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**Inter-Collegiate Lectures
2017-2018 Academic Year**

Charity begins at home': The University and the Delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Speaker: Prof Chris Gordon
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College of Basic and Applied Sciences
The University of Ghana,
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Date: 12 April 2018
Venue: Centre for African Wetlands
Time: 3:00 p.m.

Chair: Prof Daniel Asiedu
Provost, College of Basic and Applied Sciences

Lecturer Profile

Prof Gordon holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Zoology from the University of Ghana, Legon. He has a Doctorate degree in Human Environmental Sciences from King's College, UK. He is the current Director of the Institute for Environmental and Sanitation Studies of the University of Ghana. His areas of research cover Ecotoxicology, Human Environment Interactions and Limnology.

He has a distinguished academic career spanning over thirty years at the University of Ghana in the fields of research, teaching as well as advisory and fund-raising contributions. He has successfully supervised over 70 MPhil and PhD students, - two of whom have won the Silver Medal of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences for the Best Post-graduate thesis in Ghana. Prof Gordon has provided guidance and facilitated the development of various national policies and strategies that cover Water, Buffer Zones, Fisheries, Wetlands, Environment, Climate Change and more recently, inputs into the draft policies on Science Technology and Innovation, Biodiversity as well as Environmental Management of the Oil and Gas Sector. Internationally,

Prof Gordon has served as Invited Expert for project reviews and Think-Tank groups. These bodies include among others, FAO, National Research Foundation of South Africa, the UNEP Foresight Expert Group, the UNEP Programme of Research on Climate Change Vulnerability, Impacts and Adaptation (PROVIA) and Future Earth Africa Interim Scientific Committee, ICSU-ROA, IPCC, IPBES and START. He also served two terms each as Vice President of Wetlands International and Vice President of the International Society of Limnologists. Currently, he serves on the Board of Tersus-Ghana and of KITE. Prof Gordon has received various honours and awards including the Parker-Gentry Award for Conservation Biology from the Field Museum, Chicago, the USA in 1997, and the Distinguished Award for Meritorious Service from the University of Ghana, Legon in 1999, and Environmentalist of the Year, by the Ministry of Environment and Science in 2003. In 2016, he was invested as Member, Order of the Volta for his contribution to science, education and development. He has over 100 publications made up of Books, Book Chapters, and Monographs, as well as peer-reviewed journal articles, technical reports and conference proceedings.