

Trapezistak Tightrope walkers











Who are we? Where do we come from?



The **Basque Government** (in Basque, *Eusko Jaurlaritza*) is the general administration of the Basque Country. An autonomous community with a wide range of exclusive competences, including taxation and among others, social services, family, minor and youth policies, as well as migration and the last phase of asylum.

It launched Trapezistak, in cooperation with Agintzari, provides funding, coordinates the develop of its integral approach and maintains a dialogue with the program stakeholders and social agents on migration and youth policies.



Agintzari (Basque for social promise) is a social initiative cooperative (non profit) whose activity began in 1977.

It works on the **co-design**, **implementation**, **evaluation** and **impact assessment** of Trapezistak inside a network of more than 20 third sector organizations cooperating with the Basque Government, and coordinated by three of them (Agintzari, Peñascal and Zabalduz).

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EUSKADI BASQUE COUNTRY	Population = 2.196.745 Surface: 7.234 km2 Population density: 302/km2 Gini Index: 29,4% [EU27: 30,3%,2021)	Rate of people with foreign nationality (born abroad) = 9,3% (2023)	Predominance of Latin America (44%) and Maghreb countries (mainly Morocco; 11%)
	Increased immigration influx + transitions to other European countries (ordinary / 3 crisis)	Young people (15-29) with foreign nationality in 2023 = 49.389 (the highest level since 2010 = 45.319)	Arrival of young people without family support (mostly Maghreb/Morocco.; Increasingly Western Africa), mostly to the three capitals
	Unemployment rate = 7,9% (2024, 1st Tr.) Youth unemployment rate (2023) = 12,6%	Increasing employment rate of young people from 16 up to 29 years old	High rate of employment after professional (83,2%) and university studies (90%). Jobs linked to studies (71,3%)-2022
SOURCES: EUSTAT – BASQUE Statistics Institute – Demographics 2023 GAZTE BEHATOKIA - Basque Youth Observatory - Youth profiles 2023 IKUSPEGI - Basque Immigration Observatory – Migration and asylym database EUROSTAT – Annual national Accounts / Compensation Employees (NUTS II)	GDP per Capita: EU: 100 / Euskadi (ES21): 108 / Spain: 85 Compensation of Employees D1/D2: EU27: 40.600 € / Euskadi: 41.200 € / Spain: 36.500 €	Demographic change: youth/old population rate baby boom impact on Basque society and social cohesion (life expectancy: 80,7; 2021)	Number of people aged 15- 29 per 100 people aged 64 and over= 62%) & Population> 65 = 23% (2023)



What is Trapezistak? Rationale

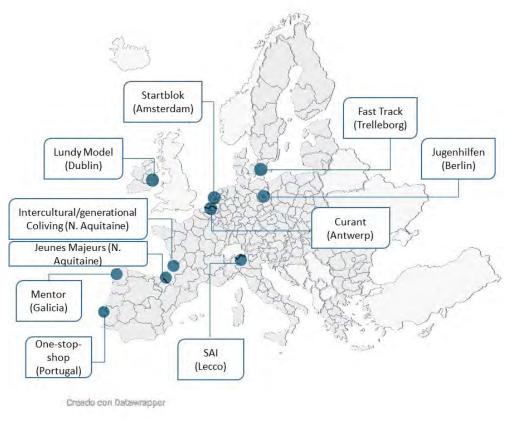
Trapezistak is a **one-stop-shop integral model** to promote **successful transitions to adulthood** of (migrant) youth in **social disadvantage** and without family references:



Framed in the **Basque youth and migration policies**, focused on rights and inclusion, is co-designed and developed from an **inter-institutional perspective** and in **cooperation** with the **Social Third Sector**.

