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Drive to Inspire – Africa LBG (DTI-A) and the Sanjeev Mansotra Foundation (SMF) have entered a scholarship partnership, reinforcing a shared commitment to empowering young Africans and supporting impactful initiatives across the continent.

Under the partnership agreement, SMF will provide financial support to DTI-A's scholarship programme, enabling scale-up in both reach and impact. This funding will increase the number of scholarships awarded and expand access to tertiary education for more deserving young women.

This partnership will also offer opportunities for DTI-A scholarship beneficiaries to study at the Sanjeev Mansotra Foundation's Ras Al Khaimah Campus (UAE) of the University of Stirling, Scotland, subject to meeting the university's entry requirements and gaining admission.

Through partnerships with organisations such as SMF, this expansion can be sustained. Through this collaboration, both organisations aim to scale impact and create sustainable pathways for academic and professional advancement for deserving students.

This partnership reflects a strategic alignment between both organisations to drive meaningful change, expand access to opportunities, and contribute to long-term development outcomes, and represents a significant step forward in strengthening access to higher education for disadvantaged students across Africa.

By combining resources, expertise, and a shared vision, both organisations reaffirm their commitment to empowering the next generation of African leaders through education.

The Sanjeev Mansotra Foundation is a philanthropic organisation founded by Mr. Sanjeev Mansotra, Chairman of the Planet One Group. SMF is aimed at supporting impactful projects across diverse regions focusing on education, healthcare and sustainable development to uplift communities and create lasting positive change. The Foundation was established as a voluntary social responsibility initiative, on the firm belief that expanded access to quality education is a bedrock for sustainable economic growth and prosperity. SMF currently has initiatives in Ghana, Guinea, Togo, Seirra Leone and India among others.

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DTI-A & SMF VISIT UG AS PART OF SCHOLARSHIP PARTNERSHIP

Drive to Inspire–Africa (DTI-A) and the Sanjeev Mansotra Foundation (SMF) have reaffirmed their commitment to expanding access to higher education for young people especially women in Ghana, following a strategic engagement with the University of Ghana, Legon, to strengthen their joint scholarship initiative.

The visit, which included high-level discussions with the University’s Financial Aid Office, formed part of efforts to align the partnership with existing student support structures and reinforce pathways for academically gifted but financially disadvantaged young people. The engagement further underscored the organisations’ shared ambition to scale educational opportunities across the continent.

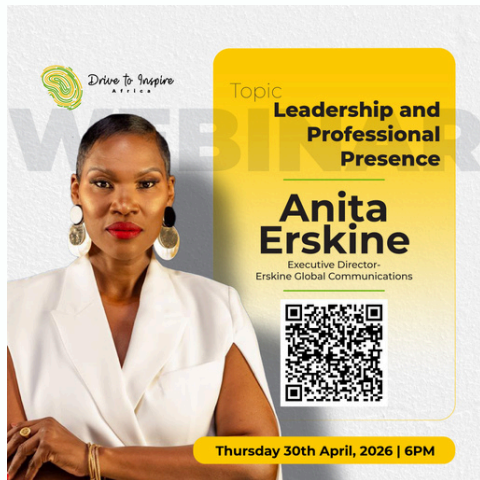
Through the DTI-A and SMF scholarship programme, more than 20 exceptional young women across Africa will receive full tertiary education funding for the 2026 academic year. The initiative provides comprehensive support covering the entire duration of study, with beneficiaries gaining access to academic opportunities both within Africa and in the United Arab Emirates.

Both organisations emphasised a shared commitment to empowering young women through education, with a focus on reducing the financial barriers that continue to limit access to higher learning opportunities across Africa.

The University of Ghana welcomed the initiative and commended Drive to Inspire–Africa and the Sanjeev Mansotra Foundation for their proactive contribution to advancing female education.



Webinar: Leadership & Professional Presence with Anita Erskine



This month ended with a powerful webinar on Leadership and Professional Presence, expertly moderated by Anita Erskine, Executive Director, Erskine Global Communications. The session brought together individuals from across the globe for an engaging and thought-provoking conversation on what it truly means to lead in today's world.

The discussion challenged conventional ideas of leadership, moving beyond titles and positions to focus on mindset, behaviour, and the everyday choices that shape influence.

A central theme throughout the session was the idea that leadership begins long before authority is granted. Participants were reminded that the ability to follow, listen, and learn is not a sign of weakness,

but a demonstration of humility; an essential foundation for effective leadership. Without first understanding how to be guided, one cannot successfully guide others.

The webinar also emphasised the importance of voice and self-expression. Leadership, as was discussed, is not about volume but about clarity and conviction. The space between where one currently stands and their ambition is bridged by the courage to own one's voice.

Another compelling insight focused on the nature of leadership as an experience rather than a designation. A leader is not defined by a title, but by the impact they have on others, the energy they bring into spaces, the clarity with which they communicate, and the trust they inspire.

Ultimately, the webinar underscored that the leaders who will shape the future are those who are both grounded and courageous individuals who are prepared, self-aware, and unafraid to use their voices with intention.



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ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER FOR DRIVE TO INSPIRE - AFRICA

We proudly celebrate our Advisory Board Member, Prof. Nana Aba Appiah Amfo, on the successful delivery of her inaugural lecture

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Supporting the education of young people across Africa has never been easier following the launch of DTI-A's Built for More campaign, which is aimed at raising funds to support our scholarship programme through the sale of souvenirs.

The campaign provides an accessible way for individuals and organisations to contribute directly to the educational journeys of young people, while also becoming part of a growing community committed to youth development. For more information or to support the campaign, please contact us at info@drivetoinspireafrica.org or call +233535183274





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