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### The implementation of the IMF programme is well on track



Programme duration	3 years, over 2023 to 2026
Total access	c. US\$ 3 billion
Facility type	Extended Credit Facility

Preliminary assessment by the IM	F for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Review
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**Key measures undertaken by Ghana as part of the IMF programme** 



Completed a comprehensive stock-take of payables accumulated, designed a payable clearance plan and laid out a reform plan to reduce future accumulation of arrears



Finalized a strategy to strengthen the financial sector and rebuild financial institutions' buffers after the implementation of the DDEP



Devised an updated Energy Sector Recovery Plan approved by the Cabinet



Introduced an indexation mechanism for the beneficiaries of the Livelihood Empowerment
Against Poverty Programme to protect the poor and vulnerable



Finalized a medium-term revenue strategy, consistent with the agreed fiscal adjustment under the IMF program including a strategy to streamline statutory funds

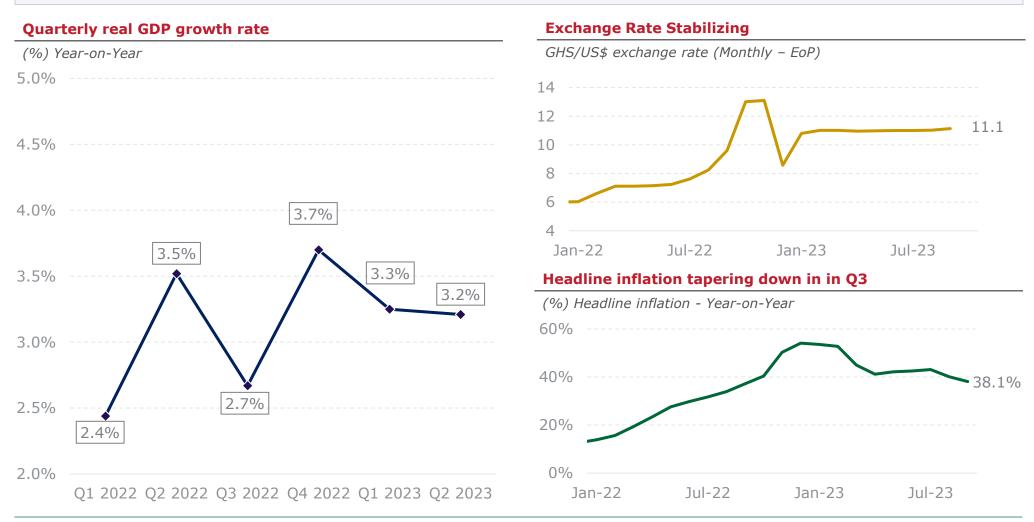


The Government reached a Staff-Level Agreement on the first Review of our programme on 6th of October 2023 and expects the first review of the programme to be approved by the IMF Board in November 2023

# Ghana's macroeconomic environment is stabilizing in line with the macroframework parameters

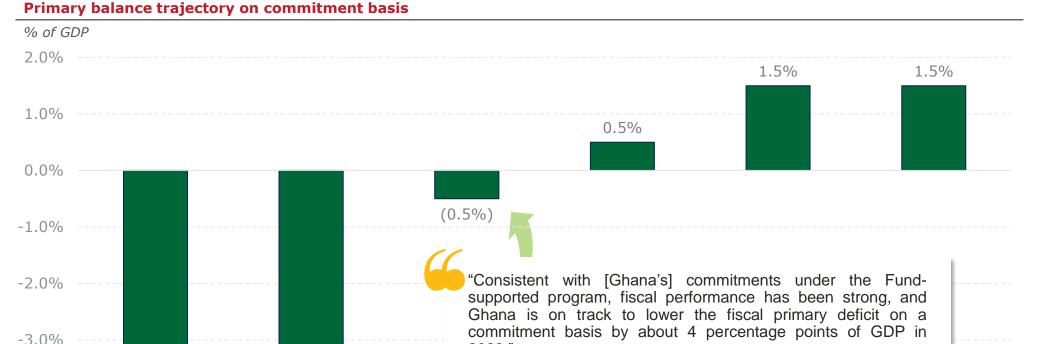


Ghana's growth is higher than expected, the inflation outlook is on a reducing trend and the exchange rate has stabilized over the last few months



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## The ambitious fiscal consolidation underpinning the Programme is on track Ministry of Finance



2023."

