# Basque cooperation in figures 2023

























Initiative supported by:





#### Global Data 2023



65

**countries** in which initiatives are carried out



238

**channelling entities** (mostly from the Basque Country)



361

local partner entities involved



1,299

active projects



of which

670

started in 2023



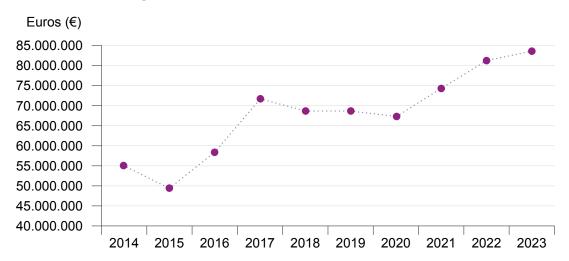
€83,630,634

funds disbursed

### Funds disbursed by agents in 2023

Agents	Funds	Percentage
Basque Government	€57,705,582	69.00%
Provincial Council of Bizkaia	€10,395,602	12.43%
Provincial Council of Gipuzkoa	€5,068,296	6.06%
Bilbao City Council	€3,391,865	4.06%
Vitoria-Gasteiz City Council	€3,319,501	3.97%
Donostia City Council	€2,097,513	2.51%
Provincial Council of Álava	€1,392,793	1.67%
Zarautz City Council <sup>1</sup>	€259,482	0.31%
Total	€83,630,634	100.00%

Changes in disbursed funds over the last 10 years



In 2023, Basque public institutions disbursed €83,630,634<sup>2</sup> aimed at development cooperation initiatives, which represents a 2.86 % increase from 2022.

The Basque Government is the agent with the highest contributions, with 69% participation in 2023, mainly through eLankidetza - Basque Agency for Cooperation and Solidarity.

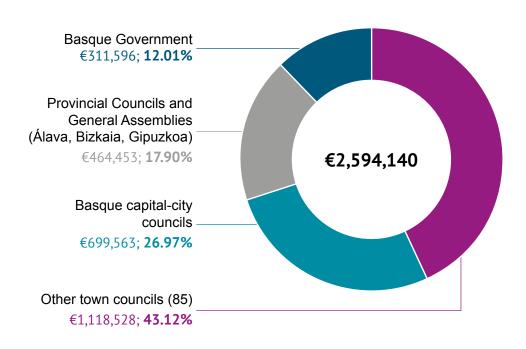


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This year, Zarautz City Council has joined the Basque Public Cooperation Portal as a new agent. The 2023 information has been incorporated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This figure includes contributions from the eight institutions listed in the table. Additionally, 43.12% of the €2,594,140 channelled through Euskal Fondoa (see next page) comes from contributions by other town councils (€1,118,528) and the General Assemblies of Álava and Bizkaia (€89,056). Other municipalities have their own cooperation budgets, which they manage directly, and their data is not recorded in the Portal.

### Funds channelled by Euskal Fondoa 2023

#### **Funding entities**



During 2023, funds channelled by Euskal Fondoa were primarily linked to projects related to water supply and sanitation (€1,225,041; 47.22%), as well as initiatives in government and civil society (€559,365; 21.56%) and other social services and infrastructure (€413,269; 15.93%).

#### **Destination countries**

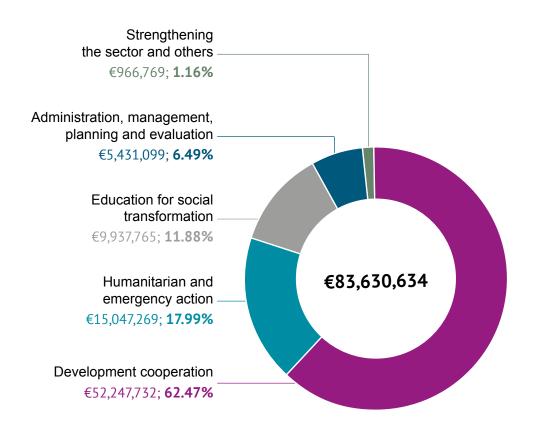
Agents	Funds	Percentage
Nicaragua	€542,877	20.93%
El Salvador	€453,918	17.50%
Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (SADR)	€387,630	14.94%
El Salvador and Costa Rica <sup>3</sup>	€375,508	14.48%
Cuba	€338,710	13.06%
Guatemala	€301,264	11.61%
Basque Country	€170,635	6.58%
Multi-country <sup>4</sup>	€23,599	0.91%
Total	€2,594,140	100.00%



