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### **LAC-CORE ANNOUNCES WINNER OF THE 2020 CLEAN ENERGY AWARD**

**Washington, D.C., February 3, 2020** – The Latin American & Caribbean Council on Renewable Energy (LAC-CORE) elected the Honorable Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister of Barbados, as the recipient of the 2020 LAC-CORE Clean Energy Award.

The selection was made from several extremely well qualified candidates; the Prime Minister becomes the first recipient of the award to be based in the Caribbean since its first recipient, Jose Maria Figueres, President of Costa Rica, in 2015. She is also the first recipient to be a woman head of government.

The Prime Minister was appointed Minister of Education in 1994, then later Attorney General of Barbados in 2001, in both instances the first woman to hold these posts. In 2006 she was appointed Minister of Economic Affairs and Development.

“As a native Barbadian, I am especially pleased with this award,” stated Roland Clarke, PhD., and also a member of the board of LAC-CORE. “Our Prime Minister has done much for decarbonizing our island and taken a clear leadership role”. Added Jorge Barrigh, chairman of LAC-CORE: “Prime Minister Mottley’s efforts on climate change, embracing renewable energy and adding resiliency to the overall island’s energy mix is noteworthy.”

#### **About LAC-CORE**

Incorporated in 2008, the Latin American & Caribbean Council on Renewable Energy (LAC-CORE) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. Based in Washington, D.C., its mission is to match innovation, new technology and financing opportunities for the development of renewable energy markets in Latin America and the Caribbean. Its methodology is to convene, to educate and to encourage partnerships. For more information, please visit [www.lac-core.org](http://www.lac-core.org).

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