



*Quote: "Young leaders are found virtually in all areas of work in Africa and many of them are demonstrating semblance of hope that given the right platform, and the right opportunities, they can be change champions." Therefore, the time has come for the new generation of*

*youth leaders to step forward with creative and collective strategies to address some of the continent's leadership, management and socioeconomic challenges which would lead to a developed and unified continent. ARY*

## **Biography**

Mr Abdul-Razak Yakubu (ARY) is Political, Governance and Development Consultant, ARY has an MSc degree from the School of International Development (DEV), University of East Anglia Norwich in the UK. ARY also holds first degree in Business Administration from Wisconsin International University College of Ghana and a Diploma in Business Studies from University of Professional Studies (UPSA) Ghana. ARY has over 10 years of experience in providing Political Economy Analysis and conducting high profile research in the political and business environment for both local, International businesses, multi-national organization and foreign governments and individuals looking to invest in Ghana and in Africa.

ARY is member of Rotary International, an organization with a global population of about 1.2 million and the current Membership Director of the Rotary Club of Accra Roman Ridge. ARY is also a philanthropist involved in many humanitarian activities in Ghana. ARY is a former President of the Chevening Alumni Association of Ghana; a UK government funded scholarship targeted at young leaders globally with a population of about 65,000 members.

ARY is keen on projecting Ayawaso Central as the right place for investment in Ghana and has been working with both governments, the private sector and Africans in the diaspora to make this a reality. As a Pan-African, ARY is interested in African unity, therefore in 2012, he co-founded the Youth Movement for African Unity (YMAU) a Pan-African youth-oriented organization headquartered in Ghana. YMAU has members across the continent committed to championing African unity and accelerated while addressing some of the continents socio-economic and political challenges. ARY also is a supporter of inter-African trade and willing to establish strong business relationships with colleagues within the African continent and African business globally. ARY is an abolitionist, anti-corruption campaigner, human and civil rights activist and a campaigner against modern day slavery with special focus on the commercial sexual exploitation of women and girls.

## **ARY's Objectives**

1. Address rising youth employment in the constituency (skills development, mentorship and urban agricultural initiatives)
2. Use innovative measures to address local developmental challenges with local solutions (disaster management (fires and Floods).
3. Promote good sanitation and well-being of constituents
4. Champion and promote good, open and accountable governance
5. Promote peaceful coexistence, and interfaith tolerance among constituents.
6. Be trusted voice of the constituents in the Parliament of Ghana