## Profile of Mr. Kwame N. Acquah

## Honorary Consul of the Republic of Seychelles in Ghana



Hon. Kwame N. Acquah is an accomplished diplomat, seasoned entrepreneur, and visionary leader with decades of experience in fostering international relations, driving business development, and enabling cross-cultural collaboration. His tenure as Honorary Consul of the Republic of Seychelles in Ghana, his career reflects an unwavering commitment to advancing diplomatic relations, promoting economic growth, and serving as a bridge between nations.

**Diplomatic Service and Contributions** 



## Honorary Consul of the Republic of Seychelles in Ghana

Since his appointment as Honorary Consul of Seychelles in Ghana on June 13, 2016, Hon. Acquah has played an instrumental role in strengthening ties between Seychelles and Ghana, as mandated by the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. His responsibilities extend across a broad spectrum of activities aimed at enhancing bilateral cooperation, fostering trade, and supporting Seychellois citizens in Ghana and the West African region.

The Ghanaian government's long-standing tradition of accepting Honorary Consuls underscores the importance of this position in representing countries that do not maintain full diplomatic missions in Ghana. Hon. Acquah's responsibilities as Honorary Consul include fostering bilateral relations and strengthening economic, cultural, and scientific ties between Seychelles and Ghana.

#### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Promoting Bilateral Relations: Spearheading initiatives to enhance trade, economic, cultural, and scientific collaboration between Seychelles and Ghana.
- Facilitating Business and Trade Opportunities: Acting as a conduit for economic cooperation by expanding bilateral trade and investment opportunities.

- Support for Seychellois Citizens: Representing the interests of Seychelles and providing support to Seychellois nationals in Ghana.
- Collaborating with the Seychelles Embassy: Providing intelligence on Ghana's economic, political, and social landscape to inform bilateral decision-making.
- Advocating for Multilateral Relations: Deepening ties between the two nations through innovative initiatives and cultural programs.

Hon. Acquah has also spearheaded several initiatives to maximize cooperation between the two nations by engaging with key governmental ministries.

#### **Notable Diplomatic Achievements**

## **Key Projects and Conferences Conducted on Behalf of the Consulate**

- **1. The African Heritage Project in Seychelles (2025)** A significant cultural initiative aimed at celebrating and preserving African heritage in Seychelles.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Signing Between the University of Seychelles (UNSEY) and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) (January 2025) -Strengthening academic collaboration and fostering research partnerships between the two institutions.
- Visit of Lady Julia and Delegation to Seychelles & Presentation of Books to the National Library (January 2025) - A diplomatic visit reinforcing cultural and educational ties between Ghana and Seychelles.
- 4. State Visit by H.E. Wavel Ramkalawan, President of Seychelles, to Ghana (November 2024) Strengthening bilateral relations and exploring areas of cooperation between Ghana and Seychelles.
- 5. **39th Edition of the Kreol Festival 2024 & 100th Year Commemoration of the Return of Otumfuo Agyemang Prempeh I (October November 2024)** A cultural celebration highlighting the historical connections between Ghana and Seychelles.
- 6. **Honorary Consuls' Conference in Seychelles (October 2024)** A diplomatic forum bringing together honorary consuls to discuss international cooperation and development.
- Welcome Cocktail by the Honorary Consul of Uruguay (June 5, 2024) A diplomatic reception hosted by Hon. Ashok Mohinani to welcome newly appointed members of the Honorary Consular Corps of Ghana, strengthening international cooperation.

