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**Accra, Ghana**

**THEME:**

**SOUTH TO NORTH: BUILDING BRIDGES**

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Tema, Ghana**

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**PROGRAMME**

**July, 6**

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17:00	Arrivals at Kotoka International Airport (KIA) Accra. Accommodation in various Hotels around SOS-HGIC, Tema or in Accra.
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**July, 7**

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7:30 – 8:00	Breakfast in hotels
8:00 – 8:15	Bus pick up to SOS-HGIC
8:15 – 9:30	Registration / Board Meeting
9:30 – 10:00	Welcome Address by Clive Carthew, Chair of ISA Board Programme Outline by Margaret Nkrumah, Principal, SOS-HGIC
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:40	Departure for Coconut Grove Beach Resort, Elmina
1:00	Lunch at Coconut Grove Beach Resort, Elmina
2:30 – 5:30	Tour of Cape Coast and Elmina Slave Castles
7:30	Dinner at Elmina Golden Beach Resort or Coconut Grove Beach Resort, Elmina

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**July, 8**

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8:30 – 9:30	Keynote on History and Culture of Ghana: Breaking Down Misconceptions (followed by Q & A) at Coconut Grove Beach Resort (Professor Kofi Awonoor).
9:30 – 10:00	Coffee Break
10:00 – 12:30	Presentations by Youth Leadership Seminar Group.
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch (Coconut Grove Beach Resort)
1:30	Departure of Youth Seminar group
2:30 – 5:30	Kakum Rain Forest – Canopy Walk/Ecology Walk.
7:30	Barbecue & cultural show. (Coconut Grove Beach Resort)

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**July, 9**

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8:30 – 10:30	Board Meeting
8:30 – 10:30	(Church services or beach relaxation for others or/Reverse Tour of Kakum Rain Forest.)
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00	Return to Accra
2:00	Lunch at Next Door or Tante Marie, Accra
3:30 – 5:30	Bus Tour of Accra City; Dubois Centre; Arts Centre, Nkrumah Mausoleum, Flag Star Square and James Fort.

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*Free evening at individual hotels.*

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## **July, 10**

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8:00	Buses leave hotels for SOS-HGIC
8:15 – 09:00	Late Registration at SOS-HGIC/Tour of School
9:00 – 09:30	Opening ceremony entertainment (Durbar of Chiefs/Cultural Dances).
9:30 – 10:00	Official Opening & Address by Minister of Education.
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:15	Keynote address by Dr Mohamed Ibn Chambas, Executive Secretary of Economic Union of West Africa (ECOWAS)
11:15 – 11:45	Break out groups for discussion.
11:45 – 12:30	Presentation on Theory of Knowledge (TOK) in Africa: (Julian Kitching & team)
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch at SOS HGIC
1:30 – 2:30	ISA Board Meeting (Internet access for other participants)
2:30 – 3:30	Presentation on “Internationalism in Context: The Emergence of “International” schools in Africa with particular reference to Ghana (Margaret Nkrumah and Titi Ofei, Principal and Vice Principal of SOS-HGIC).
3:30 – 4:00	Coffee Break
4:00 – 5:00	Presentation on “The Challenges facing National Education Systems in the Age of Globalisation and Technology (Prof Anamoah Mensah).
5:00 – 6:30	Board Meeting.
7:30	Dinner at Noble House (\$25) (choice of Indian or Chinese) or at Tante Marie (African cuisine (\$20) or at individual hotels (Sign up Form).

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## **July, 11**

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8:00	Buses from hotels to SOS-HGIC
8:30 – 9:15	Keynote: Economic and social realities of globalization and the implications for international education in the Third World – Mr Yonny Kulendi
9:15 – 10:00	Workshops: a) Strategies for delivering the curriculum b) Promoting International and cultural diversity in the classroom. c) Art and Craft: Kente weaving, tie & dye, screen printing, pottery, macramé (Demonstrations and Bazaar).
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee
10:30 – 11:30	Africa and the developed world: partnerships and exchanges (examples from SOS-HGIC experience).
11:30 – 12:30	ISA Annual General Meeting and Awards Ceremonies
12:30 – 2.00	Lunch at SOS-HGIC
2.00 – 5.00	CAS visits (to Charity Sisters, Don Bosco, Dedenya, SOS Village).
7:30	African Feast and outdoor barbecue at SOS-HGIC.

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## **July, 12**

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8:30 – 10:00	Participants’ Forum. (Breakout groups) (Exchange of ideas from different countries and global perspectives. Which Way Forward? South to North – how do we build bridges? How can ISA member schools and ISA spearhead this bridge-building?) Sessions led by Board Members.
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:30	Trip to Akosombo Dam and Volta Lake
11:30 – 12:30	Guided Tour of Dam & facilities
12:30 – 3:30	Boat Trip on the Volta River and Gala Closing Lunch (Music & Dancing)
3:30 – 4:30	Return to Tema. End of Conference.
5:00 – 6:30	Post-Conference Board Meeting <i>Free Evening or Early Departures.</i>

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## OPTIONAL POST-CONFERENCE TRIPS

1. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – shopping trip to Accra in the Morning  
(Flights on Thursday night.)
2. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Full Day trips to SOS Asiakwa Village or nearby tourist locations (Flights on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>)
3. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> – Two-Day trip to Kumasi: visit SOS Village Asiakwa, Chiefs, Kente weaving Village, Asantehene's Palace and Museum and Lake Bosomtwi. (Flights on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>)

## LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

### Transportation to Ghana

Most major airlines fly into Accra's Kotoka International Airport (KIA): KLM, BA, Alitalia, Lufthansa, Ghana International, North American Airlines, Kenya Airways, Ethiopian Airways, etc. Please book early and aim to arrive on Thursday 6 July. Please send us precise flight and arrival information.