2023

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2024

2025

2026

(4.8%)

2021

(4.4%)

2022

-4.0%

-5.0%

## The Government remains committed to a bold reform agenda going forward Ministry of Finance





# Fiscal and Debt Sustainability

- Amend the Fiscal Responsibility Act to strengthen fiscal discipline and bolster credibility
- Accelerate the procurement of and operationalization of the Integrated Tax Administration System
- Expand the expenditure accounting and control system infrastructure to 265 IGF-reliant institutions with all the available functionalities
  - Upgrade the current securities operation infrastructure used by the Debt Management Office



# Monetary and Financial sector reforms

- Further enhance its inflation targeting framework through enriched macroeconomic data
- Rebuild international reserve buffers
  - Create the conditions for a unified and flexible exchange rate regime
    - Deploy any capital support to qualifying financial institutions in a timely manner
  - Implement reforms to support credit to the private sector



# **Social Protection and Structural Reforms**

- Expand the coverage of the Living
   Empowerment Against Poverty
   program to cover all the extreme
   poor by 2024
- Expand the coverage of the National Health Insurance Scheme
  - Increase access to higher education and strengthen learning outcomes
  - Expand the school feeding programme
- Ensure transparency in gas supply agreements by GNPC
- Publish a new policy directive on procurement of new IPPs

The Government is engaged in wide-ranging policy reforms, supported by the IMF



# The success of the Comprehensive Domestic Debt Exchange Programme illustrates the commitment of the Ghanaian people to contribute to the Government's effort to restore debt sustainability



All exchanges of domestic marketable debt planned as part of the DDEP are completed and no further exchanges of domestic marketable debt is being considered



Overall GHS 203bn have been exchanged<sup>(2)</sup>, which has resulted in debt service savings of c.GHS 61bn over 2023<sup>(3)</sup>

<sup>11</sup> Note: (1) With regards to the 1st leg of the DDEP, participation ratio is calculated as the sum of the principal amount exchanged over the 2 exchanges, divided by the outstanding eligible amount as of February 13th

<sup>(2)</sup> Exchange rate used as of September 30th, 2023: 1 USD = 11.1 GHS

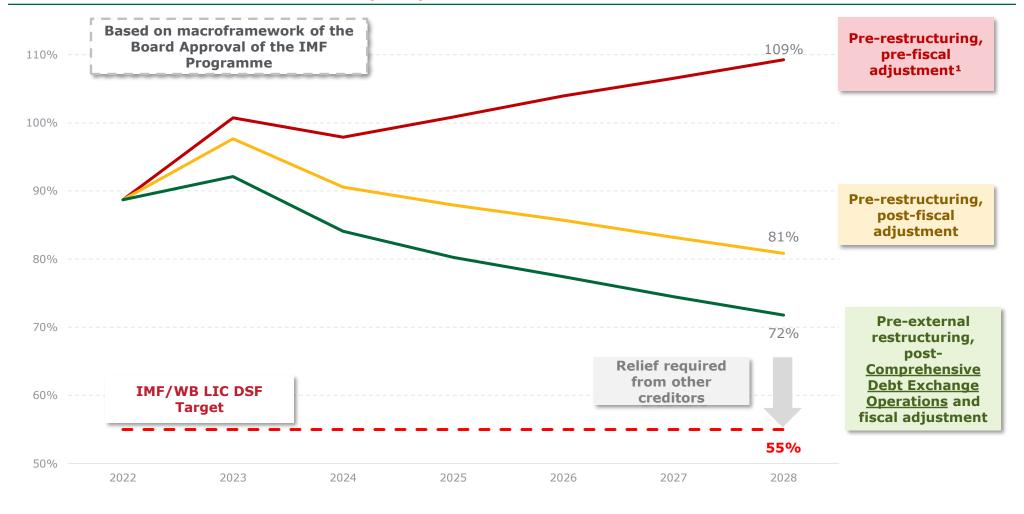
<sup>(3)</sup> Based on preliminary estimates.



# The Domestic Debt Exchange Programme and the fiscal efforts significantly contributed to restore debt sustainability. The remaining leg will be the contribution of External Creditors



### Present value of overall PPG debt-to-GDP trajectory











		OFFICIAL CREDITORS	COMMERCIAL CREDITORS
	discussions	<ul> <li>Ghana applied to the G20 Common Framework for Debt Treatment on 12 Dec. 2022</li> <li>Official creditors formed the Official Creditor Committee ("OCC") in end-April</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A group of regional bondholders formed a first ad-hoc committee</li> <li>International bondholders formed a second ad-hoc committee</li> </ul>
30	discussions	<ul> <li>Illustrative scenarios have been shared with the OCC and Paris Club secretariat</li> <li>Official bilateral creditors are currently discussing, within the OCC, the broad parameters of the bilateral debt treatment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Discussions have been ongoing for some time with creditor groups and their representatives.</li> <li>We have received scenarios from both bondholder groups (including scenarios received last week from the international bondholders' group)</li> <li>We are currently reviewing these scenarios and hope to converge towards a solution that respects the need for debt relief and is compliant with the Comparability of Treatment constraints</li> </ul>
	Next steps	<ul> <li>An agreement in principle on the financial parameters of the bilateral debt treatment is expected to be reached</li> <li>An MoU is then to be signed between official creditors and the Republic of Ghana, formalizing the agreement in principle on the debt treatment</li> <li>Bilateral agreements will then be signed with each creditor reflecting the terms agreed upon by the OCC</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extensive negotiations will follow to accommodate debt treatments that would be compatible with reaching the debt targets under joint IMF/WB Debt Sustainability Framework</li> <li>Objective is to reach an agreement with the Steering Committee of the bondholders' groups that respects Ghana's need for debt relief in line with its Debt Sustainability Analysis and the principle of Comparability of Treatment</li> </ul>
		Agreement in principle with OCC expected by early November	Agreement in principle with bondholders expected by year end







