



## Allied Irish Bank (GB) increases new business lending by 60% so far this year

- **Most successful quarter in 2015.**
- **72 per cent rise in lending compared to Q3 2014**

**15.12.15, London** - Allied Irish Bank (GB) has maintained its strong performance in 2015, increasing its new business lending for the first three quarters of the year to £1.179 billion, compared to £737m for the same period in 2014. This represents a 60 per cent increase and beats 2014's full year result in only 9 months.

The total of new business lending in Q3 2015 was £411 million, compared to £239m in Q3 2014; an increase of 72 per cent. Q3 was AIB (GB)'s most successful quarter of the year so far.

Commenting on AIB (GB)'s strong performance in Q3 2015, Gerard O'Keeffe, Head of Allied Irish Bank (GB), said:

*"We are delighted with our strong performance in 2015, which continues into the third quarter. AIB (GB) offers Owner Managers something that the high street banks can't: single minded business banking delivered by Relationship Managers who put Owner Managers first, and know what's going on in the local economy.*

*We are proud to be able to support so many of our customers growing businesses. Together we are looking forward to what promises to be an exciting end to the year."*

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