

Friday, March 28

9:30 am: Depart from Eldorado.

Trip to Quiui-Pah (Pyramide Lake). Visit to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Museum & Visitors Center in Nixon.

1:00 pm: Lunch in Virginia City.

This Conference has been organized with the support of the Basque Government, the Documentation Centre of the Economic Agreement and the Foral Treasuries (University of the Basque Country and Regional Government of Bizkaia, www.ehu.es/ituna), Ad Concordiam (Association for the Promotion and Diffusion of the Economic Agreement. <http://www.conciertoeconomico.org>), Fundación Emilio Soldevilla para la Investigación y Desarrollo de la Economía de la Empresa <http://www.feside.org> (College of Economics and Business at the University of the Basque Country).

Conference Organizers: **Dr. Xabier Irujo** and **Dr. Joseba Agirreazkuenaga**

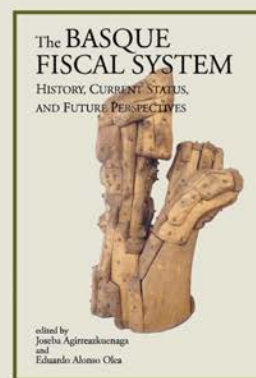


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Center for Basque Studies, University of Nevada, Reno.



FISCAL SYSTEMS & THE CRISIS

A Comparative View of the Resilience of Public Finances and Self-Government in the Basque Country, Catalonia and Nevada



26-28 March 2014
From 9AM to 4PM

Mathewson – IGT Knowledge Center
Basque Center Conference room 305
Admission free



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Topics of Principal Interest

- The politics of finance in multi-level public institutions during the current economic crisis.
 - Long-term fiscal policies for dealing with economic downturns during the past twenty years?
 - The development of Treasuries in federal states, in non-federal states and in complex unions (Europe).
 - Taxation and citizenship in a globalized world.
 - Long-term trends for dealing with the current crisis and strategies for the future in European and North American contexts (the Basque Country, Catalonia, Spain, Ireland, Nevada).
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Wednesday, March 26

9:00 am: Dr. Heather Hardy, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Dr. Xabier Irujo, Center for Basque Studies.
Welcome Address.

9:15-10 am: Dr Elliot Parker (University of Nevada. Reno).
Small States in a Time of Big Crises: A Comparison of Ireland and Nevada.

10:00-10:45 am: Dr. Antoni Segura (University of Barcelona).
Regional Financing System, Economic Crisis and Independence Movement in Catalonia.

11:00-11:45 am: Dr. Andres Araujo (University of the Basque Country).
Why Is the Basque Country Managing the Financial Crisis better than Spain?

11:45-12:30 am: Mikel Aranburu (Civil servant. Government of Navarre).
The Crisis of Public Finances in Navarre and the “Economic Agreement”.

12:30 pm: Lunch.

2:00-2:45 pm: Jose Gabriel Rubi (Ad Concordiam).
The Role of Regions with Taxation Powers in the European Union: the Basque Economic Agreement.

2:45-3:30 pm: Gemma Martinez (Tax Policy Unit. Government of Bizkaia).

Tax Harmonization in Federal Systems: The Basque Case.

4:00 pm: End of the Session.

6:30 pm: Dinner at Eldorado buffet.

Thursday, March 27

9:15-10:00 am: Dr. Mehmet Tosun (University of Nevada, Reno).
State Fiscal Systems and Impact of Aging on State Budgets.

10:00-10:45 am: Javier Muguruza (Member of the Mediation Board).
The Mediation Board: A Strengthening Element of the Economic Agreement.

10:45-11:30 am: Dr. Joseba Agirreazkuenaga (William Douglass Visiting Scholar, University of Nevada. Reno).
Fiscal Policy and Financial Crises in the 19th and 20th Centuries in the Basque Country.

11:30-12:00 am: Mikel Erkoreka (University of the Basque Country).
Beyond the Great Crash of 1929: Fiscal Policy in Bizkaia (1929–1937).

12:00-12:45 pm: Dr. Jon Landeta (University of the Basque Country).
Resilience of Cooperatives in Times of Crisis: Are Mondragon’s Strategies in Coping with Crisis still a Competitive Advantage?

12:45 pm: Lunch.

2:00-2:45 pm: Dr. Sofia Arana (University of the Basque Country).
Public Financing from a Multilevel Perspective: Public Policies in Relation to Social Economy in the Basque Country According to EU Competition Law.

2:45-3:30 pm: Dr. Joseba Iñaki Arregi (University of the Basque Country).
Bringing the Economic Agreement to Schools: Democratic Citizenship Education and Open Government using New Technologies,

6:30 pm: Dinner at Silver Legacy buffet.