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Dangote plans undersea pipeline to Ghana, Togo

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Aliko Dangote is planning to build an undersea fuel pipeline to supply Ghana and Togo, marking a significant expansion of his petroleum distribution ambitions beyond Nigeria. The project, reported by BusinessDay Nigeria, would extend the reach of Dangote's downstream energy operations into West African coastal markets via submarine pipeline infrastructure.

The initiative follows the commissioning of the Dangote Refinery in Nigeria, one of the largest single-train refineries in the world, which has been positioning itself as a major regional fuel supplier. An undersea pipeline connecting Nigeria to Ghana and Togo would provide a dedicated export corridor for refined petroleum products, potentially reducing the region's dependence on seaborne fuel imports from Europe and the Middle East.

West Africa's downstream fuel market is characterised by fragmented supply chains, price volatility, and significant logistical costs tied to road and sea transport. A submarine pipeline, if realised, would represent a structural shift in how refined products move across the Gulf of Guinea coastline. Ghana and Togo are both net importers of refined petroleum products, making them natural offtake candidates for a large-scale Nigerian refining complex seeking to monetise surplus capacity.

The article does not specify a project timeline, capital expenditure figure, pipeline route, or whether formal feasibility studies, environmental assessments, or government approvals have been initiated in any of the three countries. No MoU,

concession agreement, or regulatory filing is mentioned. At this stage the project remains a stated intention by the Dangote Group, and should be treated accordingly.

Subsea pipeline projects of this nature — crossing international maritime boundaries and multiple exclusive economic zones — typically require bilateral or multilateral intergovernmental agreements, environmental impact assessments, and marine survey work before engineering and procurement can begin. The commercial structure, including whether this would be a proprietary Dangote asset, a joint venture, or a regulated common-carrier arrangement, has not been disclosed.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

This is an early-stage stated intention with no contract, MoU, or regulatory process confirmed; Norwegian service companies should monitor developments and begin mapping relevant counterparts within the Dangote Group's project development and infrastructure teams. If the project progresses to feasibility or FEED, subsea pipeline specialists and marine survey firms would be natural early entrants. Relationship-building at the Dangote Group and engagement with Nigerian and Ghanaian energy regulators is the appropriate posture at this stage.

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- **Pipeline:** Monitor for feasibility or FEED contracts on subsea pipeline routing, design, and installation across the Gulf of Guinea corridor.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** Marine survey and seabed characterisation work along the Nigeria-Ghana-Togo coastal route would be an early-stage entry point if the project advances.
- **Service:** Corrosion protection, pipeline inspection, and integrity management services would be relevant once engineering scope is defined.
- **Drilling:** Shore-approach and horizontal directional drilling for coastal pipeline landfalls in Ghana and Togo may require specialist contractors as the route is confirmed.

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