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WHAT IS **TECH CLIMBERS?**

Tech Climbers is a regional list published with BusinessCloud that showcases the top performing, IP rich, product led technology businesses.

The Leeds City Region Tech Climbers List launched for the first time in 2022. You can also view the list on our website.

THE LIST INCLUDES: MAIN LIST 2022 ONES TO WATCH





THE CRITERIA

IMPACT

Is the company solving world problems, generating economic growth and creating positive environmental and social outcomes?

INNOVATION

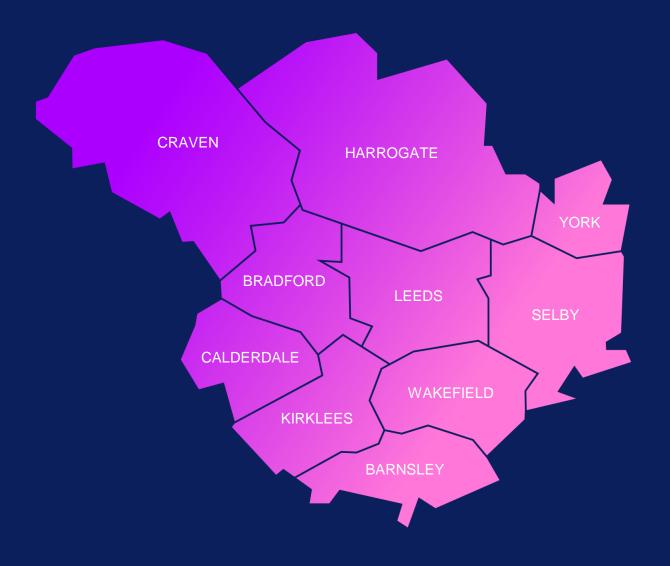
Is the company developing cutting-edge, ground-breaking technologies & digital advancements

INVESTMENT

Is the technology and commercial model scalable? Is the company attractive to investors with an impressive growth record to date?

ENTRIES WERE REVIEWED BY SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES FROM **OUR PARTNER ORGANISATIONS**

ENTRIES SOUGHT **FROM** ACROSS LEEDS CITY **REGION**





TECH CLIMBERS LEEDS CITY REGION 2022

THE 2022 TECH CLIMBERS LIST



THE MAIN LIST



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COMPANIES ENTERED TO TAKE A PLACE ON THE LIST



92.5% OF ENTRANTS ARE **PREDICTING GROWTH**



TALENT

HUNT FOR NEW



300+ **NEW JOBS TO BE CREATED IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS**



97.5%

OF BUSINESSES HAVE A
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION
PLAN, OR ARE CURRENTLY
WORKING ON ONE

100%

OF ENTRANTS ARE HAVING A POSITIVE ESG IMPACT



72.5%

OF ENTRANTS ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR FUNDING FOR GROWTH

100%

OF ENTRANTS SAID LEEDS IS A GOOD PLACE TO GROW A BUSINESS

79.7%

PREDICTED COMBINED REVENUE INCREASE BY NEXT YEAR





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MEET THE PARTNERS



HILL DICKINSON

<u> IBDO</u>



Hill Dickinson is a leading and award-winning international commercial law firm with more than 850 people, including 185 partners and legal directors. From offices in the UK, mainland Europe and Asia, we deliver advice and strategic guidance spanning the full legal spectrum.

Our highly experienced and recognised corporate team operates from our offices in Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, London, Hong Kong and Singapore. The recently established Leeds Corporate team, with the addition of corporate partner Sandip Khroud who joins a strong national team of over 75 corporate and banking lawyers, will be leading our expansion of business advisory services into Yorkshire.

We are trusted advisors to a wide range of clients within the technology sector, providing expert support to technology organisations or organisations reliant on technology. Delivering a high-quality combination of technical expertise, commercial acumen and excellent client service, our clients value the quality of our people, our market knowledge and our commitment to achieving success for them. We always aim to exceed their expectations.

BDO LLP is the leading UK accountancy and business advisory firm focused on ambitious, entrepreneurially-spirited and fast-growing businesses. Having operated in the Leeds City Region for several years, we continue to invest in our client's growth by developing our people and teams to provide an unrivalled breadth of services.

Our broad range of technology clients from across the region are key contributors to Britain's economic engine. We are proud to hear our clients say how our local specialists really take the time to understand their needs and help provide practical and insightful, joined-up advice and solutions.

Nexus brings together the brightest minds from business, technology and academia. Our community of high growth businesses is located across the globe but has its physical base in a state-of-the-art innovation hub on the University of Leeds campus.

We provide bespoke support to help you stimulate innovation and deliver rapid commercial impact. Our expert team bridge the gap between business and academia, helping you access the knowledge, people and workspace your business needs to thrive.

AVISON YOUNG



Avison Young creates economic, social and environmental value as a global real estate advisor, powered by people. At Avison Young, we believe in creating a positive impact wherever we go.

There is a vital role for commercial real estate to create healthy, productive workplaces for employees, cities that are centres of prosperity for its citizens, and built spaces and places that create a net benefit to the economy, the environment and the community.

Our nimble, agile team has global insight, local market expertise and access to some of the smartest technology in the commercial real estate industry – all at the ready to work on creating your competitive advantage. As a private company, you will collaborate with an empowered partner who is invested in your success as much as you are.

Mercia is a proactive specialist asset manager with a focus on regional businesses seeking venture, private equity or debt finance to scale their businesses. Mercia currently manages c£940m assets under management and a portfolio of c430 businesses across the UK.

Mercia's specialist approach delivers deep domain knowledge, not just about sectors, but equally, the regions in which they do business. The 100+ team, across eight regional offices gives them the ability to deliver this effectively, investing in the right businesses.



With the Mayor of West Yorkshire as its directlyelected chair, the West Yorkshire Combined Authority brings together the local authorities of Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees, Leeds and Wakefield, working in partnership with the Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership and the City of York.

Together, we are working hard to make our region be recognised globally as a place with a strong, successful economy where everyone can build great businesses, careers and lives supported by a sustainable environment and world-class infrastructure.



The Leeds Digital Festival is an open, collaborative celebration of digital culture in all its forms. Whether you're interested in coding, fintech, social media, AI, healthtech, data, startups, digital music, cyber security or AR/VR, we've got something for you.

Returning for its 7th year and following the success of both 2021 editions, in 2022 Leeds Digital Festival will host a three-day programme of events in April, followed by a two-week line-up of world class tech content in September. Join us as we invite the tech world's best and brightest to come together and showcase our city region's dynamic digital sector.



Tech Nation fuels the growth of gamechanging founders, leaders and scaling companies, so they can positively transform societies and economies. We provide them with the coaching, content and community they need for their journey in designing the future.



Zút is a creative production agency, working directly with brands to create captivating media content, that builds brand loyalty, whilst engaging new clients, customers, and followers.

The Zút team works hard to identify why brands and businesses are liked or loved, then devise concepts and treatments based on those reasons and feelings.

Our team of skilled, creative and production specialists work closely to give clients a seamless service.

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