Justice for her unwavering dedication to justice and accountability, which served as a beacon of inspiration for legal practitioners nationwide.

The Chairperson of the national moot court competition, and faculty of the GIMPA Law School, Dr. Enam Antonio, provided an overview of the moot problem, highlighting its role in fostering a vibrant moot court culture among law students across the country.

Also present were the Ag. Deputy Rector of GIMPA, the Secretary of the Institute, Deans, Directors, faculty and staff of GIMPA.

The Gertrude Sackey Torkornoo National Moot Court Competition embodies GIMPA's dedication to nurturing legal scholarship, fostering professional integrity, and instilling a sense of ethical responsibility among its students. This prestigious event marks a significant milestone in the annals of GIMPA's legal education legacy, promising to shape the future of legal advocacy in Ghana and beyond.



# GIMPA AFRICA TOUR Strengthening Partnerships: GIMPA Rector Leads Delegation on Collaborative Tour to The Gambia, Sierra Leone, and Liberia



s part of a strategic initiative to strengthen collaborative partnerships, a delegation from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), led by the Rector, Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu, embarked on a two-week tour to The Gambia, Sierra Leone, and Liberia from 2-14 February, 2024.

The Ghanaian delegation, along with high-profile representatives from The Gambia, including Her Excellency

Mrs. Emma Mensah, Ambassador of Ghana to The Gambia (resident in Senegal); Mrs. Audrey Naana Abayena, Deputy Head of Mission; Mrs. Fatou A. Barry, Deputy Director General of the Management Development Institute - The Gambia (MDI); and Mr. Sillah Conateh, Principal Management Trainer at MDI, had the honour to meet with the Vice President of the Gambia, H.E. Muhammad B.S. Jallow.

Prof. Bonsu expressed sincere delight at the privilege of meeting H.E. Muhammad B.S. Jallow and underscored the purpose of their visit – to strengthen bilateral ties between Ghana and The Gambia while exploring additional avenues for collaboration. The Rector conveyed gratitude for The Gambia's steadfast support of GIMPA's vital programmes, particularly the Public Sector Management Training initiative.

Acknowledging The Gambia's active participation, Prof. Bonsu highlighted the Vice President's instrumental role in identifying and sending key talents for training at GIMPA during his tenure at the Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education. Additionally, the delegation brought attention to the Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI), in which GIMPA serves as an implementing partner. Seeking the Vice President's support in identifying mentors for returning individuals, the delegation received assurances of unwavering support.

In Sierra Leon, the GIMPA delegation, among others, met with the Deputy Minister of Youth Activities, the Head of the Public Service Commission, and the Director General of the Ministry of Defense to discuss collaborative programmes towards capacity building.

The next stop was Liberia where the aim was to explore opportunities for collaborative research projects, exchange programmes, and capacity-building initiatives that could support Liberia's socio-economic development goals. By harnessing the intellectual capital of GIMPA's alumni network and forging strategic partnerships with institutions in Liberia, the delegation aimed to contribute significantly to the advancement of various sectors crucial to Liberia's growth.

The Ghanaian team included Prof. Yaw Agyeman Badu, former Rector of GIMPA; Dr. Patrick Tandoh-Offin, Dean of the School of Public Service and Governance; Dr. Esi Sey, Director YALI; Mrs. Dinah Asante Yartey, Fundraising Consultant, GIMPA Endowment; and Mr. Benjamin Bubuama, Assistant Registrar, Corporate Affairs and Institutional Advancement.

This collaborative tour marks a significant stride in fostering stronger ties, promoting educational partnerships, and enhancing GIMPA's global presence. The Institute remains committed to advancing academic excellence, regional collaboration, and the empowerment of young leaders across the African continent.



# GIMPA Training and Consulting Celebrates Academic Milestones: Graduation Ceremony for DILT and ADILT Programmes



The GIMPA Training and Consulting on February 17, 2024 organised a graduation ceremony to commemorate the academic achievements of past and current students who completed the Advanced Diploma in Logistics and Transport (ADILT) and the Diploma in Logistics and Transport programmes.

Initiated in 2004, over 4,000 students have pursued and completed the programmes leaving a profound impact on societal development. The ceremony served as a testament to the commitment of GIMPA to cultivating competent professionals in the logistics and transportation sector.

#### **Commendations from GIMPA Leadership**

Addressing the gathering, Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu, the Rector of GIMPA, extended warm congratulations to the graduands. He emphasised the pivotal role of the DILT and ADILT programmes in fostering economic development, expressing hope that the graduands were now equipped to

drive innovation and efficiency in the industry.

#### **Insights from the Director**

Prof. Charles Amoatey, the Director of the GIMPA Training and Consulting, highlighted the comprehensive curriculum undertaken by the graduands. Covering areas such as Artificial Intelligence, Digitisation, Machine Learning, and Entrepreneurship, the programmes aimed to keep participants abreast with industry advancements and ensure heightened efficiency in the sector.

#### **Industry Perspectives**

Mr. Mark Affum Amoamah, President of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), commended the graduands and urged them to make a mark in the evolving logistics and transportation sector to remain competitive globally. He underscored the shared vision of excellence between GIMPA and CILT in developing top-tier professionals in the supply chain environment.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Mr. Carlos Ahenkorah, Member of Parliament, Tema West, praised GIMPA for upholding standards of excellence in higher education. He encouraged the graduands to embrace collaboration, learn from each other, and approach opportunities and challenges with enthusiasm.

#### **Acknowledgments from Graduands**

Expressing gratitude on behalf of the graduands, Mr. Felix Osei Tutu commended the faculty and staff of GIMPA and all who supported them on their journey to success.



# GIMPA's Procurement Manager Clinches Best Public Chieftain Award in Tertiary Education

ur esteemed Procurement Manager, Mrs. Jacqueline Abena A. Angate, has been honoured with the prestigious title of Best Public Chieftain in Public Service Delivery within the Tertiary Educational Sector.

This recognition was bestowed upon her by the Board of the African Public Service Optimum Award and the Management of Business Executive. The African Public Service Awards is designed for high-caliber professionals of public state-owned enterprises, agencies, and institutions.

The event was under the theme 'Using Peer Influence to Ensure High Quality of Governance to Protect Democracy in Africa'. The event was held at the La Palm Royal Beach Hotel on December 15, 2023. This award seeks to equip and recognise outstanding public servants like Mrs. Jacqueline Angate.

An award of this nature underscores the exceptional contributions made by our Procurement Manager to elevate public service delivery standards in tertiary education.

Mrs. Jacqueline Abena A. Angate joined the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) in 2013 as the Procurement Manager, she is also a motivational speaker for students in tertiary institutions.

Congratulations Madam, GIMPA salutes you.





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