

# 8TH INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE & POPULATION CONFERENCE ON AFRICA

University of Ghana, Legon, Accra, Ghana  
16th—18th June, 2026

## VENUE

MTSC, University of Ghana Medical Centre, Legon  
**OPENING CEREMONY**  
16th June 2026, At 10:00 AM, MTSC Auditorium

### Guest Speakers

**Hon. Kwabena Mintah Akandoh**  
Health Minister, Ghana

**Prof. Nana Aba Appiah Amfo**  
Vice Chancellor,  
University of Ghana

**Prof. Tafadzwa Mabhaudhi**  
Director, Lancet  
Countdown in Africa

**Ms. Samina Bhatia**  
Acting Development Director,  
British High  
Commission

**Prof. Samuel Kaba Akoriyea**  
Director-General,  
Ghana Health Service

**Prof. Mumuni Abu**  
Director, RIPS,  
University of Ghana



THEME  
“Our Health in Peril”



# OPENING CEREMONY — ORDER OF PRESENTATION

08:00 AM



Arrival and Registration  
of Participants

10:00 AM



All Seated and  
Call to Prayer



Purpose of Gathering  
and Introductions

**Professor Mumuni Abu**

Director, Regional Institute for population  
Studies, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana



Host Institution  
Welcome Address

**Prof. Nana Aba Appiah Amfo**

Vice Chancellor, University of Ghana, Legon



Goodwill Message

**Prof. Tafadzwa Mabhaudhi**

Centre on Climate Change & Planetary Health,  
London School of Hygiene & Tropical  
Medicine, UK, & Director, Lancet Countdown in Africa



Goodwill Message

**Ms. Samina Bhatia**

Acting Development Director,  
British High Commission in Ghana



Goodwill Message

**Prof. Samuel Kaba Akoriyea**

Director-General, Ghana Health Service



Interlude



Special Guest of Honour Keynote  
Address and Official Opening

**Hon. Kwabena Mintah Akandoh**

The Minister for Health, Republic of Ghana



University of Ghana Anthem



Announcements & Updates



Vote of Thanks / Closing Prayer



Photography and Networking

12:30 PM



Lunch Break

13:30 PM



Technical Sessions Commence

(Admission is by Accreditation Only)



## The Conference Message

The Eighth International Climate Change and Population Conference on Africa (CCPOP-Ghana 2026), represents strategically important policy-science platform that evolves political space at a time when climate change is rapidly converging with public health risks across Africa. A few days ago (June 5), the World Environment Day (WED) celebration called for Climate Action, themed "*Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future.*"

The conference under the theme "**Our Health in Peril**" aligns directly with emerging global priorities following the outcomes of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) COP 2025 climate-health agenda in Belem, Brazil.

The CPOP-Ghana has historically convened policymakers, academics, and development actors to close the science-policy gap. However, the scale and urgency of climate-health risks now require engagements beyond dialogue to coordinated national action for Africa.

The 2026 conference is uniquely placed to leverage whole-of-government commitment to climate-health resilience, reinforcing Africa's credibility in translating global frameworks into actionable national strategies, with country-diverse participants represented.

With increasing international attention on the intersection of climate risks and health systems, CPOP-Ghana 2026 offers opportunities as a thought leader for climate-health innovations. It signals to international partners including multilateral agencies, research institutions, and development financiers that Africa is ready to lead and coordinate transformative responses to climate change, but requires high-level political support to safeguard population health in an era of climate uncertainty.

..... **Prof. Delali Benjamin K. Dovie**, CPOP-Ghana Convener (2012-2026)

## MEET THE CPOP-GHANA 2026 TEAM



**DR. MARGARET APPIAH**  
Special Assistant



**MS. LOIS ANTWI-BOADI**  
Conference Co-Manager



**MR. MICHAEL WIREDU**  
Conference Co-Manager



**MS. ESTHER YORKU**  
Protocol



**MR. ABUBAKAR ABDULAI**  
Finance



**MS. BETINA AMEVOR**  
Administration



**PROF. DELALI B.K. DOVIE**  
Convener

## CCPOP-Ghana Series In Pictures



2019: GMet Team meets CCPOP-Ghana Convener (middle), GMet on a Panel, Presentations and some Side Event Participants in a Group Photo.



2018: Accra's Mayor, Hon. Adjei Sowah delivers a Keynote Address, amidst activities of dance and fun.



2016: RIPS honours Prof Ernest Aryeete, Vice Chancellor, University of Ghana for his Exceptional Support to CCPOP-Ghana at the Opening, graced by the Moroccan Ambassador to Ghana, H.E. Madam Nezha Alaoui, & Edith Adera of IDRC, Canada.



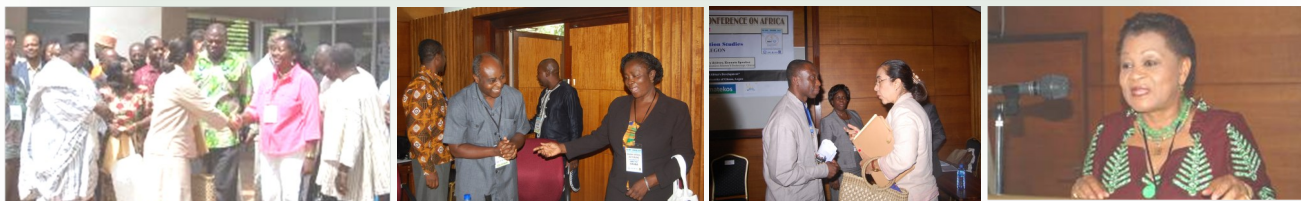
2015: Head of the EU in Ghana, VC, University of Ghana, Ghana's Environment Minister & Scientists network following the Official Opening.



2014: The Chief of Mission of the United Nations-IMO in Ghana engages Prof Audrey Gadzekpo following the Official Opening.



2013: Day 1 Scenes of Ugandan Parliamentarians, the Chair (Prof Akosua Adomako-Ampofo) & Dr. Joe Oteng Adjei Ghana's Environment Minister.



2012: The Maiden Event featured among several dignitaries the Brazilian Ambassador, Ghana Madam Vida Gala, VC University of Ghana, Prof Ernest Aryeete, VC of UCC Naana Jane Opoku Agyemang & Ms Joyce Aryeh as Distinguished Plenary Speakers.