

1.0 HISTORY

In October 1997, Commonwealth Heads of State met in Edinburgh, Scotland and resolved to promote good corporate governance within the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth Secretariat was requested to implement the initiative of the Heads of State.

In April 1998, the Commonwealth Secretariat held a workshop in London on corporate governance. Twenty four (24) nations were represented.

The Commonwealth Association for Corporate Governance was formed as an umbrella body and the medium to achieve the initiative.

In June 1998, the Commonwealth Secretariat, The Commonwealth Association for Corporate Governance and the State Enterprises Commission of Ghana organised a three-day workshop in Accra.

At the end of the workshop participants unanimously agreed on the need for the formation of an Institute of Directors-Ghana.

A Task Force was set up to prepare the grounds for its establishment.

The Institute was registered on 21st May, 1999 with an eleven member Council.

2.0 MISSION

The mission of the Institute is to promote good corporate governance through:

- Developing national institutional capacity
- Enforcement of the Institute's Code of Ethics
- Providing education and professional development

3.0 VISION

To become a global professional body that trains directors to become efficient and effective.

4.0 VALUES

Competence - adding value continuously to corporate activity

Capacity - able to execute functions with distinction

Integrity - providing leadership with honesty

5.0 RANGE OF SERVICES

The Institute offers the following range of professional services:

- Training programmes
- Advise on appropriate corporate governance practices
- Appraise and restructure an existing board
- Help to build a board from scratch
- Prepare manuals for organisations (including board manuals)
- Help organisations to select directors
- Consultancy services
- Publication of books

6.0 MEMBERSHIP

There are five categories of membership. These are:

- Fellows
- Members
- Associates
- Honorary Fellows
- Institutional (or Corporate)

7.0 HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

Individuals must undergo a training programme designed for membership, pass all assessments and be prepared to abide by the constitution and code of ethics of the Institute.

8.0 BENEFITS

These include

- Improved competence
- Social networking with other members (who are mainly directors and managers)
- Overseas and local training
- Enhanced confidence
- Receipt of newsletters on current trends in corporate governance
- Ability to add value to corporate activity, etc

9.0 PROGRAMMES

The Institute organises the following programmes:

9.1 Professional Course in Corporate Governance

Successful completion leads to the award of a Professional Certificate and admission to membership of the Institute.

9.2 Advanced Professional Course in Corporate Governance

Upon completion, the member is awarded a

