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Professor at the Department of Sociology, University of Ghana, Legon-Accra, Ghana - Distinction of best researcher, 2009.

Teaching and Research: Ethnicity, Conflict and Consensus, Migration, Fulani Pastoralism, Rural and Urban Development, Chieftaincy and Traditional Rule.

## **Education**

| 1993<br>1989<br>1982<br>1982               | Ph.D. (Development Sociology), University of Bielefeld, Germany<br>Diplom (Sociology), University of Bielefeld, Germany<br>Diploma (Education), University of Cape Coast, Ghana<br>B.A. (Economics & Sociology), University of Cape Coast, Ghana |
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| Selected Positions and Teaching Activities |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Since 2005<br>2000-2010                    | Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Ghana, Legon<br>Research Associate, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale,<br>Germany                                                                                       |
| 1999-2004<br>1993-1997                     | Research Fellow, Volta Basin Research Project, University of Ghana, Legon Programme Coordinator, Development Department, Christian Council of Ghana Executive Secretary, Ecumenical Church Loan Fund, Ghana Office                               |
| 1990                                       | Research Assistant, Institute for Policy and Research Evaluation, Pennsylvania State University, United States of America                                                                                                                        |
| Selected Research Projects                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Since 2012                                 | Chieftaincy and traditional modes of governance in Northern Ghana: an ethnographic study of the Mamprusi and the politics of chieftaincy succession in the Wungu, Dagbon and the Nanun Areas                                                     |
| 2014-2016                                  | Funding: Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association (\$ 25,000)  Migrant Chiefs in Urban Ghana: processes of chieftaincy among migrant groups in                                                                                         |
|                                            | urban Accra Funding: Office of Research Innovation and Development, University of Ghana (\$ 30,000)                                                                                                                                              |
| 2007-2010                                  | States at Work: Public Services and Civil Servants in West Africa: Education and Justice in Benin, Ghana, Mali and Niger                                                                                                                         |
|                                            | Funding: Volkswagen Foundation. Knowledge for Tomorrow. Cooperative Research Projects in Sub-Saharan Africa (515, 800 Euros)                                                                                                                     |
| 2007-2010                                  | Negotiation Processes between the State, Civil Society Organizations and Communities in the Delivery of (Public Services) in Ghana                                                                                                               |
|                                            | Funding: Center for Development Research (ZEF), University of Bonn, Germany                                                                                                                                                                      |

**Memberships:** Ghana Sociological Association; International Sociological Association (ISA); Ghana Association of Writers; Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.

## **Selected Publications**

Tonah, S. / Boatemaa Setrana, M. / Arthur, J. (Eds.) (2017): Migration and Development in Africa: Trends, Challenges and Policy Implications. United States: Rowman and Littlefield.

Anamzoya Alhassan, S. / Tonah, S. (2016): Multiple Plasters Don't Heal a Wound. An Assessment of the Management of the Bimbilla Chieftaincy Dispute, Northern Ghana. In Tonah, S. / A. S. Anamzoya (Eds). Managing Chieftaincy and Ethnic Conflicts in Ghana. Accra: Woeli Publishing Services, 165-192.

Setrana, M. B. / Tonah, S. (2016): Do Transnational Links Matter After Return? Labour Market Participation Among Ghanaian Return Migrants. Journal of Development Studies, UK: Taylor and Francis, 549-560.

Tonah, S. / Anamzoya Alhassan, S. (2016): Managing Chieftaincy and Ethnic Conflicts in Ghana. Accra: Woeli Publishing Services.

Darkwah, A. / Assimeng, M. / Tonah, S. (2014): The History and Growth of Sociology in the University of Ghana, Legon. In Dan Bright Dzorgbo & Steve Tonah (Eds.) Sociology and Development Issues in Ghana, 18-44.

Darkwah, A. / S. Tonah (2014): The Development of Sociology and Anthropology and Future Trends. In S. Agyei Mensah et al. (2014). Changing Perspectives in the Social Sciences in Ghana. Netherlands: Springer, 95-112.

Dzorgbo D. B. / Tonah, S. (Eds.) (2014): Sociology and Development Issues in Ghana. Accra: Woeli Publishing Services.

Osei Kyei, M. B. / Tonah, S. (2014): Return Migrants and the Challenge of Reintegration: The Case of Returnees to Kumasi, Ghana. Irinkerindo: A Journal of African Migration 7, 113-142.

Tonah, S. (2014): The Relationship between Farmers and Fulani Herdsmen in Ghana. In Dan Bright Dzorgbo & Steve Tonah (Eds.) Sociology and Development Issues in Ghana, 222-242.

Anamzoya Alhassan, S. / Tonah, S. (2012): "Chieftaincy Succession Dispute in Nanun, Northern Ghana. Interrogating the Narratives of the Contestants". Ghana Journal of Geography 4, 83-102.

Tonah, S. (2012): "Fulbe Pastoralists and the Changing Property Relations in Northern Ghana". in Anatoly Kharzanov & Guenther Schlee, Who Owns the Stock? Multiple Forms of Property in Animals. New York: Berghahn, 31-246.

Tonah, S. (2012): The Politicization of a Chieftaincy Conflict: The Case of Dagbon, Northern Ghana. Nordic Journal of African Studies 21(1), 1-20.

Tonah, S. (Ed.) (2009): Contemporary Social Problems in Ghana. Accra: Yamens Publishers.

Tonah, S. (Ed.) (2007): Ethnicity, Conflicts and Consensus in Ghana. Accra: Woeli Publishing Services.

Tonah, S. (2006): Fulani in Ghana: Migration History, Integration and Resistance. Accra: Yamens Publishers Ltd.