



# QUICK FACTS

## UPTURN FUNDS CARIBBEAN INVESTMENT SUMMIT, 2022

- **Leadership Axehead Consulting (LEAC)**, the parent entity of Leadership Axehead Conferences (LAC) hosts economic development and leadership focused events throughout the region. Its strategic focus is to fuel a critical mass of cutting-edge leaders in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors to affect the strategic transformation of societies. Within the last 16 years, LEAC have trained and engaged in consulting work across three regions: North America, South America and the Caribbean and have created outstanding leadership development curriculums for public, private and not-for-profit organisations.
- **Upturn Funds** is a leading venture capital firm based in New York which advises and partners on massive development projects around the world; projects funded and advised upon ranges between USD \$50M to \$1.5B. Upturn Funds believes that the importance of the role of business lies in sustainable development that creates a better society for all that are involved. With this ethos in mind, Upturn Funds focuses its energy on creating and teaming up with other organisations that seek to solve many societal problems with solutions that benefit people from all socioeconomic standings.
- Leadership Axehead Consulting (LEAC) headquartered in Barbados, partnered with Upturn Funds New York and Upturn Funds Caribbean to convene the inaugural Caribbean Investment Summit 2022 in Barbados at the Hilton Barbados Resort. Presentations will be centered on the topics: Bringing American Manufacturing and Services Jobs to the Caribbean; Connecting the Caribbean Economy through a Maritime Transportation System; Alternative Energy Solutions for the Caribbean; Bringing Sustainability, Innovation, Technology and Financing to Agribusiness; Emerging Opportunities for the Development of Mining Projects; Financing and Building Infrastructure in Emerging Economies; Developing International Financing Partnerships for the Real Estate Caribbean Residential Market and Financing and leadership Solutions for Economic Development within the Caribbean.
- The inaugural **Upturn Funds Caribbean Investment Summit** will focus on key aspects of maritime transportation, agriculture, infrastructure development, mining, green energy and real estate sectors and will demonstrate how to transform trash to become diesel with a case study from within the Caribbean. The summit will among other key foci, debate and show how to develop collaborations within the region to strengthen economic growth, discuss the creation and lay an investment path for multiple maritime connection corridors and empower projects that help our region meet UN SDG goals.
- **The Executive Team** of Upturn Funds and the **Summit Management Team** have overall responsibility for the strategic direction and oversight of the summit, its implementation and the various projects, and strategic collaborations and partnership outcomes.
- **Upturn Fund Visionaries** – Led by Raphael D'angelis-Mendes and H. E. Ambassador Dr. Andre Thomas, Upturn Funds Caribbean was established when the two merged their individual strengths, Dr. Thomas' political and regulatory skills with Mr. D'angelis-Mendes' business venture spirit and together with a multi-talented team, focus on creating projects for the world that are the most effective for business and public interests.