Ghana Rising: Sustainable Infrastructure Post COVID-19

Pipeline of Infrastructure Projects

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Since adopting the 15-year groundbreaking global Agenda 2030—the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—and the African Union Agenda 2063, in 2015, Ghana has ensured their systematic implementation by integrating them into the national development framework. Through the President’s Coordinated Programme of Economic and Social Development Policies (CPESDP 2017-2024), the Government has adopted several forward-looking policy initiatives creating a positive policy environment for trade and investment in the country. The Government also instituted Flagship Programmes and projects under the CPESDP to help address specific challenges in education, agriculture and health among others. Additionally, the Ghana Infrastructure Plan (GIP), which encapsulates Ghana’s long-term vision and strategic direction for infrastructure development and provides the physical manifestation of social and economic ideals of the country, has been formulated.

As a developing country, the government continues to play a major role in the planned socio-economic transformation of the country. However, partnership with the private sector is critical in the mobilisation of adequate resources both technical and financial to drive the implementation and attainment of the SDGs, the AU Agenda 2063 as well as national development aspirations. Indeed, the 2019 Ghana Voluntary National Review (VNR) underscored that financing is one of the critical issues that needed to be addressed for Ghana to achieve the SDGs. As the government reflects on its past accomplishments over the previous four years and plans for another term in office, there is the need to consider ways of reversing, in the shortest possible time, the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, regaining the momentum for national development in the pre-pandemic era and accelerating the attainment of the SDGs, as articulated in the Ghana COVID-19 Alleviation and Revitalisation of Enterprises Support (2020-2023).

This brochure presents projects at different stages of development compiled from various sectors in Ghana expressly for the 2021 SDG Investment Fair. The brochure provides information on priority projects in railway development, transport, agriculture and education, as well as many other projects, in their early stages of development. It is our expectation that these projects would generate interest among investors and ultimately lead to the mobilisation of the much-needed resources to propel the achievement of the SDGs in Ghana and improvement in the quality of life of the people of Ghana.

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GHANA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

WHY INVEST IN GHANA

COUNTRY PROFILE

Ghana's demographic profile signals that the country is ready for future growth, with significant gains made in improving development outcomes over the last thirty years. Ghana is the second most populous country in West Africa with 31.7 million people (UN DESA, 2019). The country boasts a significant growing youth population with 57% of this demographic under the age of 25 (GSS, 2014). Ghana has the advantage of comparatively high levels of education and human development. Education levels of the growing workforce are above the sub-Saharan standards and ~54% of the population has at least secondary education (PwC, 2013). Ghana’s rapid growth over the last thirty years has correlated to improved progress across numerous development indicators. The country’s Human Development Index rose 31% from 1990 to 2019 and poverty levels have shown a steady decline during this period (UNDP, 2020).

The country is blessed with a diverse geography and abundant natural resources. Situated along the Gulf of Guinea, Ghana’s 535-km-long shoreline includes lagoons and mangrove forests. The country has a diverse landscape spanning from tropical forests to savannahs. Apart from its natural beauty, Ghana is endowed with several natural resources including timber, diamonds, bauxite, and manganese, as well as gold and oil which are Ghana’s primary exports.

Key Demographic Indicators

31.7 Population - 2021 (million, UN DESA, 2019)
2.2% Population growth rate - 2019 (World Bank, 2019)
138th Human Development Index Rank - 2019 (UNDP, 2020)
27th Gini Index Ranking - 2016 (World Bank, 2021)
23% Poverty Rate - 2016 (World Bank, 2012)
79% Literacy Rate - 2016 (15 and older, UNESCO UIS, 2021)
54% Population Completed Secondary Education (PwC, 2013)
57% Urban Population - 2020 (Worldometers, 2021)
57% Population Under 25 Years - 2020 (GIS, 2014)

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MARKET OPPORTUNITY

Ghana is Africa’s 8th largest economy with a historically robust growth trajectory, however COVID-19 will impact growth. In 2020, Ghana’s GDP growth rate is ranked 89th in the world and 18th in Africa, making it one of the continent’s rising stars (IMF, 2021). Since 2010, Ghana has experienced high levels of economic growth with annual GDP growth averaging 6.2% (IMF, 2021). The coronavirus pandemic resulted in GDP growth contracting to ~1% in 2020 (IMF, 2021). Future growth is positive, however the 2021 growth rate is projected at 5.0% due to lower oil prices and a reduction in trade, investment and tourism activities.

