

Ghana–Italy Circular Economy Dialogue

Scaling Solutions for a Green Transition

Accra, Ghana | 16–17 June 2026

Tentative Detailed Agenda

Day 1 – Tuesday, 16 June 2026 | Conference & High-Level Dialogue

08:30 Registration & Welcome Coffee

09:00 Opening Ceremony

- Hon. Elizabeth Ofosu-Adjare (tbc), Minister, Ghana Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry
- H.E. Laura Ranalli (tbc), Ambassador of Italy in Ghana
- Mr. Emmanuel Kalenzi (tbd), UNIDO Representative
- H.E. Mona-Helen Kabuki Quartey (tbc), Ambassador of Ghana in Italy
- Mr. Marco Riccardo Rusconi (tbc), Director, AICS

09:30 Session 1: Circular Economy & Green Industrial Transformation - Ghana's landscape, challenges and opportunities

Moderator: Mr. Saviour Agortimevor, E4Impact

- Ghana Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry (tbd)
- Mr. Massimiliano Rudella, UNIDO ITPO Italy
- Environmental Protection Agency Ghana (tbd)
- Ms. Ilaria Missori, Italian Exhibition Group (tbc)

10:15 Session 2: Sustainable Textiles & Circular Fashion Value chains, innovation and Ghana–Italy collaboration

Moderator: Dino Fortunato, UNIDO ITPO Italy

- MICS (tbd)
- Ghana Ministry of Environment (tbd)
- FederModa (tbd)
- Ghanaian textile SMEs (case studies)
- Consorzio Retex Green / Corertex (tbd)

12:00 Networking lunch and bilateral meetings

13:00 Session 3: E-Waste Management & Circular Solutions - From Agbogbloshie to sustainable value chains

Moderator: WTCA Representative (tbc)

Environmental Protection Agency Ghana (tbd)

- Mr. Massimiliano Rudella, UNIDO
- Italian technology providers (Centro RAEE, Forrec, Dowa, Raimondis, etc.)
- Ghanaian e-waste companies (tbd)

14:30 Session 4: Circular Agribusiness & Green Entrepreneurship Unlocking opportunities in Ghana's agro-industrial sector

Moderator: Pierpaolo Crivellaro, Alliance Bioversity-CIAT

Speakers:

- Ghanaian food consortia (tbd)
- Incubators and clusters (tbd)
- Alliance Bioversity International & CIAT
- E4Impact
- Macfrut (tbd)

16:30 – 17:15 Day 1 Closing Key takeaways and outlook for technical sessions

18:00 – 20:00 Networking Reception (AICS)

Nubuke Foundation, East Legon

In synergy with “*Tides of Humanity*”, an artistic initiative on sustainability and circularity

Day 2 – Wednesday, 17 June 2026 | Technical Workshop & Innovation Lab

09:00 - Registration & Morning Coffee

09:30 Workshop Opening Recap and objectives for the Textile Circularity Innovation Centre (TCIC)

10:00 Breakout Session 1 – Policy, Skills & Regulatory Frameworks

Focus:

- Circular economy policies (Ghana & Italy)
- Capacity building and training
- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

Moderator: Massimiliano Rudella, UNIDO

Participants:

- Ghana Standards Authority (tbd)
- Ministries (Trade, Environment)
- Universities
- Italian training providers
- UNIDO / MASE experts
- Innovando srl

11:30 Breakout Session 2 – Technology, Testing & Processing

Focus: labs, recycling technologies, industrial applications

Participants:

- MICS / Italian universities
- KNUST University
- Forrec
- Rubber Conversion
- Innovando

12:30 Women in Industry – Shaping Circular Economy

Focus: gender inclusion, women-led enterprises, access to opportunities

Moderator: Eric Gyenin, UNIDO

Participants:

- UNIDO
- Ghanaian business associations
- Yvonne Botchey (WTCA, tbc)
- Caterina Mazzei (Federmoda, tbc)
- Carlotta Nanni (AICS, tbc)

13:30 – 14:30 Networking Lunch

14:30 Consolidation & TCIC Roadmap

- Presentation of breakout results
- Integration of e-waste and textile initiatives
- Identification of pilot projects and partnerships

15:00 Closing Session

Speakers:

- Ghana Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry (tbd)
- UNIDO Representative
- AICS Representative
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15:00 – 16:30 B2B Matchmaking & Networking

Italian and Ghanaian companies and institutions

16:30 – 18:00 Field Visits

- **Agbogbloshie e-waste site**
- **Kantamanto textile market**