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Mainstream Renewable Power's CEO meets Ghana's Minister of Energy to discuss renewable energy

Eddie O'Connor, CEO of Mainstream Renewable Power, has met with the Hon. Emmanuel Armah-Kofi Buah MP, Ghana's Minister for Energy, to discuss the country's energy policy, and the opportunity to develop renewable energy in the region.

In September, Mainstream announced it had signed a deal with Swiss wind farm developer NEK Umwelttechnik to purchase the 225 megawatt (MW) Ayitepa Wind Farm, in Ghana which is expected to reach financial close next year.

The discussions with the government of Ghana centred on support for renewable energy as part of a wider policy designed to increase the country's capacity, and to deliver economic growth. The Minister was accompanied by senior officials, including Mr Wisdom Ahiataku-Togobo, the department's Director for Renewable Energy.



Hon. Emmanuel Armah-Kofi Buah MP, Ghana's Minister for Energy and Mainstream's CEO Eddie O'Connor

Speaking after the meeting in Accra, Eddie O'Connor said: "I was delighted and honoured to meet the Minister for Energy. We had a detailed and comprehensive discussion on the role renewable energy can play in helping his government meet its economic policy and wider goals. We agreed to work together to identify and remove barriers to the successful delivery of the project in 2016."

Earlier in the day Dr O'Connor met the CEO of the Ghana Grid company, William Amuna, and senior colleagues, to discuss the project and the role of renewable energy in Ghana's electricity mix.

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