Ghana’s diverse economy has cemented its status as a regional powerhouse. Ghana is a net-exporting country, with a trade balance of $2 billion USD (Bank of Ghana, 2021). The country’s primary economic activity is agriculture, which accounted for almost 20% of its exports in 2020 (DEC, 2021). Ghana is a key member of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) where it seeks to promote economic cooperation and development alongside 14 other member countries. As one of the wealthiest nations in the region, Ghana continues to foster positive trade relationships in West Africa and across the continent.

Ghana’s investor-friendly legal and regulatory environment has buoyed its status as a strategic entrypoint to the West African Market. Ghana’s attractiveness as an investment hub is based on its continued political stability, complemented by its strategic location along the Gulf of Guinea. Since gaining independence in 1957 and attaining democracy in 1992, Ghana’s political stability has attracted substantial investor interest with net foreign direct investment growing significantly and reaching $6.65 billion USD, representing 5.5% of GDP in 2019 (GIPC, 2021). The Ghanaian Cedi remains stable against the US Dollar, with import-driven demand driving fluctuations in the currency. Regionally, Ghana remains one of the most politically and economically stable states. Ghana ranks second in West Africa on the Global Peace Index and boasts a liberal business environment and strong macroeconomic policies.

Key Economic Indicators

- GDP - 2020 (USD billion): $66.5
- Projected GDP growth rate - 2021: 5.0%
- GDP per capita - 2020 (IMF, 2021): $2,190
- Inflation - March 2021 (Bank of Ghana, 2021): 9.9%
- Exchange Rate (value of $1USD, Xe.com, 2021): GHS 5.76
- Corporate Income Tax Rate - 2020 (KPMG, 2021): 25%

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

Infrastructure delivery remains key for the attainment of Ghana’s development priorities with annual infrastructure financing growing 208% over the last 10 years (GH, 2021). Since 2007, Ghana has invested ~$23 billion in infrastructure development (GH, 2021). Ghana’s Infrastructure Plan (GIP) sets the benchmark for the attainment of the post-2015 development agenda and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The GIP aims to build world-class, resilient infrastructure assets to support Ghana’s continued growth and to improve the quality of life of all Ghanaians by 2047.

Foreign Direct Investment towards infrastructure development needs to be increased to close the infrastructure gap and ensure development targets are met. In line with global trends, the Government of Ghana is increasingly looking for mechanisms to close this infrastructure financing gap. The private sector is seen as a key partner in the attainment of infrastructure development outcomes. In order to facilitate the attainment of the SDGs, annual infrastructure investment will need to reach USD 3.9 billion by 2030 (GH, 2021). This means that total infrastructure investment in Ghana will need to reach $96 billion by 2040.

COMMITMENT TO SDGs, NDCS AND GENDER EQUALITY

Ghana has placed infrastructure at the centre of the attainment of its national development targets. Ghana’s Infrastructure Plan (GIP) is aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Paris Agreement as it aims to deliver sustainable, climate resilient infrastructure across major sectors. Gender mainstreaming is also a key focus throughout the infrastructure development process, and is integrated into Ghana’s policies and impact monitoring. Ghana is committed to achieving the SDGs, Paris Agreement and gender outcomes.

For Ghana, implementing its national development agenda and achieving the SDGs are one in the same. Infrastructure is key to achieving the SDGs – infrastructure systems influence 92% of the 169 SDG targets, across all 17 Goals. Ghana has integrated the SDGs into its development agenda, as reflected in the country’s Coordinated Programme of Economic and Social Development Policies (CPESPD, 2017-2024) and its Long-Term National Development Plan (2018-2057). Ghana’s focus on transportation, energy, water, sanitation and agriculture demonstrates the broad range of socio-economic impacts infrastructure development will create towards achieving the SDGs.

Ghana’s Nationally-Determined Contributions (NDCs) provide a framework for integrating existing and proposed adaptation and mitigation actions in line with its commitment to tackle global climate change. Climate-related extreme events have the potential to put years of progress toward growth and development targets at risk - infrastructure plays a critical role in mitigating and adapting to climate risks. The development of climate-proof infrastructure is central to Ghana’s NDCs, including development of sustainable mass transportation, energy security, forest management, alternate urban waste management, integrated water resource management and agricultural resilience.

