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GAAS FOUNDER'S WEEK CELEBRATION, 2024

THEME

LEVERAGING THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER – FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2024

SPEAKERS



Prof. Kofi Opolu Nti, FGA
President, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.



Rev. Prof. Hans Adu-Danquah, FGA
Vice President, CSIR College of Science and Technology (CGST).



Dr. Andrews Mark Ayiku
Lecturer, Faculty of Management Studies, UPSA.



Mr. Ace Anan Ankamah (Esq.), FGA,
Senior Partner, Bentsi-Enchill, Letsa & Ankamah, Accra.



Mrs. Kobi Hemaa Osisiele-Bekoo
Director of Corporate Affairs,
Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence in ICT (GI-KACE).



Emeritus Prof. Clifford N. B. Tagoe
MBCh.B. (Ghana), PhD (Leicester), FGA
Professor of Anatomy.

DAY 1

DATE: TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER, 2024 **TIME:** 5:00 PM

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FOUNDER'S WEEK CELEBRATION, 2024

DAY ONE

PART ONE

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

- **Guests Seated**
- **Introduction of Chairman**
Prof. Ben Abunu, FGA,
Former Honorary Secretary, GAAS
- **Chairperson's Remarks and Introduction of Speaker**
Emeritus Prof. Samuel K. Sefa-Dedeh, FGA
Immediate Past President, GAAS
- **Presidential Address**
Prof. Kofi Opoku Nti, FGA
President, GAAS
- **Chairperson's Closing Remarks**
- **Honorary Secretary's Remarks**
- **Short break**

PROF. KOFI OPOKU NTI, FGA

PRESIDENT OF THE ACADEMY



Prof. Kofi Nti is the President and a member of the Council of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is a former Dean of the University of Ghana Business School and the first occupant of the Unilever Professorial Chair in Business at the University of Ghana, Legon.

Prof. Opoku Nti is a member of several academic societies including Public Choice Society, the Institute for Operations Research and Management Sciences, and the European Association of Industrial Economists.

He is a Member of the Board of the National Vaccine Institute; a Member of the Presidential Advisory Council on Science, Technology and Innovation; Director of Universal Hospitals Group; Chairman of Claim Limited; and Chairman and Managing Director of Lemont Foods Limited.

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DAY ONE

PART TWO

INDUCTION OF FELLOWS

1. Preliminary Remarks by *Prof. Ben Abunu, FGA, Former Honorary Secretary, GAAS.*
2. Invitation to Vice President (Sciences) *Emerita Prof. Isabella Akyinbah Quakyi, FGA,* to present candidates from the Sciences Section.
3. Invitation to Vice President (Arts) *Prof. Joseph R. A. Ayee, FGA,* to present candidates from the Arts Section.
4. Induction to be administered by the President,
Prof. Kofi Opoku Nti, FGA,
President, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.
 - a. Reading of Declaration by newly elected Fellows.
 - b. Signing of Register of Fellowship.
 - c. Presentation of Membership Certificates
Prof. Kofi Opoku Nti, FGA,
President, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.
 - d. Decoration with Brooches by the Vice Presidents.
5. Response on behalf of newly inducted Fellows (Candidates to select their representative).
6. Short Exhortation by the President,
Prof. Kofi Opoku Nti, FGA,
President, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

LIST OF INDUCTEES 2024

SCIENCES SECTION

PROF. SAMUEL EGYIR AGGREY,

Professor of Poultry Science

You hold a PhD from the University of British Columbia, an MSc from Wageningen and a BSc. (Agriculture) from Ghana. You have a global reputation as an outstanding scientist in poultry nutrigenomics, genetics/genomics of stressors, and gut health. Your research has delineated the genetics of phytate phosphorus utilization and mitigation strategies, and further elucidated the genetic relationships between feed nutrients.

You have dissected the components of residual feed intake and shown how to combine these components to improve feed efficiency. Your contributions to the field include over 37,000 expressed sequence tags to GenBank, which are publicly available. You have co-edited two books for the Poultry Genetics/Genomics Community and have served as an associate editor for Poultry Science and Asian Australasian Journal of Animal Science. You have chaired or co-chaired several symposia for the World Poultry Science Association and serve on important committees of the same.

