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The total provision for this programme comes to 1 million euros

### Iberdrola is launching its call for Social Grant applications to support vulnerable groups

- The goal is to promote comprehensive development in groups at risk of exclusion, focusing especially on children, adolescents and women
- The selected projects will help people overcome poverty, promote social insertion and help improve quality of life
- The initiative is aimed at publicly-approved non-profit social entities

Iberdrola, via its Foundation in Spain, has launched a the application process for Social Grants 2017, which aims to promote comprehensive development among the most vulnerable groups in the regions where the company operates.

This initiative is part of the company's commitment to society, and especially to children and youth. Plus, this edition of the programme is also, for the first time, prioritising support for women.

The Fundación Iberdrola España will select, by means of an expert committee, those projects aligned with specific aims of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Objectives (SDO), incorporated into the company's business strategy:

- Objective number 1 (end to poverty), objective number 4 (quality education) and objective number 5 (gender equality). It will therefore support projects aimed at overcoming situations of poverty and social exclusion, providing access to basic needs, promoting educational support and the enjoyment of leisure and free time, as well as access to employment.



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- Objective number 10 (reduction of inequality), objective number 4 (quality education) and objective number 5 (gender equality). The aim is to foster the personal autonomy and independence of disabled people. This involves helping occupational centres to promote comprehensive training processes. This enables specialised training that promotes the social skills and lessons required for inclusion in the regular employment market.
- Objective number 3 (health and well-being), objective number 4 (quality education) and objective number 5 (gender equality). Improve the quality of life of people suffering from serious illnesses by covering their daily needs and providing comprehensive support for their families, focusing especially on people suffering from addictions and on children's entertainment.

The call for applications for Social Grants 2017 launched by the Fundación IBERDROLA España is open to private non-profit institutions based in Spain with public utility status pursuing aims that are in the public interest and carrying out their activities in Spain.

Special consideration will be given to entities that publish relevant information consistent with Iberdrola's principles of transparency, good governance and accountability.

Social entities applying must submit their proposals by 19 June 2017, by means of an online form available from the Iberdrola Foundation in Spain website ([www.fundacioniberdrolaespana.org](http://www.fundacioniberdrolaespana.org)), where they can also consult the terms and conditions of the call for applications.

This new edition has been allocated a total of €1 million to support social projects run by NGOs throughout Spain.

### Iberdrola, supporting society

Every year the company supports thirty or so social projects through calls for applications launched since 2010 by its Foundation in Spain. Through its Social Grants programme, to date over 300 projects have been



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promoted, with an annual average impact of 12,000 in direct benefits and 32,000 in indirect benefits. These projects promote voluntary participation and foster direct job creation.

Via its foundation in Spain, the company is also active in three other main areas of action: training and research, biodiversity and art & culture.

In the area of training support, the highlight is the Iberdrola Scholarship Programme. In the field of biodiversity, the leading project is the Bird Migration Programme ([www.migraciondeaves.org](http://www.migraciondeaves.org)). Finally, in the area of historic-artistic heritage conservation, it runs important projects, such as the Atlantic Romanesque Plan ([www.romanicoatlantico.org](http://www.romanicoatlantico.org)) and the programme to light up unique buildings, such as the Lighting the Prado project at the Prado Museum in Madrid.



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