## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATION**

If something has become clear in recent years, it is the important role that vocational training must play in developing advanced societies and, specifically, in enhancing the competitiveness of companies and in making people employable. During this period of huge changes in production processes and methods, of the relentless advances in technologies, of the globalisation of the markets and in the setting of a far-reaching economic crisis, Vocational Training has attained an even greater profile and importance as a key factor for a successful way out of the crisis. It is likewise a clear way to drive and improve a sustainable and much fairer economy.

This International Conference on Vocational Training, which we are hosting at the Kursaal Conference Centre in San Sebastián, aims to be a meeting point for Vocational Training Centres from the five continents, to analyse, discuss and share different experiences related to the changes and transformations occurring around the world, along with searching for new common goals and challenges in this thrilling world of Vocational Training. The content of the different sessions, meetings and papers therefore focuses on the importance of Vocational **Training for competitiveness and employment.** 

Therefore, this International Conference is set up as a Meeting for Collaboration between Vocational **Training Centres** from 45 different countries, in order to consolidate relations and cooperation among them. The aim is for that cooperation to endure and to be the basis for working together from diversity to improve training that will have to face highly complex challenges in the future.



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Wednesday. May 28				
Morning session:				
9:00 h.	Registration and provision of congress documentation			
9:30 h.	Opening session.  Iñigo Urkullu, Lehendakari; Cristina Uriarte, Minister of Education, Linguistic and Culture; Juan María Aburto, Minister of Employment and Social Policies.			
10:00 h	First prize award of The Basque Country Vocational Education and Training			
10:10 h.	Presentation. President of the Basque Country (Lehendakari). Iñigo Urkullu			
10:30 h.	Keynote paper Presentation. Three keys for a different future: Industry, Knowledge and Persons.  Guillermo Dorronsoro. Deusto Business School Dean and Vice-President of IK4, Research Alliance.			
11:15 h.	Coffee break			
12:00 h.	A new impulse of the vocational education in the US. Annette Parker. President South Central College. Hope Cotner. Vice President – U.S. Projects for the Center for Occupational Research and Development (CORD). Maria H. Coons. Senior Executive to the President and Vice President of Workforce and Strategic Alliances at Harper College. Jennifer McNelly. President of Manufacturing Institute. Marsha Danielson. Dean of Global Outreach and Strategic Partnerships at South Central College. Members of the Steering Committee of President Obama's Administration for the new strategy on Advanced Manufacturing.			
13:30 h.	End of session			
Afternoon session:				



## Thursday, May 29

١	VI	orning	session:

9:30 h.

Vocational Education and Training in the European Union.
European Alliance for Apprenticeships. Joao Santos. Deputy Head of Unit at European Commission, Directorate General for Education and Culture.
Vocational Education and Training, the cornerstone for the European Youth Policies. Stanislav Ranguelov. Team leader coordinator of employment and European Social Fund.

10:15 h. A new dimension of Vocational Education and Training in the Basque Country.
 Jorge Arévalo. Deputy Minister for Vocational Education and Training.

 11:15 h. Coffee break

 12:00 h. Challenges to Korea's Skill System. How to improve the linkage between skills development and skills utilization.
 Young Sup Choi. Senior Research Fellow at the Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training (KRIVET).

12:45 h. A Centre for the 21st century: InnoOmnia. Finland. Leena Vainio. New Learning solutions for VET.

13:30 h. End of session

#### Afternoon session:

16:00-17:00 h. Workshop 1. Professional Guidance 2.0. Don't look for opportunities, make yourself visible. Alfonso Alcántara.

Workshop 2. SET (Skills Evolution Tool) Application. New Approach on TEVET for capacitybuilding at a personal, social and professional level aligned with the models of a Creative and Innovative society. Tknika Work Team.

Workshop 3. Starting Business from Vocational Education and Training Centres. Tknika Work Team.

17:00-19:00 h. Five experiences that are being developed in the Basque Country will be displayed for everyone concerned:

Applied experiences in TEVET in the field of technology and 3D digitalised personal manufacturing. Tknika work team.

Unmanned systems (Drones) integration in TEVET. IEFPS Bidasoa.

Aquaculture and aquaponics sustainable system. Tknika work team.

WOODNIKA. Wood characterization. Tknika work team.

Composites and carbon fiber. Tknika work team.

### Friday, May 30

#### Morning session:

9:30 h. Applied innovation in SMEs. European Dimensión.

Jean Francoise Aguinaga. Directorate General for Enterprise and Industry of European Commission.

10:00 h. Design of public policies for a productive and entrepreneurial economy, and the role od education and skills; digital economy, governance and value creation.

Hanne Saphiro. DTI. Denmark.

10:45 h. Vocational Education and Training in Europe.

Jenns Bjornavold. Senior Expert on CEDEFOP. Brussels

11:30 h. Coffee break

12:00 h. Support of the Basque Vocational Education and Training System to Applied Innovation in SMEs in the Basque Country.

Joxean Egaña. Principal of IMH.

Fostering Applied Research and Innovation Through industry partnership in Australia.

Mary Faraone. CEO at Holmesglen.

Applied Research and Innovation. Creating Economic Prosperity in Canada's National Capital.

Kent Macdonald. President at Algonquin College.

Applied Research in Technical and Vocational Education and Training in Hong Kong.

**Simpson Poon.** Vice President at Technological and Higher Education Institute- VTC.

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13:30 h. Closing. Adolfo Alustiza. General Manager of LANBIDE, Employment

Basque Service.

