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## Grupo Dia 🗷

## DIA continues its expansion with the opening of 15 shops in April and May, creating 94 jobs

/ The chain, which at close of 2015 had a total of 4,941 shops in Spain, expands its presence in the country with these new establishments

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**Madrid, 3 June 2016.** <u>DIA</u> has opened a total of 15 establishments in April and May, of which 12 are its own shops and three will operate as franchises. These new customer shopping establishments are located in Catalonia (5), Basque Country (3), Aragon, Asturias, Balearic Islands, Cantabria, Castilla-La Mancha, La Rioja and Murcia (1). These openings allow the chain to expand its presence in Spain following its strategy to keep close to customers.

The new shops operate under the formats of DIA Maxi, DIA Market, Cada DIA and Clarel. The group's 12 own establishments accumulate a sales space of more than 5,800 square metres and provide work to 83 people. In turn, the group's three new franchises have created 11 direct jobs.

With last month's openings the company consolidates its presence in Spain where, at close of 2015, it had 4,941 establishments, of which 1,954 operate as <u>franchises</u>.

DIA (Distribuidora Internacional de Alimentación) is an international food retailer that also distributes fast-moving and HPC goods. DIA is traded on the Madrid Stock Exchange and is part of the Ibex 35, the main reference index of the Spanish stock market. In 2015, gross sales under banner reached EUR10.5bn and the company had 7,718 stores in the countries in which it operates: Spain, Portugal, Brazil, Argentina and China.

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