



Abantia will build a hospital in Haiti for \$ 14.3 million

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- The project reinforces the strategy of internationalization and the opening of new geographic markets for Abantia.
- The Group's experience in the construction and maintenance of hospitals has been definitive to the international award of this contract.

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Abantia, in consortium with Construcciones Cots and Claret, has been awarded the construction of La Providence Gonaïves Hospital in Haiti, for an amount of \$ 14.3 million (USD). The new hospital will serve an estimated population of 901,800 people and improve hospital care to the outskirts of Gonaïves, the third largest city in population. It is estimated that the duration of the works is 18 months, so the center is expected to open in 2014.

The project, funded by the Canadian International Development Agency through the UNOPS (United Nations Office for Project Services), including all construction work and external management of the hospital complex, which will have 200 beds and a total area of 10,380 m².

The main function of the hospital will be the health care for mothers and children, with four blocks of hospitalization, a surgical block, maternity, intensive care - particularly for newborns -, emergency, laboratory and pharmacy, among others. Also planned is the construction of outbuildings, including a chapel, accommodation for medical staff and a "house of women" to accommodate pregnant women, as well as a "village waiting", a shelter for those accompanying the patients to wait outside the hospital.

In the words of Cristian Gaju, Abantia General Manager: *"This contract reinforces the group's internationalization strategy and the opening to new geographic markets. Extensive experience in the construction and maintenance in the hospital sector of Abantia has contributed to this international tender"*.

Extensive experience in the hospital sector

Abantia has extensive experience in the construction and maintenance of hospitals. Among the projects is the Hospital Clínic of Barcelona, various hospitals of the Orden Hospitalaria de San Joan de Deu, the Parc de Salut Mar of Hospital del Mar and Clínica de la Esperanza and private clinics such as Quirón, Corachán and Pilar, among others. In 2011 the Baix Camp hospitals in Reus (450 beds) and the General Hospital in Sant Boi (292 beds) began operating.

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At the international level stand the Jurazska Hospital in the Polish city of Bydgoszcz, and the Villanueva Hospital in the southern district of the city of Guatemala, under the Ministry of Public Health of this country and the Maternity Hospital in El Salvador.

About Abantia Group

Abantia is an international group specialized in applied engineering solutions that focus on diversifying its business lines to provide global solutions and value-added facilities, mechanical assembly, maintenance and construction of turnkey projects. Abantia was founded in 1944 as a company specializing in electrical and cold, with the name of AGE (General Electric Applications). Since then, it has evolved and developed into a comprehensive enterprise specialized in applied engineering. Currently, Abantia serves in all productive sectors of society. This diversification can cover many different areas, from energy to health, transport and communications. It employs more than 2,300 people, and the group closed 2011 with a turnover of 279 million euros, up 10% over 2010 and a profit of 8.8 million euros, representing a 37.5 % more than the previous year. The business group is committed to international activity and has a permanent presence in Spain, Poland, Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Peru, Chile, Colombia, Qatar and Abu Dhabi, from which 23% of the total volume of business.

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