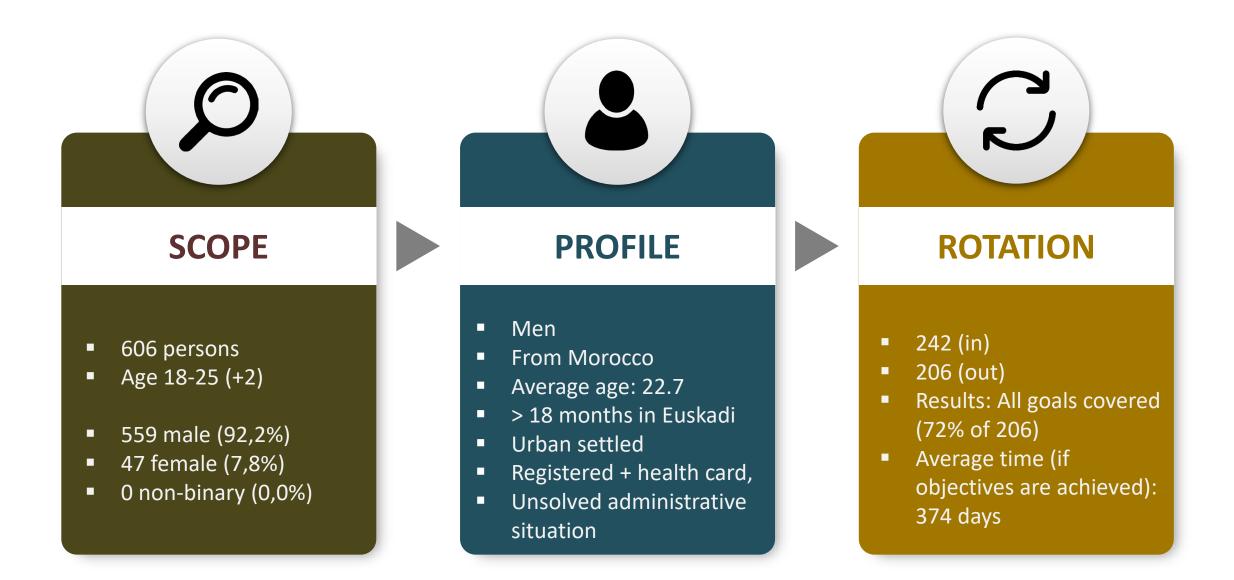
Designed from the experience of the last pandemic for the experimentation of innovative, personcentered and multi-dimensional solutions, is **inspired also by successful European practices adapted to our context**

Specifically **designed** and strongly **oriented** to generate **measurable impact** (with an integrated monitoring and **evolutive evaluation** scheme) for subsequent **replication and scaling up**.





What is Trapezistak? Key figures







Why Trapezistak? A Glocal approach

Global

- **‡** Liquid Modernity (Bauman)
- **‡** Yo-yo transitions (Otero)
- **Express transitions** in vulnerable youth (Goyette)
- **More difficult transitions** in vulnerable youth (Melendro)
- **Poorly executed transitions** leading to social exclusion (Furlong and Carmel)
- **Figure 1 Need for integrated approaches** (Du Boys-Reymond; Stein)
- Lack of adequate generalized support for 18+ careleavers (European Commission)

Law 2/2022 on Youth and Basque Strategy on Emancipation 2030 (including youth emancipation right-s and the Basque Youth Emancipation Network)

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- V Youth Plan (an integral policy on youth with a special focus on emancipation and vulnerability).
- VI Intercultural Plan of citizenship, migration and asylum (to create conditions for social inclusion and the management of diversity).
- Euskarri inter-institutional strategy for the social and labor inclusion of minors and young people in vulnerable situations (favoring an autonomous life project, with rights and duties).
- Uztartu program for the prevention of violent radicalization (building a sense of community belonging).
- Basque Social Pact for Migration (diversity and plurality, inclusive citizenship, migration as an opportunity)



HOW does Trapezistak work?

- Youth and migration policies as the ordinary framework.
- Emancipation right and rights (subjective or objective) linked to emancipation.
- Need of specific emancipation policies (to leave parents home and consolidate it).
- Emancipation and social inclusion as goals (enhancing autonomous living).
- Transition to adulthood as a longer process.
- Positive action inside a normalized emancipation network (gender, origin...)
- Emancipation as result of several factors (employment, housing, income + capacities for autonomous living, cultural framework...)
- Multidimensional (one-stop shop) and community approach (community model).
- Public leadership and cooperation between sectors.
- Focus on rights and duties.
- Universal Declaration on Human Rights, European Convention on Human Rights, and the European Pillar of Social Rights as references.
- Starting profiles and limits of the program.
- Regulated access to citizenship / youth interventions with people who is in Euskadi.
- Model of reception and social inclusion (vg: arrival resources oriented to agile integration with the participation of the community, and interculturality vs multiculturality or assimilation models).

