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Investment Seminar

Wednesday February 26, 2020
10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Grand Hyatt
109 East 42nd Street
New York, NY 10017
Barbados continues to be recognised internationally as a preferred jurisdiction for foreign investment, and an expanding network of double taxation agreements (DTAs) and bilateral investment treaties (BITs) with countries across the globe adds to its attractiveness. To date, Barbados has forty (40) DTAs in force and over four thousand (4,000) registered international business entities.

Barbados is committed to the maintenance of high standards and places emphasis on competitiveness, while offering clients predictability and transparency in their investments. The country promotes an environment which encourages the establishment of businesses of substance and its range of financial services legislation allows investors the flexibility to create the types of corporate structures specifically suited to their needs. Barbados’ revised domestic legal framework was recently assessed as being compliant with the substantial activities standard set by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Additionally, Barbados’ uniqueness is enhanced by the availability of a core of skilled local professionals, providing services at competitive costs and ensuring continuity of personnel. The country’s business infrastructure features modern telecommunications and information technology with related disaster contingency capability, reliable local utilities and international air and sea ports.

This event will highlight the latest measures introduced by the Barbados government to ensure Barbados continues to be a wise choice for investors engaged in Global business.
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Ms. Julia Hope, Board Member
Invest Barbados

Julia is a solicitor of the Senior Courts England and Wales, now non-practising. Julia previously lived and worked as a solicitor in London and an attorney in Bermuda, with the corporate team of international firm Appleby. In 2008, Julia relocated to Barbados where she has worked as legal counsel to an international financial group and then as a Vice President for a private international bank.

Julia now provides international business consultancy services and legal and strategic outsourcing services through her company, Innovate LSO Solutions.

Julia is currently President of the Barbados International Business Association. She has written many articles on international business and outsourcing in the Caribbean in addition to delivering the keynote presentation at the Caribbean Academy for Law and Court Administration Biennial Conference.
Ms. Louisa Lewis-Ward  
Partner, Tax Services, KPMG Barbados

Louisa Lewis-Ward is a Tax Partner with KPMG advising clients on domestic and international tax matters in the financial service and real estate arenas. Louisa has extensive engagement experience in the areas of international financial services, telecommunications, banking, hospitality, manufacturing, insurance, and finance both within the local and offshore sectors. She is a Member of the Certified Association of Chartered Accountants, a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Barbados, and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of the East Caribbean.

Louisa holds a Bachelor of Science in finance and accounting from the University of Salford, U.K., and an accounting masters with emphasis on taxation from the University of Florida at Gainesville USA. She is an FCCA and a practicing member of the Institutes of Chartered Accountants in both Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.
La-Tanya Edwards  
**Caribbean Tax Desk, International Tax Services**  
Ernst & Young LLP

La-Tanya Edwards is a member of Ernst & Young LLP’s International Tax Services practice in New York where she leads the Caribbean Tax Desk, which is part of the EY Americas Global Tax Desk network.

La-Tanya joined EY’s member firm in Barbados in September 2007, as part of the Global Compliance and Reporting team until her relocation to New York in September 2017.

La-Tanya has considerable experience providing tax advice and planning for regional and international corporate clients based in Barbados and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States, including tax controversy resolution within the Caribbean. She has also been directly involved with advising on the adoption and roll out of FATCA and CRS both in Barbados and the OECS.

At the Caribbean Tax Desk, La-Tanya’s focus includes the promotion of inbound investment into Barbados and the entire Caribbean region. La-Tanya is a frequent speaker in Barbados, the United States and Canada on corporate tax matters.

Most recently, La-Tanya has become involved with the Caribbean’s response to the OECD Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) Initiative as well as the compliance requirements of the European Union’s Code of Conduct Group. She has assisted with matters relating to the development and impact of evolving tax policy in the region and continues to provide guidance on its effect on both inbound and outbound investment. La-Tanya has also been directly involved in EY’s thought leadership publications on the Barbados tax reform.

La-Tanya holds a Masters in Corporate and Commercial Law from the University of West Indies.
Mr. Roland Haggins  
Caricom Director and Country Manager  
Open Application Network

Roland Haggins, CARICOM Director and Country Manager for the Open Application Network, is a leading banking, finance and technology specialist with over 20 years of industry experience. Roland has been invited by governments and multilateral organizations to share his knowledge and expertise in strategic management, business development, operations and the global regulatory environment. He has also used his knowledge of the financial system to develop, coordinate and lecture the BSc Banking and Finance courses for the University of the West Indies. Roland has a bachelor’s degree in economics with banking and a master’s degree in finance and investment. He currently sits as an Executive in Residence at the U.W.I. Cave Hill Campus.
Mr. Marlon E. Yarde, JP, FCPA, FCA, LL.B (Hons), LL.M, FCIS.
Managing Director, Barbados Stock Exchange Inc & Barbados Central
Securities Depository Inc.

Marlon Yarde has been with the Barbados Stock Exchange Inc. (BSE) and its
subsidiary, the Barbados Central Securities Depository Inc. (BCSDI) since November
1, 2003. He currently holds the position of Managing Director of the BSE and the
BCSDI.

Mr. Yarde has played a key role in many of the significant developments at the BSE
over his 16 year tenure, including the BSE’s demutualization and the launch of the
International Securities Market.

Mr. Yarde is a Chartered Accountant, with professional qualifications including a
Fellow of the Chartered Professional Accountants Association of Canada and a Fellow
of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Barbados.

He is also a Chartered Governance Professional holding a Fellowship designation
from the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators in Canada.
BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN BARBADOS

GENERAL
Research and Development
Health Tourism
Renewable Energy
Offshore Schools

FINANCIAL SERVICES
Regular Business Companies
Insurance Companies
Banking
Societies with Restricted Liability
Trusts
Private Wealth Management
Headquarters and Holding Companies
International Trading
Ships Registration

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Contact Centre Services
Insurance Claims Processing
Credit Card Application Processing
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Software Development
Health Information Management

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