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TED2008 is a world-leading conference of merging minds in technology, entertainment, and design. Impacting world issues, TED conference merges top-in-their-field participants to share ideas and innovations while inspiring individuals to excel in their field.

This year's theme "merging minds" encompasses the goal of the TED conference as gathering the intelligent leaders from the world. While merging syncretism of talents, our ambition is to be a place where the assembled brainpower and financial clout may join forces to solve some of the world's most pressing problems, instead of merely concocting more mergers and slick products.



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- WHEN will we...**
- create a new global party system on our world?
  - carry out wide-scale and principled elections with us?
  - adapt to a world in which China rules?
- HOW will we...**
- invent solutions in a post-oil world?
  - combine new ideas that both help in our work and leading to our world?
  - deal with the problem of immense-complex technology making more powerful than us?
  - reduce the relationship between the seas when connection matters more than survival?
  - give digital solutions to control our world?
  - figure out how 20,000 genes can make a human being?
  - prevent a global virus researcher from shutting down the global economy?

- WHAT will be...**
- the next big scientific trend in design?
  - the next breakthrough in search?
  - the next revolution in environment?
  - the 10-year future of wireless?
  - the 50-year future of robotics?
  - the world's next wave of people spend more than last time on buying food?
- WHO will be...**
- the next Frank Gehry?
  - the first human clone?
  - the first man-made planet?
  - the first human to live beyond 200?
  - the first nanotechnology inventor?
  - the date who can replace the throne of David?
  - the leader who can inspire the world to end poverty?

one of the following questions  
speakers, each of whom can shed light on at least  
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