



GSA Gets New Acting DG

The President of Ghana, His Excellency John Mahama, has appointed Professor George Agyei as the acting Director-General of the GSA.

Prof. Agyei replaces Prof. Alex Dodoo, whose tenure ended in June this year.

In view of Prof. Agyei's appointment, the Human Resource (HR) Department has scheduled a staff durbar on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at the forecourt of the Administration Block, to officially introduce him to all staff.

The HR Department is calling on staff to accord the new Director-General the maximum co-operation and courtesies, as we collectively strive towards achieving the mandates of the Authority.

Prof. Agyei is an Associate Professor of Mining Engineering at the University of Mines and Technology, (UMaT) located in Tarkwa in the Western Region. He obtained his PhD from Instituto Superior Minero Metalúrgico de Moa, Cuba.

He is also a strong business development professional with a Master of Business



Prof. George Agyei

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Delegation from The Gambia Undertakes Study Tour at GSA



Group picture of the Gambian delegation and GSA officials

The GSA is currently hosting a delegation from The Gambia's Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) and the Gambia Standards Bureau (TGSB) who are in the country to undertake a study tour of the Authority.

The primary objective of the tour is to gain practical insights

into the type of approval and certification processes for energy products within the regulatory framework.

The tour is expected to help the Gambian delegation understand the systems, processes, and standards employed in Ghana and also help the team to strengthen its regulatory practices.

The delegation was welcomed to the Authority by Mr. Prince I.K. Arthur, the Director of Metrology Directorate.





GSA Participates in 4th Edition of E-Commerce Forum, Exhibition



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On Wednesday, September 3, 2025, the GSA participated in the 4th edition of the E-Commerce Forum & Exhibition organised by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and other partners at the University of Professional Studies, Accra (UPSA).

Appiah Kusi Adomako, Esq., the Director of the West African Regional Centre of CUTS International and a Board member of the GSA, was joined on a panel by Ms. Diana Amponsah and Mr. Kofi Yeboah Debrah, APR, the GSA's Head of Product Inspection and Acting Head of Public Relations Departments, respectively, to discuss the importance of standardisation in Ghana's e-commerce space.

Ms. Amponsah and Mr. Adomako joined the panel discussion and gave insights on Consumer Protection in E-Commerce: Building Trust and Accountability in Ghana's Digital Marketplace.

Ms. Amponsah educated participants on the importance of standardisation in e-commerce and charged them to pay a critical attention to products before making a purchasing decision.

Mr. Debrah joined the panel discussion on Unlocking the AfCFTA for Digital Trade and E-Commerce Growth in Africa.

He explained that the GSA was working with international and African bodies to harmonise standards and certain activities to ensure a smooth trading across

African countries. This, he said, would open doors for Ghanaian businesses to cross into different African countries to trade, advising businesses to approach the GSA to help them standardise their products.



Central Regional Office

GSA Officers Sensitise Electrical Cable Traders



GSA Officers in a group photograph with an electrical wire trader

The Cape Coast Office, through its Trading Standards Inspectors (TSIs), embarked on a one-week exercise targeting traders of electrical wiring cables and accessories in the enclave.

The exercise covered key trading areas including

Kotokoraba, Bakaano, Siwdu, Pedu, Abura, and Kakumdu.

The purpose of the visits was to educate shop owners on the procedures and processes involved in the implementation and enforcement of electrical

wiring cable testing within the Central Region.

This engagement provided the GSA with an opportunity to sensitise stakeholders while also assessing their reception of the programme. Additionally, the visits served

to introduce traders to the REVEO application, which is currently being piloted under the Ghana Digital Conformity Project, in collaboration with local electrical cable manufacturing companies.



Northern Regional Office

GSA Participates in World Shea Expo 2025 with Focus on Standards, Certification



Mr. Alhassan joined a panel discussion during the Shea Expo

The GSA played a key role in the just-ended World Shea Expo 2025, held from September 2–4, 2025, at the Modern City Hotel in Tamale.

The Expo was held under the theme: “Empowering Women and Youth-led SMEs in the Shea Value Chain: The Role of Government and Financial Institutions.”

