

Takyiwaa Manuh is currently Director, Social Development Policy Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. She was Professor of African Studies at the University of Ghana where she also served as Director of the Institute of African Studies (2002-2009).

Her research interests are in the areas of African Development; Women's Rights and Gender Equality; Contemporary African Migrations; and African Higher Education Systems, and has published extensively on these topics in books, monographs and journals.

She has served on the boards of several national, regional and international organizations including the International Institute for Educational Planning; IDRC's Commission of Regional Advisors for West and Central Africa; the International Network on Migration and Development; the External Advisory Panel of the UNFPA; the Scientific Committee of CODESRIA; SEPHIS (South-South Exchange Programme for Research on the History of Development); The Africa Gender Institute. She is also a member of Ghana's National Development Planning Commission.

She has served on the editorial boards of the *American Ethnologist*; *Ghana Studies Journal*; the *Journal of Higher Education in Africa*; *Feminist Africa*, *Africa Development/Afrique et Developpement* and the *South African Review of Sociology*