



Ghana elected new chairperson of COMSATS for next term

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Islamabad: The 2nd Commission Meeting of COMSATS has elected Republic of Ghana as the new chairperson of COMSATS for the next three year term.

It concluded here on Tuesday after having worked out broad policy guidelines for the future functioning of the Commission.

It was attended by 17 member countries representing their respective Heads of state/government at the level of Ministers, senior officials, observers from international organizations and envoys of the member countries placed in Islamabad. The number of participants stood at 53, including three delegates representing international organizations as observers.

Hosted by the Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of Pakistan, the Meeting was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani on Monday. The participating delegates extensively deliberated on the 12point agenda of the Meeting during three plenary sessions spread over two days. The main highlights of the Meeting included: election of the new Chairperson of COMSATS; report by the Executive Director COMSATS, over viewing COMSATS' activities since its inception; country statements by the Heads of Delegations; and amendments in the International Agreement of COMSATS.

The Republic of Ghana was elected the new chairperson of COMSATS for the next three-year term. In the acceptance speech on behalf of the new Chairperson, the Minister for Environment, Science & Technology, Republic of Ghana, Ms. Sherry Ayittey thanked the members of the Commission and pledged to “make every effort to strengthen the foundations and precepts of COMSATS and encourage the socioeconomic growth for all our countries to become competitive in the global industrial development, trade and economic development in the countries of the South”.