The three-day event brought together representatives of government institutions, development partners, financial institutions, academia, private sector players, and community-based organisations, to deliberate on strategies for

strengthening Ghana’s shea industry.

Representing the Authority, the Northern Regional Manager, Mr. Basim Alhassan, joined a high-level panel discussion on “Standards and Certification for the Shea Industry.” The panel also featured experts from the Food and Drugs Authority (FDA), Tree Crops Development Authority (TCDA), and academia, with moderation by Dr. Yazeed Abdul-Mumeen of the University for Development Studies (UDS).

Mr. Alhassan emphasised GSA’s mandate in promoting quality and safety standards for shea products to meet both domestic and international market requirements. He highlighted the importance of adopting Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs), laboratory testing, and certification schemes to ensure that Ghana’s shea butter and shea-based products remain competitive in global trade, particularly under the Africa Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

He further underscored the Authority’s ongoing collaborations with local

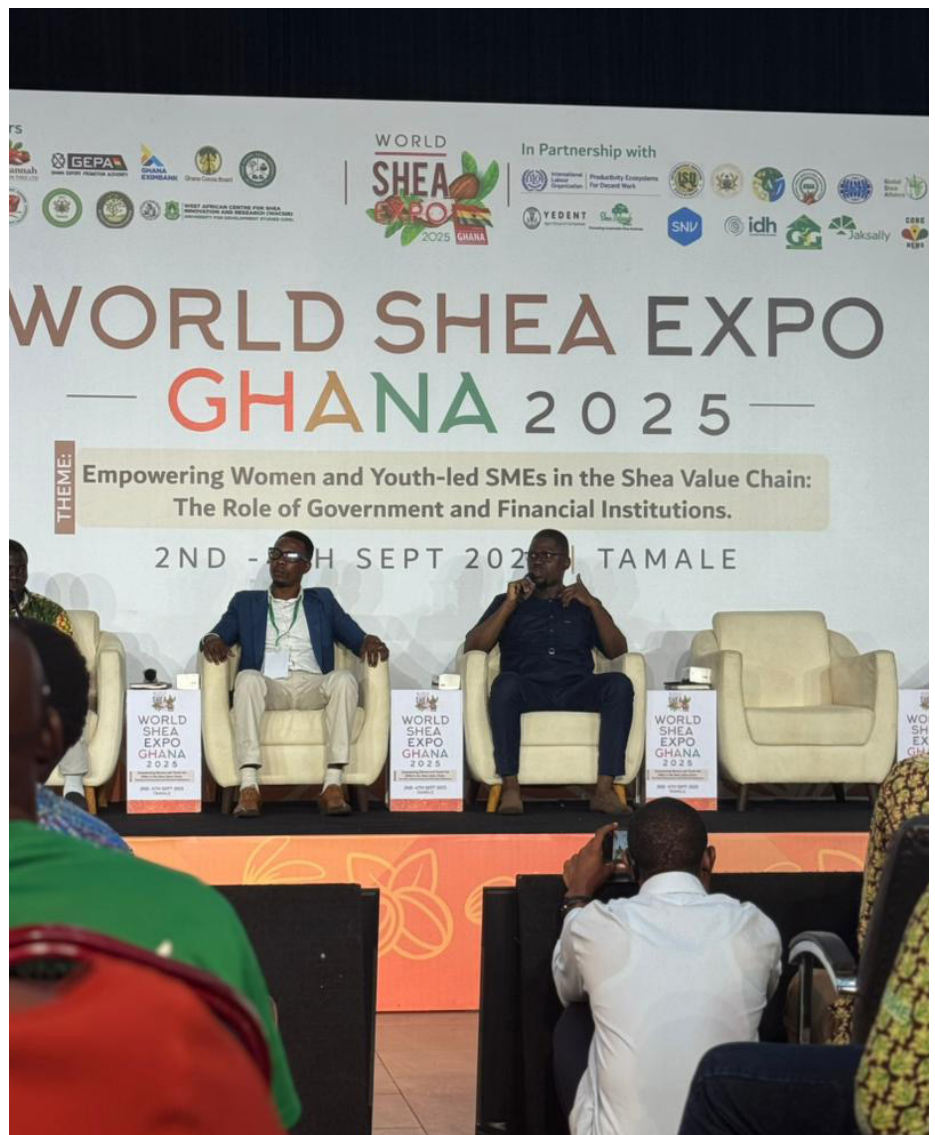
processors, exporters, and cooperatives in building capacity on shea quality standards, packaging, and labelling compliance.