You have won several prestigious awards, including the D. W. Brooks Award for Excellence in Research in 2013 from the University of Georgia, and the US Poultry Science Association Broiler Research Award for your groundbreaking work in the genetics of feed and nutrient efficiency. You were honored by the China Agricultural Education Foundation and the World Poultry Science Association with the Changxin Chu Prize for your work in Poultry Genetics and Breeding. You capped your awards by receiving the 2022 Paul B. Siegel World's Poultry Science Association's Research Award, the most prestigious international award in Poultry Science.

Your work has been highly commended for its relevance and direct application to the poultry industry. Several graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and research associates under your mentorship have won prizes in research competitions, including the Best Research Paper Award of the Association of Avian Parasitologists in 2019 and the Tyson Food, Inc. Support Personnel Award by the US Poultry Science Association.

You have active research collaborations in several countries and serve as a distinguished external assessor and visiting professor to several universities globally, including the University of Ghana, Legon. You have authored over 9 book chapters, 145 peer-reviewed journal articles, 32 refereed conference proceedings, and over 100 abstracts. Your impressive academic record includes an H-Index of 45 and an i10 index of 98, with citations exceeding 5700.

In view of your outstanding contributions to world poultry science and your acclaimed international scholarship in Poultry Genetics, NutriGenomics, and Bioinformatics, you have been elected to Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations!

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SCIENCES SECTION

PROF. JOE-NAT AFUTU CLEGG-LAMPTEY,

Professor of Surgery

You graduated from the University of Ghana Medical School in 1983, after which you pursued residency training in general surgery in Ghana and the UK. You currently hold Fellowships of the Royal College of Edinburgh, West African College of Surgeons, Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons, the International College of Surgeons, together with other professional and academic certificates.

Following your return to Ghana in 1997, you joined the Medical School as a lecturer in Surgery and quickly rose through the ranks to become a full Professor of Surgery in 2016. You held several academic and non-academic positions in both Ghana and the UK.

You are an excellent teacher both at the undergraduate and postgraduate (residency) levels, and this is attested to by the numerous best-teacher awards you have obtained over the years. You have also provided mentorship for a number of senior members in their professional development at the University of Ghana.

You are a prolific researcher, with a focus largely on breast cancers and the assessment and management of pain. Your international recognition for cutting-edge breast cancer research has earned you numerous collaborative research grants and publications in journals of international repute. At the Korle Bu Teaching Hospital, you successfully led a team of surgeons to set up the first breast unit in Ghana. You have been an expert advisor to the Ministry of Health for many years, serving on numerous committees to draft health policies.

You also authored a book titled, *Flee, Stand, Pursue*, where you encouraged Christians to FLEE from sin, and when necessary to avoid temptation, and other times to show their courage in Christ by taking a STAND to wrestle with the enemy.

You are recognized as the best breast surgeon in Ghana and the West African Sub-region at large. In view of your outstanding contributions, you are being recommended for Fellowship to the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations!

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ARTS SECTION

PROF. SAMUEL NII ARDEY CODJOE,

Professor of Population Studies

You have established yourself as a distinguished scholar who began your academic journey with a Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Resource Development in 1992. You furthered your studies, earning an M.Phil. in Geography from the University of Oslo in 1998 and a Ph.D. in Geography and Soil Science from the University of Bonn in 2004.

Your academic career took root at the Regional Institute of Population Studies (RIPS) in 2004, where you rose through the ranks to become Director in 2012. As Director, you significantly expanded RIPS' funding base, strengthened its PhD training programs, and increased international postgraduate enrollment. You introduced a mentoring program, welcomed numerous research and postdoctoral fellows, and established a quality assurance committee to uphold high publication standards. Through your leadership, the RIPS Endowment Fund was fully operationalized to support both doctoral candidates and staff. You also initiated the development of a 24-seat facility for PhD students, enhanced the RIPS lecture room with state-of-the-art audio-visual tools, and improved infrastructure.

