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THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF C. K. TEDAM UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES APPOINTS ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR AND ACTING REGISTRAR





The Governing Council, at its 18th Regular Meeting, held on March 25, 2024, appointed Prof. Albert Luguterah as Acting Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Gilbert Ansoglenang as the Acting Registrar. The appointments of Prof. Luguterah and Mr. Ansoglenang will ensure continuity in the University's governance and administration.

C. K. TEDAM UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES (CKT-UTAS) INITIATES A COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WATER RESOURCE COMMISSION IN THE UPPER EAST REGION OF GHANA



In no particular order: Mr. Isaac Aboyom, Dr. Casmed Amadu Mr. Andrew Asaviansa, Ing. Prof. Boateng Ampadu, Dr. V. A. Ankamah-Lomotey, Dr. Jude Simons Bayor and some staff of the Water Resource

The interaction afforded both parties the opportunity to discuss how academia and industry could work together to address contemporary challenges for sustainable utilisation of water resources in the White Volta Basin. In exploring opportunities for partnership and cooperation, both parties articulated their willingness to cooperate, calling for an official road map mutually beneficial to them.

In her quest to strengthen the bridge between academia and industry, a delegation from CKT-UTAS embarked on a courtesy visit to the Water Resource Commission in the Upper East Region of Ghana on the 22nd of November 2023. The delegation was led by Dr. V. A. Ankamah-Lomotey, the former Registrar, and included Ing. (Prof.) Boateng Ampadu, Dean of the School of Environment and Life Sciences, Dr. Jude Simons Bayor, Dean of the School of Physical Sciences, and Dr. Casmed Charles Amadu, Head of the Department of Earth Science.

The delegation was cordially received by Mr. Andrew Asaviansa, Basin Officer, Mr. Aaron Bundi Aduna, Project Manager (Blue Deal Project), and other staff of the Commission.

The main purpose of the visit was to introduce the University, seek possible avenues for student internships, field trips, and attachments as well as initiate an official network with the Commission and explore potential collaborations that could benefit both Institutions. The meeting also aimed at facilitating opportunities for teaching and learning engagements for students.

GHANA TERTIARY EDUCATION COMMISSION (GTEC) AWARDS CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 400-BED HOSTEL AT CKT-UTAS



In a promising development, the Ministry of Education through the Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC) has officially awarded a contract for the construction of a 400-bed hostel facility. The news was conveyed through a letter dated 7th January 2024, from the Director-General of GTEC, Prof. Ahmed Jinapor Abdulai, to the Acting Vice-Chancellor of CKT-UTAS. This project comes as a fulfilment of an announcement made by Prof. Mohammed Salifu, the former Director General of GTEC, during the 2nd Congregation ceremony of the University.

As the Special Guest of Honor, Prof. Salifu articulated the Ministry of Education and GTEC's commitment to supporting the University by providing this much-needed accommodation facility. With the contract having been awarded and the Contractor already on-site, it is envisaged that the project will be completed on schedule.

The importance of this project cannot be overstated, particularly in light of the growing student population on the CKT-UTAS campus. With limited accommodation options, many students have faced difficulties in securing suitable accommodation closer to the University. This new hostel, with a capacity of 400 beds, will not only alleviate the strain on current housing resources but also enhance the overall student experience.

The award of the contract for the 400-bed hostel at CKT-UTAS marks a significant milestone for both the University and the students. It reflects GTEC's commitment to addressing the critical

needs and enhancing the overall educational journey at CKT-UTAS. As construction progresses, the anticipation grows for the completion of this essential facility, which will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on the University's community and its future generations of scholars.



WISTEM CKT-UTAS CHAPTER CELEBRATES UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SCIENCE



CKT-UTAS WiSTEM members. From left: Dr. Mary-Magdalene Pedavoah, Mrs Angela Osei-Manu, Dr. Margaret W. Kukeba, Dr. Grace A. Motey, Dr. Eunice Essel, Dr. Millicent Captain-Esoah and Dr. Francisca Achaliwie

On the 11th of February 2024, the CKT-UTAS Chapter of Women in Science, Technology, 'Engineering, and **Mathematics** (WiSTEM) Ghana commemorated the UN International Day of Women and Girls in Science with a collaborative programme alongside the STEM coordinating Unit of the Bolgatanga East District Education Service, Ghana Education Service. The event served as a platform to highlight the contributions of women in science and inspire the next generation of female scientists.

