

# IFC and Spain

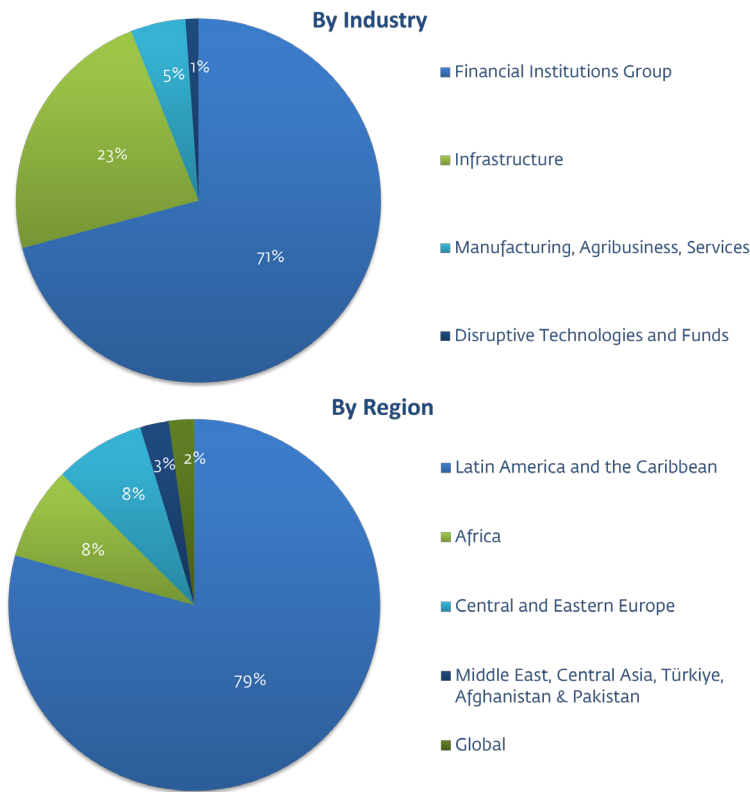
## Partners in Private Sector Development



### OVERVIEW

IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, is the largest global development institution focused on the private sector in emerging markets. Working in more than 100 countries, IFC committed a record \$56 billion in investments from its own account and in mobilization from third parties to private companies and financial institutions in developing countries in its fiscal year 2024 (FY24). IFC is an active partner of established Spanish multinationals and mid-sized firms interested in investing in emerging markets. As of June 2024, IFC had a long-term committed investment portfolio of over \$4.2 billion with Spanish partners spread across several sectors and regions.

### IFC'S LONG-TERM INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO WITH SPANISH SPONSORS



### MOBILIZATION

IFC has a strong relationship with Spanish financial institutions and an active engagement across multiple sectors. As of June 2024, Spanish financial institutions held \$321 million in IFC Syndicated Loans.

### Spanish Government's Support for IFC

Spain's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Business (MINECO), is IFC's main government counterpart. IFC also works closely with the Ministry of Industry, Energy and Tourism, COFIDES (the Spanish Development Finance Institution), ICO (the State Financial Agency under MINECO), ICEX (the Spanish Institute for Foreign Trade under the MINECO), and AECID (the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation), and other counterparts.

In fiscal years 2019-2024 Spain provided funding of over \$7 million to support IFC Advisory Services, including around \$3.9 million in fiscal year 2023, for the replenishment of the Spain-IFC Technical Assistance Trust Fund. To date, the Fund has a portfolio of 68 projects with a focus on climate, financial services, renewables, manufacturing, PPP development, and tourism, with the largest funding allocations to Latin America and the Caribbean (32%), global projects (21%), Africa (15%), and Europe (12%).

### GLOBAL TRADE FINANCE PROGRAM (GTFP)

As of June 2024, IFC issued 3350 guarantees amounting to over \$14.6 billion for Spanish banks since the GTFP began in 2005. The most active confirming bank has been CaixaBank.

## EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION

### **Santander - Supporting Women's Home Ownership in Chile**

In June 2024, IFC committed an unfunded risk-sharing facility with Santander Chile, a subsidiary of Spain's Santander Group, on a diversified portfolio of medium and large corporate loans totaling up to \$600 million, with an IFC investment of up to \$400 million in the form of an unfunded risk participation. The total capital conserved by Santander Chile will be redeployed to finance housing loans for women. IFC's investment will help the bank optimize its capital deployment, enhancing efficiency and enabling the provision of local currency financing to companies.

In December 2023, IFC committed a \$200 million senior loan to Santander Chile to support the expansion of the Bank's mortgage portfolio, exclusively targeting women-owned housing. IFC will also support Santander Chile in refining its gender-focused strategy. IFC's investment will contribute to closing Chile's housing finance gap by enhancing access to housing loans for women, addressing the housing deficit and inadequate living conditions, and gender disparities in financial access.

### **Grupo Ortiz - Expanding Road Infrastructure in Colombia**

In April 2024, IFC committed a \$117 million senior secured A loan to Autopista del Magdalena Medio S.A.S. (AMM) and a \$105 million senior secured A loan to Autopistas del Rio Grande S.A.S. (ARG). Grupo Ortiz, a leading Spanish construction conglomerate, is a shareholder of AMM and ARG, two special purpose vehicles incorporated in Colombia for the implementation of concessions for sections of a brownfield toll road (TM1 and TM2) in the regions of Cundinamarca, Boyacá, Santander and Cesar. The first loan will support the design, construction, and maintenance of TM1, including the construction of 107 km of second lanes and urban exchanges, the rehabilitation of 153 km, and the construction of 16 bridges. The second loan will support the design, construction, and maintenance of TM2, including the construction of 192 km of second lanes and urban exchanges and the rehabilitation of 80 km of the road. IFC's investment will improve the quality of a key road corridor in Colombia, resulting in travel time savings and improved safety and connectivity between Colombia's central and northern regions and the Caribbean ports.



### **Iberdrola - Building Renewable Energy Capacity Across Emerging Markets**

In December 2023, IFC approved a €300 million green and sustainability-linked loan to the Spanish electric utility group Iberdrola to finance renewable energy projects in emerging markets, including countries that currently rely heavily on coal, such as Morocco, Poland, and Viet Nam. The loan is part of the global IFC-Iberdrola Energy Transition Partnership and will help Iberdrola reduce its absolute greenhouse gas emissions by more than 60% and double its renewable energy capacity by 2030. IFC's investment will help accelerate a just transition to a sustainable energy future in emerging markets.

In addition, in 2023 and 2022, IFC committed two green and sustainability-linked loans of BRL 800 million (\$155 million) and BRL 550 million (\$115 million) to subsidiaries of a Brazilian integrated energy company, Neoenergia, which is majority owned by Iberdrola. The loans finance network improvements and new connections in the states of Sao Paulo and Mato Grosso do Sul and in the state of Bahia, respectively, improving network efficiency and enabling more renewable power to be distributed to consumers. The 2022 loan was the first loan combining "green" use-of-proceeds with sustainability-linked financing features linked to environmental and gender targets for a power distribution company in Latin America and the first sustainability-linked loan in the Brazilian power sector. These investments will promote the transition to clean and more efficient energy in Brazil and improve the quality and reliability of the power supply, boosting the resilience of the country's energy sector.

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