



**HON KWEKU RICKETTS-HAGAN**

*Deputy Minister of Finance*

Kweku Ricketts-Hagan was born in Cape Coast in the Central Region of Ghana. He obtained his first degree in BSc Economics in 1991 and MSc Finance (Financial Economics) in 1995-96 at Birkbeck College University of London, UK. He did MBA Finance in 2003–2005 Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago, Illinois, USA. Kweku Ricketts-Hagan also did Postgraduate Studies in Diplomacy and International Relations at Whitehead School of Diplomacy, Seton Hall University in the United States from 2004-2005.

Until recently, he was both the Chief Executive Officer of the World Trade Centre Accra, Ghana's first World Trade Centre and the Executive Director of Investment Banking Group; Strategic African Securities (SAS) Finance Group, in charge of Business Development and the General Manager of SAS Investment Management.

Kweku has several years' experience in investment banking in areas ranging from investment management and research, financial markets, corporate and project finance, financial and economic modeling and valuation. He worked for some of the most prestigious US and UK investment banks in the world – i.e. Chase Manhattan Bank, JP Morgan, Rothschild and Investec Bank (UK). He had structured and negotiated various financial deals in Energy, Resource, Mining, Telecommunications and Aviation sectors. He is a member of the Securities and Investment Institute (MSI), UK and Member of the UK Society of Investment Professional (UKSIP).

Mr. Kweku Ricketts-Hagan also served on the Government Transition Team and in the Economic Sub-Committee and was part of the Advisory team that put together the first 2009 Budget Statement and Economic Policy of the Government of Ghana to Parliament.

He is married with five children.

Moses Asaga was born 1-June 1957, married with three boys and enjoys reading, playing tennis and squash.

He holds a Bsc. Industrial Chemistry, University of Science & Technology; Msc . Petroleum Engineering, Aberdeen University; MBA Finance from Yonsei University and MPhil Financial Economics from Durham University, U.K. He worked with Daishin Securities & Investments in Seoul as Industrial Analyst for companies listed on Korea stock exchange. He has certificate/diplomas from Harvard University where he completed a course on Global Financial Crises (Emerging Markets, Banks etc.)

In 1990 he returned to Ghana and joined Ecobank as an Investment Analyst and was head hunted to GNPC in 1993 because of his financial and engineering background and was promoted to Senior Project Finance Officer.

In 1997 he won parliamentary election as MP and was appointed Deputy Minister of Finance. From 1998 served as a Non-Executive Director on the Bank of Ghana board; Alternate Governor, African Dev. Bank.

He served in parliament for 16 years and was a Member of the Finance Committee for 12 years, and member of the Energy & Mines Committee for 16 years and became chairman of the committee (2009-2012). He was appointed Minister for Labour by the Mills Government in 2011.

He was chairman of the board of Ghana Civil Aviation, and is currently on the board of the Public Utility Regulatory Commission and chairman of the Technical Committee (Utility Pricing and Tariff Review).