Your work at RIPS also fostered collaborations with local, regional, and international institutions, driving policy and community development. As Convener of the Working Group on Climate Change at the University of Ghana (UG), you lead one of the institution's flagship research themes.

Your research has spanned geography, population studies, and climate change, and your publications are widely cited. Through your work in Accra, you provided resources for waste management and established climate change clubs in schools, earning the Best Researcher Award for the Faculty of Social Sciences in the 2010/2011 academic year.

You are also deeply committed to developing the next generation of scholars. At UG, you taught at the Masters and Doctoral levels and mentored students both locally and internationally, including at institutions such as the University of Oviedo in Spain, Greenwich University in the UK, and Harvard University. You have served as a guest lecturer at Brown University and the University of Ouagadougou, and currently lecture in an online Urban Health in Crisis course with Georgetown University.

As President of the Union for African Population Studies (UAPS), you successfully led efforts to secure about USD 10 million for population studies and created an award for the top Population Studies graduate at UG. You have organized the annual Climate Change and Population Conference in Africa, and in 2019, Makerere University recognized your leadership at the 8th African Population Conference.

You have contributed to several committees and currently serve as the Provost, College of Education at UG. Your achievements and dedication to impactful scholarship make you a prime candidate for Fellowship at the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Prof. Samuel Nii Ardey Codjoe, based on your remarkable accomplishments, you were elected to the Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations!

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SCIENCES SECTION

PROF. GODFRED DARKO,

Professor of Chemistry

You are a Professor of Chemistry at the Department of Chemistry of the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana. Your research interests and expertise span environmental chemistry, analytical chemistry, and nano chemistry.

You hold one international patent on functionalized nanofibers for cancer therapy and have published over 100 research papers in high-impact peer-reviewed journals. The high quality of your research is evidenced by the high number of citations you have received from other researchers.

You serve as an editor for prestigious scientific journals, including *Environmental Monitoring and Assessment* (Springer), *Chemistry Africa* (Springer), and *Heliyon* (Elsevier).

You are also an Advisor for Mendeley – a free academic referencing software from Elsevier and have trained faculty members in many institutions of higher learning. Your research and scholarly work have been recognized by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) – the world's largest union of all chemical associations and societies.

You were selected as a Young Observer in 2013 to their annual congress. You were named the winner of the 2016 Young African Research Award by the Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research & Technology (ASRT), Egypt, due to the authenticity and quality of your research in Water, Energy, and Environmental Sciences.

You are a recipient of various research grants, including the 9 million Danish Krone SaWaFo Project, which investigated alternative uses of wastewater, the 7 million Danish Krone SHEATHE Project that seeks to investigate the dispersal and effects of heavy metals and xenobiotic substances in the Ghanaian environment, and more recently a 4 million South African Rand grant for cyanide and mercury pollution abatement under the South Africa/Ghana flagship projects.

Prof. Godfred Darko, because of your exceptional contributions to the sciences, you were elected to Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences (GAAS).

Congratulations!

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SCIENCES SECTION

PROF. EMMANUEL BEKOE LARBI,

Professor of Pharmacology

You are a retired Professor of Medicine with an impressive academic and professional background. Your qualifications include being a Fellow of the Ghana College of Physicians & Surgeons (2004), a Foundation Fellow of the West African College of Physicians (1976), a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London (1987), and a Member of the Royal College of Physicians of London (1971). You also hold a Ph.D. from London University (1970) and an MB, BS with Honors from London University (1965).

Together with some of your well-respected colleagues, you conducted extensive research on hypertension in Ghana, helping to raise awareness of the disease's epidemiology across both rural and urban populations. Notable studies included the Mamprobi survey, the Civil Servants survey in Accra and Tema, and rural surveys in Danfa and other areas in the 1970s. You also played a foundational role in establishing the West African College of Physicians.