Infrastructure plays an important role in promoting gender equality and empowering women. When planned, delivered and managed following a gender mainstreaming approach, infrastructure can address the gender-based barriers impeding access to essential services. Ghana’s National Gender Policy recognises the importance of access to infrastructure such as transportation and housing, and identifies priority sectors and strategies to achieve gender equality through infrastructure.
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SECTORAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

Over the past 3 decades, Ghana has made great progress in its infrastructure development, driving socio-economic growth.

The national road network grew 9,000km between 2006 and 2015 (GIPC, 2021; Adams, 2016), with 74% of roads being in good or fair condition (MoRM, 2019).

Agricultural yields for major crops grew as much as 9.5% between 2004 and 2014 (GSS, 2021), with the total value of harvested crops reaching $2.2 billion USD in 2017 (GSS, 2019).

Electricity access has become ubiquitous, with 85% of the population having access, a 32% increase since 2010 (Ghana Energy Commission, 2019).

By 2017, 81% of the population has access to basic drinking water services, a 26% increase since 2000 (JMP 2021).

Access to basic sanitation services has more than doubled since 2000, with 19% of the population having access by 2017 (JMP 2021).

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Water, Wastewater and Sanitation
Enhance physical and institutional infrastructure to deliver piped drinking water for all Ghanaians, expand drainage and flood infrastructure for proactive disaster prevention, and develop integrated sanitation and waste management infrastructure systems (GIP, 2019).

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IMPROVING BUSINESS CLIMATE

Ghana has taken significant steps to create an environment conducive for private sector investment by establishing a robust PPP Framework. Since 1990, 30 PPP projects have been financed in Ghana equating to a total investment of $9.99 billion USD. The active PPP portfolio includes 22 projects with $5.92 billion USD invested in projects primarily from the transportation, water and wastewater sectors (PPP Knowledge Lab, 2021). These projects have been facilitated through the strengthening of upstream project planning facilities and the adoption of several policies to establish a stronger PPP framework.

Ghana has strengthened its institutional capacity to plan and deliver PPPs. A PPP Advisory Unit was established within the Public Investment and Assets Division of the Ministry of Finance to manage the development and implementation of PPP projects. Ghana also adopted several PPP related policies, namely the:

- National Policy on Public Private Partnerships (June 2011)
- PPP Bill
- Ghana Investment Promotion Centre Act, 2013 (Act 865)

Ghana continues to improve its business climate, as evidenced by its rising Ease of Doing Business Scores. Ghana’s ease of doing business score rose from 56.99 to 59.96 between 2015 and 2019, and it currently ranks at 118th in the world, and 3rd in West Africa (World Bank, 2020).

INVESTOR ROAD MAP

Ghana has established a clear roadmap for investors seeking to invest in the country, with 3 simple steps to ensure compliance:

1. **STEP 1: REGISTRATION WITH REGISTRAR GENERAL’S DEPARTMENT**
   - Incorporate a company at the Registrar General’s Department (RGD) and obtain the following:
     - Certificate of Incorporation and TIN number
     - Company Regulation

2. **STEP 2: MINIMUM EQUITY CONTRIBUTION**
   - Foreign investors are required to comply with the GIPC Act 2013 (Act 865) regarding minimum equity requirements either in cash or in capital goods relevant to the investment; or a combination of both. The breakdown of minimum equity contributions is as follows:
     - US$200,000 for Joint Venture with Ghanaian partner having not less than 10% equity participation
     - US$500,000 for 100% foreign ownership
     - US$1,000,000 for Trading Activity with a minimum of 20 skilled Ghanaians employed by such an enterprise.

   - There is no minimum equity requirement for foreigners interested in the following sectors: manufacturing, export trading and portfolio investment.

   - After paying relevant fees, the Investor then registers with the GIPC for the process to be completed. This procedure takes five (5) statutory working days to complete, provided the registration forms and all supporting documents are in order.

3. **STEP 3: REGISTRATION WITH GHANA INVESTMENT PROMOTION CENTRE (GIPC)**
   - Requirement for Renewal: renewal with GIPC permitted every two (2) years.

