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PROFILE OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES and COLLEGES of *HETEL*
(BASQUE COUNTRY – SPAIN)

1.- WHAT IS HETEL

HETEL is an Association of Vocational Training Centres and Colleges of the Basque Country in Spain (www.hetel.org).

HETEL Vocational Training Centres and Colleges are educational centres with a long tradition, that have been created by social initiative and which are present in all regions of the Basque Country in Spain. Nowadays HETEL has got 22 associated Vocational Training Centres. Some of them are Foundations or Cooperatives and some others depend on the Church. Therefore they are privately managed but subsidized by the Department of Education of the Basque Country (public financing). They represent both from a quality and quantity point of view a very important share of the whole Vocational Training of the Basque Country in Spain. They have in total about 30.000 students.

One main feature of HETEL VET Centres is the fact that they all are what we call "Integrated Vocational Training Centres" within the Basque Vocational Qualifications System, that is, all of them provide for the 3 kinds of Vocational Training:

1 Initial Vocational Training:
- Middle Degree Vocational Training: Compulsory Secondary Education (up to 16 years) + 2 years of VET
- High Degree Vocational Training: Baccalaureat (up to 18 years) + 2 years of VET
- Some of them are also Colleges that provide for Technical Engineering Degrees: Baccalaureat (up to 18) + 3 or 4 years

2 Continuing Training for people from enterprises

3 Training for the Unemployed

2.- TRAINING PROVISION

The Training provision of each of our associated Vocational Training Centres varies, but the main areas of training provision are the following:

1. Management and Finances
2. Trade and Marketing
3. Electricity and Electronics (Development in Electronic Products, Electromechanic Installations, Systems of Automatic Control and Regulation, Telecommunications and Computing Systems)
4. Mechanical Manufacture (Metal Buildings, Development of Mechanical Projects, Production by Mechanisation)
5. Computing (Management in Computing Systems, Development of Computing Applications)
6. Maintenance and Services to the Production (Maintenance of industrial equipment)

Some associated VET Centres do also provide for the following vocational qualifications

1. Chemistry (Analysis and Control, Environmental Chemistry)
2. Health (Laboratory and Clinical Diagnosis, Environmental Health)
3. Self-propelled vehicles
4. Building And Civil Work
5. Hotel Trade and Tourism
6. Graphic Arts
7. Cultural Services to the Community

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