As a member of various committees, you contributed to the arts and sciences in numerous ways. These achievements include planning the syllabus for the Department of Medicine at the Al Ahsa Branch of King Faisal University in Saudi Arabia and setting up the College of Clinical Pharmacy at King Faisal University in Dammam, Saudi Arabia. You served as the main coordinator and lead in preparing and collating data for the academic accreditation of the College of Medicine by the National Commission for Assessment and Academic Accreditation in Saudi Arabia.

Your contributions to training undergraduate and postgraduate medical students extended to the University of Ghana Medical School and the College of Medicine, King Faisal University, Dammam. You also helped establish a postgraduate medical training program in Internal Medicine at King Faisal University.

Throughout your career, you have earned numerous prizes and honors, including the Form Prize (1954) and Best Student in Chemistry (1958) at Achimota School, Ghana. At the University of Ibadan Medical School in Nigeria, you received distinctions in Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, and Applied Pharmacology and Therapeutics (1965), as well as the prize for Best Student in Pharmacology (1962) and the Sir Kofo Abayomi Prize for Best Graduate in Medicine and Pathology (1965).

Prof. Emmanuel Bekoe Larbi, in recognition of your outstanding contributions to the Arts and Sciences, you were elected to Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations!

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SCIENCES SECTION

PROF. FREDERICK YEBOAH OBESE,

Professor of Animal Science

You are a distinguished Research Scientist at the Animal Research Institute (ARI) of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and currently serve as a full Professor of Animal Science at the College of Basic and Applied Sciences (CBAS), University of Ghana. Your area of specialization is Animal Physiology and Animal Nutrition, with an impressive academic background that includes a BSc in Agriculture (1990) and an MSc in Animal Science (1996) from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), as well as a Ph.D. in Animal Science (2004) from the University of Melbourne. You joined the Department of Animal Science at the University of Ghana in 2010 as a Senior Lecturer, following your role as Senior Research Scientist at ARI/CSIR.

You teach Animal Physiology and Animal Nutrition at both the Department of Animal Science and the School of Veterinary Medicine, while your research encompasses areas such as animal Reproductive Endocrinology and Physiology, Nutrition, Biotechnology, Climate Change, and Livestock Production. Your work has been instrumental in the development of supplementary feed packages to improve the growth and reproductive performance of ruminant livestock, and you have played a significant role in characterizing small-holder dairy production systems in Ghana. Notably, you collaborated with PrimeGRO biotechnology to develop an Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay technique, a management tool now used by the Australian Dairy Industry to enhance reproductive performance in cattle.

You also developed molecular techniques for sexing Guinea fowls and have evaluated key factors affecting their reproductive performance in Ghana. In addition, you helped set up two Centres of Excellence in Molecular Biology at the Animal and Crops Research Institutes of the CSIR.

Your collaborations and research partnerships extend across Africa and internationally, and you have shared your findings widely through numerous presentations and publications in prestigious journals. You currently serve as Associate Editor-In-Chief of the Ghanaian Journal of Animal Science and sit on the Editorial Board of Translational Animal Science, an official journal of the American Society of Animal Science. You are a respected reviewer for international journals, including Animal Frontiers, Animal Reproduction Science, Animal Production Science, Tropical Animal Health and Production, and more.

In terms of leadership, you have held positions such as Head of the Department of Animal Science at the University of Ghana, Head of the Ruminant Production Division, and Coordinator of the Molecular Biology Laboratory at ARI/CSIR. Your national contributions include roles on committees for initiatives like the National Best Farmer selection and the National Agricultural Research Project. You are also a mentor in the African Women in Agricultural Research and Development (AWARD) Programme, as well as an external examiner and assessor for faculty promotions in multiple Ghanaian universities and the CSIR.

You have been awarded numerous international scholarships throughout your career, including opportunities as a Visiting Scholar at the University of Western Australia and Sokoine University of Agriculture in Tanzania. You also helped establish the DANIDA-funded "Creating Champions in Livestock Agribusiness (CCLEAR)" program, Ghana's first Livestock Agribusiness Incubator.

