

LANGUAGE POLICY: A LEAP FORWARD

A language policy for the 21st century

Malen Dominguez Zabala and Aize Otaño Lizarralde, members of Txillardegí Gogoeta Gunea, highlight the fact that the time has come to rethink the language policy we need in view of 21st century challenges, always with the aim of normalizing the Basque language and taking into consideration the fact that the language issue is genuinely one that is political in nature. [Malen Dominguez Zabala • Aize Otaño Lizarralde](#)

Juridical reflections regarding the current crossroads at which language policy finds itself

Iñigo Urrutia Libarona, a Law lecturer, analyses the current crossroads at which language policy finds itself, paying special attention to legal and juridical factors. Rethinking the legal framework that sustains language policy and taking qualitative steps is not simply another option, but rather, a response to the need for it to defend itself from attacks against jurisprudence and adapt to current social circumstances. [Iñigo Urrutia Libarona](#)

Language policy of the Basque Autonomous Community: situation, problems and challenges

Iker Salaberria Urkizu, a member of Txillardegí Gogoeta Gunea, analyses and assesses the language policy of the Basque Autonomous Community. Based on this premise and taking the challenges and needs set out by the current context into consideration, he provides a range of keys to the future. [Iker Salaberria Urkizu](#)

Difficult but not impossible. About the language policy of Navarre

Dabid Anaut Peña, a graduate in Basque Philology and activist in favour of the Basque language, analyses the language policy being pursued in Navarre, paying special attention to the actions being taken by the Regional Government of Navarre. The author also adds a further series of reflections about language policy. [Dabid Anaut Peña](#)

Language policy of local institutions

Ione Josie Danjou, the person in charge of the Basque language in Urruña, reminds us that the French Constitution recognises French as the sole official language, although the definition of the current legal framework offers a loophole for the application of a range of measures. It is within this scenario in which the language policies of Euskararen Erakunde Publikoa (State Office of the Basque Language), Euskal Hirigune Elkargoa (Agglomeration Community of the Basque Country) and town halls are defined and acted upon without any legal protection. [Ione Josie Danjou](#)

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This gathers together cultural information focusing on the present from various areas and perspectives. This year we shall be closely following culture, globalization and history matters. This section draws on various specialists: Maialen Akizu Bidegain, Joanes Igeregi Santamaria and Cira Crespo. [Various authors](#)