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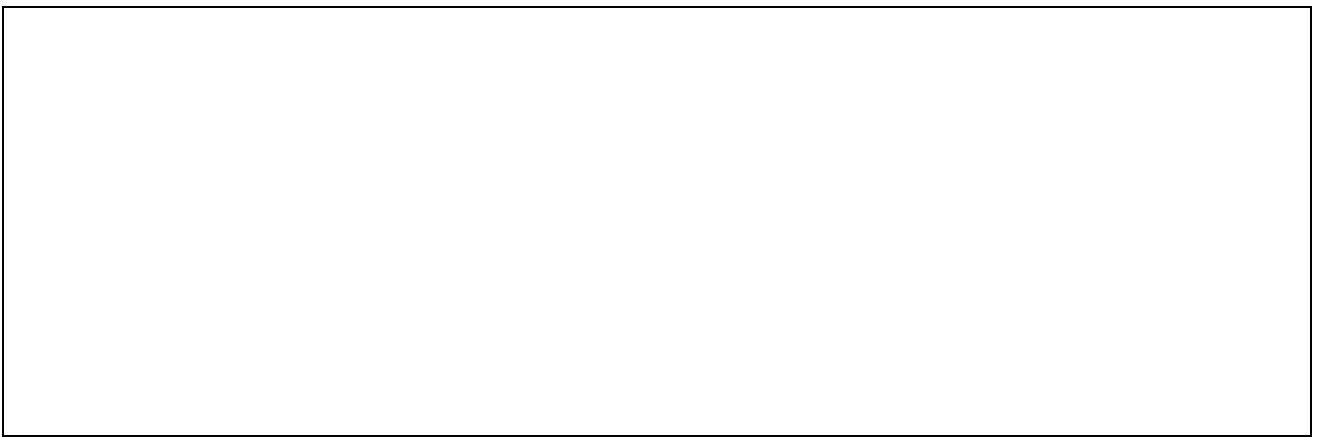
## ABSTRACT

**Title:**

Employer's perception of the capabilities of persons with disabilities in the  
Asante Mampong Municipality, Ghana

**Abstract text (limited to 300 words, should include background, methods, results and conclusions):**

Persons with disabilities experience significantly high rates of unemployment compared with the general population because of doubts about their capabilities by employers. This study examined employer's perception of the capabilities of persons with disabilities in the Asante Mampong Municipality. A quantitative study was conducted with 101 employers selected randomly from public and private sector business organizations. The study found that employers' perception of the capabilities of persons with disabilities was somewhat positive as many of the employers thought persons with disabilities can work. The major work that employers thought persons with disabilities can perform are being receptionists, cleaners, managers and cashiers. Employers also thought that employees with disabilities were more truthful and loyal than those without disabilities. However, some employers would not employ persons with disabilities because they thought they are less productive and would increase their cost of production. The study recommended that there should be intensive public education on the capabilities of persons with disabilities to change perceptions about their capabilities.



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