

Redefining the future of Real Estate in Africa

## 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

# 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference

# African Real Estate Society (AfRES) Conference 2022

Accra, Ghana



### THE CONFERENCE EVENT

AfRES is holding its 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Marriott Hotel in Accra Ghana.

The event is expected to host over 300 local and international attendees for an in-person conference after a break due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

For over two decades, our conferences have attracted representatives from all over the world especially members of sister professional bodies to discuss and present innovative solutions to real estate challenges especially with relevance to Africa. Professionals from real estate stakeholders, government agencies, academia as well as users of real estate services are encouraged to attend.

Conference format – In Person

#### AfRES welcomes you to Accra in September 2022

Ghana is grateful to be given the opportunity to host AfRES in 2022. This is the third time the country is hosting this great Society of ours. The first experience was the Accra Conference in 2012, and the second the Kumasi program in 2015.

Ghana is a West African country along the Gulf of Guinea (Atlantic Ocean) It is strategically positioned geographically in the centre of the world. The Greenwich Meridian passes through Ghana and the Equator is only a few degrees south of the country.

It is a stable country with a reputable democratic dispensation. Formerly known as the Gold Coast, Ghana gained independence in 1957, becoming the first Sub Saharan African nation to break from colonial rule. Since 1992, it has been under Constitutional rule with democratically elected governments peacefully handing over power when its tenure of office ends. Ghana has a total population of about 30 million people.

The climate is typically tropical. Daytime temperatures are high throughout the year approaching a little over 30 degrees Celsius. These drop to around 20 degrees at the night. There are two rainy seasons; main one from March to July and minor one from September to October. The vegetation is mainly tropical rainforest and savanna. Accra is within the coastal savanna zone.

Accra being the capital has high infrastructure outlay. It can boast of Good Roads, educational, health, commercial, recreational facilities among others. Electricity supply is stable.

Ghana is noted for its rich sociocultural values. The people are very friendly and treat each other especially foreigners with utmost care and respect, hence the proverbial 'unparalleled hospitality experiences' Ghana is accorded with. The local currency is the Ghana Cedi and currently exchanges at One US Dollar to Seven Ghana Cedis (1USD: 7GHS).

Cost of living is not so high. There are a number of food joints in Accra which provide local dishes, African cuisine as well European/ American menus. Decent Hotel accommodation are available for all types of classes.

In 2012 and 2015, those of you who participated saw what Ghana was made off. 2022 will present a high level of satisfaction in terms of quality of conference as well as social events.

Ghana is ready for you and we assure you of a memorable experience never to be forgotten. All flights from the entire globe will lead to Accra in September 2022.

We hope to see you and welcome you with the Ghanaian Akwaaba !

Thank you

#### **Co-Chairs**



**Emmanuel Kofi Gavu** (*Dr.-Ing., MGhIS*) is lecturer at the Department of Land Economy, KNUST Kumasi, Ghana. He is board member of the African Real Estate Society (AfRES), Chair of the Future Leaders of the African Real Estate Society (FLAfRES) and member Ghana Institution of Surveyors (GhIS). His research focuses on application of geographical information system in urban management, real estate and housing market analysis.



**Emmanuel Tetteh Martey** (PP, FGhIS) has held several positions within the AfRES, as Board Member, West African Chapter head, Vice President, President, Conference chair among others. He is a past president and Fellow of the Ghana Institution of Surveyors (GhIS). He is a practicing lawyer and the Chairperson for the Ghana Chamber of Construction Industry (GCCI). He is currently the Resettlement Manager on the Pwalugu Multipurpose Dam Project.

#### Register to attend

Online registration for all conference participants

Kindly use the following link to register for the conference: <u>https://forms.gle/hTEjxcSZ4aX7vj4h9</u>

After registration you will be provided with a secure link to make payment and complete the registration process.

#### Call for Papers Key Dates\*

Abstract submission (refereed papers) before 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Abstract submission (non-refereed papers) before 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022

30<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Deadline for early bird conference registration/ paper presenters

#### **Conference Registration Fees**

Participants (early bird until 17th June 2022)	USD300
Postgraduate Students (early bird until 17th June 2022)	USD150
Participants (after 17th June 2022)	USD350
Postgraduate Students (after 17th June 2022)	USD200
Accompanying persons	USD250

\*\* Note – Conference Registration fee includes coffee breaks, lunches, cocktails and gala dinner provided during the Conference.

### **Conference Themes**

- Affordable Housing/ Social Housing
- Sustainable Real Estate/ Smart Housing/ Green Building Initiatives
- Sustainable Financing/ Mortgage
- Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)/ PropTech
- Macroeconomic policy and Housing Developments
- Real Estate Valuation
- Land Administration and management
- CREM/ Property & Facility Management
- Real estate market research
- Research priorities for real estate education/ curricula

## Local Organizing Committee



**Dr.-Ing. Emmanuel Kofi Gavu** (MGhIS) AfRES 2022 Conference Co-Chair Lecturer, Dept. of Land Economy KNUST, Kumasi Ghana



**Emmanuel Tetteh Martey** (PP, FGhIS) AfRES 2022 Conference Co-Chair Resettlement Manager Pwalugu Multipurpose Dam Project, Ghana



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**Dr. Lewis Abedi Asante** (MGhIS) Lecturer Kumasi Technical University, Ghana



**Surv. Randy Alao** (MGhIS) Principal Land Administration Officer Lands Commission Ghana

#### Accommodation

Conference venue: Accra Marriott Hotel (5 star)

https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/accmc-accra-marriott-hotel/overview/

Best Western Premier Accra Airport Hotel (4 star) https://www.bestwesternpremier.com.gh/

Villa Monticello Boutique Hotel Accra (4 star) http://www.villamonticello.com/

City Escape Hotels Accra (3.5 star) https://cityescapehotels.com/

Holiday Inn Accra Airport (3 star) https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/accra/accra/hoteldetail/hotel-room-rates

Ibis Styles Accra Airport (3 star) https://ibis-styles-accra-airport-city-hotel.business.site/

Airport View Accra (2 star) https://www.airportviewhotel.net/

Airside Hotel Accra (2 star) https://www.airsidehotel.com.gh/

Congress Hotel Accra (2 star) https://thecongresshotelghana.com/

Apartments

ASK Apartments Accra – <u>https://askapartments.net/front-page/</u> TN Hospitality – <u>https://tn-hospitality-apartment-hotel.accra-hotels-gh.com/en/</u>

#### FOR ENQUIRIES

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