## **INFO SHEET**

# Forum of European Minority Regions

from 25th to 28th November 2024 in San Sebastiàn-Donostia



This event is jointly organised by FUEN and the <u>Langune</u>, the largest language industry cluster in the world.

Arrival: Monday, 25 November 2024

Departure: Thursday, 28 November 2024

The programme starts on tuesday, 26.11.24 at 9 am and ends on Wednesday, 27.11.24 around 6 pm.

<u>Location</u>: <u>Palacio de Congresos y Auditorio Kursaal</u>, Zurriola Hiribidea 1, 20002 Donostia - San Sebastián.

#### Registration for the Forum of European Minority Regions (25-28 November 2024)

Please register via the registration form on the website to participate in the Forum of European Minority Regions. You can find the link here: <a href="https://forum.fuen.org">https://forum.fuen.org</a>

Registration closes on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

#### Flight connections

There are three different flight connections to Donostia/San Sebastián:

- San Sebastián Airport (EAS): The nearest airport, which is located directly in San Sebastián
- Bilbao Airport (BIO): Another good option that offers a wider range of international connections
- Biarritz Airport (BIQ): This airport is located in France, but is also a convenient alternative for travellers to San Sebastián.

#### How to get from the airport to the city centre by bus

There is a cheap bus service from **San Sebastián Airport (EAS)** to the city centre. The journey costs around €4 and takes around 35 minutes in normal traffic.



The bus company Pesa offers direct connections from **Bilbao Airport (BIO)** to the centre of San Sebastián. The buses run every hour from 07:45 to 23:45. In the direction of the airport, the buses run from 05:00 to 21:00. A ticket costs between €10 and €14.

A Flixbus runs from **Biarritz Airport (BIQ)** to the bus station in San Sebastián. The journey costs around €8-10 and takes around 1 hour and 15 minutes in normal traffic.

#### **Expenses and meals:**

You pay your own travel and accommodation costs.

In consultation with our partner, we can offer you a reduced rate for accommodation if you stay at the Hotel Arrizul Catedral (Urbieta Kalea, 51, 20006 Donostia) or the Hotel Arrizul Beach (Peña y Goñi Kalea, 1, 20002 Donostia - the hotel is directly opposite the congress hall). An overnight stay in this rate costs 89 €/night. This offer is only valid as long as rooms are available. If you are interested, please use the booking discount code **FUEN** when booking your room at this hotels or contact johan.hagmann@fuen.org for assistance.

Catering during the conference is guaranteed for all participants.

#### **Simultaneous translation:**

Simultaneous translation will be provided for the participants of the forum in the following languages: English, German, Spanish and Basque.

### **About the Basque Country and the Basques**

The Basque Country (País Vasco) is an autonomous region in the north of Spain, bordering France. With a unique history, culture and language, it is very different from the rest of Spain. The capital of the Basque Country is Vitoria-Gasteiz. The Basque Country is divided into three provinces: Guipúzcoa, Vizcaya and Álava. Donostia/San Sebastiàn belongs to the province of Guipúzcoa.

A total of around 2.7 million people live in the Basque Country, whose official languages are Spanish and Basque (euskera).

San Sebastián (Donostia in Basque), the capital of Guipúzcoa, is picturesquely nestled between the Urgull and Igeldo mountains. San Sebastián was the European Capital of Culture in 2016.

We look forward to your participation and would like to thank our local partners for their organisational support!