Prof. Frederick Yeboah Obese, your contributions to the livestock industry in Ghana and your scholarly work in Animal Physiology, Nutrition, Endocrinology, Livestock Production, and climate change have earned you a well-deserved election to Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences. *Congratulations!*

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PROF. (MRS.) IBOK EKPENYONG NSA ODURO,

Professor of Food Science and Technology

You are currently a Professor of Postharvest Technology at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Kumasi, Ghana, with an impressive academic and professional background spanning several decades.

You began your career as a lecturer with the Department of Biochemistry at KNUST in 1996 and have since risen through academic ranks to become a renowned expert in your field. You hold a Bachelor's Degree in B.Sc. Chemistry from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, a Master's Degree in M.Sc. Chemistry from the same university, and a Ph.D. in Postharvest Technology from Silsoe College, Cranfield University, United Kingdom.

Your wealth of academic expertise has seen you contribute to the development and establishment of numerous Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs) in Ghana and other African countries. You have also trained, supervised, and mentored hundreds of students at different levels of their academic careers, including over 170 undergraduate students, 70 postgraduate research projects, and 16 Ph.D. students in Food Science & Technology.

Through your research and education, you have developed a range of novel food products with practical applications for the food industry. You have authored and co-authored several published scientific research papers, and your guidance has been instrumental in the formulation, sensory analysis, and marketing strategies of numerous successful SMEs in Ghana and beyond.

In addition to your academic contributions, you are actively involved in community development and have supported several student-generated ideas for small-scale businesses in Ghana. You recognize the potential of young people to grow the business sector in Ghana and continue to mentor and nurture young professionals to take up entrepreneurial roles.

Your outstanding diligence to hard work, scholarship, and duty has earned you various leadership and administrative positions at KNUST, including the Provost of the College of Science. You are a distinguished scholar who has contributed immensely to the growth and development of your academic discipline both nationally and internationally.

Based on your numerous accomplishments, Prof. (Mrs) Ibok Nsa Ekpennyong Oduro, you were elected to Fellowship of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations!

UPCOMING PROGRAMMES

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2024 | 5:30 PM

SYMPOSIUM ON SUB-THEME: Sustainable Development and the Fourth Industrial Revolution

- Topic I: Precision Agriculture and Circular Economy Strategies.
Speaker: Rev. Prof. Hans Adu-Dapaah, FGA, Vice President, CSIR College of Science and Technology (CCST).
- Topic II: Regulatory Framework for Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Scaling of New Technologies
Speaker: Dr. Andrews Mark Ayiku, Lecturer, Faculty of Management Studies, UPSA
- Chairperson: Emerita Prof. Isabella A. Quakyi, FGA, Vice President, Sciences Section, GAAS
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DAY 3: THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2024 | 5:30 PM

SYMPOSIUM ON SUB-THEME: Bridging the Digital Divide

- Topic I: Legal Framework, Cyber Security, Data Protection, Standards and Governance
Speaker: Mr. Ace Anan Ankomah (Esq.), FGA, Senior Partner, Bentsi-Enchill, Letsa & Ankomah, Accra.
- Topic II: Preparing the Workforce for the Future: Digital Technologies, Literacy Programmes, and Sustainable Collaborative Initiatives.
Speaker: Mrs. Kobi Hema Osisiadan-Bekoe, Director of Corporate Affairs, Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence in ICT (GI-KACE)
- Chairman: Prof. Joseph R. A. Ayee, FGA, Vice President, Arts Section, GAAS
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DAY 4: FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2024 | 5:30 PM

KWAME NKURUMAH MEMORIAL LECTURE

- Topic: Developments in Higher Education in Ghana: Searching for Relevance
Speaker: Emeritus Prof. Clifford N. B. Tagoe, MBCh.B. (Ghana), PhD (Leicester), FGA Professor of Anatomy
- Chairman: Prof. Kofi Opoku Nti, FGA, President of the Academy
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BRIEF HISTORY ABOUT FOUNDER'S WEEK CELEBRATIONS

The Academy's Anniversary programme is the oldest of its traditions. It started in November 1960 as the first Anniversary celebration and in November every year, since then, the Academy has celebrated the Anniversary. The week is always intense with activities, as attention is firmly focused on important national or topical issues. The Founder's Week starts with the Presidential Address delivered by the President of the Academy. It is followed by a three-day symposium on a selected subject, quite often, of topical or national interest. The last day is dedicated to what used to be called the Anniversary Lecture, now renamed the 'Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Lecture' in memory of the Founder.

