

## Press release

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# Commerzbank appoints Jorge Masalles Sarragúa as CEO of Commerzbank Iberia

Jorge Masalles Sarragúa has been appointed as CEO of Commerzbank Iberia, with immediate effect, reporting to David Arlettaz, Regional Board Member for Western Europe.

Masalles Sarragúa takes responsibility for Commerzbank's Spanish branches, which offer both Spanish and Portuguese corporates a complete range of capital markets, asset finance, global transaction banking and risk management services, delivered through digital solutions and local relationship managers. Masalles Sarragúa succeeds Andreas Schwung, who takes the role of CEO of Commerzbank Hungary.

Born in Barcelona, Masalles Sarragúa has been with Commerzbank for more than twenty years, having joined the London branch in 2000, where he held several senior corporate banking and capital markets roles. Most recently, he was Divisional Head in charge of International Sales in Equity Markets & Commodities (EMC), with teams across Europe and Asia, as well as Head of EMC London.

Arlettaz comments: "In Jorge, we have found an outstanding senior manager from within our own ranks. Jorge has a great deal of experience at the bank and brings with him the full range of expertise necessary for managing our Iberia franchise. I look forward to working with him in the future."

"Commerzbank Iberia's ambition is to be *the* banking partner of choice internationally operating Spanish and Portuguese companies. Our international presence, combined with our in-depth sector knowledge and comprehensive offering of corporate banking solutions, means we are well-placed to achieve this," adds Masalles Sarragúa. "I want to reassure our clients that despite the considerable challenges we currently face, the Iberian team at Commerzbank is fully committed to remaining by their side for their domestic and international needs."

Commerzbank opened its representative office in Spain in 1953, with the Madrid branch following in 1980 and the Barcelona branch in 1981. Decades of experience have allowed Commerzbank to gain a true insight into the Iberian market.

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