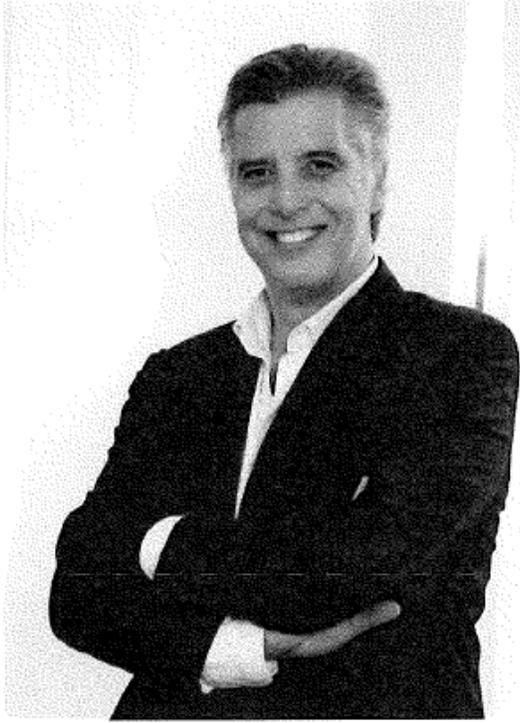


## Luis Javier Castro Bio



Luis Javier Castro is a Central American born in Costa Rica, husband and father to three children. He is the founding partner and current CEO of Mesoamerica Investments, a Latin American private equity firm that consciously invests to promote abundance in the Latin American region.

Throughout the years, Mesoamerica has invested in a variety of industries, including the energy, telecommunications, cable, food, restaurant and BPO industries, among others. In the energy sector, Mesoamerica developed a Central American company alongside Actis, with operations in three countries and a generation capacity of +400 MW. In addition, alongside Actis, Mesoamerica developed Zuma Energía in Mexico, with a generation capacity of 800 MW in solar and wind energy.

Before founding Mesoamerica 20 years ago, Luis Javier was a consultant at Bain & Company. Luis Javier is one of the 100 more influential people in Latin America, according to América Economía.

In 2013, Luis Javier received the Businessman of the Year Award from El Financiero newspaper in Costa Rica due to his transcendent leadership, which allowed Mesoamerica to cross borders and become one of the most relevant and innovative companies of the last 20 years.

In 2019, he received the Businessman of the Year Award again for his work promoting quality education, sustainability, leadership innovation, gender equality and entrepreneurship in Costa Rica and Latin America through various social impact initiatives.

Luis Javier is a member of the Board of Directors of United Way Worldwide, the largest non-profit organization funded by private equity, and CEO emeritus of AED (Asociación Empresarial para el Desarrollo). In addition, Luis Javier is also a part of the Boards of Directors of Fundación Parque de la Libertad and Aulas Amigas

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