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# Small Towns in Europe: Sharing Innovative Practices

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*BILBAO, 2015 9th-11th October*

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Bilbao, October 2015

Dear colleagues,

We're glad that you are able to join us and hope that your stay at Botikazar High School in Bilbao is both interesting and educational.

We have a full agenda during the next four days, so please take a few minutes to read through the information in this packet. It includes our itinerary and other important information.

We look forward to spending this time with you in Bilbao. If we can do anything to make your stay more pleasant, please let us know. Thank you for joining Comenius Meeting "Small Towns in Europe: Sharing Innovative Practices".

Sincerely,

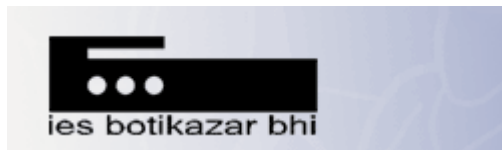
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## BASQUE COUNTRY (Spain)



### IES BOTIKAZAR-BILBAO

We are a public secondary school with approximately 650 students and 64 teachers. The strategy of Botikazar BHI is aimed at supporting the implementation of the internationalization of student and staff exchange and the introduction of the European dimension in our curriculum. We are a multilingual school; our school not only uses the two official languages on the region, namely Spanish and Basque, but English is taught very successfully as Content and Language Integrated Learning.



The diverse student population includes students in bachelor and vocational training programmes. The aim is to provide students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to complete high school, to begin work on a post-secondary degree or to enter the world of work. IES Botikazar offers its students an excellent educational program in a unique organizational format.

### CITY OF BILBAO

Bilbao is located in the Iberian Peninsula, in its eastern Atlantic watershed -latitude: 43° 15' 42" N, longitude: 2° 55' 43" W-, 19 metres above sea level, and it covers an area of 41.6 square kilometres. Its impressive transportation infrastructure connects it to the rest of Europe by air, land and sea. Bilbao is the core of a metropolitan area with more than one million inhabitants. Since its foundation, more than 700 years ago, it has been the fundamental factor and the main

socio-economic axis around which the Vizcaya region has set its modernisation process in motion.



Languages: As in all the Basque Country Autonomous Region, in Bilbao there are two official languages: Euskera and Spanish. Both languages are spoken in public services and offices, and appear together on the city signals.

As the most economically and industrially active city of Spain, Bilbao counterbalances stress with the natural enthusiasm and friendly spirit of the local population. The Zubizuri bridge, the Euskalduna Palace or the Guggenheim Bilbao Museum are some of the wonderful tourist attractions that shape the particular architectural style of Bilbao.



Would you like to know about shopping, leisure attractions, things to do or good restaurants?

Just take a Bilbao map and discover all the charm of the Biscay capital. With its galleries, theatres and monuments Bilbao is the perfect destination for modern history and art lovers. Take a break during your Bilbao tour and relax in one of its parks, taste the delicious Basque food and finish your day enjoying the vibrant nightlife.

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**Erasmus PROJECT: “Small Towns in Europe: Sharing Innovative Practices”****VISIT TO BILBAO 8<sup>th</sup>. – 11<sup>th</sup>. October 2015**

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>TEACHERS</u>	<u>ACCOMMODATION</u>	<u>FLIGHT DETAILS</u>
<b>AUSTRIA</b>	Peter Beham Gabriele Angerer	2 single rooms	Muc-Bilbao , Thu, Oct 8th, 1910 - 21.25, Lufthansa Bilbao - Muc, Sun, Oct 11th, 07.50 - 10.00
<b>DENMARK</b>	Birgit Heinskou	1 single room	Arrival Bilbao 8.10 17:55 LH 1826 Departure 11.10 11.40 LH 1825
<b>GERMANY</b>	Torsten Schreier	1 single room	Arrival Bilbao 8.10 23:00 LH 1146 Departure 11.10 6.55 LH 1147
<b>ITALY</b>	Patrizia Tomain	1 single room	Arriving Bilbao 8.10 15:00 Leaving Bilbao 11.10 17:30 Flying Iberia through Madrid
<b>NORWAY</b>	Erlend Eskreien	1 single room	Arriving Bilbao 23:00 Thursday 8th Leaving Bilbao 06:55 Sunday 11th
<b>SWEDEN</b>	Ander Thomsson	1 single room	KL1132 08OCT CPHAMS 1805 1925 KL1689 08OCT AMSBIO 2030 2240 ----- AF1377 11OCT BIOC DG 0725 0905 AF1150 11OCT CDGCPH 1010 1200
<b>THE NETHERLANDS</b>	Robin Bakker	1 single room	Arrival Bilbao 22.40 Departure 6:55



## THRUSDAY (OCT. 8<sup>TH</sup>)

### ARRIVAL (See different arrival times)

I made a reservation in a nice hotel Barcelo Nervion very close (20 min) to our school and the city center of Bilbao. Single room 85 € incl breakfast.

You can take a taxi from the airport **Cost: TAXI 20-25 €** or take a bus number A3247 to the city main bus station (1,45 €) and then a tram (1,50 €)

- The teachers are welcomed to join the city  
We wish you a pleasant night and will see you in the morning.



**A Hotel Nervio Barcelo;**      **B Botikazar BHI**

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**Phone:**944 45 47 00

## FRIDAY (OCT. 9<sup>TH</sup>)

- It will take teachers 15 minutes to walk to school (see map). According to the plan enclosed, we will meet at school teachers' room at 9:00 (see school map). Our principal Iñaki Azurmendi and International Coordinator Idoia Pujana will welcome the guests.

09:00-09:30	Meeting at Botikazar, short guided tour of the school. Wellcomed by our headmaster.
09:30-11:00	DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT:  -Review the objectives  -Tasks and responsibilities  - Cooperation and communication  - Results
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-13:00	PREPARATION  - Preparation and Project Management - Presentation and handling of e-Twinning-platform - Review Training Activities Topics and Calendar.
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:00-16:00	EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION
16:00-20:30	Free time (cultural visit, shopping, walking in the city....)
20:30	Dinner

### SATURDAY (OCT. 10<sup>TH</sup>)

09:00 – 11:00	Discussion/workshop about the contents and the methods of the meetings: students activities/cultural program etc.
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:30	Final questions and other aspects (Europass, SWOT analysis).
12:30 -14:30	Lunch (pintxo pote)
Afternoon free (MAYBE WE WILL NEED MORE TIME TO WORK IN THE PROJECT)	
20:00	Meet for dinner

SUNDAY (OCT. 11<sup>TH</sup>) DEPARTURE (we will fix the departure times depending of the flight's timetable)

## SCHOOL MAP