Ghana’s PPP framework and delivery are near or better than average in Sub-Saharan Africa (World Bank, 2021)

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, Ghana still maintains good credit ratings and a stable economic outlook.

| World Bank Thematic Scores for Public-Private Partnerships in Ghana |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 48 Preparation  | 61 Procurement   | 51 Contract Management | 67 Unsolicited Proposals |
| Ghana Score     | Regional Average | Ghana Score      | Regional Average |

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OVERVIEW OF PROJECT DIGEST

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- 10 Transportation Projects
- 2 Energy Projects
- 1 Green Infrastructure Project
- 1 Solid Waste Project
- 1 Education Project
- 1 Housing Project

The maps displayed in the project digest are for illustrative purposes only.
PRIORITY
PROJECTS

2 Feasibility Stage Transportation Projects
**Metro / Light Rail Transit System**

Description:
A Light Rail Transit (LRT) network composed of seven corridors, located in Kumasi, Ghana’s second largest city. Kumasi is a converging point of commercial activity and a key transportation hub. Its economic progress and rapid urbanization have led to urban mobility challenges and traffic congestion, which inhibit the city’s socio-economic growth. The Kumasi LRT aims to strengthen the city’s transportation system.

Investment Details:
- **Project Structure:** PPP
- **Financing:** Debt (70%), Equity (30%)
- **Concession Period:** 30 years
- **NPV:** $404 Million
- **FIRR:** 15.6%
- **B/C Ratio:** 1.12

**Location:** Kumasi  
**Subsector:** Light Rail  
**Project Start:** 2025  
**Operation Start:** 2025  
**CapEx:** $5.8 Billion  
**O&M:** $137 Million  
**Agency:** Ministry of Railways Development

**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- Inexpensive, safe form of transport reduces traffic jam and deaths due to traffic incidents.
- Public transport options reduce CO2 emissions from vehicles.
- Enhanced satisfaction with public transport safety, affordability, reliability and frequency.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**
- Scale up sustainable mass transportation.
- Resilient infrastructure planning: city-wide for improved movement of people and goods.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
- Build resilience for gender through equal employment opportunities in construction and O&M.
- Accessible transport options enable women to participate in public life and other activities.

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**TRANSPORTATION - PRIORITY PROJECT**

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Central Spine Rail Line

Description:
A rail line originating from the Central district of the City of Kumasi and routes through major cities and towns such as Mankranso, Bechem, Sunyani, Techiman, Kintampo, Buipu, Tamale, Wa, Bolgatanga, and Navrongo before terminating in Paga, near the Burkina Faso border. The approximate length of the Central Spine Line is 672km. The project is expected to link Ghana to Burkina Faso and open up economic development.

Location: Kumasi - Paga
Subsector: Rail
Project Start: 2023
Operation Start: 2029
CapEx: $3.3 Billion
O&M: $1.23 Million
Agency: Ministry of Railways Development

Investment Details:
Project Structure: PPP/BOT
Financing: Debt, Equity
Concession Period: 30 years
NPV: $945m (at 8% interest)
FIRR (until 2055): 9.45%
EIRR (until 2055): 13.2%

Project impacts towards the SDGs
- Inexpensive, safe form of transport reduces traffic jams and deaths due to traffic incidents.
- Improved trade by increased logistical efficiencies to reduce time and cost.
- Enhanced satisfaction with public transport safety, affordability, reliability and frequency.
- Scale up sustainable mass transportation and open up economic development between cities and regions.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes
- Build resilience for gender through equal employment opportunities in construction and O&M.
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Trans-ECOWAS Railway Line

Description:
The proposed route is estimated at 550km from Aflao to Elubo, including a branch line to Keta. The proposed railway will ensure the smooth and rapid movement of goods and people within Ghana, as well as facilitate the movement of people and transit cargo for trade between Togo and Côte d’Ivoire. The project promises to bring tremendous socio-economic benefits to Ghana and other neighboring territories of Benin and Nigeria to the East and Liberia and Sierra Leone to the West of Ghana.

