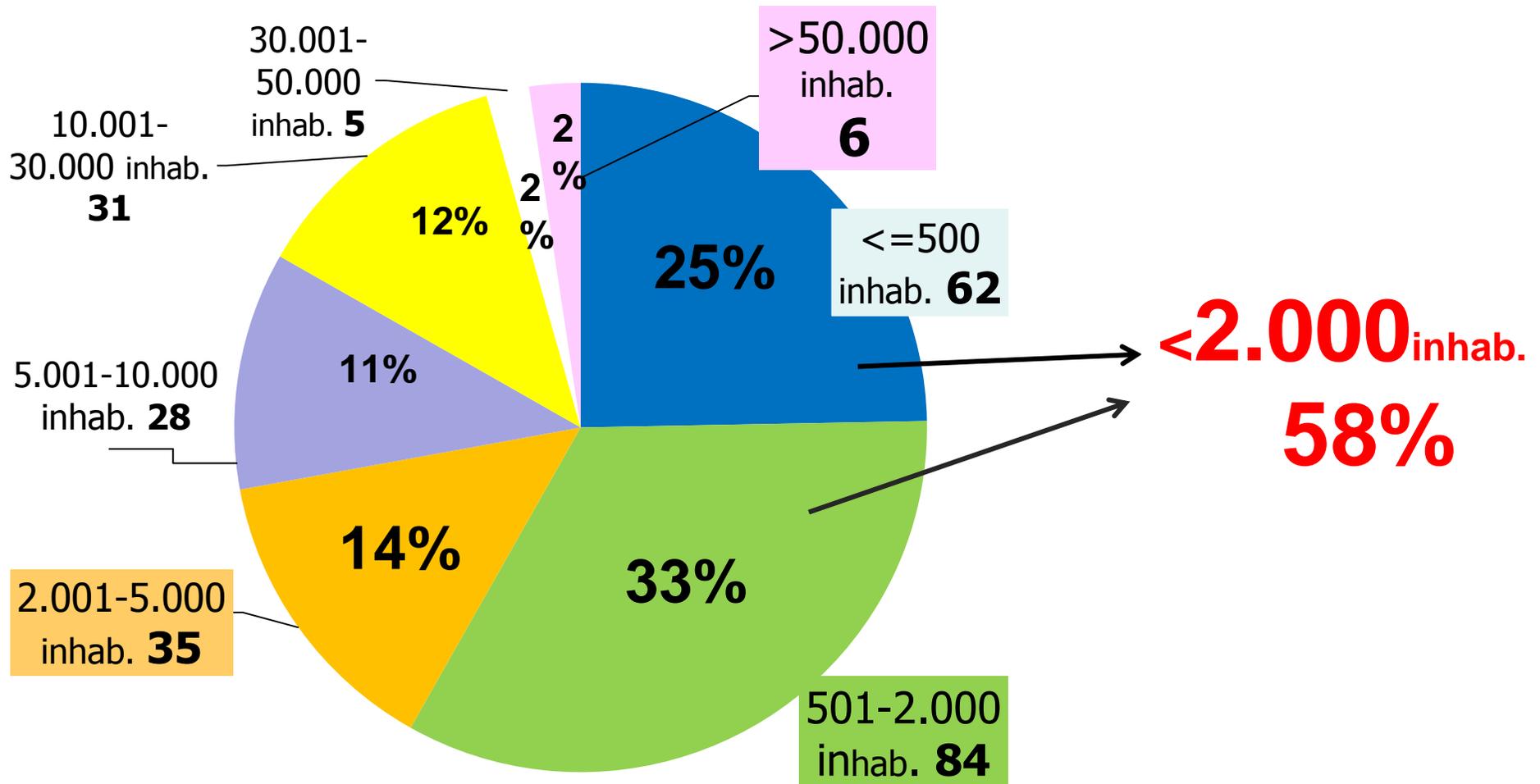


NETWORK OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES FOR TRANSPARENCY

Progressing together to a new local government model

Basque Municipalities – Population Size



BENEFITS

TRANSPARENCY = OPPORTUNITY

- **INWARDS:** Stimulus to improve



Improving internal management-organisation

Quality and efficiency

- **OUTWARDS:** Confidence and legitimacy



Greater grassroots involvement

Local democracy - citizen interaction *Strengthening local governments*

*"Transparency
has to remain
to stay"*



Core areas of action

- **COOPERATION BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS**
- **COLLABORATION BETWEEN MUNICIPALITIES**



Setting up of the Network

- **30 local councils and 1 Commonwealth of services** (supramunicipal association) **57% of the population of the Basque Country**
- **Heterogeneity** regarding experience in transparency and the different population sizes
- **Dual representation:** Politics and technical
- **The same commitment:** cooperating to progress together towards transparency



ALAVA:

Amurrio
Laguardia
Vitoria-Gasteiz

BIZKAIA:

