



Press Release

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Long-term financing of the Bogotá-Girardot highway awarded by LatinFinance

- **The operation receives two major awards: “Road Financing of the Year” and “Infrastructure Financing of the Year: Andes”**
- **Financial soundness of a major infrastructure concession in Colombia**
- **Construction progressing fast, first enlarged sections ready to open**

Via 40 Express, subsidiary of VINCI Highway, concessionaire of the Bogota-Girardot highway, has today received two major awards by LatinFinance, the leading news platform about infrastructure financing in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The “Road Financing of the Year” and “Infrastructure Financing of the Year, Andes” highlight the successful completion, in April 2023, of the long-term financing of the Bogota-Girardot highway concession. Amounting to 2,675 billion Colombian pesos (€535 million), it stands as one of the most significant operations ever achieved within the framework of Colombia 4G program.

The Bogotá-Girardot highway is the country’s busiest road, stretching from the Pacific coast to the centre of the capital city. Via 40 Express is currently delivering a large renovation and extension program, including the construction of a third lane, through a 30-year concession contract.

Laurent Cavois, CEO of Via 40 Express and executive Director of VINCI Highways for Latin America, declared: *“This award recognizes not only the financial soundness of our concession, but also the positive dynamic of the Bogotá-Girardot highway. We will soon open the first renovated and enlarged sections, and we are very proud to bring new, safe and innovative highway mobility that will sustain long-term development”.*

About Via 40 Express

VÍA 40 Express is responsible for the modernization of one of Colombia's most strategic road corridors, the Bogotá-Girardot highway, which spans 145 kilometers. This project includes the construction of a third lane along a 65-kilometer stretch to increase the road's capacity and meet the growing demand for this important route connecting the country's capital with the Colombian Pacific. VÍA 40 Express is committed to long-term Positive Mobility by creating more inclusive, sustainable, and safe infrastructure and mobility solutions, all in compliance with international standards.

About VINCI Highways

VINCI Highways, a VINCI Concessions subsidiary, is a leader in road concessions, operations and mobility services. We design, finance, build and operate highways, bridges, tunnels, urban roads and mobility services on a network of more than 3,360 km in 15 countries. VINCI Highways leverages its expertise to deliver the highest performance and safety standards and provide drivers with a positive experience.

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