In 2003 a foundation member of the Academy, Professor Alexander Kwapong, who was then Chairman of the Council of State, delivered the maiden Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Lecture on "The Academy's Foundations, and its Role in National Development". Another foundation member, Emeritus Prof. J. H. Kwabena Nketia gave the 2004 Kwame Nkrumah Memorial lecture on 'Kwame Nkrumah and the Arts'. In 2005, Dr. Letitia E. Obeng, Past President of the Academy, gave the Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Lecture on the topic 'Kwame Nkrumah and the Sciences'.

Since then the following Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Lectures have been given:

- 2006 Vision and Commitment in National Leadership, *Prof. Akilagpa Sawyerr, FGA*
- 2007 Ideology, Leadership and Aspects of Kwame Nkrumah's Political and Social Agenda, *Justice Prof. Modibo Tawiah Ocran*
- 2008 The Foreign Policy of Kwame Nkrumah: The Legacy and What Is in It for Us, *Dr. E. M. Debrah*.
- 2009 The House that Kwame Nkrumah Built, *Prof. Agyeman Badu Akosa, FGA*
- 2010 The Real-politic of Kwame Nkrumah, *H. E. K. B. Asante*
- 2011 Kwame Nkrumah and the Private Sector: Lessons in Economic Development for the Twenty First century, *Mr. Tony Oteng-Gyasi*
- 2012 The Changing Face of Ghanaian Towns since Independence: From Nkrumah to Contemporary Times, *Prof. K. K. Adarkwa, FGA*
- 2013 Science, Technology and Innovation for National Development, *Prof. Kwadwo Asenso-Okyere, FGA*.
- 2014 Political Leadership and Economic Transformation in Ghana, *Prof. E. Gyimah-Boadi, FGA*.
- 2015 People and Planet: The (Moral) Imperative to Change Course (Pope Francis' Encyclical on Integral Ecology), *His Eminence Peter Cardinal K. Appiah Turkson, FGA*.
- 2016 The Future of the University in Africa, *Prof. Ernest Aryeetey, FGA*.
- 2017 Kwame Nkrumah, the Man and his Legacy, *Prof. E. S. Ayensu, FGA*.
- 2018 Saving Lake Chad and the Unification of Africa: The Inspiration of Kwame Nkrumah, *Horace Campbell*

2019	Engendering Scholarly Excellence: The Challenge for Knowledge Production, Policy and Practice, <i>Emerita Prof. Takyiwaa Manuh, FGA</i>
2020	Building a Lasting Democratic Culture Through the Exercise of Political and Religious Tolerance, <i>Most Rev. Dr. Peter Sarpong, FGA.</i>
2021	Reflections on the Ghanaian Regulatory State, <i>Prof. Joseph Roland Atsu Ayee, FGA</i>
2022	Educational Reforms in Ghana and Their Impact on the Youth, <i>Emeritus Prof. Ivan Addae-Mensah, FGA</i>
2023	Realising The Ecosystem Integrity of The Ghanaian Environment for National Development <i>Prof. Alfred Apau Oteng-Yeboah, FGA</i>

Themes of the Founder's Week Lectures till date are as follows:

