

### **INTRODUCTION**

### **Capacity Building at the UKGCC**

- The UK- Ghana Chamber of Commerce (UKGCC) was established in 2016 with the support of the UK Government's Department for Business and Trade (DBT) to promote trade between the UK and Ghana.
- We are backed by the British and Ghanaian Governments through the British High Commission in Accra, the British Chambers of Commerce in the UK and the Ministry of Trade & Industry in Ghana.
- This garments and textiles initiative is designed to showcase Ghana's vibrant
  garments and textiles industry, promote trade, and build the capacity of Ghanaian
  manufacturers and government stakeholders in critical areas, including sustainability,
  investment readiness, and international standards.
- The roadshow comes at a crucial time as Ghana works towards the development of a national Textiles and Garments Policy, strengthens the National Apprenticeship Programme, and focuses on industrialisation and local capacity building to position the sector for global competitiveness, whilst taking advantage of the Government of Ghana's 24Hr Economy and Accelerated Export Development initiative.

#### **Ghana's Garments and Textiles Sector**

- The garments and textiles industry in Ghana is a key sector, contributing approximately \$150 million annually to the economy and employing over 25,000 workers, with a significant percentage being women.
- Traditionally, the industry has been dominated by local fabric production, including handwoven kente, batik, and tie-dye textiles, as well as large-scale textile manufacturing, which accounts for 60% of domestic production.
- Despite challenges such as competition from imported clothing, Ghana's textile and apparel sector has the potential to grow its \$30 million annual export value, particularly through value addition, industrialisation, and leveraging duty-free access to the UK (UKGH TPA), US (AGOA), and EU (EPA) markets.

# Objectives and Outcomes





- Facilitate **\$10M+ in potential export deals** by connecting Ghanaian manufacturers with UK/EU buyers through 5- 10 **B2B meetings**.
- Boost the export of Ghanaian garments and textiles to the UK by leveraging dutyfree and quota-free access under the UK-Ghana Trade Partnership Agreement (UKGTPA).
- Build the **technical and investment readiness** of Ghanaian manufacturers through exposure to UK industry best practices.
- Explore partnerships to address critical sector gaps including:
- 1. Apparel sizing standardisation;
- 2. Establishing garment and textile testing labs in Ghana;
- 3. Development of common user facilities and industrial zones; and
- 4. Skills enhancement and standardised training.
- Promote local content and sustainable practices over reliance on tariffs and external FDI.

## Garments and Textiles Roadshow Itinerary

Date	Activity
8th September 2025	Courtesy Call on Ghana High Commission, Delegation Briefing Session and 2 Potential Garments Buyer Meetings
9th September 2025	Meeting with Ghana International Bank on Financing Options
9th September 2025	Visit London Trimmings Sewing Shop
10th September 2025	Session on IP and Copyright for Garments Manufacturers + Session on the UK-Ghana Trade Partnership Agreement
10th September 2025	Delegation Visit to Wholesale Fabrics UK Warehouse
11th September 2025	Meeting + Factory Tour at Intertek UK
11th September 2025	Visit Manchester Fashion Week
12th September 2025	Capacity Building Seminar Hosted by Fashion Enter University





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