

Mr. FRANCISCO GONZÁLEZ RODRÍGUEZ

Group Executive Chairman

Born in 1944 in Chantada (Lugo), Spain.

Graduated in Economic and Business Administration from the Complutense University in Madrid.

Professional Background:

Francisco González has been Executive Chairman of BBVA since 2000.

Francisco González is a Member of the Board of Directors of the Institute of International Finance (IIF), where he is also a Member of its Executive Committee.

He is a Member of the European Financial Services Round Table (EFR), the Institut International D'Études Bancaires (IIEB), the International Advisory Panel of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), and the International Business Council (IBC) of the World Economic Forum (WEF), among other international fora. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees and a member of the Global Advisory Council of The Conference Board (TCB). He represents BBVA in the International Monetary Conference (IMC).

He is Chairman of the BBVA Foundation and he is a Member of the Princess of Asturias Foundation Board of Trustees and a Trustee of the Victims of Terrorism Foundation and of the Teatro Real of Madrid Foundation, where he is also Vice Chairman of its Board of Benefactors.

He represents BBVA in the Board of Trustees of the Pro CNIC Foundation, the Princess of Girona Foundation, the Elcano Royal Institute of International and Strategic Studies Foundation, and the Foundation for Help Against Drug Addiction (FAD). Besides this, he represents the BBVA Foundation in the Board of Trustees of the Spanish National Cancer Research Foundation (CNIO) and the Vall d'Hebron Institute of Oncology (VHIO).

He is also member of the Board of Trustees of the Pro Royal Spanish Academy Foundation (Pro RAE), the Board of Trustees of the Carolina Foundation, the Royal Board of Trustees of the Prado National Museum and the Board of Trustees of the Student Residence Foundation and the Board of Distinguished Patrons of Casa América.

Francisco González received Euromoney's award for Banker of the Year at the 2016 Euromoney Awards for Excellence.

Prior to the merger between Banco Bilbao Vizcaya and Argentaria, Francisco González was Chairman of Argentaria from 1996 to 1999, where he led the integration, transformation and privatisation of a diverse group of State-owned banks.

Before joining Argentaria, Francisco González founded the Securities Firm, FG Inversiones Bursátiles, which became the first independent brokerage firm in Spain.

Francisco González is also a registered Spanish Stock Broker (ranking first amongst the candidates examined in 1980) and a Trader for the Madrid Stock Exchange. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the Madrid Stock Exchange and the Executive Committee of Bancoval.

He began his professional career in 1964 as a programmer in an IT company. His ambition to transform 21st-century banking with the support of new technologies dates back to this time.