As part of the activities to mark this significant day, WiSTEM CKT-UTAS members embarked on a series of impactful engagements. One of such engagement was carried out on Friday, 9th February 2024, during which presentations were made to about 80 pupils from 10 Basic Schools within the District.

These presentations were tailored towards addressing different aspects of the theme, "Providing Valuable Insights and Fostering Dialogue".

The celebration of the UN International Day of Women and Girls in Science by the WiSTEM CKT-UTAS Chapter underscores the importance of promoting gender diversity and inclusivity in scientific endeavours.



WiSTEM Team with Some of the students after the event.

PARTNERS FOR PATIENT TEAMS UP WITH CKT-UTAS, NAVRONGO HEALTH RESEARCH CENTRE (NHRC), AND WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR COLLABORATIVE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME



From left: Dr. Patrick Ansah (NHRC), Mad. Juliana Agalga (CKT-UTAS), Dr. Dennis Chirawurah, Dr. Eugene Kuugbee (CKT-UTAS), Dr. Mimi Choon-Quinones (PFP, NGO), Prof. Samson Abagale (CKT-UTAS), Dr. Abraham Titigah (WMH) and Mr. Elliot Akuna (CKT-UTAS)

In an exciting new development for medical education and healthcare advancement, Partners for Patient, a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) based in Switzerland led by Dr. Mimi Choon-Quinones, is set to collaborate with CKT-UTAS, NHRC and War Memorial Hospital. This collaboration aims to revolutionise teaching and learning in the medical field, emphasising online education and international exchange programmes.

This initiative involves an exchange programme where students from Switzerland will visit CKT-UTAS in May 2024. This visit is not just about cultural exchange but a strategic move to aid in the deployment of a comprehensive programme designed to enhance teaching and learning methods. One of the primary goals of this programme is to have lecturers from prestigious institutions such as Harvard and Yale Universities facilitate online teaching sessions with students of CKT-UTAS. Dr. Mimi Choon-Quinones expressed her enthusiasm for this collaboration.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Samson Abah Abagale, highlighted the importance of international collaboration in shaping the future of healthcare professionals. This exchange programme is a wonderful opportunity for students of CKT-UTAS to learn from their peers from Switzerland and gain insights into different healthcare systems," he remarked.

Dr. Patrick Ansah, Director of NHRC, and Dr. Abraham Titigah, Medical Superintendent of War Memorial Hospital, emphasised the potential for this collaboration to drive innovation in medical education. They expressed their excitement to be part of this initiative, which has the potential to transform how we educate the next generation of healthcare professionals. By bringing together diverse perspectives and expertise, this programme has the potential to shape the future of healthcare delivery in Ghana and beyond.



Middle: Dr. Mimi and Mr. Kenneth Akibate (Pan African Parliament, South Africa) with some staff from NHRC, WMH and CKT-UTAS

OFFICIALS OF STANBIC BANK GHANA PAYS A COURTESY CALL ON THE MANAGEMENT OF CKT-UTAS

On the 27th of February 2024, Officials of Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd., Bolgatanga paid a courtesy call to the Management of C. K. Tedam University of Technology and Applied Sciences (CKT-UTAS). The delegation comprised of Mr. Joshua Attiayine Anasigre (Branch Manager), Mr. Farihan Allhasan (Head, Business and Commercial Banking), Mr. Alhassan Iddrisu Danaa (Head, Commercial Banking), Mr. Osmond Amuah (Manager, Business Banking Suite) and Mr. Eric Tsiri (Head, Enterprise Clients). The purpose of the visit was to introduce Stanbic Bank, expound on areas of mutual interest and also create an active partnership.



Officials of Stanbic Bank Ghana Ltd. with Management and some staff of CKT-UTAS

The Acting Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Samson Abah Abagale, welcomed the team and briefed them on the progress made so far as a new university, its potential and opportunities. He expressed his appreciation for their effort to collaborate with the University and indicated that a partnership will be beneficial to both institutions. He stated that the University was looking forward to fostering a great relationship with the bank, and urged them to support the

University on its journey of growth as well as introduce inventive products to the University community. The management of CKT-UTAS who were present at the meeting included Mr. Anaamoatulim Anab (Director of Finance), Mr. Michael Yipake Banseh (Deputy Director of Finance), and Mr. Mathew Zangina (Head of Internal Audit).

