Alan John Kwadwo Kyerematen

Biography

Alan Kyerematen has an extensive and distinguished record in international trade, international public policy, enterprise development, politics and diplomacy, as a Cabinet Minister and former Presidential Candidate, as an Ambassador and negotiator, as an international public servant and as a senior corporate executive in the private sector. He will offer the World Trade Organisation (WTO) a strong combination of political, professional and managerial leadership and expertise.

As Ghana's Minister of Trade, Industry and President's Special Initiatives (PSI) from 2003, he led the design, development and implementation of innovative programmes and special initiatives which have created new strategic pillars of growth for the Ghanaian economy. He was re-appointed as Minister of Trade and Industry in 2005, and served in that capacity until 2007 with additional responsibility for Private Sector Development.

As Minister of Trade and Industry in Ghana, Alan Kyerematen played a key role in shaping Africa's Trade Policy agenda in the WTO Multilateral Negotiations and the EU-ACP Economic Partnership Agreement Negotiations. He was one of the lead negotiators for Africa in the WTO Ministerial Conference in Cancun in 2003, and also participated in the high-level "Green Room" consultations during the Hong Kong WTO Conference in December 2005.

In addition, he initiated, directed and managled preparations for the hosting of UNCTAD XII in