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Message from Our CEO



Dear Colleagues,

All too soon, 2025 is behind us, and it has been a year of meaningful impact for us at IMPLEMENTERS. Together with you, our valued partners, we have continued to drive our mission forward across **Education, Climate Change, and Employability**. This progress has only been possible because of your collaboration, commitment, and unwavering support.

In the education space, we made significant strides, completing **three new ultramodern labs** in Ghana and officially commissioning and dedicating two Yamoransa Model Labs in Nadowli Kaleo and Woriyanga. We also expanded our platforms for engagement by launching two new convenings, **the Climate Forward Summit and the Impact Leaders Breakfast**, alongside our flagship Annual Impact Roundtable Discussion (AIRTAD) & Robotics Competition and other initiatives. These achievements only scratch the surface of the scale of impact we have made across communities in Ghana and West Africa.

We have carried this momentum into 2026, with the first quarter already demonstrating our continued commitment. We are pleased to announce the **dedication of a new lab in the Central Region, Yamoransa Model (YM) Lab 1.1 in Assin Kushea**, adding to YM Lab 1 in the very region where this transformative initiative began.

We also successfully hosted the 5th edition of AIRTAD, marking five years of innovation and impact. The event brought together over 800 participants, including leading voices in STEM and hundreds of students from Ghana, Liberia, and The Gambia, for engaging conversations on the future of Africa's workforce, alongside exciting robotics competitions. This milestone edition stood out as a powerful celebration of how far the initiative has come.

Our partnerships also grew stronger this quarter. In collaboration with AngloGold Ashanti Obuasi Mine, we delivered a two-day STEM Coordinators Training, drawing on our experience with the Yamoransa Model for Sustainable Development to build the capacity of STEM coordinators in Obuasi and affiliated schools.

There is much more impact captured in this edition of our quarterly newsletter, and we invite you to explore the full breadth of our work.

As we move into the second quarter, we remain resolute in our commitment to creating lasting impact in the communities we serve, and we invite you to continue this journey with us.

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AIRTAD Marks 5 Years of Impact with a Landmark Edition



Students and Partners from the 5th Edition of AIRTAD 2026 stage for a photoshoot

IMPLEMENTERS successfully hosted the 5th edition of the Annual Impact Roundtable Discussion (AIRTAD) & Robotics Competition, marking a significant milestone in this transformative initiative's journey. Held from February 24–27 under the theme “**Shaping Tomorrow’s Workforce Through Education and Innovation,**” AIRTAD 2026 was truly a celebration of impact, growth, and innovation.

This year’s edition brought together **over 800 participants from across Ghana, Liberia, and The Gambia**, including policymakers, education and STEAM experts, Yamoransa Model Labs beneficiaries, and students from leading junior and senior high schools. Across four days, AIRTAD created a vibrant space for learning, competition, and collaboration, blending insightful discussions with exciting competitions.

The event began with preliminary competitions on February 24–25 at the Academic City University. Students from various schools and Yamoransa Model Labs across Ghana, Liberia, and The Gambia competed in robotics and project exhibitions at both the basic and senior levels.

At the senior level, schools including Mfantsipim School, Aburi Girls, Accra Academy, Labone SHS, St. Augustine’s SHS, Achimota School, Presbyterian Boys SHS, St. Mary’s SHS, Obuasi Secondary Technical, St. Peter’s SHS, Odorgonno SHS, alongside Yamoransa Model Labs from The Gambia, Liberia, and Lab 3.1, competed in highly competitive robotics challenges and project exhibitions. At the basic level, Yamoransa Model Labs across Ghana, together with St. Martin’s De Porres and Royal Priesthood School, engaged in riddles, problem-solving exercises, and hands-on robotics tasks.



The main event, held on February 26–27 at the Cedi Conference Centre, University of Ghana, brought the conversations to life. The two-day convening featured high-level discussions on the future of education in Africa, with contributions from distinguished leaders including Dr. Clement Apaak, Deputy Minister for Education; Edmond Moukala, Country Director of UNESCO Ghana; Naoki Mitori from the Embassy of Japan in Ghana; Prof. Samuel Ofori of NaCCA; Olivia Serwaa Opare of the Ghana Education Service; Patrick Awuah of Ashesi University; Prosper Nyavor of UNESCO Ghana; and Prof. Kofi Adu-Manu Sarpong of the University of Ghana, among others.



AIRTAD 2026 also introduced a new and exciting STEAM Debate Competition, adding a fresh dynamic to the programme. The showdown between Labone SHS and Accra Academy captivated audiences, with Accra Academy emerging victorious after a compelling exchange of ideas.

