

Bizkaia:talent, Euraxess Local Contact Point in the Basque Country (Spain), organised some activities for Researchers in order to foster interpersonal relationships between its users.

"GERNIKA: IDENTITY & HISTORICAL BACKGROUND"

Last **Saturday 19th October**, a group of 16 people, 10 researchers, professors and their families, from Croatia, England (UK), Granada (south of Spain), Greece, Italy, Mexico, Portugal, Slovenia, and even some locals visited the noble town of **Gernika**, a synonymous of history, a symbol of tradition but open to the future.

They visited the **Casa de Juntas** (Assembly House), headquarters of the most important institutional organ of Bizkaia, and the Basque Country. It is located next to Gernika's **Oak Tree**, the most well-known symbol for the Basques and a meeting place for the Lords of the domain of Bizkaia from the Middle Ages. Apart from that, they also saw the **Gernika Peace Museum**, an **interactive museum** which took them back to **April 26, 1937, Bombing of Gernika**, when bombs and fire rained down from the sky and the streets of Gernika were razed to the ground. It inspired the painting **Guernica** by **Pablo Picasso**.

Finally, they tasted a home-made lunch in a well-known restaurant.

These professionals are working in Biscayan organisations such as the Technology Centre AZTI-Tecnalia, BCAM- Basque Center for Applied Mathematics, BioCruces- Health Research Institute, Basque Country University.



Further information:

<http://www.deia.com/2013/10/20/bizkaia/el-talento-no-ocupa-lugar>

