

EUSKALDUNA CONFERENCE CENTRE AND CONCERT HALL



Inaugurated on February 19th 1999, The Euskalduna Conference Centre and Concert Hall is a very unique building; one of the flagships of the new Bilbao of the 21st century.

Designed by architects Federico Soriano and Dolores Palacios as a vessel permanently under construction that stands in a dock on the site of the former Euskalduna Shipyard, the Conference Centre received the 2001 Enric Miralles award at the 6th Biennial of Spanish Architecture.

It is a 53,000 m² multi-purpose centre that stands in the heart of the city of Bilbao designed to host many different kinds of corporate, financial, institutional, social and cultural events. It is also the venue of the ABAO opera season, a major event in Spain and Europe and home to the Bilbao Symphony Orchestra, a magnificent ensemble whose first concert dates back to 1922.

The building offers a perfect co-ordination of areas open to the public such as its Auditorium, numerous halls, meeting and board rooms, offices, foyers, exhibition lobbies and services areas featuring warehouses, workshops, changing rooms, dressing rooms, rehearsal rooms, etc.



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BILBAO

Bilbao, a globally diverse, attractive and welcoming city full of exhilaration; a city where the only thing lacking is enough time to be able to take part in the innumerable cultural events that give life to an urban setting difficult to imitate, where not one minute of leisure is wasted, where development takes place through culture and where routine moves aside to give way to the incessant wheel of innovation, which started to turn in the last decade of the past century to give rise to initiatives like the Metro, the Guggenheim, the Euskalduna Palace, the Port, the Airport, and the magical regeneration of the River, showing the urban face of a city obviously at its height. This drive is still alive in Bilbao today.

EUSKADI

The Basque Country (Euskadi), is a small country with a strong identity.

Its privileged location –in Southern Europe, in the green Northern Spain, and near France– and its small size –in which everything is near– make the Basque Country a complete tourist destination throughout the year.

The Basque Country keeps its own language alive: Basque –the oldest language in Europe and the main feature of the country's own and distinctive culture, characterised by the love for its land and customs.

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WELCOME TO EISCO 2010 !

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We are pleased to welcome you at the 8th European Information Society Conference! The EISCO conferences are a major European event bringing together politicians and experts from local and regional administrations to discuss on e-Government and Information Society strategies, evaluate achievements, exchange experience and learn from each other.

Since June 2005, the guiding theme of the conference is the implementation of the Digital Local Agenda (DLA), a strategic plan for good governance and local/regional development of the Information Society in European municipalities, cities and regions.

EISCO 2010 will assess the progress made by the DLA in Europe since 2005, and discuss, with the participation of the European Commission, the new challenges that public administrations must face in the future decade. The conference will also showcase different pilot implementations throughout Europe connected to the DLA and how effective they have been to modernise administrations and serve citizens using ICT-enabled solutions.

EISCO 2010 is organised by EUDEL (Association of Basque Municipalities) and the network ELANET (CEMR), supported by the Council of European Municipalities and Regions. As the conference addresses all local and regional governments in Europe, other main European networks are invited to participate in the programme.



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