The event reached its peak during the robotics competition finals, where Labone SHS emerged as champions at the senior level, while Yamoransa Model Lab 11 secured victory at the basic level.

Beyond the competitions and discussions, AIRTAD 2026 delivered a rich and engaging experience with stage plays, dance battles, and an inspiring awards ceremony that celebrated excellence and participation.

As the flagship convening of the Yamoransa Model Labs for Sustainable Development, AIRTAD continues to showcase the programme's growing impact. Since 2016, the initiative has provided students in underserved communities with access to modern ICT and STEAM learning facilities, equipping them with the skills needed to thrive in an ever-evolving world. Five years on, AIRTAD stands as a powerful testament to what is possible when innovation, education, and collaboration come together.

IMPLEMENTERS Dedicates Yamoransa Model Lab 1.1 in Assin Kushea



Leadership of Helping Africa Foundation, Traditional Leaders and Key Stakeholders at the Dedication of the Yamoransa Model Lab 1.1

We are delighted to announce another important step forward for STEAM education in rural Ghana. On Monday, 19th January 2026, the Assin Kushea community officially welcomed the Yamoransa Model Lab 1.1.

This ultra-modern facility is a gateway to the future for thousands of students across seven beneficiary schools it will serve. Yamoransa Model Lab 1.1 features a **58-seater Edulab**, a **robotics makerspace**, **AR/VR tools**, a **3D printer**, and **gender-disability-friendly washrooms**. The entire facility is powered by a 12kVA solar energy system, with 24-hour CCTV surveillance to ensure safety and reliability.

The dedication marked the culmination of months of preparation and stakeholder engagement. Sir Samuel Esson Jonah and Nana Kojo Esson Ofori I, who serve as co-promoters of the lab, committed to establishing this facility in Assin Kushea after engaging with the leadership of the

Helping Africa Foundation and IMPLEMENTERS, recognising the critical role ICT and robotics education play in shaping the future of students, as well as the proven impact of the Yamoransa Model Labs for Sustainable Development across Ghana and West Africa.

The ceremony brought together key stakeholders, including traditional leaders; the District Assembly; the Ghana Education Service; leadership of the Helping Africa Foundation; IMPLEMENTERS; TECHAiDE; school authorities; and members of the Kushea community.

The successful dedication of this lab was made possible through the strong collaboration of the co-promoters, who funded the construction of the facility, the Helping Africa Foundation who provided the technological infrastructure, and IMPLEMENTERS leading project management and implementation.

Additional support came from the Ghana Education Service, the Assin North Education Directorate, TECHAiDE, and the community leadership, whose involvement ensured strong local ownership and participation.



This new addition strengthens the growing network of Yamoransa Model Labs across Ghana and West Africa. The initiative continues to provide underserved communities with access to ICT and robotics centres, equipping students with practical skills and preparing them for the demands of a rapidly evolving digital world.



IMPLEMENTERS Partners Sustain-A-Bean to Shape Sustainable Futures in Suhum



Students from Tetr Business College with IMP team and staff of Sustain-A-Bean

In January 2026, IMPLEMENTERS partnered with Sustain-A-Bean to conduct a needs assessment in Tetekasum and Nankasum Abesim in the Suhum Municipality of Ghana's Eastern Region.

As an organisation committed to driving meaningful impact, we were pleased to collaborate with Sustain-A-Bean, the CSR arm of Unichem Ghana Group, a leading pharmaceutical manufacturing company in Ghana. These communities, adopted by Sustain-A-Bean, presented an opportunity to design interventions rooted in real needs. Before laying a single brick or launching a programme, we believe in the power of listening. Our team spent time on the ground in Tetekasum and Nankese Abesim, engaging directly with key stakeholders, including education leaders, development planners, District Assembly representatives, traditional authorities, religious bodies, and community unions. The goal of the needs assessment was to generate evidence-based, community-led insights to guide the design of a sustainable programme that truly benefits the people.

The assessment was conducted in two phases: community engagement and collaboration with external stakeholders. It focused on key areas such as livelihoods and employment, education and digital inclusion, WASH,

menstrual hygiene and adolescent well-being, and healthcare access and delivery. Through a targeted assessment of 133 households, we estimated that over 70% of families rely on small-scale farming, with limited access to modern markets or capital. Gaps in healthcare, sanitation, and youth support systems continue to pose challenges, particularly for women and children.

The second phase introduced a unique global perspective. In partnership with students from Tetr College of Business in the USA, we facilitated a dynamic co-creation workshop, sharing raw field data from Tetekasum and Nankese Abesim. The aim was to translate community insights into practical, scalable, and investable solutions.