Investment Details:
Project Structure: PPP (Hybrid BOT options)
Financing: Debt

Location: Aflao - Elubo
Subsector: Rail
Project Start: 2022
Operation Start: 2025

CapEx: $3.8 Billion
O&M: $29 Million
Agency: Ministry of Railways Development

Project impacts towards the SDGs
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CapEx: $3.8 Billion
O&M: $29 Million
Agency: Ministry of Railways Development

Project impacts towards the SDGs
- Relieves traffic congestion and reduces traffic accidents and fatalities.
- Facilitates increased and more efficient trade, thereby increasing GDP.
- Enhanced satisfaction with public transport safety, affordability, reliability and frequency.
- Scale up sustainable mass transportation, connecting Ghana with neighboring countries.
- Build resilience for vulnerable communities with smoother provision of goods and services.
- Inter-regional transport increases access to essential services for rural women (i.e. healthcare, education).

Project impacts towards Paris commitments
- Build resilience for gender through equal employment opportunities in construction and O&M.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes
- Interegional transport increases access to essential services for rural women.

Investment Details:
Project Structure: PPP (Hybrid BOT options)
Financing: Debt

Location: Aflao - Elubo
Subsector: Rail
Project Start: 2022
Operation Start: 2025

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Establishment of Home-Based Carrier

Description:
Establishment of the Home Based Carrier to promote tourism, boost trade and investment, create jobs and support the vision to make Kotoka International Airport the Aviation Hub within the sub-region. The carrier has the potential to generate indirect financial and economic benefits with its multiplier effects within the West Africa sub-region and Ghana in particular.

Location: Accra
Subsector: Aviation
Project Start: 2022
Implementation Time: 5 Years

CapEx: $61 Million
O&M: $237 Million
Agency: Ministry of Transport

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Faster, efficient cargo delivery contribute to economic growth.
Improved transport logistics through efficient cargo system.
Improved transport logistics through an enhanced, world-class airport and related infrastructure.

Volta Lake Transport System

Description:
The Volta Lake Transport System will enhance the capacity of cargo operations along the Volta Lake to ease the movement of goods and services. It will link the Eastern Multi Modal Transport Corridor to the railways from Tema to Mpakadan.

Location: Along Volta Lake
Subsector: Water Transport
Project Start: 2022

CapEx: TBD
Agency: Volta Lake Transport Company

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Faster, efficient cargo delivery contribute to economic growth.
Improved transport logistics through efficient cargo system.
Lower carbon emissions on the lake transport system.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes

Build resilience for gender through increased access to employment opportunities for women in the aviation sector.
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**Airport City II**

**Description:**
The Airport City II is a high-end, mixed-use commercial precinct covering 291 acres for the development of hotels, shopping malls, offices, parks etc. It will have roads and access ways, open space car park, residential facilities and intermodal transport terminal among others.

**Location:** Accra

**Subsector:** Aviation

**Project Start:** 2022

**CapEx:** TBD

**Agency:** Ministry of Transport

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**Subsector:** Aviation

**Project Start:** 2022

**CapEx:** TBD

**Agency:** Ministry of Transport

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**Project impacts towards the SDGs**

- Cut unemployment through construction, operation, and maintenance jobs.
- Increased trade volumes contribute to GDP growth.
- Increased satisfaction with convenient, safe and improved transport system.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**

- Build resilience for gender through access to equal employment opportunities for women in the aviation sector and adjacent commercial operations.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**

- Scale up sustainable mass transportation with access ways, and intermodal terminal.
- Resilient infrastructure planning with high end mixed use commercial precinct.

**Cut unemployment through construction, operation, and maintenance jobs.**

**Increased trade volumes contribute to GDP growth.**

**Increased satisfaction with convenient, safe and improved transport system.**

**Tamale Airport MRO Facility**

**Description:**
Develop a state-of-the-art Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facility at the Tamale Airport. The project when completed will serve Ghana and the West Africa sub-region and beyond.

**Location:** Tamale

**Subsector:** Aviation

**Project Start:** TBD

**CapEx:** TBD

**Agency:** Ghana Airports Ltd

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**Location:** Tamale

**Subsector:** Aviation

**Project Start:** TBD

**CapEx:** TBD

**Agency:** Ghana Airports Ltd

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**Project impacts towards the SDGs**

- Cut unemployment through construction, operation, and maintenance jobs.
- Improved transportation logistics at airport.
- Increased government revenue from facility activities.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**

- Build resilience for gender through increased access to equal employment opportunities for women in the aviation sector.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**

- Scale up sustainable mass transportation by serving Ghana and West Africa region.
- Resilient infrastructure planning through technical support to airport.

