Anti-Corruption and Anti-Fraud Policy

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The Board of Directors of IBERDROLA, S.A. (the “Company”) has the power to design, assess and continuously revise the Governance and Sustainability System, and specifically to approve and update the corporate policies, which contain the guidelines governing the conduct of the Company and of the companies belonging to the group of which the Company is the controlling entity, within the meaning established by law (the “Group”).

Corruption and fraud stifle economic growth, weaken democracy and undermine social justice and the Rule of Law, causing serious harm to the economy and to society, and in many cases facilitates the operations of organised crime.

The Company, which is a leader by virtue of its firm commitments to ethical principles and to honesty, assumes the responsibility of actively participating in the challenge of fighting corruption and fraud in all of its areas of activity.

In assuming these commitments and in fulfilling these responsibilities, the Company’s Board of Directors hereby approves this Anti-Corruption and Anti-Fraud Policy (the “Policy”) within the framework of the law and the By-Laws and the guidelines for conduct that take shape in the Purpose and Values of the Iberdrola Group.

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to convey to shareholders, to the members of the management decision-making bodies and to the professionals of the Company and of the other companies that make up the Group, as well as to third parties establishing relations therewith, an unambiguous message of opposition to fraud and corruption in all of their manifestations, and to show the desire of the Group’s companies to combat them in their activities, thereby contributing to the achievement of compliance with goal sixteen of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) approved by the United Nations (UN).

This Policy, together with the Compliance and Internal Reporting and Whistleblower Protection System Policy, shows the firm commitment of the Company and of the other companies of the Group to their purpose and values, to their ethical principles and to the unwavering vigilance and punishment of acts and conduct that are fraudulent or that facilitate corruption in any of its forms, which involves the maintenance of effective mechanisms for communication and sensitivity-awareness-raising among all professionals, and the development of a corporate culture of ethics and honesty.

2. Scope of Application

This Policy applies to the members of the management decision-making bodies and to the professionals of the Company and of the other companies that make up the Group, as well as to those of companies in which the Company has an interest and effective control but which do not belong to the Group, within the limits established by law.

Without prejudice to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the listed country subholding companies and their subsidiaries, pursuant to their own special framework of strengthened autonomy, may approve their own anti-corruption or anti-fraud policy applicable to said company and its subsidiaries to comply with the requirements applicable thereto due to its status as a listed company. In any event, such policy must be in accord with the principles set forth in this Policy and in the other environmental, social, and corporate governance and regulatory compliance policies of the Governance and Sustainability System and must be communicated to the Company’s Compliance Unit through the channels implemented for these purposes.

The country subholding and head of business companies may also adopt policies, rules and principles that adapt and develop the provisions of this Policy in accordance with the particular nature of each territory, country or business, reporting them to the Company’s Compliance Unit through the channels established for these purposes.

Members of the management bodies and professionals of the Company and of the other companies of the Group who are also subject to other policies, rules or principles, whether applicable to a particular industry or deriving from the domestic laws of the territories or countries in which said companies do business, shall also be bound thereby, and the corresponding measures of coordination shall be established in order for said policies, rules or principles to be consistent with those set forth in this Policy.

Furthermore, all persons acting as representatives of the Company and of the other companies of the Group at companies and entities not belonging thereto shall comply with the provisions of this Policy and shall promote, to the extent possible, the enforcement of the principles hereof at said companies and entities.

This Policy shall also apply, to the extent relevant, to the joint ventures, temporary joint ventures (uniones temporales de empresas) and other equivalent associations, if the Company or another company of the Group assumes the management thereof, and in other cases, to the extent possible, promoting the application of the principles hereof.

3. Main Principles of Conduct

The main principles of conduct on which this Policy is based are described below:

- a. Not tolerate, permit or engage in any conduct constituting corruption in any of its forms, including extortion or bribery, in the course of business or professional activities or in relations with the public or private sector.

- b. Promote a preventive culture based on the principle of “zero tolerance” for business corruption and bribery, as well as for the commission of other acts constituting any form of fraud.

This “zero tolerance” principle for business corruption, bribery and any form of fraud is absolute in nature and takes precedence over the possibility of obtaining any type of benefit (financial or otherwise) for the Company and for the other companies of the Group, as well as for their directors, professionals and suppliers, when based on a business or transaction that is improper, illegal or contrary to law or to the Governance and Sustainability System, and particularly the ethical principles of the Code of Ethics.

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c. Take appropriate measures so that relations between the professionals of the companies of the Group and any government administration, authorities, officials or other persons who participate in the exercise of public functions, as well as political parties and similar institutions, are any event governed by the principles of cooperation, transparency and honesty.

d. Have specific procedures to prevent any conduct that might be considered an act of corruption, the application of which must be supervised by the Company’s Compliance Unit or by the compliance units of the companies of the Group, as applicable.

e. Implement appropriate training programmes and communication plans for the professionals of the Group with a frequency sufficient to ensure that their knowledge in the area covered by this Policy is kept up to date. In particular, the professionals of the companies of the Group shall receive specific training regarding the content of the Code of Ethics to prevent any instance of fraud and corruption in any form.

f. Identify and assess the risks associated with all forms of fraud and corruption in the activities of the Company and of the other companies of the Group.

g. Establish the appropriate controls and preventive measures (including, without limitation, through the internal rules and procedures approved for this purpose) for the identification, control, mitigation and prevention of all forms of fraud and corruption, and particularly in all activities involving third-party relationships.

h. Ensure that the relationship between the companies of the Group and their suppliers is based on legality, business ethics, efficiency, transparency and honesty and that no supplier of the Group’s companies offers or gives to officials and other persons who participate in the exercise of public functions, authorities, third parties or any professional of the Group’s companies, within the context of the business activity carried out for or on behalf of the Group, whether directly or indirectly, gifts, presents or other improper benefits or unauthorised advantages, whether in cash or otherwise, in order to secure favourable treatment in the award or maintenance of contracts or in business relations or to obtain benefits for themselves or for the supplier company.

i. Promote appropriate measures to ensure that suppliers comply with the policies, rules and procedures established within the Group’s boundary in connection with the prevention of corruption in any of its forms.

The Company and other companies of the Group have activated appropriate channels so that the members of their management decision-making body, its professionals, its suppliers and other third parties determined by applicable legal provisions can report potentially improper conduct or acts that are potentially illegal or contrary to law or to the Governance and Sustainability System that concern or affect the their respective activities, including, in particular, acts and conduct that are potentially fraudulent or facilitate corruption in any of its forms.

These channels form part of the internal reporting system of the corresponding company of the Group pursuant to the provisions of the Compliance and Internal Reporting and Whistleblower Protection System Policy, and they constitute the preferred channel for reporting such conduct and acts and for the processing of grievances or reports that are submitted.

4. Revision of the Policy

The Sustainable Development Committee shall regularly review the contents of the Policy, ensuring that it reflects the recommendations and best international practices from time to time in effect, and shall propose to the Board of Directors those amendments and updates that contribute to the development and ongoing improvement thereof, taking into account any suggestions or proposals made by the compliance units and the professionals of the Company and of the other companies of the Group.

This Policy was initially approved by the Board of Directors on 20 December 2016 and was last amended on 20 June 2023.