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> These funds are related to AKUAL, the inter-institutional water and sanitation cooperation programme between Central America and Euskadi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Multi-country funds are allocated to the Gaztenpatia project for internships and final degree work in development cooperation at the University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU) (2022-2023 academic year).

### Funds disbursed by modality 2023



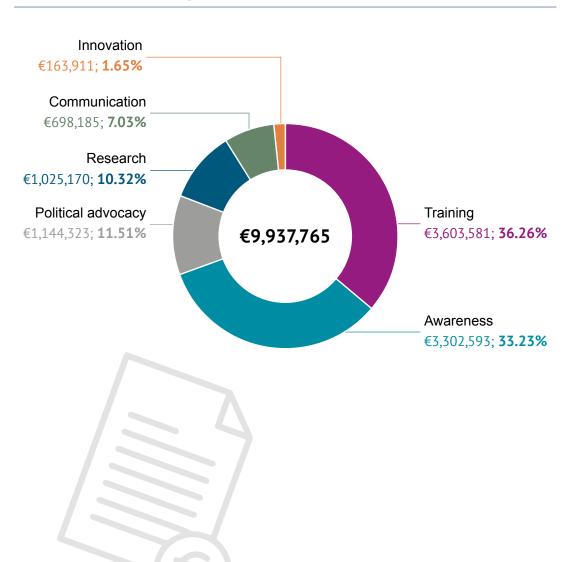
In 2023, 62.47% of disbursed funds were allocated to development cooperation, followed by humanitarian and emergency action, with 17.99% of the funds.

The Education for social transformation modality, characteristic of decentralised cooperation, accounted for 11.88% of the funds. This includes educational, communication, cultural and research activities aimed at fostering critical citizenship, raising awareness of inequalities, and promoting equitable and solidarity-based practices that lead to individual and collective change.



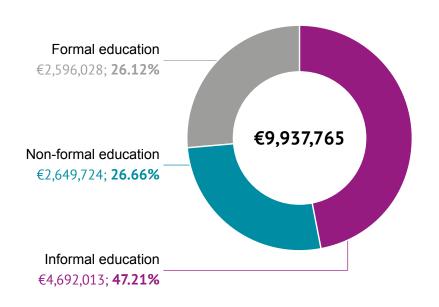
#### Funds disbursed in education for social transformation 2023

#### **Intervention strategy**



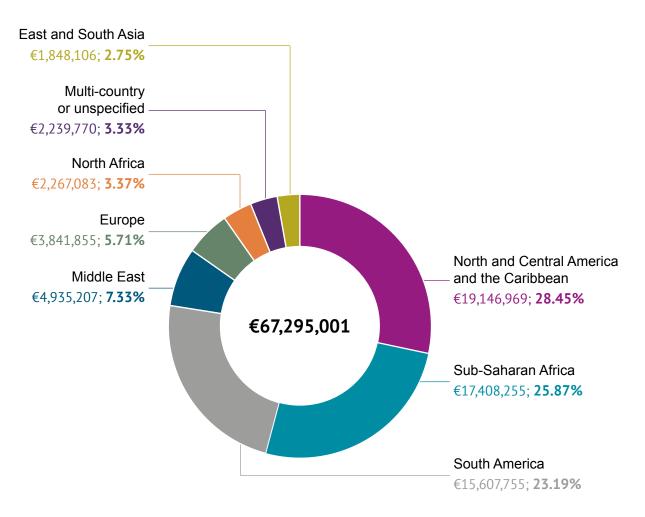
Of the funds disbursed in the Education for social transformation modality (€9,937,765), 69.49% was allocated to training and awareness strategies. Informal education received nearly half of the funds (47.21%).

