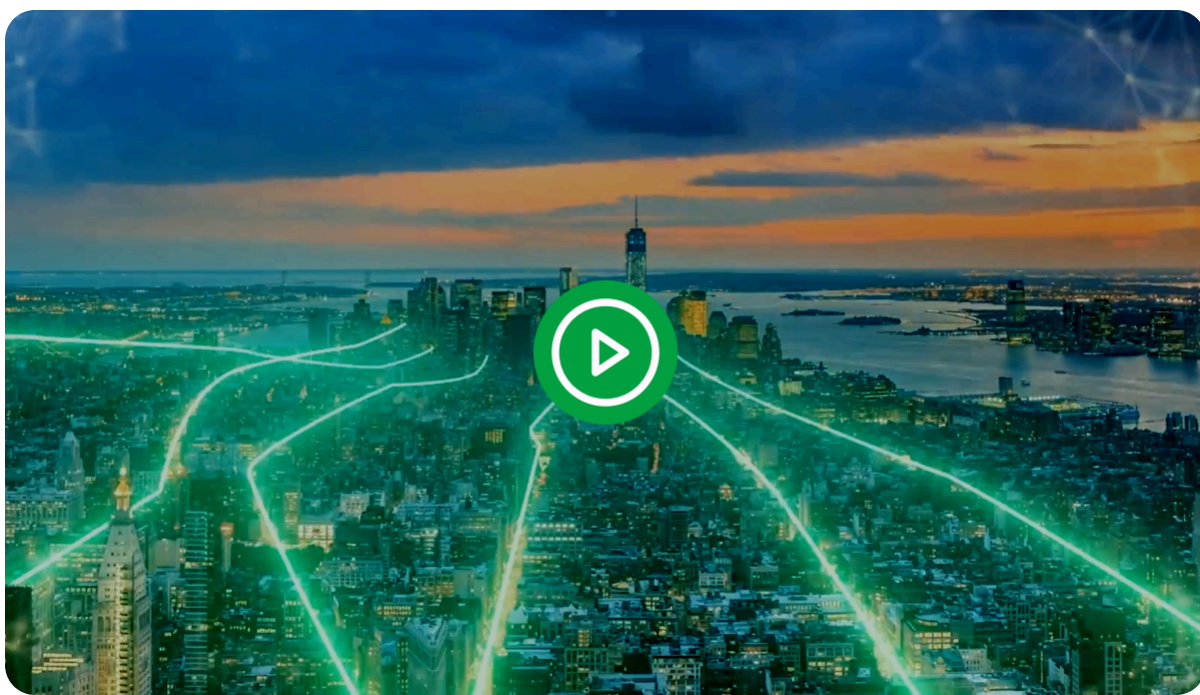




Hello:

This week, we are celebrating the **fifth anniversary** of our **Global Smart Grids Innovation Hub**, located in Bilbao, Iberdrola's corporate headquarters. [Five years of collaboration with more than 120 companies and organisations](#) have made the [Global Smart Grids Innovation Hub](#) (GSGIH) one of the most advanced innovation centres for electrical networks worldwide.

From this space, we promote **public-private collaboration** and **innovation** as key drivers to advance the [electrification of the economy](#) and enhance network service quality through solutions that deliver robustness, resilience, flexibility and security.



The Global Smart Grids Innovation Hub (GSGIH) in figures



The networks of the future

Our strategic partnerships, strong investment in innovation and commitment to talent development highlight the essential importance Iberdrola places on smart electrical networks as a key to the future.

Smart grids enable a new **interconnected landscape** that responds to the needs of both energy users and producers. At the same time, they improve the reliability and efficiency of supply and support the integration of more renewable energy into the network, becoming a cornerstone of the **electrification of the economy**.



Innovation as a strategic pillar

Our commitment to an [innovation model](#) that anticipates sector challenges has positioned Iberdrola for five consecutive years as the world's leading private utility in R&D&I investment, exceeding the record figure of **€425 million** in 2025.

We currently have more than **300 R&D&I projects** underway to integrate innovation across our entire value chain and drive future technologies as a growth engine towards a more electrified, efficient and sustainable model.

These projects are structured around three key areas:

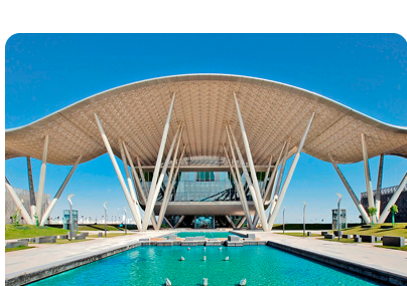
- Electricity generation**
- Energy distribution and management**
- Electrification of demand**

Driving training and research

The Provincial Council of Bizkaia, a public partner of the GSGIH, has once again joined forces with Iberdrola to create the **Smart Grids Academy** (SGA), a pioneering initiative to train professionals in the energy and smart networks sector through continuous, specialised learning.

With an international outlook, this project aims to transform the sector and contribute to the Basque Country's Industry Plan 2030, reinforcing the future of smart networks in Spain.

Discover other leading Iberdrola [innovation centres](#):



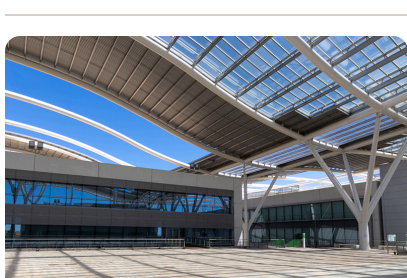
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