



The Netherlands and Ghana

Main objective of Dutch efforts in the period of 2019 - 2022*:

The relationship between Ghana and the Netherlands is moving from aid to trade, with the two countries working together to achieve sustainable economic development while gradually phasing out development cooperation. The Netherlands is of opinion that this will help achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of Ghana. Ghana is a major player in West Africa; if the country is strong, this will have a positive influence on other countries in the region.



Integrated approach

The Netherlands is contributing to sustainable economic development in Ghana, for example by supporting young entrepreneurs. We are also making it easier for businesses to invest by sharing our knowledge and experience. The Netherlands and Ghana are important partners in improving respect for human rights in West Africa.

Main themes



Private sector development

The Netherlands seeks to improve the position of Dutch businesses in Ghana while strengthening the Ghanaian economy and supporting young Ghanaian entrepreneurs.



Main partners

Local and international businesses



Food and nutrition security

The Netherlands is helping Ghana to better prepare for climate change and to ensure good nutrition for all.



Local and international businesses, local authorities, international NGOs



Water

The Netherlands is working with the private sector and other parties to give everyone in Ghana access to clean drinking water and sanitation.



Local and international businesses, local authorities, UN organisations

Capital and location of Dutch embassy



Facts & Figures



Population: 28,1 million (2018 est.)



Economy

- **GNI per head of population:** \$ 1.880 (2017 est.)
- **Trade with the Netherlands:**
 - Exports to the Netherlands: € 829,4 million
 - Imports from the Netherlands: € 667,1 million (2017 est.)



Population growth: 2,16% (2018 est.)



Development index

- **Inequality index (Palma ratio):** 2,1 (2010-2017)
- **Ranking in the Human Development Index:** 140 out of 189 (2017)

*Financial information on Dutch efforts in international cooperation can be found in the HGIS-note, published annually in Dutch at www.rijksoverheid.nl