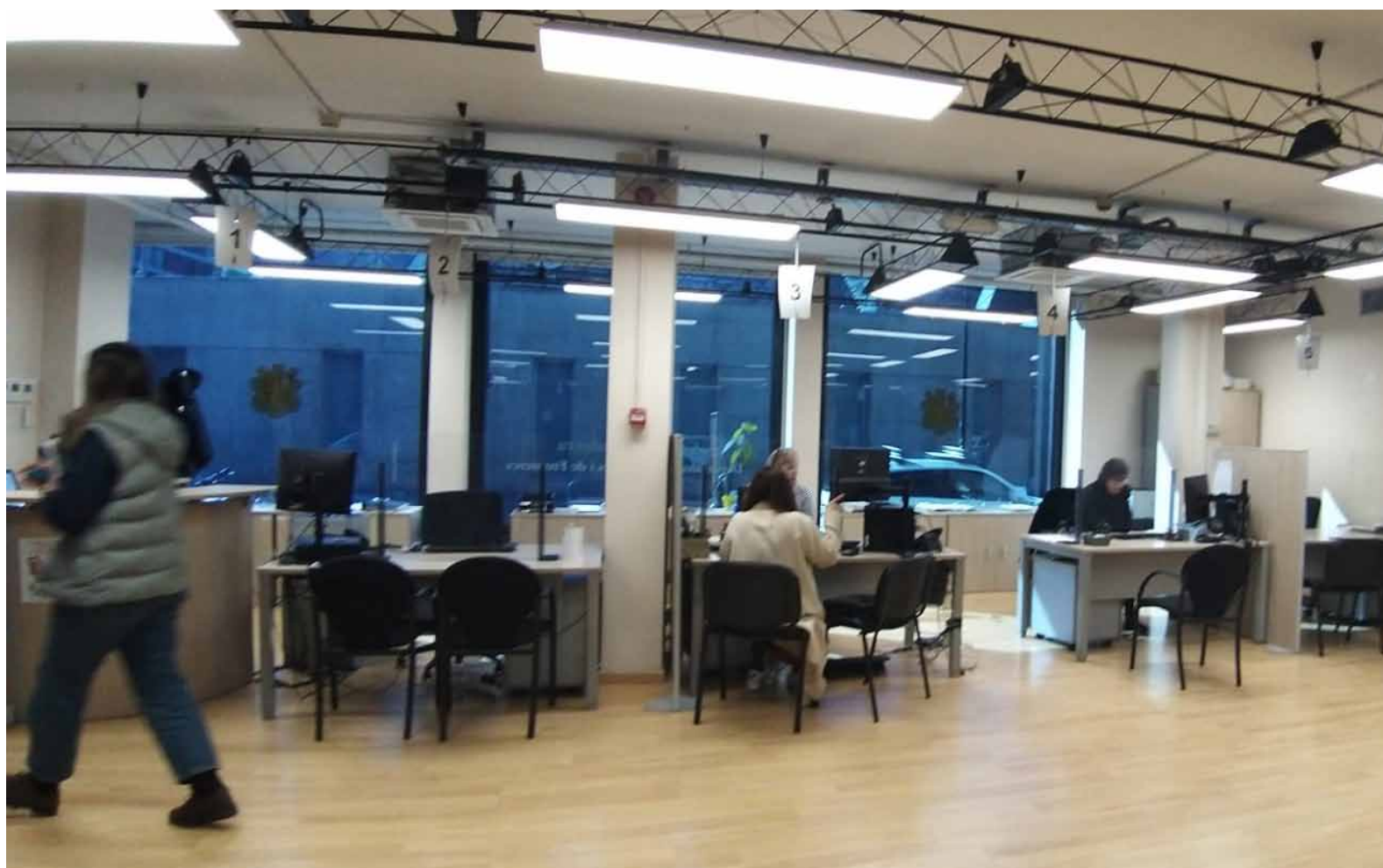


REACHING THE HIGHEST FIGURE

Taxes expect to collect more than 68 million euros in taxes

Ferreira links the increase to income and wages and urges to declare before September to avoid collapses



The Tax Agency facilities this Tuesday morning.