- 8. **Participation in Kwibuka 30 Commemoration (May 18–24, 2024)** Honouring the victims of the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda and engaging in discussions on genocide prevention.
- 9. Attendance at the 3i Africa Summit Opening Ceremony (May 13, 2024) Engaging in high-level discussions on economic development, investment, and digital transformation across Africa.
- 10. Representation at African Union Day (May 2024) Delegates from the Seychelles Consulate participated in the Flag Raising Ceremony, reaffirming Seychelles' commitment to the AU's mission.
- 11. Participation in the 3rd Made-in-Ghana Bazaar (May 23, 2024) Showcasing Ghanaian entrepreneurship and fostering bilateral trade opportunities between Seychelles and Ghana.
- 12. **Attendance at the 2024 Economic Counsellors' Dialogue -** Contributing to discussions on Ghana's investment policies, modernizing investment agreements, and enhancing economic diplomacy.
- 13. Participation in the Accra II Process on Unconstitutional Changes of Government (March 18, 2024) Engaging in AU-led discussions on governance and democracy in Africa.
- 14. **Commonwealth Day Celebration (March 11, 2024)** Participating in the flag-raising and tree-planting ceremony to commemorate the 75th Commonwealth Day in Accra.
- 15. Attendance at the Opening of the 13th African Games (March 8, 2024) Supporting sports development and youth engagement across Africa.
- 16. **Ghana's Independence Day Ceremony (March 6, 2024)** Honouring Ghana's sovereignty and national pride in Koforidua.
- 17. **New Year's Greetings Exchange (March 4, 2024)** Strengthening diplomatic ties at an official reception hosted by the President of Ghana at Peduase Lodge.
- 18. Independence Day Children's School Awards (March 1, 2024) Celebrating academic excellence among Ghanaian students.
- 19. **Lecture Series on Foreign Policy (February 2, 2024)** Engaging in discussions led by Hon. Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey on regional integration and diplomatic affairs.
- 20. **Ghana-France Higher Education and Research Conference (February 5-6, 2024)** Fostering academic collaboration between Ghana and France.
- 21. **Diplomatic Gathering at the French Embassy (January 30, 2024) -** Engaging in discussions with H.E. Jules-Armand Aniambossou on diplomatic achievements and future collaborations.
- 22. **Franco-German Prize for Human Rights and the Rule of Law (January 22, 2024)** Attending the award ceremony recognizing contributions to human rights.

- 23. **Thanksgiving Ceremony, Ministry of Education (January 12, 2024)** Acknowledging educational achievements and reinforcing partnerships in education.
- 24. **ECOWAS Court of Justice Sensitization Program (January 11, 2024)** Supporting legal awareness and justice accessibility across West Africa.

These initiatives underscore the Hon Kwame Acquah's commitment to diplomacy, economic development, cultural exchange, and international cooperation.



# HCCGH Honorary Consular Corps of Ghana

Hon. Kwame Acquah has demonstrated exemplary diplomatic leadership throughout his tenure as the Honorary Consul of Seychelles in Ghana and as a distinguished member of the Honorary Consular Corps of Ghana. His strategic vision and commitment have been instrumental in strengthening diplomatic ties between Ghana and Seychelles, as well as elevating the role of the Honorary Consular Corps in Ghana's foreign policy and international engagements. Through his leadership, significant progress has been made in fostering economic, cultural, and diplomatic collaboration between the two nations.

Beyond his primary consular duties, Hon. Acquah has played a pivotal role within the Honorary Consular Corps, particularly through his executive positions that have facilitated greater synergy between Ghanaian government institutions and foreign diplomatic missions. His expertise in diplomacy, governance, and strategic partnerships has led to impactful reforms and enhanced cooperation on multiple levels.

#### **Executive Positions Held**

#### Executive Position: GoG & Local Authorities Relationship (2019–2020, Two Terms)

In this key role, Hon. Acquah was responsible for forging strategic partnerships and strengthening communication between the Government of Ghana (GoG), local authorities, and foreign diplomatic representatives. His leadership ensured the effective alignment of local governance structures with broader national diplomatic goals, streamlining diplomatic engagements and reinforcing collaboration between local and international stakeholders.

## **Secretary of the Honorary Consular Corps of Ghana**

 First Term (2021–2023): As Secretary, Hon. Acquah efficiently managed the administrative functions of the Honorary Consular Corps, ensuring seamless coordination among consuls and fostering strong relationships with Ghanaian government agencies. His tenure significantly enhanced the Corps' visibility and influence within Ghana's diplomatic and business communities. Second Term (2023–2025): Currently serving a second term, Hon. Acquah continues to build on
his previous achievements, further solidifying the role of the Honorary Consular Corps in Ghana's
international diplomacy. His focus remains on refining the Corps' internal operations and
strengthening its external partnerships, ensuring sustained impact on Ghana's global diplomatic
relations.

Hon. Acquah's diverse executive roles have left an indelible mark on the effectiveness of the Honorary Consular Corps and the broader diplomatic landscape of Ghana. His leadership continues to advance Seychelles' interests in Ghana while reinforcing international cooperation and fostering sustainable diplomatic relationships.