According to him, “strengthening standardisation and certification is not just about meeting export requirements; it is about safeguarding consumer trust, protecting livelihoods, and unlocking the full economic potential of the shea value chain.”

The World Shea Expo 2025 featured keynote addresses from dignitaries including the Deputy Chief of staff, Nana Oye Bampoe Addo, representing H.E. John Dramani Mahama, President of the Republic of Ghana, and panel discussions on financing, logistics, climate resilience, youth entrepreneurship, and opportunities for women and youth-led SMEs in the shea value chain.

Also in attendance was Dr. Peter Boamah Otokunor, Director, Presidential Initiatives in Agriculture and Agribusiness, Office of the President; Mr. Sylvester Mensah, the CEO of Exim Bank and other government agencies CEOs.

The participation of GSA in this event reaffirms the Authority’s commitment to promoting quality, safety, and competitiveness in Ghana’s agro-based industries.



Ashanti Regional Office

GSA Educates Students, Teachers of Suame Technical Institute on Mandate



GSA officers educating the students

The Ashanti Regional office of the GSA, in collaboration with the Suame Technical Institute, organised a sensitisation programme for students and teachers of the school on the Authority's mandate and activities.

The objective of the sensitisation programme was to create awareness of the Authority's mandate in ensuring that products and services meet the applicable standards, ultimately

protecting the interest of consumers as well as facilitate trade and promote compliant businesses.

The event, which took place on Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at the premises of the Suame Technical Institute, had a joint team of Trading Standards Inspectors (TSIs), Marketing and Conformity officers.

Mr. Enoch Adjei Antwi from the Marketing Unit opened

the presentation with an explanation of what standards are and the need for it.

He stated that standards generally help ensure the quality of goods and services, protecting consumers from harm and promoting public health and safety. Therefore, the Authority is mandated by the Ghana Standards Authority Act, 2022 (Act 1078), to establish and promote standards that in return help industries produce high-

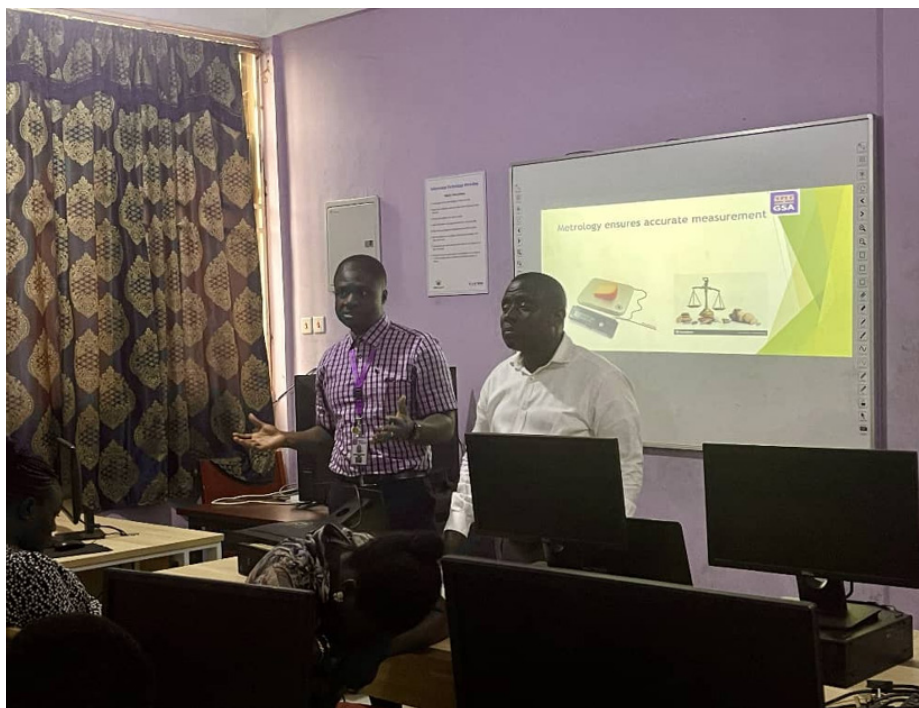
quality goods and services that meet international standards.

