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**THE SACYR FOUNDATION SUPPORTS FUNDACIÓN JUAN XXIII
IN NEW COOKING SCHOOL ENDEAVOR**

- **This project will develop a new training and professional integration center for youths at risk of psychological and social vulnerability.**

Madrid, July 26, 2023.- Manuel Manrique, Chairman of Sacyr and the Sacyr Foundation, and **Javier Arroyo, Director of Fundación Juan XXIII**, have signed an agreement by which the first agrees to aid the latter in the construction of its new cooking school and a catering and ready-to-eat food center.

The Fundación Juan XXIII is currently developing a **large-scale training and employment center**. The Sacyr Foundation will collaborate with a donation of part of the funds to build the kitchens.

The Sacyr Foundation and Fundación Juan XXIII have a long-standing partnership, and back in 2019 it already participated with the expansion and adaptation of the kitchens in its professional training center, responsible for elaborating catering products.

Fundación Juan XXIII will integrate a new official training center, student lodgings and an inclusive job creation program for young people with disabilities, at risk of social exclusion or psychological or social vulnerability into a 14,000 sq m campus.

To **Javier Arroyo**, “we have a long-standing history of collaboration with Sacyr, and this alliance with the Sacyr Foundation gives us the opportunity to undertake large-scale projects like this and kick-start the construction of our new professional training center”.

Manuel Manrique said, “this agreement builds into the continued support the Sacyr Foundation has given to multiple Juan XXIII initiatives over the past years”. “We share the view that opportunities and spaces for social and employment integration must be

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created for people in situations of psychological and social vulnerability”, Manrique added.

About the Sacyr Foundation

The Sacyr Foundation is committed to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and collaborates with social organizations and participates in initiatives generating social impact on communities and contributes to their sustainable development. In 2022, over 500,000 people benefited directly and indirectly from Sacyr Foundation initiatives.

About Fundación Juan XXIII

The Fundación Juan XXIII has a 55-year history of working for the social and work inclusion of people at risk of psychological and social vulnerability, especially people with intellectual disabilities, by promoting a better quality of life for them and their relatives, through enhancing their autonomy, initiative, and training. Over 1000 people receive assistance at its headquarters daily, and has multiple support services for people with disabilities: Early attention, JUAN XXIII-Buenafuente school, Day center, Occupational center, Work with support, guardianship service, leisure and sports, support services to people with disabilities, professional training center and special work center which, with over 700 employees is a benchmark institution in Social Facility Services for its wide variety of high-quality services: marketing solutions, textile and industry, integrated logistics, Digital Data, Work and inclusion services, CSR and inclusive events, catering, promotional marketing, green solutions and Juan Energy. More information at <http://www.fundacionjuanxxiii.org/>

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