



Kanpoan diren Euskal Gizataldeen VI. Mundu Batzarra, 2015 6th World Congress of Basque Communities Abroad, 2015

Lagun agurgarriak, Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to officially announce that the 6th World Congress of Basque Communities Abroad will take place in Vitoria-Gasteiz the 7, 8 and 9 of October, 2015, at the Montehermoso Cultural Center.

As you know, the Congress is held every 4 years by mandate from the Law 8/1994, dated 27 May, regarding relations with Basque Communities and Centers abroad from the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country. Its purpose is to promote the gathering and collaboration between Basque communities and centers and Basque institutions and to make possible a space for setting out ideas, debate and exchange of opinions. The conclusions will be the basis for defining the next four-year work plan, until the next Congress.

The program for the 6th Congress is currently being prepared, but it will be based on the three following themes:

- Generational renewal and the role of women at Basque centers and federations
- The future of Basque centers and federations and their relation with the new Basque emigration
- Cooperation between Basque centers and federations with other diasporas in their countries, as well as opening up to societies where they are present

To this end, so as to organize the final program as best as is possible, we'd like to request that Basque federations and centers send us, as soon as possible --August 31, at the very latest-- a written copy of your reflections on these three themes. We are forecasting communication of the program's final version at the end of September.

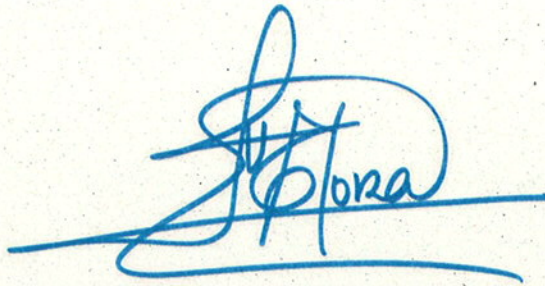
On the other hand, in light of article 13 from the Law 8/1994, three representatives from each one of the federations, as well as three representatives from the Basque centers from each one of the countries where no federation exists, will attend the Congress of Basque Communities as members with full rights.

Therefore, so as to finalize the necessary logistical details, we'd like to request that you decide as soon as possible, before June 30, the list of delegates from each country, along with their personal contact information, including telephone number and e-mail address, along with a copy of their passport, and send it to the following e-mail address: euskaletxeak@euskadi.eus.

Any questions you may have regarding the Congress, you could send them in writing to the aforementioned e-mail address.

We hope all representatives of Basque centers and federations will be attending the Congress. Please accept our warmest regards, jaso agur bero bat.

In Vitoria-Gasteiz, June 10, 2015.



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