These insights now serve as our roadmap. By grounding our work in the voices and realities of the communities, we ensure that our next steps are not just activities, but solutions designed to build lasting resilience. Our partnership with Sustain-A-Bean marks the beginning of a continuous journey towards sustainable impact. We remain open to partnerships and collaborations that drive sustainable development.

From Coordination to Action: ReCircle Ghana Sets the Pace for 2026



Members of ReCircle Ghana during the first meeting of 2026

The first ReCircle Ghana meeting of the year, held on 4th March 2026, set a clear and intentional tone for the year ahead, bringing together members of the network to strengthen collaboration and define a more structured path for Ghana's circular economy ecosystem. The session convened members at the Maiden Environment Services office to advance discussions on coordination, collaboration, and collective action within the recycling space.

The discussions opened with a focus on strengthening the ReCircle Ghana working group. Members emphasised the need for a guiding framework to ensure a transparent and structured membership process that supports a more coordinated and accountable network as it continues to grow. The meeting also featured a presentation on ecosystem analysis and the broader entrepreneurial landscape.

A key highlight of the meeting was the conversation around preparations for the annual **Climate Forward Summit**, organised by IMPLEMENTERS, which brings together stakeholders in the climate ecosystem to align collective efforts. Following its inaugural edition in 2025, **the next summit is scheduled for July 2026.**

This first meeting marks the beginning of many engagements to come and signals a deliberate shift towards intentional structure and coordinated action. The network is positioning itself to play a more influential role in advancing Ghana's circular economy agenda. ReCircle Ghana is a network of organisations dedicated to driving collaboration within the recycling sector by facilitating regular, meaningful dialogue among key stakeholders. Through these engagements, the network promotes knowledge-sharing, aligns efforts, and identifies practical opportunities that can translate small, coordinated actions into broader, lasting impact.

IMPLEMENTERS and AngloGold Ashanti Obuasi Mine Strengthen STEM Education in Obuasi



Facilitators and Coordinators of the STEM Training Workshop stage for a photoshoot at the AngloGold Robotics Center

IMPLEMENTERS partnered with AngloGold Ashanti Obuasi Mine to deliver an intensive two-day STEM teacher training workshop for coordinators from nine schools in the Obuasi enclave of the Ashanti Region. This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to strengthening STEM education and equipping both students and educators with the skills needed for the future.

Through the Yamoransa Model Labs for Sustainable Development, IMPLEMENTERS continues to support schools with practical digital tools and hands-on learning approaches. At the same time, AngloGold Ashanti Obuasi Mine has been actively investing in education within its operational communities.

Held on 30th and 31st March 2026 at the AngloGold Robotics Center in Obuasi Senior High Technical School, the workshop brought together 45 STEM coordinators. The training focused on Computational Thinking and Scratch Programming, while also introducing

participants to activity-based learning using LEGO EV3 Mindstorms kits. The sessions were designed to go beyond basic technology exposure, helping teachers learn how to integrate STEM into everyday, curriculum-aligned lesson planning.



By the end of the workshop, participants had gained practical skills and a new way of thinking about teaching, recognising STEM not just as a subject, but as a mindset that encourages problem-solving, creativity, and innovation.

IMPLEMENTERS remains committed to creating opportunities for young people to thrive, while also empowering educators with the tools and knowledge they need to guide the next generation.

Upcoming Convenings & Campaigns



Beach Clean-Up Exercise

The Beach Clean-up Exercise will bring together volunteers, community members, and partners to actively restore coastal environments by removing waste and promoting responsible disposal practices. Beyond the cleanup, the exercise will serve as a platform to raise awareness about marine pollution, encourage community ownership of public spaces, and drive collective action towards protecting Ghana's coastlines and biodiversity.



Waste-to-Wealth Webinar Series

The Waste to Wealth Webinar will convene key stakeholders to explore opportunities within the circular economy. Through engaging discussions, the session will highlight innovative approaches to waste management.



National Tree Planting Initiative

The Tree Planting Campaign focuses on environmental restoration and climate action by mobilising communities and partners to plant and nurture trees in targeted areas. The campaign aims to contribute to reforestation efforts, improve local ecosystems, and promote long-term environmental stewardship, while educating participants on the importance of trees in combating climate change and sustaining livelihoods.

Highlights from the Quarter in Pictures



Student Beneficiary of Yamoransa Model Lab 1.1



IMPLEMENTERS staff with some stakeholders during monitoring visit in Tetekasum and Nankese Abesim



Robotics Competition Finale at the 5th Edition of AIRTAD



IMPLEMENTERS representatives at the ReCircle Ghana 1st Annual Meeting



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