ENACTUS GHANA COUNTRY DIRECTOR FOSTERS COLLABORATION WITH CKT-UTAS

In a bid to forge stronger ties and explore avenues for collaboration, the Country Director of Enactus Ghana, Dr. Baba Sayuti paid a business meeting visit to CKT-UTAS on the 29th of February 2024. This visit was to pave the way for both Enactus Ghana and CKT-UTAS to discuss plans for mutual benefits and growth.

The meeting, held in a spirit of partnership and innovation, saw the Country Director engaging with the Management of CKT-UTAS to outline potential collaborative projects. Enactus, known for its commitment to social entrepreneurship and youth leadership development, sought to leverage the academic resources and vibrant student community at CKT-UTAS for impactful initiatives.

A highlight of the visit was the presentation of a plaque by Enactus CKT-UTAS to the Acting Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Samson A. Abagale. This plaque commemorated CKT-UTAS's impressive achievement of reaching the top 16 at the Enactus World Cup competition, held in the Netherlands last year. The Acting Vice-Chancellor, alongside other Management staff and students who were present, received the recognition with pride.



Dr. Baba Sayuti (in wine Kaftan) with CKT-UTAS Management and the Enactus Team.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor reciprocated the enthusiasm for collaboration, highlighting the University's eagerness to engage in projects that align with its mission of producing socially conscious graduates. He commended Enactus Ghana for its track record of empowering young leaders and looked forward to fruitful endeavours together. As the meeting concluded on a note of shared goals and aspirations, both parties expressed their commitment to working closely in the coming months.

RURAL COMMUNITIES EMPOWERED FOR SUSTAINABLE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION



The Communities of Kendia, Jeriyi, Chasie, Ducie, and Kpalkpalamuni in the Wa East District of the Upper West Region, and the communities of Tandow, Yizebisi, Tantala and Zukpeni in the Mamprugu Moagduri District in the Northeast Region of Ghana have received training on Beekeeping, Grasscutter and Rabbit farming as additional livelihood options. The communities are part of the Chakali Sungmaaluu and MWK CREMAs.

According to Dr. Asaah Mohammed, Senior Lecturer at C.K. Tedam University of Technology and Applied Sciences (CKT-UTAS) the training is part of a project titled, "Living with Wildlife: Improving Livelihoods in the Mole Ecological Landscape". The project is funded by the UK Government through the illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund (IWTCF) and is being implemented by Nature and Development Foundation (NDF) with C.K Tedam University, and Mole National Park as implementing partners. Explaining the project, the Dr. hinted that, wildlife in the Mole National Park are under serious threat of poaching for bush meat and illegal wildlife body part trading from the surrounding communities. This threat posed to the survival of wildlife in the MNP results from inadequate participatory management approaches and the inadequate availability of alternative livelihood options such as agroforestry systems and nature-based livelihood support systems.



From right: Mr. Michael Yipake Banseh (Deputy Director of Finance) and Dr. Asaah Sumaila Mohammed

The training session was facilitated by Mr. Ebenezer L. Koranteng Manager of the Storey Accres Farms and Consult, who walked participants through an insightful practical demonstration on how to rear grass-cutters and rabbits, knowledge of the sexes of these animals, proper handling, feeding, gestation period, weaning of the young ones, as well as diagnosis and treatment of grass-cutters and rabbits' diseases. However, the training beekeeping was facilitated by Mr. Jacob Y. Abukari, a Beekeeping Technician in charge of the Centre for Youth and Rural Self

Project made a practical presentation on the relevance of honey and how to produce it, types of bees and their functions, maintenance of bee hives, methods of getting the beehives colonized.

In addition, practical demonstration of the use of protective cloths, bee colonization and maturity periods for harvesting, bush fires and its socio-economic ramifications. Aside, some carpenters in the Tantala and Bulenga communities took participants through the construction and maintenance of beehives and grasscutters and rabbit cage equipment repairs. The project coordinator presented complete sets of beehives, grass-cutters, rabbit cages, protective clothing, rabbits and grasscutters to beneficiaries.



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