



## Nippon Sanso Contributes to Ethical AI with Continued Support for ELLIS Alicante

**The company reinforces its commitment to ethics and digitalization by supporting research and innovation of Artificial Intelligence in Europe.**

**Alicante, 27<sup>th</sup> of May, 2026.** – Nippon Sanso, a global leader in industrial and medical gases, is committed to fostering a future where Artificial Intelligence (AI) is developed and applied ethically, ensuring a positive impact on both industry and society. As part of this vision, the company has renewed its support to the ELLIS Alicante Foundation for the third consecutive year, funding research and innovation in the responsible AI field, striving for a positive impact in Europe.

ELLIS Alicante Foundation is part of the ELLIS (European Laboratory for Learning & Intelligent Systems) network. This network works on the research and development of AI, focusing on fundamental science, technical innovation and societal impact.

This contribution is fully aligned with Nippon Sanso's broader digitalization strategy and its investment in cutting edge, ethically grounded technologies. It also reflects the company's commitment to driving the sustainable development of Europe's industrial sector through digital transformation. By supporting initiatives such as ELLIS Alicante, Nippon Sanso helps shape AI advancements that prioritize sustainability, transparency, and social well-being.

The agreement was ratified at the company's headquarters in Madrid, where César Callejo, Nippon Sanso Holdings' Executive Officer & CIO, and Dr. Nuria Oliver, co-founder and Scientific Director at ELLIS Alicante, signed the agreement between the company and the foundation.

César Callejo expressed the company's commitment to the foundation's work in the field of ethical and responsible AI: "We are proud to support the ELLIS Alicante Foundation and its work advancing ethical and responsible AI in Europe. This contribution reflects Nippon Sanso Group's commitment to innovation that is sustainable, responsible, and guided by our Environmental, Social & Governance principles."

Nuria Oliver thanked the company on behalf of the foundation, acknowledging the important role of the private sector in driving research and innovation, particularly in such a strategic area as AI: "We are grateful for the continued support from Nippon Sanso Group to our mission of developing human-centric AI for social good. Partnerships like this are essential to bridging scientific research with industry, and to ensuring that Europe remains at the forefront of responsible AI."

The foundation's various projects focusing on research and development of AI further will benefit from the company's contribution. By supporting



responsible AI development, Nippon Sanso continues to drive innovation with integrity, reinforcing its vision for enabling a sustainable and digital future.

## About ELLIS Alicante | <https://ellisalicante.org/>

ELLIS Alicante is a **non-for-profit private research foundation** focused on **ethical and responsible Artificial Intelligence (IA) for Social Good**.

ELLIS Alicante is part of the European network of excellence in Artificial Intelligence ELLIS (European Laboratory for Learning and Intelligent Systems - [www.ellis.eu](http://www.ellis.eu)), the European network of research excellence in Artificial Intelligence. It is the first Spanish unit to be part of ELLIS and the only one created from scratch, with the spirit of a scientific startup and with a clear focus on Artificial Intelligence focused on humans. Hence, it is nicknamed the Institute for Human(ity) Centric AI (IHCAI). ELLIS Alicante aims to become international and global reference in **AI research by and for people**. To this end, ELLIS Alicante develops three areas of fundamental research: 1) **AI that understands us**; 2) **AI that interacts with us**; 3) **AI that we trust**.

ELLIS Alicante has been created thanks to the drive, commitment and funding of the Generalitat Valenciana. It is also [financed by different](#) public and private institutions, including the Banco Sabadell Foundation, Intel, Nippon Sanso, Caixabank and the Gestamp Foundation. The foundation's work has been awarded major prizes including the 500k XPRIZE Pandemic Response Challenge by Cognizant (2021), the Social Innovation Award (2022) and the San Alberto Magno Award from the University of Alicante (2025).

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## About Nippon Sanso

Nippon Sanso, previously operating as Nippon Gases, is a leading industrial and medical gases company in Europe, part of the Nippon Sanso Group, the world's fourth-largest industrial gases provider. With more than 100 years of experience, a presence in over 30 countries and nearly 20,000 employees worldwide, the group combines global reach with local expertise. In Europe, the company has over 4,200 employees –29.7% of which are women – operating in 14 countries, serving more than 150,000 customers and 400,000 patients. The name change strengthens the group's global identity and its commitment to innovation, safety, sustainability and its purpose of "Making life better through gas technology".

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