

Ignacio S. Galán

Born in Salamanca (Spain), in 1950



Ignacio S. Galán is the Executive Chairman of Iberdrola as well as the Executive Chairman of the Group's country subholding companies in the United Kingdom (ScottishPower), in the United States (AVANGRID, a company listed on the New York Stock Exchange) and in Brazil (Neoenergia, a company listed on BOVESPA).



Since his arrival at Iberdrola in 2001, his commitment to international expansion and the need for electrification through renewable energies, smart grids and energy storage have transformed the company into one of the largest in the sector in the world, with a presence in dozens of countries such as Spain, United States, United Kingdom, Brazil, Mexico, Germany, Portugal, France, Italy and Ireland, as well as Australia, Poland, Sweden and Japan, and supplying energy to more than 100 million people around the world.



He holds Honorary Doctorates from the universities of Salamanca, Edinburgh and Strathclyde (Glasgow). He is currently Visiting Professor at the University of Strathclyde, President of the Social Council of the University of Salamanca, member of the Presidential Advisory Board of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and trustee of the Comillas-ICAI University Foundation.



He is a member of the World Economic Forum (Davos), of the Renewable Hydrogen Coalition, of the European Round Table for Industry (ERT), of the JP Morgan International Council and of the Global Leadership Council -UNICEF's Generation Unlimited-.

Acknowledgments

- 2023**
 - Included on TIME100 Climate List of the **100 most influential leaders** driving business climate action
 - Best Business Leadership in Energy Transition** Award from El Periódico de la Energía.
 - Considered, for the twelfth time, **Best Chief Executive of European electricity companies**, according to the Institutional Investor Research Group.
 - Recognised with the **José Echegaray Ecoprensa award for personalities of international** relevance who have contributed the most to promoting the liberal spirit and ideology.
 - Recipient of the **ESG Award from the U.S. Foreign Policy Association**.
 - Received the **Medal of Honour from the World Association of Jurists at the United Nations** for his promotion of environmental, social, governance and financial performance principles.
- 2020**
 - Received the **Management Leadership Award** from the Spanish Quality Association and the Business Career Achievement Award from El Economista.
- 2019**
 - Was rated as one of the five most important **CEOs in the world and the first in the utilities sector** by Harvard Business Review, and as one of the 30 most influential leaders in the fight against climate change by Bloomberg.
 - Received the **National Innovation and Design Award for Innovative Trajectory** from the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities.
 - Leon Award** from El Español for his business management.
 - Honourable Mention for his professional career** from the Official College of Industrial Engineers of Madrid.
 - Designated **Universal Spaniard** by the Independent Foundation.
- 2018**
 - Named Honorary **Member of the Spanish Institute of Engineering**.
- 2014**
 - Received the international Responsible **Capitalism award from the First Group**.
 - He was awarded the Commander of **The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire** by Queen Elizabeth II.
- 2011**
 - Named **best CEO** of European utilities and Spanish listed companies in investor relations, according to the Thomson Extel Survey.
- 2008**
 - Received the **Business Leader of the Year** award from the Spain-US Chamber of Commerce.
- 2006**
 - Received the **Best CEO of the Year** award at the **Platts Global Energy Awards**.