ELENA HERNÁNDEZ MOLINA
ESCALDES-ENGORDANY

The Personal Income Tax declaration campaign began this Tuesday and will last until September 30th. According to the director of the Tax Department, Carles Ferreira, it is expected that income will exceed 26 million euros during the filing period, a figure that would allow for a total of more than 68 million euros in collection corresponding to the 2024 financial year. This estimate represents an increase compared to the approximately 60 million recor-

ded the previous year.

Ferreira explained that the increase is due to several factors. "The increase has occurred due to an increase in income," he said, noting that it can be "both general income and savings income." In addition, he highlighted the impact of wage developments: «Not only has there been a growth in income, but there has been a notable increase in wages, highlighting the increase in the minimum wage.»

Regarding the number of taxpayers, he pointed out that there are 500 new taxpayers. He also reported that more than

53,000 settlement proposals have been issued, mainly aimed at people with income from work.

Among the new features of the campaign, the publication on the website of the new IRPF guide stands out, which incorporates the legislative modifications derived from Law 5/2023. Ferreira highlighted «the new features of deductions both in relation to patronage and in relation to sponsorship» and added that incentives have also been introduced for projects that promote digitalization.

Regarding the procedures, Ferreira indicated that they ex-

THE FIGURES

26,000,000

It is estimated that in the filing period, income will exceed 26 million euros.

68,000,000

During the 2024 financial year, a total figure of more than 68 million euros is expected.

500

During 2025, it is expected that there will be up to 500 new profiles of mandatory taxation.

25,000

From Taxes they expect 25,000 taxpayers to file their declaration this year.

pect to repeat the pattern of last year, when most of the declarations were concentrated at the end of the campaign. «Almost 60% of the declarations were carried out in September», while the remaining 40% were submitted before. He also highlighted that the procedure can be done both in person and electronically, and noted that «last year 85% of these were done electronically», with the aim of further improving this percentage. ●

REDUCE CO₂ EMISSIONS

The heating networks of the capital and Escaldes will be connected by the end of 2025

There will be several road impacts from May

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Forces Elèctriques d'Andorra (FEDA) will connect the Ecoterm heating networks of Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany, with the aim of doubling the energy distribution capacity between both parishes and reducing CO₂ emissions. The project will include various works on public roads, with an estimated cost of two million euros, and will be carried out in different phases throughout 2024.

"This project will help us double the energy distributed between the two parishes," highlighted the manager of FEDA Ecoterm, Alberto Manzano. Currently, the combined production of heat in the two parishes is around 20 gigawatt hours per year, but with the new connection, according to Manzano, "we could supply around 36 gigawatts per year of heat," which would allow us to take advantage



The manager of FEDA Ecoterm, Alberto Manzano, and the director of Energy and Transport, Carles Miquel.



ALBERTO MANZANO

MANAGER OF FEDA ECOTERM

"This project will help us double the energy distributed between Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany [...] Global CO₂ emissions will be reduced in the country"

ge of an energy source with greater capacity.

In addition to strengthening supply, the union of the networks will favor the expansion of the service to more build-

ings, improving energy efficiency and reducing losses. «Global CO₂ emissions in the country will be reduced,» remarked Manzano, who also stressed that the network will be fully digitalized and will operate with a management system 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In the event of an incident, he explained, «we will be able to act before the customer finds out about it.»

PHASED WORK AND ROAD IMPACTS // The connection of the networks will require works at various points in the two parishes, and to minimize the impact, FEDA has coordinated

the action with the municipalities of Andorra la Vella and Escaldes-Engordany, as well as with the Department of Mobility. A communication plan will also be promoted to inform neighbors and traders, with the aim of guaranteeing safety and reducing inconvenience.

The first works will begin between Prat de la Creu Street and Esteve Albert Street, and will be divided into three phases. The first phase will begin in May and will last until September, with work between Prat de la Creu and the Paris Bridge. According to Manzano, "depending on the extent of the work, one or two lanes will be left open."

The second phase will be carried out in July, affecting Esteve Albert Street. The third will be carried out between September and December, between the Paris Bridge and the Dama de Gel. "The central lane would be worked on, but at all times we will be able to guarantee traffic in the direction of Escaldes going up the Dama de Gel or towards Andorra la Vella going down", assured Manzano. This set of works will cost approximately 1.7 million euros. ●

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