The Government of Ghana thanks all creditors and attendees of this presentation for their kind attention

Should creditors be interested in obtaining more information and engaging in discussions with the

Government, they are invited to contact Ghana's Financial Advisor Lazard and Legal Advisor Hogan Lovells at
the email address investors.ghana@lazard.com for any request or other inquiry they may have







The Republic achieved a participation rate of c.91% of the eligible holders for the first leg of the DDEP, resulting in lower debt service through reduced coupon payments and a lengthening of the maturity of the domestic debt profile

### **Exchanged amount and participation rate**

Perimeter
Treasury Bonds, ESLA
Bonds, Daakye Bonds
excl. holdings by Pension
Funds

Eligible Amount<sup>(1)</sup> GHS96.0bn

 $\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{Participation} \\ \mathsf{Rate}^{\scriptscriptstyle{(1)}} \end{array} \hspace{-0.5em} 90.7\%$ 

Exchanged Amount

GHS87.0bn
o.w. GHS 83.0bn in Feb.

### Timeline of the two-phase exchange

	Phase I	Phase II Technical Reopening
Launch	December 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	September 13th,2023
Closing Date	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	September 22nd, 2023
Settlement Date	February 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	September 29th, 2023

### **Terms of the Exchange**

	Old bonds	New bonds
Coupon	19.1%	<b>9.1%</b> o.w. only 5% paid in cash in 2023 and 2024
Average maturity	3.8 years	8.3 years

The first leg of the Domestic Debt Exchange Programme was executed in two phases, with the initial phase occurring in February 2023 and the subsequent "technical" re-opening phase taking place in September 2023

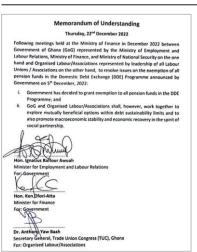
<sup>17</sup> Note: (1) Eligible amount is pre-February exchange stock of eligible instruments, minus the holding of pension funds of such instrument as at the Pension Funds debt exchange closing date (2) Participation Ratio is calculated as the sum of the principal amount exchanged over the 2 exchanges, divided by the outstanding eligible amount as of February 13th

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### **Outcome of the Pension Funds Exchange**

The exchange of Pension Funds' holdings of bonds against a set of new instruments alleviates the cashflow situation of the Government while preserving the value of their portfolio

### **Memorandum of Understanding**



The MoU exists so that the specified holdings by Pension Funds will (i) be exempted from the 1st leg of the DDEP, (ii) while simultaneously contributing to the DSA by decreasing the initial funding needs at the start of the program

### **Exchanged amount and participation rate**



### Timeline of the exchange

	Timeline of the Exchange
Launch	July 31st, 2023
Closing Date	August 25th, 2023
Settlement Date	September 4th, 2023

### Terms of the exchange

	Old bonds <sup>1</sup>	New bonds
Coupon	20%	Effective coupon of 20%
Average maturity	4 years	4 years



## **Outcome of the Cocobills and USD-denominated Local Bonds Exchanges**

The exchange of US\$ denominated local bonds reduces the pressure on dollar funding needs, while the exchange of Cocobills contributed to alleviating the short-term public funding needs

### **USD-denominated local bonds exchanges**

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Eligible USD809		Participation	01.70	Exchanged	1 1105742
Eligible USD809	<b>7</b> m	Rate	91.7%	Amount	USD <b>742</b> m

	Timeline of the Exchange		Old bonds	New bonds
Launch	July 14th, 2023	Coupon	5.3%	3%
Closing Date	August 25th, 2023			
Settlement Date	September 4th, 2023	Average maturity	1.5 years	4.5 years

### **Cocobills Exchanges**

Eligible Amount	GHS <b>7.9</b> bn	8	Participation Rate	97.4%	Exchang Amou	1 1-HS / / NN
	Timeline	of the Exch	ange		Old bonds	New bonds
Launch	July 14th, 2023		Coupon	Not Applicable	13%	
Closing Date	August 25th, 2023		23			
Settlement Date	September 4th, 2023		Average maturity	0.7 month	4.4 years	

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### **Restructuring Terms for the Bank of Ghana**

The significant haircut of 50% delivered on the Bank of Ghana's non-marketable debt is a critical step to ensure the sustainability of the county's total public debt

### **Exchanged amount and participation rate**

Eligible Amount

GHS**70.9**bn



Participation Ratio

100%

**Exchanged Amount** 

GHS70.9bn

#### Timeline of the exchange

### Timeline of the Exchange

**Settlement Date** 

September 2023

### Summary of the terms applied to Bank of Ghana holdings

	Old debt	New debt
Haircut		50%
Coupon	N.A.	10%
Average maturity	N.A	15 years