

Ignacio Galán talks about Saint Brieuç

I believe that this park is a great example of our commitment not only to sustainability but also, now that the Draghi report is in, to the reindustrialisation of Europe. It has been possible, first of all, thanks to the commitment of President Macron. I have known him for many years.

He has always been very committed to seeing this project through to a successful conclusion. It has been possibly the most difficult project from an engineering point of view that we have ever done. And here our engineers, our technicians have had a lot of work to do, but also the relationships that we have developed with all the people around us to help us make it happen.

This has done something that's being talked about a lot now, and which those of you who know me longer have been saying for a long time, that the energy transition and decarbonisation is much more than just creating green energy. It's about creating industry, it's about creating jobs, quality jobs, jobs for the future and self-sufficiency for the continent of Europe, where we have no energy sources other than our wind, our sun and countries like France, nuclear energy, and other countries like us, hydroelectric energy, have been making this possible for two or three generations.

This wind farm is a 2.4 billion investment. Around 100 French companies have participated, 60 European companies, including some that you know very well, such as Gamesa, the turbines, a factory that they built ad-hoc, here in France, in Le Havre, foundations that belong to another company that you know well, Navantia, and another company from Asturias. The CEO could not come today, he was going to come with me, Windar. And many other pieces of equipment, cables, switches, etcetera etcetera. Many Basque companies that have made this possible and have employed thousands of people this entire time.