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Galán to Al Gore: "There is an urgent need to act against climate change. There is no time left and it is a job for everyone"

- Iberdrola Chairman, Ignacio Galán, met former US vice-president and Nobel Prize winner Al Gore, who is deeply committed to climate change
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- Galán made another call to fight against climate change in light of the irreversible damage being experienced by countries

Urgent, urgent, urgent. That was the message from Iberdrola's chairman, Ignacio Galán, to Al Gore, former vice-president of the United States, and a



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Nobel Prize winner who has long warned about the consequences of climate change, during a meeting held this morning in the context of COP26.

Galán stressed the need to take urgent action against climate change: "We must do everything we can in this decade, we must be very ambitious and the time to do it is now. There is no time left and it is a job for everyone. We must strengthen the work done in recent years to create wellbeing and jobs for citizens".

At the Climate Summit Conference focused on *Accelerating the Global Transition to Clean Energy*, the chairman of Iberdrola stressed the need to "shut down coal permanently and demolish the power plants. Otherwise, whenever there is a short-term problem, there will always be the temptation to start them up again. There is no place for coal in a modern energy system".

Galán said "we must put all our resources into zero-carbon technologies, not into technologies that will have a short life span. We must not think low-carbon, but zero-carbon. And we must do this by taking the social dimension of the transition into account in our analysis. Otherwise, we will have failed," he added.

