Press release

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Eqwal establishes its presence in Spain with the acquisition of AYUDAS

Eqwal continues its international expansion by entering a new country, Spain, with the acquisition of AYUDAS, better known as Ideo Ortopedias for its Patient Care activities and Ayudas y Distribuciones (AYD) for its product distribution network.

Established in 1983 and led by Angel Garcia, AYUDAS has 50 employees and operates 7 Patient Care centres across Seville, Cadiz and Huelva.

The company also specialises in the distribution of prosthetic and orthotic components, as well as materials and equipment for orthopaedic professionals.

With over 40 years of experience, AYUDAS brings together two areas of expertise, combining direct patient care with in-depth technical knowledge of orthopaedic products and equipment. This complementary expertise allows the company to draw on its hands-on experience to support and advise professionals across the sector.

This acquisition marks a new milestone in Eqwal's European development, with the Group's entry into Spain.

> *« Eqwal continues its international development with its first establishment in Spain, marking a new milestone in our European expansion. I am particularly pleased to welcome Angel Garcia and all the AYUDAS teams to the Group.*
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> *The expertise Angel has built up over the years, both in patient care and in the distribution of orthopaedic products, represents a real asset to our development in this new market. His background and the work he has accomplished alongside his teams fully align with Eqwal's ambitions and values: a patient- and healthcare professional-centred approach, recognised technical expertise, and a long-term commitment to quality and excellence. »*
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> **Jean-Pierre Mahé**, CEO d'Eqwal