Local Leaders Gather for Consultation at Ayitepa Wind Farm in Ghana

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More than one hundred locals gathered at the Church of Pentecost hall in Old Ningo this month to hear the latest updates on the Ayitepa wind farm project. Set to become Ghana's first utility-scale wind farm, it could power up to 4% of the country's electricity demand and represents a total investment of approximately USD525 million.



Local stakeholders were informed that land demarcation had been completed and Geotechnical studies will commence at the project site in the coming weeks. The meeting was also an opportunity for locals to ask questions as well as provide feedback.

Speaking at the consultation meeting Mr Matthew Tay , District Coordinating Director – Ningo-Prampram

District Assembly said: "The statutory planning committee has zoned the land where the project is located for only farming and wind energy hence no other land use will be permitted".

Ayitepa is Lekela Power 225MW wind project in Ghana. The project is at an advanced stage of development, ready for construction. Lekela is owned 60% by Actis a leading investor in growth markets (US\$13bn funds raised since inception) and 40% by a consortium led by Mainstream Renewable Power (over 9,000MW in development, construction and operations across five continents) which includes investors such as the IFC and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.

Lekela's Head of ESG Jennifer Boca said: "The Ayitepa Wind project is being developed to the highest



international standards and is committed to on-going community and stakeholder engagement. This meeting is part of that process and as well as providing project progress updates, the meeting is also an opportunity for the project to receive feedback and hear from the community."

Photograph shows Jennifer Boca, Head of ESG at Lekela Power and Isaiah Narteh , Community Interpreter at the consultation meeting.

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