#### Field of action





# Funds disbursed by geographical area 2023

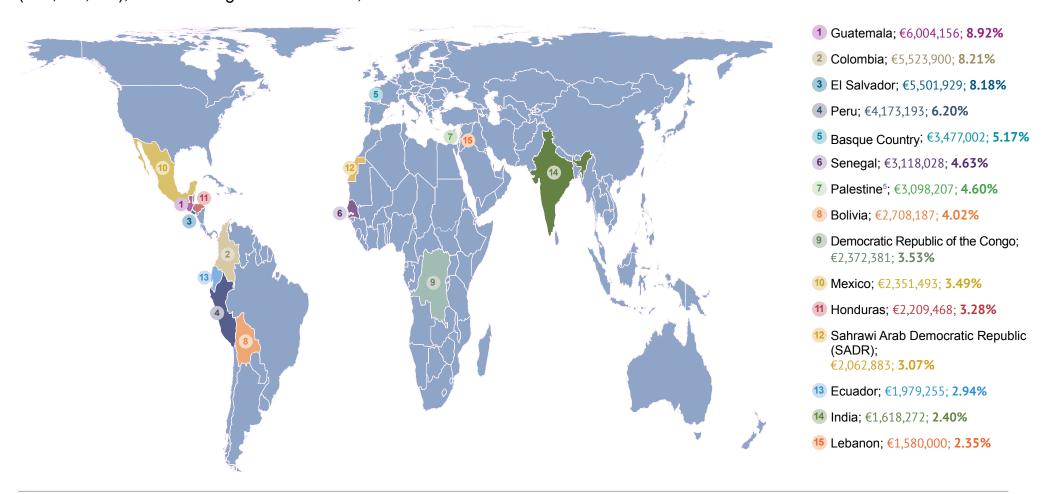


Of the funds allocated to the Development cooperation and Humanitarian and emergency action modalities (€67,295,001), the Americas received the largest share (51.65%). Sub-Saharan Africa followed, with 25.87% of the funds, representing an increase of 16.36% compared to the previous year.



### Funds disbursed by country 2023

The top 15 countries receiving the most funds under the Development cooperation and Humanitarian and emergency action modalities (€67,295,001), concentrating 71% of the total, were:

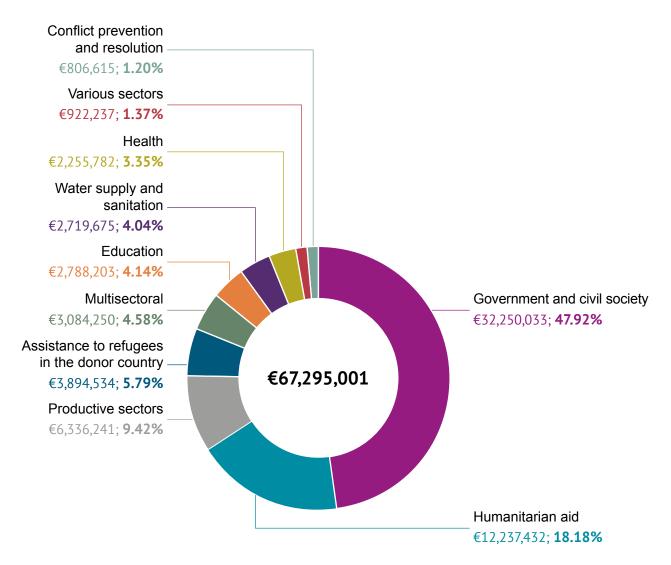


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Palestine entered the list of countries receiving the most funds this year due to the escalation of conflict in the Gaza Strip in early October 2023. Most of the funds allocated to this country were directed to humanitarian and emergency action projects (€2,574,162).

