



## Leveraging partnerships to scale-up innovations for universal WASH services by 2030



**Join us for the launch of Districtwide full WASH Coverage Initiative in Ahafo Region| Venue: Zeniel Hotel, Goaso | Date: June 9, 2022| Time: 09:30**

In 2017, IRC worked with Asutifi North District Assembly in collaboration with partners to prepare and implement a thirteen-year Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Master Plan under the Asutifi North Ahonidie Mpontuo (ANAM) initiative. This was to promote universal access to safe water, basic sanitation, and hygiene services to about 84,420 people by 2030. The ANAM partnership, with funding from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation has over the past four years made steady progress towards the advancement of a collective vision of providing sustainable access to safe WASH services in the district. Following the documented good practices and innovations of the district-based approach to universal WASH services in Asutifi North District, IRC with a renewal grant from the Hilton Foundation is expanding to three new districts in the Ahafo Region from January 2022 - December 2024.

The new project will provide WASH systems strengthening and hub support towards district-wide access to WASH services for all by 2030 in the region. As part of the inception activities, district assessment has been conducted by an independent consultant with support from the Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources and the National Development Planning Commission, to select the three districts.

The Ahafo Regional Coordinating Council in collaboration with IRC is organising a regional launch of the project under the theme: “leveraging partnerships to scale-up innovations for universal WASH services in the Ahafo Region by 2030.” The purpose is to announce the start of the project and to discuss the modalities for implementation with the partners. The objectives of the event are to present the key highlights of the project to stakeholders; discuss project implementation modalities and agree on tentative workplan with timelines; and to secure stakeholder buy-in and ownership. The two-fold session will start with the opening session – welcome and scene setting to place the event in context and make way for the keynote address and the official launch. The second part constitutes a technical session that focuses on project implementation modalities, work planning and leveraging partnerships to scale-up innovations for universal WASH services in Ahafo Region.

### Programme:

Time	Activity	Responsibility
08:30	Registration/ Networking/ Introduction	All/ Regional Coordinating Council (RCC)
<b>Session 1: Opening Session</b>		
09:30	Opening Prayer / Introduction of dignitaries	<b>RCC/ Moderator</b>
09:40	Introduction of Chair/ Chairperson's Response	<b>RCC/ Chairperson</b>
09:50	Welcome Address	<b>Chief Director, RCC</b>
10:20	Cultural display	
10:30	Setting the scene: Districtwide Full WASH Coverage Initiative in 3 additional districts	<b>Vida Duti, Country Director, IRC Ghana</b>
10:45	Districtwide Full WASH Coverage Experience from Asutifi North	Hon. Anthony Mensah, DCE, Asutifi North
11:00	Statements by Partners	<b>MSWR, NDPC, OHLGS, MLGRD, Safe Water Network, World Vision, Latter Day Saints Charities, participating Districts (DCEs)</b>

11:25	Remarks by Traditional Authorities	<b>Representative</b>
11:35	Cultural display	
11:45	Keynote Address & Launch of District Wide Full WASH Coverage Initiative	Hon. George Boakye, Minister, <b>Ahafo Regional Minister</b>
12:10	Chairperson Remarks	<b>Chairperson</b>
<b>Session 2: Technical Session on New Projectt</b>		
12:30	Presentation on new project	IRC
12:45	Technical presentation: Planning process & achievements of Full WASH coverage in Asutifi North	<b>Asutifi North District</b>
13:00	Discussion and confirmation of workplan and timelines	<b>Regional Planning Officer</b>
13:30	Partnership formation and role of partners	IRC
13:45	Closing remarks	<b>DCEs of participating districts  IRC   RCC</b>
14:00	Closing Prayer  Lunch   Departure	<b>Moderator /All</b>

