

Panelist

Helen Amerley Amarquaye

Helen Amerley Amarquaye is an Independent non-executive director, currently serving on the boards of Old Mutual Insurance Ghana (Chairperson) and African Risk Capacity Limited, an agency of

the Africa Union. Recognised Top 100 Ghana's Women Board Director (2022) & Top 50 Ghanaian Female Finance Leaders (2024)

Strong multi-national experience – City of London and Accrabases; World-wide business delivery & engagement with personal interest in African development. Former Business Integrity Director at Guinness Ghana Breweries Plc (Diageo Group). Held senior management roles at both MTN and Vodafone in Ghana, as well as varied Risk Management, Underwriting and Audit roles with major European insurers – including Swiss Re Group and Aviva Plc.

A Thoughtful and Strategic leader with strong emphasis on robust governance practices including enterprise risk management and assurance on controls management. MBA holder from Durham University Business School, UK; Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute (London); LLB (GIMPA), and The Economist Future of Finance and Fintech Certificate.

Helen is passionate about driving sustainable business and has a strong entrepreneurial mindset, which she has applied throughout her corporate career. She is a strong advocate of working through people, leveraging on diversity and behavioural change.

Helen is Founding Director of Yere Dzikan, a mentoring organisation.



Facilitator

Abenaa Kessewaa Brown

Abenaa Kessewaa Brown is currently an independent consultant supporting and facilitating teams for peak performance. She has founded of Values, Culture, Mindset 360 (VCM360) Limited to continue to champion the key strategy needs for successful organization performance.

She holds an MBA from China Europe International Business School (CEIBS), Ghana Campus and a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting from Langston University, USA. She is a Certified Public Accountant (USA), now a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants Ghana (ICAG). She has attended numerous programs in various Governance and Leadership in and out of Ghana.

She was the former Principal of the National Banking College (NBC) and a Member of its Governing Council from 2016 until her retirement in 2021. Following the update of the Banking Act, she led her team in the design, development and implementation of the Annual Governance Certification training program for all Board Directors of financial institutions regulated by the Bank of Ghana.

Prior to joining NBC, she served with Standard Chartered Banking as the Head of Customer Service Centre and Head of Customer Support (Operations) for Shared Service Centre (SSC) serving six (6) countries in West Africa. She served on the SSC Management Committee and was the Support liaison for all six countries. In 2006, she transitioned to Organizational Learning to support the Talent and Development strategic agenda for the West Africa region and Group. She is a certified Gallup Strengths Coach, a Certification in Emotional Intelligence and certification with Competent Coach Certification, India. She completed the International Gestalt Organization and Leadership Development I-Gold Program.

As a fellow in Institute of Directors, she has a passion for good governance



Strategic Women in Leadership Masterclass

Theme: Equipping women to lead, influence, and innovate for a sustainable Africa

OVERVIEW

The Strategic Women in Leadership Masterclass is a high-level executive leadership forum designed to empower women in senior leadership positions, directors, entrepreneurs, and rising female leaders across industries to engage in transformational learning, peer mentorship, and be equipped with the tools, insights, and frameworks needed to excel in a fast-changing world driven by digital transformation, global sustainability goals, and inclusive leadership.

OBJECTIVES

By the end of the Masterclass, participants will:

- Gain strategic insight into executive leadership and sustainable innovation.
- Understand how AI and digital disruption are reshaping leadership globally.
- Learn to lead inclusive teams, negotiate powerfully, and manage change
- Create a personal leadership and innovation roadmap.
- Master strategic decision-making, negotiation, and stakeholder management

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPACT

- Accelerate succession planning by grooming high-potential women leaders
- Foster confidence, influence, and executive presence in your leadership pipeline
- Empower your female executives with high-level strategic leadership capabilities
- Retain high-performing women by investing in their growth, confidence, and strategic influence

METHODOLOGY

- Expert-led Sessions
- Case Studies & Best Practices
- Leadership Simulations & Exercises
- Peer Networking & Mentorship
- Personalized Leadership Plan

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- C-Suite Executives & Senior Leaders Female
- Directors, Managers & Team Leads
- Emerging Women Leaders Identified for Succession
- Professionals Transitioning into Executive Roles
- Women in Innovation, Strategy, or Digital Transformation Roles

Date:

27th - 28th
August 2025

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Fee: GHS 3,500.00(VAT Incl.)

Venue: **Best Western Premier Hotel**, Accra

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The fee for the conference covers full access to the programme, materials, refreshment, workbook, name tags and certificate

Keynote Speaker

DR. MRS.
ELLEN
HAGAN



Dr. (Mrs.) Ellen Hagan is a trailblazing entrepreneur, leadership advocate, and one of Ghana's foremost voices in Human Resource development. She is the Founder and CEO of L'AINE HR, Ghana's leading HR firm, which she established over 30 years ago. A visionary leader and a Fellow of the CIHRM, she currently serves as President of the Ghana HR Service Providers Association (GHRASP) and Vice President of the Bible Society of Ghana.

She is also Co-founder of Legacy Girls College, Ghana's only all-girls private school combining Ghanaian and British curricula — a bold initiative to nurture the next generation of African women leaders.

A multi-award-winning CEO, Dr. Hagan has been honoured as CIMG Marketing Woman of the Year in 2011, one of Africa's Most Respected CEOs in 2022, one of the 100 Most Impactful Women Entrepreneurs shaping Africa's future in 2023, received the Legacy & GADIA State Award for excellence in leadership, entrepreneurship, and youth empowerment in 2023 and the Ghana CEO Summit Leadership Excellence Award for Human Resources in 2025. She serves on several boards, including the University of Ghana Business School Board, Samara Group Board, the E.M.Y Group Board and the Christian Sentinel Board.

A published author and champion of youth and women empowerment, she is driven by faith, service, and purpose. She has been married for 40 years and is a proud mother and grandmother.

Facilitator

Catherine
Engmann



Catherine Engmann is an international governance advisor and executive coach with over 20 years of experience in corporate governance. Half of her career was spent working with FTSE-listed companies in the UK, and she now serves

clients across various industries, including banking, insurance, oil & gas, and not-for-profits.

She is the Managing Director and Founder of Mindful Governance, a boutique corporate governance advisory and leadership development firm based in Ghana with a global reach. Catherine is also the Co-Founder and Non-Executive Director of Sirdar Ghana Limited, a leader in boardroom performance.

Catherine currently serves as a Non-Executive Director on three boards and holds a consulting role with the International Finance Corporation as the ESG Lead for Ghana, where she supports capacity-building initiatives in ESG within the financial services sector. She specializes in corporate governance, board evaluations, leadership development, culture transformation, and systemic coaching for C-suite executives and founders.

She holds a degree in Biotechnology and is a graduate of the Chartered Governance Institute (formerly ICSA UK). Catherine is also certified in culture transformation tools, leadership development, and executive coaching. She is a John Maxwell Team coach and trainer and a Barrett Values Centre certified culture transformation consultant.