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MEDIA BRIEFING ON TWIN-CITIES IN SUSTAINABLE PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

Sekondi-Takoradi, February 2, 2022 (STMA) – The Sekondi-Takoradi Metropolitan Assembly (STMA) and its sister-city in Italy, Palermo Municipality, are collaborating to co-create an Integrated Urban Governance for Green, Sustainable and Inclusive Development of Sekondi-Takoradi in Ghana. This collaboration is to strengthen the twinning relationship that began with the city of Palermo (Italy).

The overall objective of the three (3) year project dubbed, ‘Twin-Cities in Sustainable Partnership’ is to promote a Sustainable and Integrated Urban Development in the two cities.

The project will be implemented in the cities of Sekondi-Takoradi (Ghana) and Palermo (Italy) with funding from the European Union (EU). The Project would contribute to enhancing urban management by addressing challenges such as urban sprawl, climate change, poverty and exclusion. It will also cater for the new realities of the Covid-19 pandemic.

STMA and its partners (Cooperazione Internazionale Sud Sud (CISS), Ghana Sicily Business Forum and Kumasi Technical University) are benefitting from a Three Million Euros (€3,000,000.00) grant from the European Union, which was approved in October 2021, to implement interventions meant to improve urban management, foster transnational cooperation, enhance socio-economic development through employment generation, and to raise the value of the cultural heritage of both Cities (Sekondi-Takoradi & Palermo).

This press briefing seeks to share details of the project with stakeholders and the media, and to provide information on the official launch of the project. The programme is scheduled for Thursday, February 3, 2022 at Conference Room of Akroma Plaza Hotel, Takoradi at 8:45am.

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