



On December 22, 2008, over a hundred young Ghanaians met in Accra for [BarCamp Ghana '08](#) to exchange ideas on entrepreneurship, innovation and development for a rising Ghana. This summer, the conversations moved to Washington, DC on July 25, 2009 where [BarCamp Diaspora '09](#) brought together the African Diaspora to exchange ideas on doing business in Africa.

This December 21st in Accra, the BarCamp Ghana team, made up of passionate young Ghanaians, presents [BarCamp Ghana '09](#), under the theme "*Leadership for our times - cultivating change makers*". The event will take place on December 21, 2009 from 8am - 6pm at the Meltwater Entrepreneurial School of Technology (MEST) campus at 20 Aluguntugui Street in East Legon, Accra.

A BarCamp is an ad-hoc gathering where attendees meet for discussions, demos and networking. Unlike a typical conference, at a BarCamp everyone is both a speaker and a participant. The content is provided by all attendees based on their interests, unified under the theme. This year, the focus is youth in leadership and how the youth can create and make change in various ways in various disciplines for the betterment of Ghana. The event would highlight different success stories involving change-making youth. Change makers and youth leaders are strongly encouraged to attend.

BarCamp Ghana '09 is a FREE event for anyone who is interested in using their skills, talent, and resources to benefit Africa. BarCamp Diaspora gave birth to a Ghana-focused healthcare NGO, REACH-Ghana, which will be presenting its story since its inception in July. BarCamps all over the world have brought together individuals and organizations to collaborate on various projects and businesses.

Panelists and speakers will include Patrick Awuah of Ashesi University, Estelle Sowah of Google Ghana, George Minta of Empretec, Hajo Bithelmer of Meltwater Entrepreneurial School of Technology (MEST), amongst others. There will be sessions organized by Google representatives and as well as other breakout sessions on various topics and interests as put forth by the attendees.

If you are creating or making change in your own small way in your community, consider sending the team a note about your project or business to **info at [barcampghana dot com](mailto:barcampghana.com)**. Some of these stories will be mentioned at the BarCamp and all the information will be on the [BarCamp Ghana website](#).

[Register/RSVP](#) today at the [BarCamp Ghana website](#). Help spread the word about BarCamp Diaspora '09 by [grabbing badges](#) and support by [donating](#) to help cover costs. You may also [contact](#) the BarCamp Ghana team through its website for sponsorship opportunities. If you are interested in [organizing a breakout](#) session, [let us know](#), especially if you have special needs.

BarCamp Ghana 2009 is sponsored by the GhanaThink Foundation, Meltwater Entrepreneurial School of Technology, amongst others.

See you there!

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