

Antonio Román, chief financial officer of Santander UK, has been appointed head of retail and commercial banking for Santander Spain

- The 13 territorial divisions and the heads of universal banking, business banking and private banking will be reporting to Antonio Román, who in turn will report to the CEO of Santander Spain, Rami Aboukhair.
- The current chief financial officer of Santander USA, Duke Dayal, will be replacing Román as the chief financial officer of Santander UK.

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From 16 September, Antonio Román, chief financial officer of Santander UK, will be leaving his current position and joining Santander Spain as head of retail and commercial banking. This is a newly created role aimed at promoting the business and the commercial execution plans into a single network after the integration with Popular is completed.

Román will report directly to the chief executive officer of Santander Spain, Rami Aboukhair. The head of universal banking, Alberto Delgado, the head of business banking, Manuel Iturbe, and the head of private banking, Adela Martín, will be reporting to Antonio Román, as will the 13 territorial divisions.

Rami Aboukhair said: “It’s a pleasure to welcome Antonio Román, someone I know well and with whom I have worked in both Spain and the UK. Román is returning to Spain after six years in the United Kingdom, to begin an exciting phase after Popular’s integration. We’re counting on him to consolidate our leading position by leveraging our defining strengths and the opportunities offered by our environment. We are given a unique opportunity of continuing to grow and build the bank we wish to become: a responsible bank focused on strategic objectives targeting businesses and SMEs, improving customer experience and giving customers even more reasons to recommend us.”

Antonio Román has over 30 years of experience in the financial sector, having held several senior positions in retail and commercial banking and worked in different entities in Spain. Román has a long career with Santander Group: he joined Banesto in June 2011 and held the position of chief executive officer until he left to work at Santander UK.

Duke Dayal, the current chief financial officer of Santander Holdings USA and CEO of Santander Bank, will be replacing Román as the chief financial officer of Santander UK from 16 September, reporting to Nathan Bostock, CEO of Santander UK.

Duke Dayal has ample experience in various areas of the financial sector. Before joining Santander UK, Dayal worked in the United States as chief financial officer of Santander’s parent company in the country. Before that, he worked for BNP Paribas in the United States, JP Morgan Chase and Citi.

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