**Cut unemployment through construction, operation, and maintenance jobs.**

**Improved transportation logistics at airport.**

**Increased government revenue from facility activities.**

**Build resilience for gender through increased access to equal employment opportunities for women in the aviation sector.**
Air Cargo Facility

Description:
Develop an air cargo facility at Tamale Airport to support the movement of goods to other parts of the West Africa sub-region and beyond.

Location: Tamale
Subsector: Aviation
Project Start: TBD
CapEx: TBD
Agency: Ghana Airports Ltd

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Faster, more efficient cargo delivery leading to economic growth and development.

Scale up sustainable mass transportation by serving Ghana and West Africa region.

Build resilience for gender through equal access to employment opportunities in the aviation sector.

Project impacts towards Paris commitments

Resilient infrastructure planning through technical support to airport.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes

Efficient inter-regional transport networks allow for access to essential goods for rural women.

Project impacts towards the SDGs

Green Airports (G-Gap)

Description:
Partner with the private sector to install solar panels at all the airports to complement the energy demand at the airports.

Location: All Airports in Ghana
Subsector: Solar
Project Start: TBD
CapEx: TBD
Agency: Ghana Airports Ltd

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Increase renewable energy generation.

Scale up renewable energy penetration in airports.

Development of the clean energy and aviation sectors provide opportunities for women’s employment and training in a variety of roles, including technical, operational and administrative posts.

Project impacts towards Paris commitments

City-wide resilience planning through partnership with private sector.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes

Job creation in construction and O&M.

Reduced carbon footprint of airports due to renewable energy.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes
**Keta Sea Port**

**Description:**
Construct a third port in Keta to ease current and projected pressure on the two existing ports in the country. The project will boost economic growth, create employment opportunities for the people of the Volta Region and surrounding areas.

**Location:** Keta  
**Subsector:** Port Infrastructure  
**Project Start:** 2022  
**CapEx:** TBD  
**Agency:** Ministry of Transport

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**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- Increased port infrastructure for trade will contribute to economic growth.
- Improved transport logistics through improved cargo system.
- More employment opportunities for people in Keta.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**
- Addition of third port in Ghana scales up sustainable transportation infrastructure.
- Boost economic growth and employment through resilient infrastructure planning.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
- Build resilience for gender through increased employment opportunities in construction and O&M.
- Increased port infrastructure increases access to markets for rural women in the agricultural sector.

**Concept**  
**Pre-feasibility**  
**Feasibility**  
**Preparation**  
**Financed**
**Ghana Nuclear Power Plant**

**Description:**
Diversify Ghana’s energy mix to bring stability in energy delivery and provide energy security to stimulate growth in all sectors of the economy in Ghana and West Africa. The project will develop nuclear energy infrastructure that provides clean, affordable and reliable baseload power with the view to reducing the incidences and effects of climate change. Two (2) units of the nuclear power plant will add 2,000MW to 2,400MW of affordable electricity to the national grid.

**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- Lifting communities out of poverty with the provision of basic energy services.
- Enhanced quality of life throughout Ghana with more reliable electricity.
- Greater electricity coverage and access to clean energy.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**
- Scale up renewable energy penetration to increase access.
- Resilient infrastructure planning through diversified energy mix and climate resilient infrastructure.
- Promote clean energy for rural households.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
- Build resilience for gender through accessible electricity which can reduce the time women and girls spend collecting fuel and firewood, typically unpaid activities that limit educational attainment.
- Development of the nuclear energy sector provide opportunities for women’s employment and training in a variety of roles.

**Ghana**

**Description:**
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**Location:** Classified  
**Subsector:** Nuclear Energy  
**Project Start:** 2024

**CapEx:** $5.5 Billion  
**Agency:** Ministry of Energy

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Petroleum Hub

**Description:**
Partner with the private sector to develop Ghana as a hub for refined petroleum products for the West Africa sub-region and the continent. The hub comprises of three new refineries with a total capacity of 900,000 bpsd; storage tanks for Crude with total capacity of 10,000,000m³; jetties; five petrochemical plants with the capacity to process 90,000 bpsd worth of feedstock; port infrastructure and other ancillary infrastructures.

