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General Secretariat. Secretary-General for External Action, Presidency of the Basque Government-Lehendakaritza (Dec. 2012 – to date).

### **EDUCATION**

- **“Commercial management of exports and international marketing”, specialisation course organised by the Basque Government Ministry of Trade, Consumer Affairs and Tourism in collaboration with the University of the Basque Country (Sept. 1992 – Nov. 1992).**
- **“Diploma in Higher European Studies”, Economics and Management Department, from the European University Centre in Nancy (France) (Oct. 1991 – Jun. 1992).**
- **“Diploma in European Studies” from the Institute of European Studies of the Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium) (Sept. 1990 – Jun. 1991).**
- **BA in Economics and Business Administration, majoring in business, specialising in finance, from the University of the Basque Country (Sept. 1985 – Jun. 1990).**
- **Languages:**
  - Basque: EGA Certificate of Competency and Diploma of Competency from the Official School of Languages in Bilbao
  - French: Diploma of Competency from the Official School of Languages in Bilbao
  - English: Certificate in Advanced English from Cambridge University
  - Italian: Good command of speaking, understanding and writing the language

### **PROFESSIONAL CAREER**

- Head of financial-budget management at the Office of Planning and Operational Processes for Housing of the Ministry of Housing, Public Works and Transport – Basque Government (May 2009 – Dec. 2012).

- Director of Internationalisation of the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism – Basque Government (Mar. 1999 – May 2009).
- External Action Specialist Technician at the Delegation of the Basque Country in Brussels – Basque Government (Jan. 1996 – Mar. 1999).
- EU Specialist Technician - Interbask S.A. Public Company (Sept. 1995 – Dec. 1995).
- Scholarship for training in European affairs from the Basque Government General Secretariat for External Action - Interbask S.A. Public Company (Brussels) (Nov. 1993 – Sept. 1995).