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Ms. Amanda Gimble | Amanda Gimble was first vice president and co-head of corporate strategy at Merrill Lynch. She was previously a senior consultant at KPMG Peat Marwick, as well as a nonprofit consultant. She holds a Bachelor’s degree from Hunter College and a Master’s degree in management from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. She is a member of the Microfinance Committee of the Financial Women’s Association.

Mr. Harold Esseku | Mr. Harold Esseku has over fifteen years consulting experience especially in WASH and has worked for several international organisations including AfDB, World Bank, European Union, AFD, UNICEF and DANIDA. He holds a Master of Science Degree in Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation as well as a Master of Business Administration (MBA) specializing in Project Management.

ABOUT SAFE WATER NETWORK

Safe Water Network develops market-based, community-level solutions that deliver safe, affordable and reliable water to populations in need. We engage the diverse capabilities of our public- and private-sector partners to advance our model for broad replication, and document and share our insights through forums, workshops, and reports. Our operating footprint of over 150 safe water systems, providing safe water access to 600,000 people in Ghana and India, forms the basis for research and innovation to systematically address the challenges of local sustainability. Safe Water Network was co-founded in 2006 by actor and philanthropist Paul Newman, along with prominent civic and business leaders.

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MR. MINTA ABOAGYE | Mr. Minta Aboagye is a hydrologist and a water resources engineer. He was formerly the Director of Water at the Ministry of Water Resources, Works and Housing. He has played key roles in the development of relevant policy documents for the water sector in Ghana. Prior to this, he had worked with the Hydrological Service Department in Ghana. Mr. Aboagye is a member of the Ghana Institution of Engineers.

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9:00 AM Registration and Breakfast

9:30 AM Welcome Address
- Charles Nimako, Country Director, Safe Water Network
- Kurt Soderlund, CEO, Safe Water Network

9:50 AM Keynote Address
Achieving Sustainable Water Access for All
Hon. Sampson Ahi, Deputy Minister for Water Resources, Works and Housing

SESSION 1

10:00 AM SESSION 1: INNOVATIVE FINANCING SOLUTION – GHANA WATER ENTERPRISE TRUST
Charles Nimako, Country Director, Safe Water Network

Panelists:
- Chair: Kwasi Osei, Managing Partner, Prism Capital
- Seth Asante, Private Consultant
- Ekow Coleman, Senior Investment Officer, Ghana Infrastructure Investment Fund
- Samuel Ampah, Financial Consultant
- Mark Owusu, Head of Finance, Safe Water Network
- Moderator: Amanda Gimble, SVP, Strategic Initiatives, Safe Water Network

10:45 AM Q&A

11:15 AM Tea Break

SESSION 2

12:15 PM SESSION 2: PPP PILOT PROJECT – FINANCIAL VIABILITY & GOVERNANCE PERSPECTIVES
Joseph Ampadu-Boakye, Program Manager, Safe Water Network

Panelists:
- Chair: Minta Aboagye, Former Director, Water Directorate, Government of Ghana
- Nat Issahaku, Managing Director, Kingdom Water Services Ltd.
- Elsie Apau, WASH Officer, Netherlands Embassy
- Ibrahim Musah, Chairman, Danfa Kweiman Water and Sanitation Management Committee
- Moderator: Harold Esseku, Private Consultant

1:00 PM Q&A

1:30 PM Conclusion
Joseph Ampadu-Boakye, Program Manager, Safe Water Network

1:45 PM Closing Remarks:
- Fred Addae, Director of Water, Ministry of Water Resources, Works and Housing
- Charles Nimako, Country Director, Safe Water Network

2:00 PM Lunch and Networking