

## **BRIEFING**

## NOTE

It strengthens its leadership in renewables, with its current capacity of over 5,100 MW, through two new projects in Ciudad Rodrigo (300 MW) and Villarino (50 MW) in Salamanca

# Iberdrola starts formalities to develop its first 350 MW photovoltaic plants in Castilla y León

- Grid access has also been secured for a further 500 MW of renewables in the form of two large-scale projects, a wind farm (300 MW) and a solar plant (200 MW)
- Iberdrola's plan to relaunch clean energies in Spain includes installing 3,000 renewable MW in the run up to 2022

Iberdrola is continuing to invest in clean energy in Spain, and has just started processing the formalities for its first two photovoltaic projects in Castilla y León, which will be located in Ciudad Rodrigo (300 MW) and in Villarino (50 MW) in the province of Salamanca.

These new solar plants will further establish Iberdrola's leadership in Spain, particularly in Castilla y León, where it already manages more than 5,100 MW of hydraulic and wind plants, making this the company's number-one region in terms of green megawatts installed.

The photovoltaic plant in Ciudad Rodrigo, which is expected to be built in 2021, will consist of 826,200 solar panels and will create jobs for 800 workers at the height of the building activity. The company's investment in solar generation in this region will also include another photovoltaic plant (50 MW) in Villarino de los Aires and Trabanca, Salamanca.

As well as these initiatives, Iberdrola has also secured grid access for a further 500 MW renewable power capacity, consisting of a large wind farm (300 MW) and a 200 MW photovoltaic plant.

### Renewable investment strategy in Spain

Iberdrola's plan to invest in renewable energies in Spain includes the installation of 3,000 new MW by 2022. By 2030, company forecasts point to the installation of 10,000 new MW. These actions will enable jobs to be created for 20,000 people.

At present, and with these processes under way, Iberdrola's projects under construction or in the pipeline -wind and photovoltaic- in Spain total more than 4,000 MW in regions such as Extremadura, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla y León, Navarra, Aragon, Andalusia, Murcia, Cantabria and Andalusia.

In Castilla y León, Iberdrola operates more than 5,100 MW of hydraulic and wind generation facilities. Among its most recent activities in the region is the acquisition of the BaCa wind complex (Ballestas and Castona), with an installed capacity of 69.3 MW. These facilities have just come on stream and their output will provide clean energy to the equivalent of 25,200 homes per year, preventing the emission of 40,000 tonnes of  $CO_2$  a year.













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In Spain, Iberdrola is the leader wind developer -with an installed capacity of more than 5,800 MW- and renewable energy leader, with 16,000 MW installed (over 30,300 MW worldwide), making its generation fleet one of the cleanest in the energy sector.

Iberdrola's choice of a decarbonised economic model has entailed investments of almost €10bn euros a year around the world, having allocated almost €100bn in this area since 2001.

#### **About Iberdrola**

Iberdrola is a global energy leader, the number-one producer of wind power, and one of the world's biggest electricity utilities by market capitalisation. The group supplies energy to almost 100 million people in dozens of countries including Spain, the United Kingdom (ScottishPower), the United States (AVANGRID), Brazil (Neoenergia), Mexico, Germany, Portugal, Italy and France. With a workforce of around 34,000 and assets in excess of €113bn, it achieved a turnover of €35bn and a net profit of €3bn in 2018.

Iberdrola is leading the transition towards a sustainable energy model through investments in renewable energy, smart grids, large-scale energy storage and digital transformation, to offer its customers the most advanced products and services. Thanks to its commitment to clean energy, Iberdrola is one of the companies with the lowest emissions and an international benchmark for its contribution to sustainability and the fight against climate change.









