

LEONARDO DA VINCI ERASMUS



Leonardo da Vinci and Erasmus

Leonardo da Vinci and Erasmus are the European Union's vocational training programmes. They are designed to build a skilled workforce through European partnerships and they find work placements and language courses abroad.

Participants come to Bilbao to gain work experience in their own field of employment or study and to learn Spanish.

WHY BILBAO?

Bilbao is a city with plenty of charisma and personality; traditional and avantgarde at once, – and host to one of the most exciting buildings in the world. Bilbao is easy to visit, with a cosmopolitan and gentle feel, and rich in cultural and gastronomical offerings. And it is also the door to a wide range of destinations due to its strategic location.

Bilbao, capital of the province of Bizkaia, is the centre of a metropolitan area of more than one million people. It is located on the banks of the Nervión river, which joins the Cantabrian sea 11 kilometres further downstream. The river has been protagonist of its industrial and economic development since the city's foundation in 1300. Bilbao, together with the towns located on both sides of the river until it reaches the sea, form the Greater Bilbao area.

Bilbao is one of the main economic and cultural hubs in northern Spain, and has gained international recognition as an

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KEY FACTS

LOCATION

- The internship companies are in Bilbao – Bizkaia

TYPE OF INTERNSHIP

- A work placement matched to your area of study or expertise

LANGUAGE TRAINING

- A Spanish language course focusing on living and working in a Spanish-speaking country

ACCOMODATION

- Shared flats

TIMETABLE

- 30-40 hours/week. However, the number of training hours depends on what is agreed with the company

REMUNERATION

- Non-paid programme

architectural point of reference. Certainly, the Guggenheim Museum has acted as its main calling card. But Bilbao has plenty of other interesting sites to offer, in and around the city. And its strategic location makes it an ideal port of entry to other parts of the northern Iberian peninsula, and to the southwest of France

<http://www.visitbilbao.info/main.php>



LANGUAGE COURSES

Our 40-hour language courses are designed to prepare the participants for living and working in Spain. Participants can take the courses at the beginning of their stay or during the work placement.

The methodology of the courses consists of class discussions, role-play, presentations, individual, pair and group activities, all used to provide a dynamic and varied learning experience.

Key elements of the courses:

- Technical vocabulary for the workplace
- Communication, pronunciation and grammar
- Cultural and social Spanish
- Interview techniques
- Presentation skills and role-play

ASSESSMENT

Initial assessment of participants' language levels in Spanish takes place on the first day of the course. All participants are also assessed to ascertain their level according to the Common European Framework for Languages (CEFL). During

IMAGES OF BILBAO 

    



the language course, continuous assessment takes place through teacher observation, homework, regular feedback and self-appraisal.

A certificate of participation is issued to all participants at the end of the programme.

ACCOMMODATION IN BILBAO

Apartment shared with other foreign or native students. The apartments are mostly located in central districts of Bilbao. All our homes have been checked to ensure you will have a comfortable stay.

INTERSHIPS/WORK PLACEMENTS

We dedicate our efforts to matching the skills of LdV/Erasmus beneficiaries to placement opportunities in enterprises throughout the region. Every programme is assigned a Student Welfare Officer for 24-hour contact in the event of emergencies, and placements are rigorously evaluated and certified in conjunction with Europass standards.

EKINBIDE will interview all participants and introduce them to their future internship company. During the Internship placement, the tutor will visit the participants in the companies and help them in case of problems. Monthly feedback questionnaires with the student as well as with the host company will be done to ensure the satisfaction with the programme. Once a month an Informal Meeting will take place to stay in contact with other foreign students.

At the end of the programme a final report will be made using information from the course results, the tutor, as well as from the internship company.

CERTIFICATE

After the course and internship each participant will get a detailed description and evaluation regarding the content and success of the course and traineeship from his / her teacher and employer.



INTERNSHIP SECTORS



At EKINBIDE we can find you a work placement in most sectors:

- IT, Banking, Business and Administration
- Marketing, PR, Sales and Events Management
- Accountancy, Finance, Import/Export
- Hotel and Catering, Tourism
- Architectural design, Industrial, Graphic and Web design
- NGOs, Social Work, Teaching and Nursery education
- Journalism, Photography, Film and Multimedia
- Retail, Culture and the Arts
- Horticulture, Agriculture and Laboratory Work
- Engineering
- Automotive industry
- Naval industry
- Others





CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

1. Day-route in Abando, the area symbolising Bilbao's urban regeneration. Including visits to the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao, and Bilbao's Museum of Fine Arts.



2. Day-route in the Old Quarter (Casco Viejo), taking us right back to the origins of Bilbao and the trading city, now one of Europe's largest traditional shopping centres. The route includes lunch at a Basque restaurant and visit to the Basque Museum (optional).



3. Visit to Urdaibai Biosphere Reserve (Mundaka), an estuary consisting of 12-km sand banks that comprises a habitat of exceptional ecological value. Mundaka beach is very popular among surfers for its "left wave" (the biggest in Europe), and home to the ASP World Tour.



4. Visit to Portugalete's Bizkaia Transporter Bridge, UNESCO's World Heritage Site. Includes actual trip on the bridge's gondola and visits to the sea-towns of Portugalete and Getxo.

• Day-trips to Donostia-San Sebastián, South of France, Rioja, and Santander on demand.

BOOKING AND ORGANISATION

1. Participants request information on an Internship through the Leonardo da Vinci – Erasmus Coordinator or promoter.
2. Participants complete the EKINBIDE application form and Spanish level test.
3. Coordinator sends these to EKINBIDE.
4. On these grounds, EKINBIDE selects the business/professional field in which the programme will be organized.
5. Sending of copies of education certificates and work references, CVs, letters of motivation and passports.
6. EKINBIDE confirms bookings.
7. Participants sign a contract with EKINBIDE agreeing on the terms and conditions of the programme.



PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

| YEAR | PROGRAMME | IDENTIFICATION NUMBER | TITLE OF THE PROJECT | PROJECT PROMOTER |
|------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 2004 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | E/04/A/F/ PL-150.580 | EUROEGOKITU III | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2004 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | E/04/A/F/ PL-150.579 | MARTXAN | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2005 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | E/05/A/F/ PL-150.189 | EUROEGOKITU IV | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2005 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | E/05/A/F/ PL-150.191 | MARTXAN II | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2006 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/06/A/ WOR/150.074 | EUROEGOKITU IV | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2006 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/06/A/ WOR/150.073 | MARTXAN III | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2007 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/07/LLP- LdV/PLM/1 50117 | EUROEGOKITU V | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2007 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/07/LLP- LdV/PLM/1 50080 | MARTXAN IV | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2008 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/07/LLP- LdV/PLM/1 50105 | MARTXAN IV | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2009 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/09/LLP- LdV/PLM/1 50091 | MARTXAN VI | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |
| 2009 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/09/LLP- LdV/VETPRO/ 150153 | EUROLA TRAINERS | UROLA KOSTA |
| 2009 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/09/LLP- LdV/IVT/150186 | EUROCIP EKINTZAN | LAN EKINTZA |
| 2009 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | L010 | DEUSTULAN | DEUSTO UNIVERSITY |
| 2010 | Leonardo da Vinci-Mobility | ES/10/LLP-LdV/ PLM/150083 | MARXTAN VII | BBK Gazte Lanbidean |



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