Meanwhile, funds allocated to Lebanon were primarily used for projects supporting Palestinian refugees in southern Lebanon.



### Funds disbursed by sector 2023



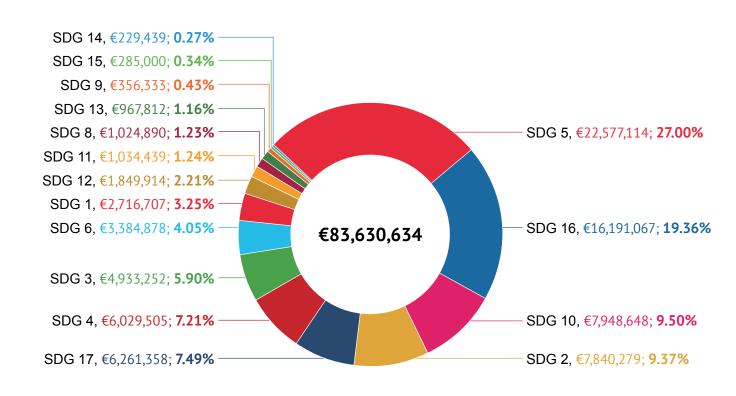
Of the funds allocated to the Development cooperation and Humanitarian and emergency action modalities (€67,295,001), 75.86% was distributed across three DAC sectors: Government and civil society, Humanitarian aid and Productive sectors.

Within the Government and Civil Society sector, the main subsectors are: human rights (€10,491,798), accounting for 15.59%; gender equality and women's empowerment (€9,636,597), with 14.31%; and combating violence against women and girls (€7,743,206), which represents 11.50% of the total.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The DAC sectors are a classification of possible areas of action, standardised by the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

### Funds disbursed by SDGs in 2023



The chart shows the funds disbursed in 2023 by the institutions according to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)7.

Of the total contribution to the 2030 Agenda in projects with disbursements in 2023 (€83,630,634), SDG 5 (gender equality) received the most funds (27%), followed by SDG 16 (peace, justice and strong institutions) (19.36%), and SDG 10 (reduced inequalities) (9.50%).

































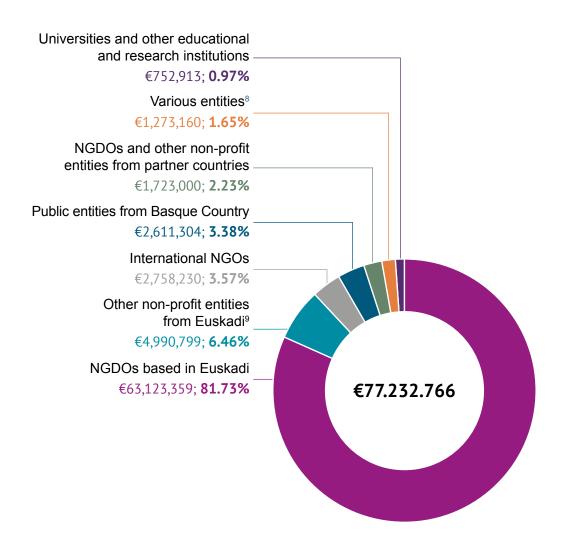






Each project is assigned a single SDG that is considered the most representative.

## Funds disbursed by type of channelling entities 2023



Funds disbursed through the Development cooperation, Humanitarian and emergency action, and Education for social transformation modalities, totalling €77,232,766, were primarily channelled through Basque Country-based NGDOs (81.73%).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Various entities include: United Nations, public-private partnerships (PPPs), networks and private sector entities in the donor country.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Most of the entities under this category are Basque associations and foundations.

# Funds disbursed by channelling entities 2023

The table below lists the top 15 entities channelling the largest volume of funds for Development cooperation, Humanitarian and emergency action, and Education for social transformation modalities, totalling €77,232,766.

