

BBVA Bancomer Foundation, a driving force behind basic youth and adult education in Mexico

The BBVA Bancomer Foundation has signed a partnership agreement with the Mexican National Institute for Adult Education (INEA), in order to foster primary and secondary literacy services for youth and adults in 24 Comprehensive Educational Centres (CEI), which are run by volunteers throughout the country.



Gustavo Lara Alcántara, Director of the BBVA Bancomer Foundation, and Mª Dolores del Río, General Director of the INEA

The accreditation day is just one of the actions envisaged by the partnership agreement. Organised by BBVA Bancomer Foundation and INEA, the day is aimed at the people attending the CEIs, which currently help 3,364 individuals, including children, adolescents and adults.

Signed on the 29th July, the agreement reaffirms BBVA Bancomer's commitment to education and joins the educational programmes that BBVA Bancomer Foundations fosters and develops, such as the Children's Knowledge Olympics, *Por los que se quedan* ("For those left behind") *Integración* Scholarships and the School Prevention Educational Programme (PEPE).

The director of BBVA Bancomer Foundation, Gustavo Lara Alcántara, pointed out that "this agreement is the grain of sand that we are providing together to make this country get ahead, as it is clear that education is what is going to enable this country to develop more quickly".



Mª Dolores del Río Sánchez, the INEA General Director, thanked the BBVA Bancomer Foundation and stressed that "this joint effort will benefit all institutions, but it will particularly help the country to grow. Even though we are starting in the Federal District, we will soon be in other states of the Mexican Republic where the BBVA Bancomer Foundation runs centres".