Year	Theme
1971	Management, Administration and Development
1972	Education and Society: Education in Ghana at the Beginning of the 21st Century
1973	Food, Population and Politics
1974	Education and Manpower
1975	Traditional Institutions of Our Society
1976	Energy for Development*
1977	Education in Ghana at the Beginning of the 21st Century
1978	Science and Technology for Development*
1979	Agricultural and Industrial Production for National Survival*
1980	Human Rights and the Democratic Process
1981	National Development: Problems, Solutions and Strategies
1982	Health for the Community*
1983	The Political Economy of Ghana: Analysis, Perspectives and Options
1984	The Place of Learning in National Life
1985	Management and Development
1986	Education and Human Values in Nation Building
1987	Decentralization and National Integration
1988	Natural Resources and their Management: Present and Future Challenges*
1989	The Future of Our Cities
1990	Accountability in National Life
1991	Ghana in the Year 2000
1992	Sustainable Development and the Environment
1993	The Culture of Dependency
1994	Conflicts in Africa
1995	Management of Ghana's Natural Resources*
1996	Financing Education in Ghana into the 21st Century
1997	Land as a Resource for Development*

1998	The Notion of the State in Contemporary Africa
1999	Critical Issues and the Challenges of the 21st Century
2000	The Information Age*
2001	Some Critical Development Issues facing Ghana
2002	Globalization
2003	National Integration
2004	Gender: Evolving Roles and Perceptions
2005	From Stability to Growth: Challenges of National Development
2006	Water*
2007	National Development: The Past 50 Years
2008	The Challenges of Oil Discovery in Ghana*
2009	50 Years of Promoting Excellence in Knowledge
2010	Climate Change*
2011	Ghana's Employment Challenge
2012	Ghana's Urbanisation Challenge
2013	Education For National Development
2014	Transforming the Economy of Ghana
2015	Managing Ghana's Oil Resources*
2016	Sustainable Land Administration In Ghana
2017	Managing Healthcare*
2018	Managing National Water Resources for Future Survival: Agenda 2063*
2019	Beyond 60 Years of Scholarly Excellence: New Frontiers and Prospects
2020	This Covid-19 Pandemic*
2021	The 1992 Constitution: Fitness for Purpose in the 21 st Century
2022	The Socio-Economic and Health Impacts of Covid-19 and Other Emerging Infectious Diseases*
2023	International Order in A Changing World: Implications for Rules, Institutions, Norms, Alliances, And Ghana

*Science-oriented Presentations

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Mission

The mission of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences is to encourage the creation, acquisition, dissemination and utilization of knowledge for national development through the promotion of learning.

Objectives

The Academy's objectives partly reviewed over the years are to:

- Promote the study, extension and dissemination of knowledge of Arts and Sciences.
- Establish and maintain proper standards of endeavour in all fields of the Arts and Sciences.
- Recognize outstanding contributions to the advancement of the Arts and Sciences in Ghana.
- Contribute actively to the development of Ghana and Africa generally by examining and addressing critical issues of development.
- Do such things as are conducive or incidental to the attainment of all or any of the foregoing objectives.

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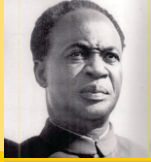
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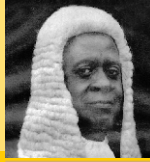
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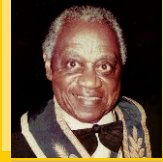
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1961 - 1966



Mr. Justice N.A. Ollennu, FGA
1969 - 1972



Prof. E.A. Boateng, FGA
1973 - 1976



Prof. C.O. Essmon, FGA
1977 - 1980



Prof. F.G.T. Torto, FGA
1981 - 1982



Most Rev. Prof. K.A. Dickson, FGA
1983 - 1986



Dr. E. Evans-Anom, FGA
1987 - 1990



Rev. Prof. C.G. Baata, FGA
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Prof. J.H. Kwashina Nketia, FGA
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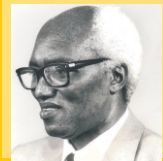
Prof. Prof. T. Sai, FGA
1999 - 2002



Nana Dr. S.K.B. Asante, FGA
2003 - 2006



Dr. Letitia E. Obeng, FGA
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Prof. Reginald Fraser Amonoo, FGA
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Prof. F.K.A. Allotey, FGA
2011 - 2014



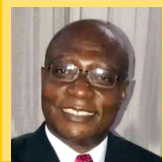
Prof. Akiagga Sawyer, FGA
2015 - 2016



Prof. Aba Bentil Andam, FGA
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