Channelling entities	Funds channelled	Percentage
Alboan Foundation	€3,415,133	4.42%
Mundubat Foundation - Mundubat Fundazioa	€3,193,571	4.13%
Asamblea de Cooperación por la Paz	€2,679,779	3.47%
UNRWA Spanish Committe Association	€2,639,572	3.42%
Paz y Solidaridad de Euskadi Foundation	€2,581,247	3.34%
Nazioarteko Elkartasuna - Solidaridad Internacional	€2,490,698	3.22%
Farmacéuticos Mundi	€2,386,646	3.09%
UNICEF Spanish National Committee	€2,354,230	3.05%
Mugarik Gabe	€2,238,795	2.90%
Bizilur	€2,169,983	2.81%
Mugen Gainetik	€1,837,381	2.38%
Medicus Mundi Gipuzkoa	€1,834,640	2.38%
Lumaltik Herriak	€1,774,594	2.30%
Zehar-Errefuxiatuekin	€1,765,003	2.29%
Total main channelling entities	€33,361,272	43.20%



### Funds disbursed by type of local partners 2023



Of the funds disbursed through the Development cooperation and Humanitarian and emergency action modalities (€67,295,001), 74.70% was implemented in collaboration with local NGOs in the respective territories, with local public entities being the next most common partner type (7.54%).

The 'Others' category groups projects in these modalities that did not involve a specific local partner and were implemented directly by the channelling entity.



## Funds disbursed by local partner entities 2023

The table below lists the top 15 local partner entities by funds disbursed in 2023 for projects in which they participated, either individually or in consortia, within the Development Cooperation and Humanitarian and Emergency Action modalities (€67,295,001).

Local partner entities	Country	Funds	Percentage
Sahrawi Red Crescent	Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic (SADR)	€1,530,764	2.27%
Asociación Colectiva de Mujeres para el Desarrollo Local	El Salvador	€1,463,520	2.17%
UNRWA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees)	Lebanon	€1,000,000	1.49%
Centro de Investigación y Promoción Popular (CENDIPP)	Peru	€978,955	1.45%
Yapawayra Foundation	Colombia	€888,213	1.32%
Centro de la Mujer Peruana Flora Tristán	Peru	€812,064	1.21%
Manuela Ramos Movement	Peru	€777,064	1.15%
Comité Régional de Solidarité des Femmes pour la Paix en Casamance (CRSFPC/USOFORAL)	Senegal	€747,605	1.11%
Asociación Organización de Mujeres Salvadoreñas por la Paz	El Salvador	€668,875	0.99%
Federación Guatemalteca de Escuelas Radiofónicas (FGER)	Guatemala	€658,492	0.98%
Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees (PARC)	Palestine	€649,253	0.96%
Asociación Movimiento Salvadoreño de Mujeres (MSM)	El Salvador	€647,303	0.96%
CEIBA (Asociación para la Promoción y Desarrollo de la Comunidad)	Guatemala	€584,375	0.87%
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana - Cali	Colombia	€517,033	0.77%
Asociación Cubana de Técnicos Agrícolas y Forestales (ACTAF)	Cuba	€480,000	0.71%
Total main local partners		€12,403,515	18.43%

#### **BASQUE PUBLIC COOPERATION** PORTAL

The Basque Public Cooperation Portal is an inter-institutional initiative aimed at promoting transparency, harmonisation and coordination in development cooperation. This tool provides useful information with data dating back to 2014.

It is driven by the Basque Government / eLankidetza - Basque Agency for Cooperation and Solidarity; the provincial councils of Álava, Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa; the city councils of Bilbao, Donostia-San Sebastián and Vitoria-Gasteiz; Euskal Fondoa - Association of Basque Local Entities for Cooperation, and from 2023, also by Zarautz City Council. Since its inception, it has been supported by the Hegoa Institute at the University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU).

This initiative contributes to improving Basque cooperation information systems, harmonising data on activities, accountability, facilitating analysis and research, promoting inter-institutional coordination and fostering a culture of evaluation.