Under his stewardship, the Corps has implemented numerous impactful projects and initiatives, strengthening its mission to promote diplomacy and international cooperation.

#### **Notable Projects and Contributions:**

- Adopt A District Program (June 2024) Facilitated community support initiatives in Seychelles, addressing social and economic challenges in districts such as Au Cap, Takamaka, and Pointe Larue.
- Green Ghana Day (2024) Participated in a nationwide reforestation initiative aimed at
  promoting environmental conservation and sustainability. A significant event dedicated to
  environmental conservation and reforestation efforts in Ghana This commemorative tree planting
  initiative organized by the Forestry Commission in collaboration with the Ministry of Lands and
  Natural Resources and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Community Support and Social Welfare Initiatives (June 27, 2024) Hon. Kwame Acquah took
  part in donation events at the Chosen Children's Center in Darkuman and the Impact Care and
  Rehab Foundation in Weija, Accra, reinforcing his commitment to social welfare and support for
  vulnerable communities.

During his tenure, Hon. Acquah has directed and managed elections, meetings with government officials, and engagement with international entities, enhancing the Corps' reputation and effectiveness.

#### **Global Contributions and Representation**



Fédération Internationale des Corps et Associations Consulaires (FICAC)

Hon. Kwame Acquah is an esteemed **Co-opted Member of the Board of Directors** of the **World Federation of Consuls (FICAC)**, a globally recognized organization dedicated to promoting cooperation among consuls worldwide. Established in 1982 and accredited by the United Nations in 1993, FICAC plays a vital role in strengthening international diplomacy. Previously, Hon. Acquah served as a Director on the FICAC Board before his current role, where he continues to contribute to the organization's mission of fostering global collaboration.

#### **Key Contributions:**

- FICAC's 2023 Conference for African Honorary Consuls (May 2023) Played a crucial role in organizing the event held in Ghana, which focused on enhancing the role of consuls in Africa's development.
- 2. **Humanitarian Mission to Turkey (February 2023)** Participated in a mission to support communities affected by the devastating earthquake, demonstrating FICAC's commitment to humanitarian aid.
- 3. **FICAC EURASIA Conference, Kazakhstan (September 2024):** Hon. Kwame attended the FICAC EURASIA Conference in Kazakhstan, where he took part in discussions on international cooperation and consular affairs. His involvement reinforced his role in fostering diplomatic ties and his continued commitment to global collaboration.
- 4. **14**<sup>th</sup> **World Congress of Consuls , Morocco (2025):** Hon. Acquah was re-elected to the Board of Directors, World Federation of Consuls (FICAC), at the 14<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Consuls in Marrakech, Morocco, in recognition of outstanding contribution to international diplomacy and consular relations.

Hon. Acquah's contributions to FICAC reflect his dedication to using diplomacy and international cooperation for positive global impact.

"Diplomacy is about forging genuine connections, fostering mutual understanding, and creating opportunities that transcend borders. It builds lasting relationships, ensuring that partnerships translate into meaningful progress for communities, businesses, and future generations. My mission is to strengthen Ghana-Seychelles relations in ways that create long-term value for both nations, while also fostering global cooperation that uplifts communities."

Hon. Acquah believes in the power of strategic alliances, ethical leadership, and cultural diplomacy to create lasting economic and social impact. His leadership is guided by a commitment to integrity, innovation, and inclusive growth, ensuring that business and diplomacy serve the broader good.

## **Leadership in Bilateral Relations**

Hon. Kwame Acquah's exceptional leadership has been instrumental in fostering bilateral relations between Seychelles and Ghana. He has developed strategic initiatives and proposals in collaboration with key ministries, including:

