

SICI WORKSHOP

Inclusion, Equity, Quality, and School Improvement

Vitoria-Gasteiz, Basque Country, Spain

23-24 June 2022



Dear SICI members and colleagues,

On behalf of the Standing International Conference of Inspectorates and the Basque Government's Department of Education, Basque Autonomous Community, Spain, we would like to invite you to attend the workshop organised in **Vitoria-Gasteiz on 23 and 24 June 2022**.

The theme of the workshop will be **"Inclusion, Equity, Quality, and School Improvement"** (IEQaSI). In order to get the most out of it, we have set the following objectives:

1. Reach a common approach to inclusion, equity, quality, and school improvement.
2. Exchange international experiences in order to improve members' knowledge about IEQaSI and identify good practices.
3. Draw conclusions and make recommendations to European Educational Inspectorates about the subject.
4. Share the different measures implemented by European Educational Systems in order to help Ukrainian students.
5. Strengthen professional and personal relationships among SICI members in the Basque Country.

During the workshop, we will have the opportunity to listen to some of our partners' experiences, share good practices and discuss about inclusion, equity, quality and school improvement. For that, participants will be asked to work in small groups that will be organised during the event and provide information, such as what your Inspectorate understands by IEQaSI, or if you have identify any good practice of your Educational System related to these topics.

Besides, and given the actual Ukrainian situation, we have set aside some time to exchange the different answers that each one of our institutions are giving to the Ukrainian students that are arriving to our schools.

All SICI members, school inspectors and policy members are kindly invited to participate in this workshop. A dinner for participants will be hosted by the Department of Education of the Basque Government on the evening of Thursday 23 June. Besides, several cultural activities have been organized for your choice: an optional cultural visit on Wednesday afternoon, a walking tour on Thursday before and after lunch, and an optional visit to the Rioja Alavesa wine cellars on Saturday). We hope you will enjoy them.

Practical information

- PROGRAMME (see Appendix 1)
- REGISTRATION FORM: please, fill out the [registration form](#) by 24 May 2022. Note that we have room for a maximum of 120 guests.
- VENUE
The conference venue of the SICI workshop will be [Villa Suso Palace](#) (Plaza del Machete, 1), a charming house built into the city walls.
- HOTELS
You can find a list of suitable hotels near the venue at the end of this letter (Appendix 2). Early booking is advisable.
- HOW TO GET THERE
The name of the city airport is FORONDA, and there are flights from Brussels, Milan or Cologne. You can find information about transfers to the city here: <https://www.autobuseslaunion.com/en/>

Another option is to flight to Bilbao airport (LOIU), which offers more options. You can find useful information about transfers from Loiu to Vitoria-Gasteiz here: <https://www.rome2rio.com/s/Loiu/Vitoria-Gasteiz>

We are looking forward to welcoming you in the Basque Country. We hope this workshop will offer you a unique experience to grow in a professional and personal way.

If you have any doubts or you need more information, please contact Rosa Aliaga (r-aliaga@euskadi.eus)

All the best,



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Basque Government

APPENDIX 1
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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE

<i>To be defined</i>	Welcome to participants and optional cultural visit (old cathedral and old town)
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THURSDAY 23 JUNE

08:45-9:15	Registration
09:15-9:30	Official opening: Department of Education, presentation by local and regional authorities and central inspectorate
9:30-10:30	Keynote speaker: Ms. Leonor Duarte, Portugal. <i>IGEC's input to ensure inclusive and quality education.</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:30	Workshop 1: group discussion about the definition of IEQaSI
12:30-13:00	Walk to the restaurant
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:00	Healthy walk to the venue
15:00-16:00	Keynote speaker: Nienke Moolenaar, The Netherlands. <i>How the Dutch inspectorate aims to improve school quality through school board inspections.</i>
16:00-16:15	Conclusions workshop 1
16:15-17:30	Workshop 2: sharing good practices of IEQaSI
18:00-18:15	Group Photo
18:15-20:30	Free time
20:30	Dinner

FRIDAY 24 JUNE

9:00-10:00	Keynote speaker: Nekane Zabaleta and Martin Casado, Basque Country
10:00-10:15	Conclusions workshop 2
10:15-11:15	Workshop 3: recomendations for IEQaSI
11:15-11:45	Coffee break
11:45-12:00	Conclusions workshop 3
12:00-12:15	Ukraine inspectotare's presentation
12:15-13:00	Sharing experiences: how do we take care of Ukrainian students?
13:00-13:30	Final conclusions and closing
13:30-14:00	Lunch and farewell

SATURDAY 25 JUNE (optional) Visit to Rioja Alavesa (all day, 100€ approximately)

APPENDIX 2

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LIST OF HOTELS (includes walking distance to the venue)

[Nirea Hotel](#) ** 600m

C/ Dato 25

01005 Vitoria, Spain

Teléfono +34 945 67 10 67

[Hotel Dato](#) ** 600m

C/ Eduardo Dato 28,

01005 Vitoria, España

Tel.: +34 945 147 230

[AC Hotel General Álava](#) *** 1000m

Avda. Gasteiz, 79

01009 Vitoria, Spain

Tel: +34 945-21 50 00

[Abba Jazz Hotel](#) *** 600m

C/ Florida, 7

01005 Vitoria-Gasteiz

Tel. +34 945 101 346

[Silken Ciudad de Vitoria](#) **** 900m from the Palace

Portal de Castilla, 8

01008 Vitoria, Spain

Tel. +34 945 141 100

[NH Canciller Ayala Vitoria](#) **** 700m

Ramón y Cajal, 5

01007 Vitoria, Spain

Tel.: +34 94 5130000

[Sercotel Boulevard Vitoria](#) **** 1900m

Calle Zaramaga, 3

01013 Vitoria, Spain

Tel.: +34 945180400

[Gran Hotel Lakua](#) ***** 3100m

Calle Tarragona, 8

01010 Vitoria, Spain

Tel.: +34 945 181 000