

August 12 marks International Youth Day

The Basque Youth Observatory is committed to analysing, educating and informing on the situation and needs of young people in the Basque Country

We would like to take the celebration of this day dedicated to youth to reflect on the [Observatory's](#) actions over the first half of the year and as a reminder of the actions we shall be launching in the autumn and until December.

Research (available in Spanish / Basque language)

- [Aurrera begira 2014: Indicadores de expectativas juveniles](#). '**Youth expectations indicators**'. This research project that the Observatory conducts every year reflects an **improvement in the employment expectations** of young people and an **increase in the confidence index for the future**.



- [Empleo y emancipación de la juventud en Euskadi 2011-2013](#). '**Employment and independence of Basque youths 2011-2013**'. Based on a wide household survey, this project describes the **situation of young people** in relation to two key issues: **jobs and housing**.



- [Crisis y emancipación juvenil en Europa](#). '**Youth crisis and independence in Europe. An analysis based on Welfare State models**'. This research highlights the **impact the crisis is having on youth independence throughout Europe** and studies the connection between employment and housing policies and the residential independence of young people in various European countries.



- [Indicadores de Juventud 2013/ Panorámica de la Juventud de Euskadi](#). '**Youth Indicators 2013/ Basque Youth Overview**'. Fifth edition of a basic tool for establishing youth policies and assessing their impact. **111 indicators**, based on research conducted by the Observatory and on information from official statistical sources, that offer an **overview of the**

lives of young people, comparing the data obtained with the overall data for the Basque population and young people in other regions of Spain and the European Union.



- [Juventud Vasca en 7 imágenes](#). '**Basque Youth in 7 images**'. Based on research conducted by the Observatory, we have prepared a video that diagnoses the situation of Basque youths.

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- [Guía destino Europa 2015](#). '**Europe Destination Guide 2015**'. A comprehensive directory of online resources for people who want to travel, study or work in Europe and that the Observatory updates each year.



We are currently working on two new studies that we shall present in the latter part of the year: **Juventud y participación social en Euskadi / Youth and social participation in the Basque Country**; a research project with the cooperation of the Basque Youth Council, and **El coste de la emancipación residencial en Euskadi / The cost of housing independence in the Basque Country**, which will analyse the evolution of cost indicators related to housing in 2014.

Documentation Centre



The [Basque Youth Observatory Documentation Centre](#), the purpose of which is to gather and disseminate specialized documentation to support researchers, educators and the managers of youth-related programmes and policies, is continuing to prepare its **news bulletin** with the latest additions of books and magazines, as well as [summaries of interesting articles](#).

In addition, it has added three new proposals to its [reading guide](#) section: **ICTs in the care of youth sexuality: reality and potential**, **Preventing violence in teenage couples** and **Youth participation**.

Training plan



[Training professionals](#) is the Observatory's third field of action. We organise courses to provide people from city councils, the schooling system or other entities and associations that work with young people the chance to update their knowledge in certain fields. **Six courses** have been held between January and June, catering for **110 people**. The courses have been highly rated and we have had to offer two editions in some cases in order to meet the demand for them.

- "Las TICs en la atención a la sexualidad de las personas jóvenes: realidades y posibilidades" / 'ICTs in the care of youth sexuality: reality and potential'
- "Prevención de la violencia en parejas adolescentes" / 'Preventing violence in teenage couples'
- "Diseño y gestión de Iniciativas e Intercambios Juveniles en Erasmus+: Juventud en Acción" / 'Design and management of Youth Initiatives and Exchanges within Erasmus+: Youth in Action'
- "Herramientas para la participación joven" / 'Tools for youth participation'

We shall conduct **three new training courses** in the last quarter of the year. These will cover **issues related to mobility, social networks and emotional intelligence** when working with youths, as well as **another edition of the course on preventing violence in teenage couples**.

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