**Location:** Western Region

**Subsector:** Petroleum

**Project Start:** TBD

**CapEx:** $60 Billion

**Agency:** Petroleum Hub Development Corporation

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
Growth of the sector provides opportunities for women’s employment and training in a variety of roles, including technical, operational and administrative posts.

**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- **GDP growth** from refined petroleum products for manufacturing.
- **Research and development** in manufacturing industry.
- **Increased government revenues and foreign investment.**
- **Private gas operators improve energy efficiency** in industry.
- **Petroleum hub supports sustainable transport** with reliable fuel supplies.
- **Increased efficiencies** in power generations and supply private sector.

**Potential impacts towards Paris commitments**
- GDP growth from refined petroleum products for manufacturing.
- Research and development in manufacturing industry.
- Increased government revenues and foreign investment.

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Plastic Waste Recycling

Description:
There is a growing demand for recycled plastic as raw material for road construction. Plastic waste collection will generate income and create a value chain where production of granules, film bags and pellets also generate additional revenue.

Project impacts towards the SDGs
- Limit landfills and ensure air quality to improve health.
- Job creation in operations reduces unemployment.
- Reduced generation of municipal solid waste.

Project impacts towards Paris commitments
- Adopting alternative urban solid waste management.
- City-wide resilience planning through sustainable waste management in urban areas.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes
- Growth of the plastic waste sector provides opportunities for women’s employment and training in a variety of roles, including technical, operational and administrative posts.

Location: Coastal Areas
Subsector: Plastic Waste
Project Start: TBD
CapEx: TBD
Agency: Coastal Development Authority

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Affordable Housing Project

**Description:**
Construction of 130,000 units comprising 78,000 2-bedroom and 52,000 3-bedroom in the: Western (50,000), Eastern (50,000) and Savannah (30,000) Regions.

**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- Lifting communities out of poverty with the provision of affordable housing.
- Greater satisfaction and quality of life.
- Reduced housing costs, providing more disposable income.

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**
- Resilient infrastructure planning through increased provision of housing.
- Enhanced resilience and well-being of marginalized segments of the population.

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
- Build resilience for gender through equal access to affordable housing for women.
- Ownership of their own home can promote autonomy and independence for women.

**Location:** Nationwide
**Subsector:** Affordable Housing
**CapEx:** $4.6 Billion
**Agency:** Ministry of Works and Housing
**Project Start:** 2022

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Hostels for Education Institutions

Description:
Provision of hostels to address gaps in accommodation in secondary and tertiary institutions due to increase in school enrolment.

Location: Nationwide
Subsector: Facilities
Project Start: TBD
CapEx: TBD
Agency: Ghana Education Service

Project impacts towards the SDGs
- Potential to increase access to and improve attainment of education.
- Remove barriers to lower youth not in education or training.
- Improved quality of service of education institutions.

Potential impacts towards Paris commitments
- Strengthen resilience of education infrastructure by addressing accommodation gaps and increasing enrolment.
- Increased accessibility to improve resilience for the vulnerable.

Potential impacts towards gender outcomes
- Build resilience for gender through equal access to schools and education through increased accommodation, allowing girls to advance in their education attainment.

Project impacts towards Paris commitments

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**Aburi Botanical Gardens Upgrade**

**Description:**
Currently only 20% of the Gardens have been fully developed - the project aims to refurbish the garden and establish an historic site, education facility, visitors centre, retreat centre, research laboratory, herbarium and seed banks.

**Project impacts towards the SDGs**
- **Increased access to scientific education and training.**
- **Improved capacity and resources for scientific research.**
- **Restoration of historic site and natural heritage.**

**Project impacts towards Paris commitments**
- **Promote sustainable use of forest resources.**
- **Restoration creates value addition-based utilization of forest resources.**

**Potential impacts towards gender outcomes**
- **Build resilience for gender through increased equal employment opportunities for women in science, technology, research and innovation fields.**

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**Location:** Aburi  
**Subsector:** Garden  
**Project Start:** 2022  
**CapEx:** $5.2 Million  
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