



UNIVERSITY OF GHANA, SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES  
CHAIR ON LINGUISTICS AND BIODIVERSITY

The International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences  
(CIPSH) – UG Legon Chair is pleased to announce its

# INAUGURAL SYMPOSIUM

*Theme:*

**Linguistic and Cultural Notions for  
Promoting Biodiversity in Africa**

The symposium will explore the critical role of language, literature, and culture—key pillars of the humanities—in advancing biodiversity conservation. This landmark event also marks the official launch of the CIPSH Chair at UG Legon and celebrates the 75th Anniversary of CIPSH, highlighting its enduring commitment to advancing global humanistic studies.



**30TH  
JAN 2025**

**9:00AM  
TO  
5:00PM**

**@ Amonoo Centre,  
University of Ghana, Legon**

The event will feature an impressive lineup of speakers, including the **President of CIPSH**, the **President of the International Federation of Modern Languages and Literatures (FILLM)**, who also serves as the **Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ghana**, the **Secretary General of FILLM** based in Nigeria, the **Dean of the School of Languages at Legon**, and the **CIPSH–Legon Chairholder**. Staff and students from the School of Languages will actively participate in this occasion, which will serve as an opportunity to showcase the mission of **CIPSH**.

As a UNESCO institution, CIPSH plays a pivotal role in fostering interdisciplinary research and creating global networks of scholars dedicated to advancing knowledge across diverse fields.

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We warmly invite everyone to join us for this occasion.



## **INVITATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR PHILOSOPHY AND HUMAN SCIENCES (CIPSH) – UG LEGON CHAIR INAUGURAL SYMPOSIUM**

Date: January 30, 2025

Time: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Venue: Reginald Amono Building (The Maison Francaise Auditorium)

### **Programme**

9:30am: Arrival and registration

### **10am: Opening Sessions**

Chair: Dean

Opening remarks by Dean

Welcome remarks by Provost, College of Humanities, UG

Welcome remarks by FILLM General Secretary

Welcome remarks by UNESCO Representative in Ghana

Welcome remarks by Pro VC of Research and Innovation

Welcome remarks by VC/President of FILLM

Video Keynote Address by President of CIPSH: CIPSH within the UNESCO Pyramid of Academic societies and its role in promoting interdisciplinary studies in the Humanities

Remarks/Response by Chairholder

Questions and discussions

12 noon: Lunch

**2pm: Second session**

Chair: Constantine Yuka, FILLM Secretary General

Lecture by Chairholder (Adams Bodomo): - Linguistics and Cultural approaches to Biodiversity Conservation

2.45 pm: Description of the Chair Project on Linguistics and Biodiversity: Alexander Angsongna and Hasiyatu Abubakari

3.30: pm: Remarks by a scholar from the Biodiversity Unit

**4pm: 3<sup>rd</sup> Session**

Chair: Adams Bodomo

Questions and Answers on Research in Linguistics and Biodiversity

4pm to 4.45pm: Open discussions about how members of staff and graduate students present can contribute to the Chair programme

4.45: Registration and Creating a database of scholars and potential funding entities

**5pm: Closing/ refreshments**

Chair: Dean