Abanto-Zierbena
Alonsotegi
Arrigorriaga
Balmaseda
Barakaldo
Basauri
Bermeo
Bilbao
Derio
Elorrio
Ermua
Etxebarri

Galdakao
Getxo
Güeñes
Leioa
Mungia
Portugalete
Santurtzi
Ugao-Miraballes
Zalla
Zamudio
Txorierri Supramunicipal Association

GIPUZKOA:

Andoain
Eibar
Elgoibar
Hondarribia
Irun

NETWORK GOALS

1

OWN STRATEGY of Basque municipalities regarding Transparency

2

METHODOLOGY AND ADVICE: useful materials and tools, political-technical skills building

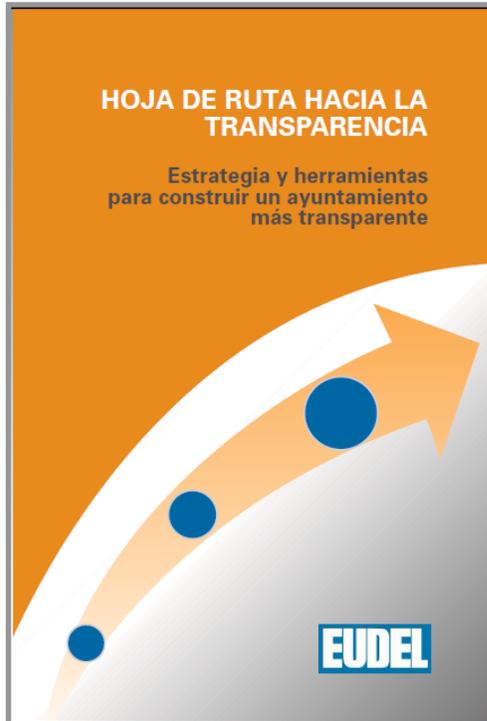
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NETWORKING (Collaborative progress). Awareness raising and encouraging other municipalities to start to work on Transparency

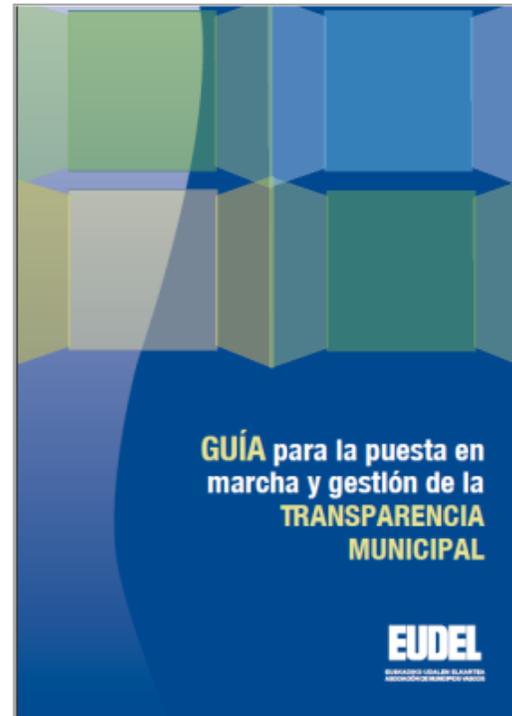
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BENCHMARK in municipal Transparency. External dissemination of the work of the Network (symposiums, seminars, publications...)

Methodology and tools



ROADMAP
Strategy



SCORECARD
Management



BEST PRACTICES
References-Experiences

List of standard templates (models)

Information on elected representatives and temporary staff

Municipal staff and organisation

Economic-financial information

Budget-Debt

Economic-financial ratios:

Tax revenue per inhabitant

Municipal spending /Investment per inhabitant

Surplus/Deficit per inhabitant

Fiscal autonomy

Average payment/collection period

Infrastructure investment per inhabitant

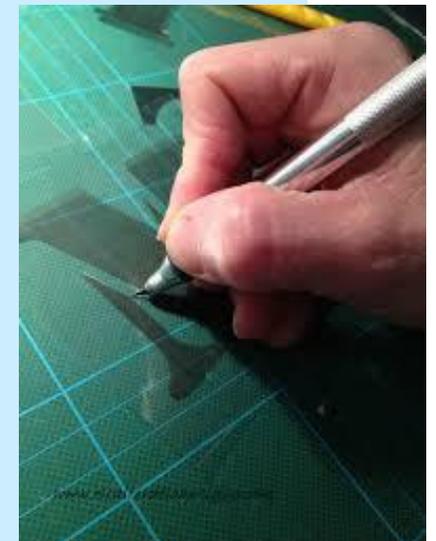
Municipal procurement

List of the contacts entered into

Amendments to the contracts entered into..

Municipal Grants and Subsidies

Agreements signed



NEXT TRANSPARENCY CHALLENGES

Information - awareness-raising

■ Active Advertising

- Publishing and make information accessible to the general public on transparency portals and websites

■ Right of Access to Public Information

- Legal implications (**Personal Data Protection**)
- Management, operational implications



Thank you

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