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#### **ESSENTIALS FOR GREEN BUILDING ADOPTION IN GHANA**

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#### INTRODUCTION

For sustainable development on a global scale, green building (GB) methods and practices are being used (Zhang, Wu and Liu, 2018).

Green building technology (GBT) adoption, however, is languishing in developing nations including Ghana (Djokoto, Dadzie and Ohemeng-Ababio, 2014).

Utilizing and promoting green building technology is essential in the construction sector (Huang et al., 2018)

As a result, identifying strategies to promote and implement GB is necessary.









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#### **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The purpose of this research is to identify and analyze the promotion and implementation strategies for the adoption of green buildings in the Ghanaian construction industry









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#### LITERATURE REVIEW

Reduction of the Ghanaian building industry's environmental impact is deemed inadequate.

Rapid urbanization and population increase have a negative impact on Ghana's environmental efficiency (Ahmed, Hatira and Valva, 2014).

The building industry is embracing the sustainable development due to these environmental concerns.

Adoption of GBTs has been slow therefore, strategies must be expanded in developing countries to promote and implement GBs (Darko and Chan, 2018).













#### LITERATURE REVIEW

Promotion strategies are essential for creating awareness and increasing the popularity of the GB concept.

Implementation strategies ensure the successful application and ongoing use of the GB concept

Identified promotion strategies take many forms which include: financial, regulatory, training, awareness, collaborations, etc.

Identified implementation strategies take many forms which include: regulatory, integrated design, awareness, certification, etc.













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#### **METHODOLOGY**

The population comprised of experts in GB practices in Ghana.

Strategies found during literature review was used to formulate a questionnaire for data collection

The strategies were ranked in descending order of importance using the mean score analysis.

Data validity was also ensured









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#### **FINDINGS**

Implementation Strategies	N	Std.	Mean	Rankin
		Deviation		g
Increasing knowledge and awareness to clients and the	133	.712	4.44	1 <sup>st</sup>
public				
Improving marketability of green suppliers	133	.769	4.35	$2^{\text{nd}}$
Developing green building rating systems	133	.691	4.32	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Using an integrated design approach in early phases to	133	.711	4.32	4 <sup>th</sup>
lower costs				
Promoting and rewarding green building practices	133	.799	4.31	5 <sup>th</sup>
publicly				
Provision of market incentives such as financial and	133	.736	4.29	6 <sup>th</sup>
preferential interest rates				
Creation of green building legislation and policies	133	.799	4.24	7 <sup>th</sup>









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#### **FINDINGS**

"Increasing environmental awareness among stakeholders" is the most effective strategy in promoting the adoption of GB in Ghana.

"Providing stakeholders with green technology education and training" is also very necessary to make them acquainted in their applications to projects.

For the continuous use and adoption of GB in Ghana, "Increasing knowledge and awareness to clients and the public" is most effective.









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#### CONCLUSION

The success of green buildings in the Ghanaian construction industry depends on a variety of factors, including those that can be attributed to the government, clients, suppliers, researchers, financing institutions, designers and engineers, and professional bodies.













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