Highlighting on conformity assessment, Mr. Eugene Nuamah from the Conformity Unit talked about the need to look out for the Standard Mark when purchasing products or seeking services.

He cited as examples the need for the calibration of weights and measuring equipment of industries; hospital devices such as thermometer; weighing scales, and dispensing machines at fuel and gas stations, amongst others, and to look out for the GSA sticker on such devices.

During the presentation, both officers emphasised the critical need to look out for the GSA Standard Mark which assures consumers that a product has been inspected, tested, and meets the required standards, thereby boosting confidence in the product.

The officers took time to address questions on issues and acknowledged contributions from the participants and also encouraged them to report suspicious products and services to the Authority for immediate action.



Eastern Regional Office

Regional Office Markets GSA Services at ECSMF 2025



A GSA officer educating traditional leaders at the GSA stand

The Koforidua Office participated in the 5th edition of the Eastern Commodity Satellite Market Fair (ECSMF) at the Jackson Park. In Koforidua.

The event was aimed at creating a platform for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in the Eastern Region, to publicise and market their goods and services to a wider market.

The fair, which was organised by the Regional and District Agriculture Departments and the Eastern Regional Coordinating Council (ERCC), sought to link all the 33 Municipal and District Assemblies on a common platform to network and

project the natural richness of their various districts through value addition initiatives.

This year's event, held under the theme: "Shaping the Future of Agricultural Industrialisation through Strategic Investment", also sought to unearth untapped potentials, with showcases from agricultural produce, agrochemicals, mechanised equipment, skilled artifacts, amongst others.

The GSA's participation is a commitment to the promotion of standards and quality across various fields of agriculture and agribusiness, by contributing towards the growth of industries,

protecting consumers and facilitating trade through standardisation, metrology and conformity assessment.

The services and initiatives of the Authority were showcased to participants and exhibitors through interactions, by providing valuable insights on certification which not only enhances quality but boosts consumer confidence, as well as protecting lives and property, quality evaluation, and highlighting the importance of standards for economic growth and business sustainability.

The Authority's Eastern Regional Manager, Mr. Andrew Lartey, together with his team, moved round the fairgrounds

to engage exhibitors through certification processes, labelling requirements and the acquisition of various standards and services as stipulated by the GSA Act 2022 (Act 1078).

The fair drew over 300 participants, exhibitors and visitors, including representatives from the ERCC; Traditional Council; MMDCEs; AGI; regulatory bodies; media; students, with local and international stakeholders, including TIAST Group, Health Community of West Africa (HCOWA), Legacy Crop Improvement Centre, Joy multimedia, amongst others.



Entrance University Pharmacy Students Visit GSA



Entrance University students touring the volume lab

Fifth-year Pharmacy students from Entrance University, on Thursday, September 4, 2025, paid a visit to the GSA to learn about the operations of the Authority and the role the Authority plays in the field of pharmacy.

The students were received and taken through a brief introduction on the activities of the Authority by the Public Relations (PR) and Marketing teams.

Mr. Fotwe Afful from the PR team explained the various activities the Authority was involved in and encouraged the

students to be ambassadors of standardisation.

“Standardisation in your field is very important because your activities affect the health of Ghanaians. If you don’t heed to the demands of standardisation you may end up providing patients with wrong diagnosis which can have serious effects on them,” he said.

Mrs. Dorothy Amoah, Head of Marketing, also advised the students to help the GSA rid the markets of substandard products by reporting activities they see to the Authority.

The students, after the briefing, were taken to various Labs at the Metrology Directorate, where they learnt about how calibration is done and how it affects their work.

They were also taken to the Drugs Lab to get first-hand information about the activities and happenings in the lab.

The students expressed their gratitude to the team for explaining GSA’s operations to them and noted that they would adhere to all the advice and implement them.



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