



MEDIA ADVISORY

Rector of the United Nations University visits Ghana from 23 – 26 May 2023

19 May 2023, Accra - The Rector of the United Nations University (UNU), Professor Tshilidzi Marwala will be in Ghana on a 4-day official visit from **23 – 26th May 2023**. During the visit, Prof. Marwala will meet with the President of the Republic of Ghana, H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo and engage with key and strategic partners of the Institute.

Prof. Tshilidzi Marwala will be the Guest Speaker at the 7th Professor Alexander Adum Kwapong Lecture Series – Nature Speaks, at the University of Ghana.

What: Arrival – Tuesday, 23 May 2023

Where: Kotoka International Airport (No coverage)

Key personalities:

- Dr. Fatima Denton – Director, UNU-Institute of Natural Resource in Africa (UNU-INRA)

What: Professor Alexander Adum Kwapong Lecture Series – Nature Speaks Thursday, 25 May 2023

Where: University of Ghana, Legon (Great Hall)

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Key personalities:

- Dr. Fatima Denton – Director, UNU-Institute of Natural Resource in Africa (UNU-INRA)
- Prof. Tshilidzi Marwala -Rector, UNU-INRA
- Dr. Yemi Katerere - UNU-INRA Board Chair
- Professor Nana Aba Appiah Amfo (Vice Chancellor of the University of Ghana)
- Prof. Christopher Gordon (Founding Director of the Institute for Environment and Sanitation Studies, University of Ghana)
- Prof. Franklyn Lisk- Academic Director For Africa, University Executive Office, Professor, Politics & International Studies Department and Warwick Medical School (University of Warwick).

The visit is the first by Prof. Marwala since assuming office in March 2023. He will familiarize with the UNU-INRA and discuss with the Board and leadership of the Institute future prospects and support levers to ensure UNU-INRA's long-term viability. The visit also aims at repositioning UNU-INRA as a strategic partner for Natural Resource governance and management and in the policy circle, critical for Africa's growth.

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The UNU-INRA is one of the 15 Research and Training Centres / Programmes of the United Nations University (UNU). It aims to bridge the gap between science and natural resources management policies in Africa, with a mandate to strengthen African national institutions' capacity to manage natural resources.

Established in 1985, UNU-INRA is a leading voice in Africa's natural resource knowledge base, contributing to research and evidence to bridge the gap between science and policy and promote sustainable development through natural resource governance that is sensitive to climate change.

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