### Airport Shuttles

We will arrange airport pick-up either by hotel buses in Accra or the School buses to Tema.

### Hotels (for 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12 July)

#### **A) In Accra:** 1) The Golden Tulip Hotel, Liberation Road, Airport

Tel: 233-21-775360-4

Fax: 233-21-775361

Website: [www.goldentulipaccra.com](http://www.goldentulipaccra.com)

Single Room: \$218 (B&B) Double Room: \$234 (B&B)

#### 2) Miklin Hotel, East Legon

Tel: 233-21-500708/ 502386-7502974-5

Fax: 233-21-500558

Website: [www.miklin-gh.com](http://www.miklin-gh.com)

Single Room: \$66 + VAT Double Room: \$88 Tax exclusive

#### 3) Cresta Royale Hotel

Motor Extension, North Dzorwulo

Tel: 233-21-517411/ 517554

Fax: 233-21-517556

Website: [crestaroyale.com](http://crestaroyale.com) E-mail: [cresta@ghana.com](mailto:cresta@ghana.com)

Single Room: \$130 Double Room: \$160

#### 4) Earlbeam Hotel

Dzorwulo, Achimota Highways

Tel: 233-24-4356030

Fax: 233-21-235294

E-mail: [Alfred.darkwah@hotmail.com](mailto:Alfred.darkwah@hotmail.com)

Single Room: \$60 Double Room: \$80

#### **B) In Tema:** 1) Hotel Marjorie Y

Tel: 233-22-212563-4

Fax: 233-22-212565

Website: [www.hotelmajorie-y.com](http://www.hotelmajorie-y.com)

Single Room: \$60 Double Room: \$70

#### 2) Los Palmitos Hotel

Tel: 233-22-300738/ 300739

Fax: 233-22-300738

Website:

Single Room: \$60 Double Room: \$80

- 3) Koreana Hotel  
Tel: 233-22-303359/ 303360  
Fax: 233-22-300738  
E-mail: prince128@hotmail.com  
Single Room: \$50/60                      Double Room: \$80
  
- 4) Asia Hotel and Chinese Restaurant  
Tel: 233-22-206121  
Fax: 233-22-201176  
(9 twin-bed rooms at \$35)

**C) Hotels for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> July** Coconut Beach Resort, Elmina (included in Conference package)

Hotels (Tema and Accra)

Please contact the hotels directly and make payments as instructed, with copies of reservations to SOS-HGIC (Please identify your booking as ISA/SOS-HGIC). In case of difficulty, please contact Mr Osei-Owusu Adomako at SOS-HGIC for assistance.

Hotel in Elmina 7 and 8 July

The School will make reservations for participants at the Coconut Grove Beach Resort for these 2 nights, the cost of which is included in the conference fee. Located 150kms from Accra, the towns of Elmina and Cape Coast are the sites of two trading and slave castles dating back to the 15<sup>th</sup> century when the Portuguese first arrived in Ghana. Exploring the castles will give you an insight into Ghana's past, and the Kakum Canopy Walk, high above the forest trees, or the ground level Ecology Hike, will be an unforgettable experience

Main Conference Venue

From 9 to 12 July, the conference will be sited at the modern and beautiful campus of SOS-Hermann Gmeiner International College, in the port city of Tema on the Meridian, 35km from Accra. There, we will discuss the effects of globalisation in Africa and the role international education can play in building bridges between South and North. We will end the conference on the mighty Volta River, to the beat of African rhythms!

Visa Information

Most visitors need visas to enter Ghana so please check with your airline or tourist offices or nearest Ghana Embassy. The school is ready to assist with letters of invitation or names of referees.

Health and Safety

Ghana is a peaceful country with the friendliest population you are ever likely to meet (although it has its normal share of con men and chancers!). Malaria is endemic and all visitors should take anti-malaria medication a minimum of two weeks before, and during, and two weeks after returning. (Consult your own doctor). Please bear in mind that millions of Africans and thousands of expatriates are living here safely, healthily and happily, and so will you.

Medical Insurance

Although the school is covered by a Ghanaian insurance policy, all participants are advised to take medical insurance from their countries of origin.

ISA/SOS-HGIC Disclaimer

Neither ISA and SOS-HGIC nor its directors, officers or agents are responsible or liable for the safety and property of participants or their companions during the conference in Ghana or any excursions related thereto. Participants are advised to secure adequate insurance coverage which includes reimbursement of any costs incurred should the event be cancelled.

### Conference Fees

ISA Registration: US\$600 (inclusive of conference materials, lunches, coffee breaks, weekend in Elmina (7 and 8 July) with meals and accommodation, entry fees to Castles and Kakum, Dam Tour and Boat Ride. Does not include Accra/Tema hotels for 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12 July).  
(YLC Registration: US\$550 [inclusive of all] – see separate brochure).

Payment should be made in Dollars, sending a wire transfer (clearly marked “Conference Fee” to:

Beneficiary: SOS-HGIC ISA Account  
Bank: Standard Chartered Bank (GH) Limited, P. O. Box 20, Tema, Ghana  
Account Number: USD 870-02-212846-02  
Swift Code: SCBLGHAC  
By Order of: (Participants Name)

#### Contact Addresses:

ISA Conference 2006  
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PMB, Tema, Ghana  
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