Name of Ministry	Proposal / Agreement	Status
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Tourism Seychelles – Ministry of Tourism Arts and Culture	In November 2024, an MOU was signed between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Tourism of Seychelles and the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, and Culture of Ghana. The agreement focuses on enhancing bilateral cooperation in tourism, arts, and culture. Key areas of collaboration include the promotion of tourism exchanges, cultural events, joint marketing efforts, and the sharing of best practices in the tourism and cultural sectors.	The MOU was successfully signed and reflects a commitment from both countries to strengthen their cultural ties, boost tourism, and collaborate on various initiatives that will benefit their economies and cultural heritage. The status of the agreement is active, with both ministries likely beginning the implementation of the initiatives outlined in the MOU.
Seychelles National Institute for Culture, Heritage and the Arts - Ministry of Tourism Art and Culture Ghana	In November 2024, an MOU was signed between the Seychelles National Institute for Culture, Heritage, and the Arts and the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, and Culture of Ghana. This agreement aims to foster collaboration in the fields of culture, heritage, and the arts, promoting mutual exchange of knowledge, artistic projects, and preservation of cultural heritage. Key areas of cooperation include organizing cultural events, sharing expertise in heritage conservation, and supporting joint artistic endeavors.	The MOU has been successfully signed, and the status indicates that both institutions are likely in the process of planning and implementing the projects and initiatives outlined in the agreement. This partnership is expected to enhance cultural ties and promote both nations' rich artistic and heritage traditions on the international stage.
Ministry of Education, Seychelles	The MOU signed between the Ministry of Education of Seychelles and Ghana in November 2024 focuses on fostering cooperation in education through various initiatives. These include teacher and student exchanges, joint research projects, curriculum development, and professional training. The agreement aims to enhance both countries' educational systems and promote knowledge-sharing and cultural exchange.	the status of the MOU likely involves the initial stages of implementing these agreed-upon initiatives. This may include setting up frameworks for the exchanges and planning collaborative projects, but further details on the exact status would depend on ongoing discussions and actions between the two countries.
Ministry of Fisheries and Blue Economy, Seychelles – Ministry of fisheries and Aquaculture	The proposed MOU between the Ministry of Fisheries and Blue Economy of Seychelles and the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture of Ghana aims to reestablish and strengthen bilateral cooperation in the fisheries sector. This revised MOU, which was initially signed in	Currently, the MOU is awaiting final confirmation from the legal department of the Ministry of Fisheries and Blue Economy of Seychelles. Once approved, it will formalize a renewed commitment between the two nations, fostering long-term collaboration in the

2017, seeks to build upon the original agreement by addressing current challenges and introducing updated initiatives to promote sustainable fishing enhance fish stock practices, management, and encourage the development of innovative research and technology in both countries.

sustainable development of the fisheries sector and strengthening the relationship between Seychelles and Ghana in marine resource management.

The proposed changes, which were discussed in November 2025, focus on reactivating and expanding the scope of the original MOU. The new framework is designed to incorporate evolving needs in fisheries management, align with modern environmental standards, and provide new opportunities for capacity building, particularly in areas like sustainable aquaculture and marine conservation.

Ministry of Health, Seychelles – Ministry of Health Ghana The proposed MOU between the Ministry of Health of Seychelles and the Ministry of Health of Ghana, put forward in November 2024, aims to strengthen collaboration in healthcare and public health initiatives. The agreement is intended to cover areas such as healthcare system strengthening, exchange of medical expertise, joint research, and the sharing of best practices in public health and disease prevention.

review, as the legal department of the Ministry of Health of Seychelles is finalizing a few changes to the proposed text. Once these adjustments are completed, the document will be forwarded for final confirmation and official signing. The agreement, once finalized, is expected to facilitate closer cooperation between the two countries in enhancing healthcare services and public health outcomes.

Currently, the MOU is still under

University of Seychelles (UNSEY) and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)

of The MOU between the University of Seychelles (UNSEY) and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) was proposed in November 2024 and successfully signed in January 2025. This agreement aims to foster academic collaboration between the two institutions, focusing on areas such as joint research, student and faculty exchange programs, capacity-building initiatives, and the development of academic partnerships in science, technology, and innovation.

With the MOU now officially signed, both universities are set to implement the collaborative projects outlined in the agreement, enhancing their academic and research capabilities educational while promoting that benefit exchanges both institutions. The signing marks a significant step in strengthening the relationship between UNSEY and KNUST, paving the way for continued cooperation in higher education and research.

Hon. Kwame N. Acquah's extensive experience, strategic vision, and dedication to fostering international cooperation have positioned him as a leader in diplomacy and business development. His

contributions to the Republic of Seychelles, Ghana, and global organizations like FICAC underscore his commitment to driving meaningful change and strengthening bilateral and multilateral relations.

As Honorary Consul of the Republic of Seychelles in Ghana, Executive Secretary of HCCGH, and a member of the FICAC Board, Hon. Acquah continues to champion initiatives that promote economic growth, cultural exchange, and sustainable development. His legacy of service and leadership will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on the communities and organizations he stands for.