# 3rd AFRICA Palm Oil (Rubber & Cocoa)

21-23 Sep 2015 | Accra, Ghana (Labadi Beach Hotel)

# Day 1 - September 21<sup>st</sup>, Monday

- 08:00 Registration & Coffee
- 09:00 CMT's Welcome
- 09:05 Official Opening Address Masterplan for Ghana's Agriculture Industry including New Regulations and Policies for Investment Hon.Minister Fiifi Kwetey, Minister of Agriculture Ministry of Food & Agriculture, Ghana
- 09:35 Chairman's Welcome & Introduction
- 09:45 Sustainability in Rubber and Oil Palm Plantations of the Siat Group in Africa Gert Vandersmissen, Chief Operating Officer Siat Gabon
- 10:15 Olam's Sustainable Cocoa Program and Value Chain Activities in Ghana
  - Downstream processing , production of cocoa fertilisers -replicating our international sustainability efforts to improving livelihood of Ghanaian farmers
  - Working towards producing 'climate smart' cocoa in the Bia landscape
  - Working with COCOBOD and the Forestry Commission on the World Bank's Emission Reduction Programme for Ghana - an update Gurinder Goindi, Vice President
     Olam International Limited
  - Olam International Limited
- 10:45 Discussions followed by Morning Refreshments
- 11:15 Boosting Palm Oil Production in Ghana the Role of OPDAG (Oil Palm Development Association in Ghana) Samuel Avaala, President Oil Palm Development Association Ghana
- 11:45 Liberia Perspective on the Oil Palm Sector and the Rubber Value Chain
  - Our accomplishments and challenges that have shaped our experience in the revitalization and growth of the industry *Tupin Morgan, Managing Director Agro Inc*

- 12:15 Helping Small & Medium Scale Farmer Increase Productivity & Profitability in the Oil Palm Sector Isaac Gyamfi, Director Solidaridad West Africa
- 12:45 Discussion followed by Lunch

### 14:00 Cameroon

Palm Oil Plantations and the Governments Implementation Program to Improve the Industry Emmanuel Ngom, National Coordinator of the

Small Holding Project Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development

- 14:30 Development Equity and its Role in the Palm Oil Sector - AAF's Palm Oil Investments in Sierra Leone and DRC Vince McAleer, CEO - African Agriculture Fund -Palm Oil Platform Golden Oil Holdings Ltd
- 15:00 Discussion followed by Afternoon Refreshments
- 15:30 Upstream and Downstream Investment Opportunities in the Rubber Industry in Nigeria

Dr. Kenneth Omokhafe Director & Head of Department **Rubber Research Institute of Nigeria** 

- 16:00 Gabon
  - Developing Large Scale Sustainable Plantations in Public Private Partnerships Gagan Gupta, Managing Director Olam Gabon
- 16:30 Cocoa and the Fragile State of The African Production Sector - Has African Cocoa Production Peaked ? Doug Hawkins, Partner Hardman & Co
- 17:00 Discussion followed by End of Day 1

# 17:30 - 18:30 Networking and Dinner Reception Sponsored by Creating Value Is Our Business

# Day 2 - September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Tuesday

- 09:00 Chairman's Introduction
- 09:05 Rejuvenating Cameroon's Cocoa Industry -Challenges in Increasing Yield and Quality Dieudonne Abolo Cocoa and Coffee agronomist Researcher Institute of Agricultural Research for the Development (IRAD)
- 09:35 Biomass Origination from West Africa from Palm Kernel Shells & Rubber Woodchips Jean-Francois Guillon Founder and Managing Director Africa Renewables Ltd.
- 10:10 Discussion followed by Morning Refreshments
- 10:40 Latest on Oil Palm Breeding and Disease Resistance Michel Cazemajor, Breeder PalmElit SAS
- 11:10 Palm Oil Processing Technology in West Africa – Opportunities & Barriers Inviting Palm Oil Miller in Ghana
- 11:40 Stepping into the Future of Palm oil Production and Processing in Nigeria
- 12:10 Final Discussion followed by End of Conference
- 12:30 Closing Lunch

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Day 3 - September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Wednesday

# Optional Site Visit to GOPDC (7 am - 5 pm)

GOPDC, an integrated agro-industrial company is a subsidiary of SIAT Group. Its plantation has cultivation of oil palm

- 7,300 ha planted in Kwae & Okumaning Estates (total concession 14,000 ha) - expansion & replanting phase
   10,000 ha of extension forms subtide CODEC
- 10,000 ha of outgrower farms outside GOPDC concession with about 6,000 farmers

### And rubber trees

- Started in 2012 with 305 ha as at 2014
  Planting of 224 ha in 2015 and Plans to reach 4000 ha own and 5500 ha Outgrowers by 2020
- Factory coming up in 2019

#### Processing facilities

- 60 mt/h fresh fruit bunch palm oil mill
- 60 mt/day palm kernel oil mill
- 100 mt/day refinery and fractionation plant
- 2 mt/h palm kernel cake pellet plant
- Jerrycan Filling plant was added to GOPDC's industrial in 2012
- 07:00 Depart from Labadi Beach Hotel
- 10:30 Arrive GOPDC Plantations and Mills Tour facilities for 2-3 hours Lunch will be provided
- 13:30 Leave GOPDC
- 17:00 Arrive back to Hotel

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