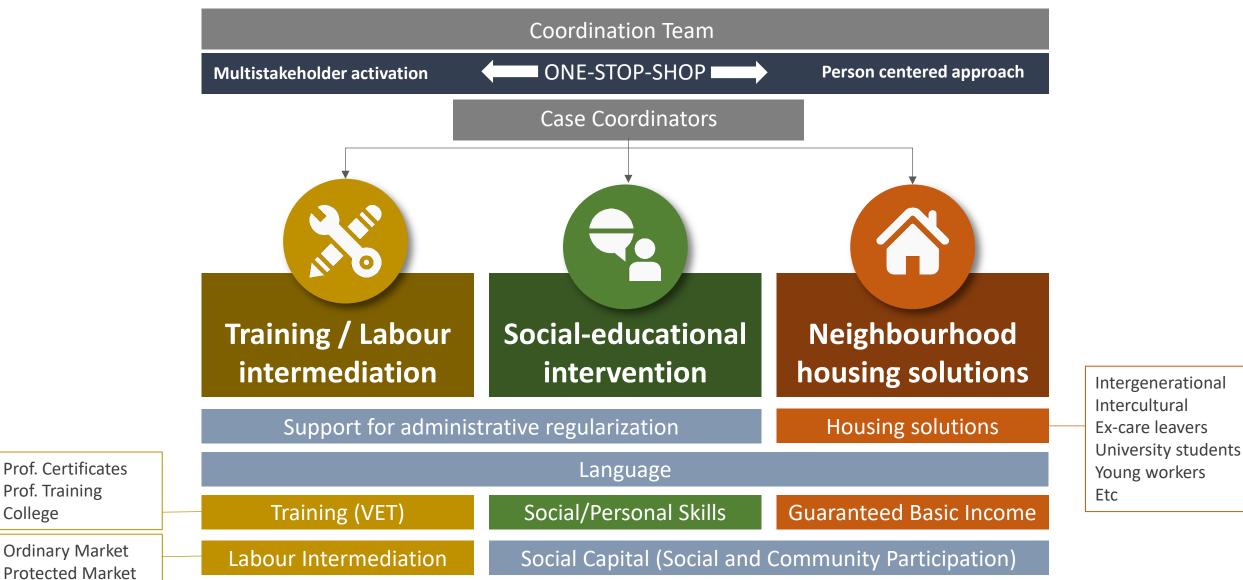
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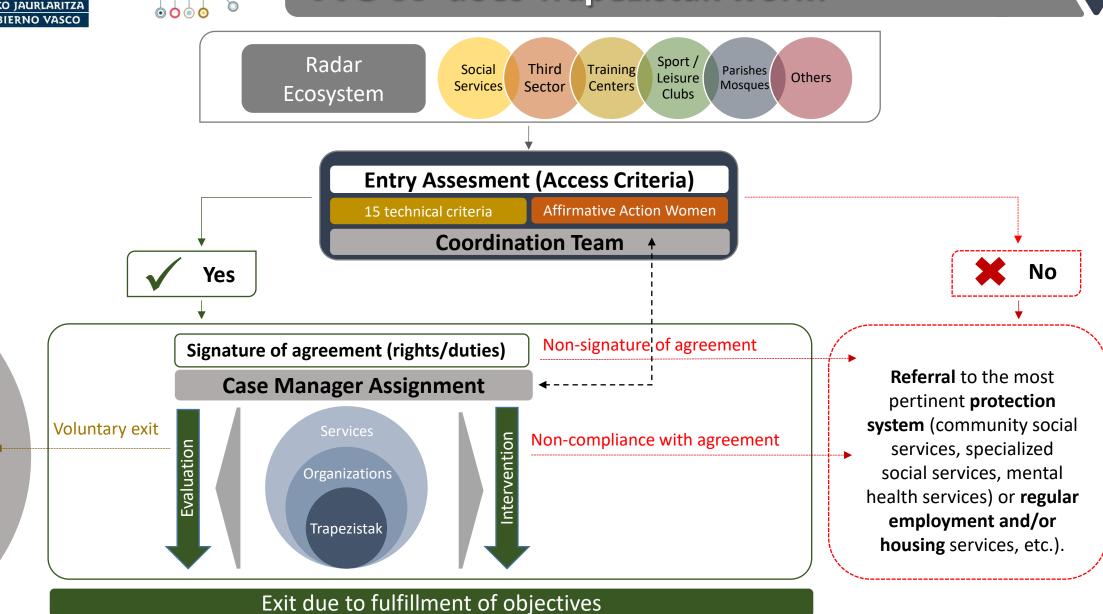
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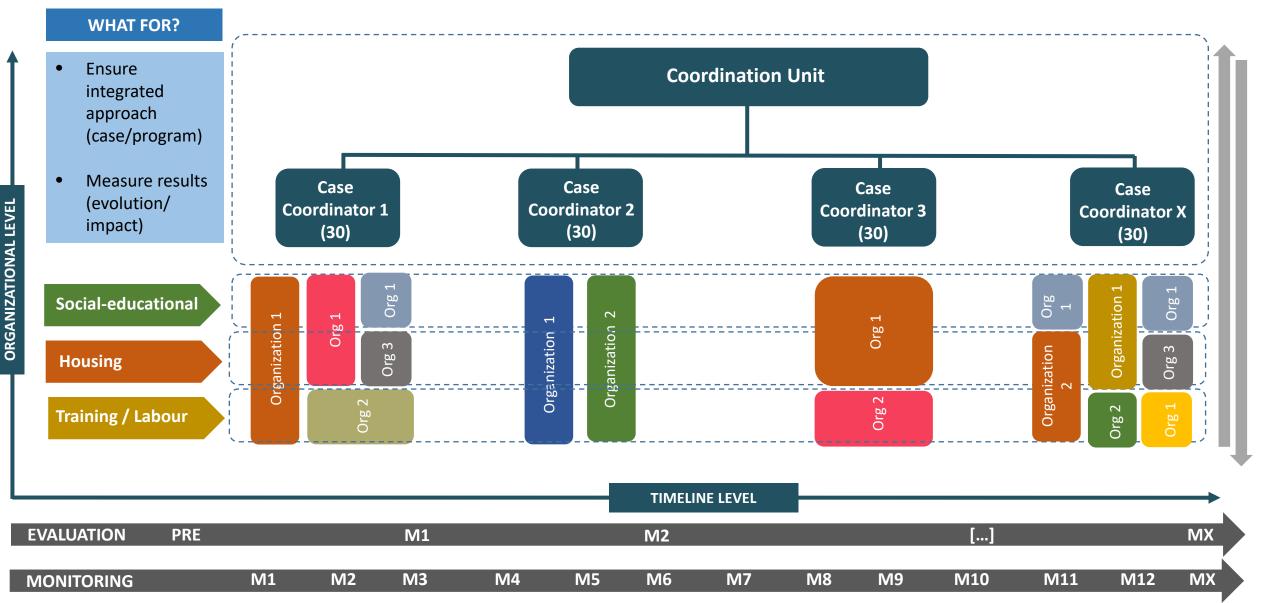
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A NETWORK OF MORE THAN 20 NON-PROFIT SOCIAL THIRD SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS

Each organization offers at least, neighborhood-based housing solutions and social-educational intervention and a personal reference to the young and the local community, enhance both capacities and opportunities. Some of them additionally offer training-labour intermediation services.





HOW do we measure the impact?

Integrated **dual monitoring** process: **quantitative** indicators (milestones/scales) and **qualitative** (evolutive evaluation model; *Aguirre Lehendakaria Center / AC4-Columbia University*).

- Establishes the collection and organization of information (through sources of verification or evidence) as well as the flow of information between the different levels of decision making (strategy, coordination, intervention).
- Organizes the information according to 6 areas /
 36 indicators and establishes a common measurement criteria.
- It uses a "traffic light" system to easily identify progress, setbacks, obstacles and milestones.

Combines **strategic** (Coordinating Team), **technical** (intervention team) and **individual** (the Trapezistak themselves) assessment.

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Standardized indicators that are gathered using the same tools and scales (with prior training) by all organizations.

Monitored with **the same periodicity** - bimonthly - by all organizations (pre, during, post).

Evaluated from **more than one point of view** (different agents: technical, personnel, external) and incorporating the participation of the Trapezista himself.

Combining **different methodologies**: quantitative, qualitative and documentary (verification evidence).

Treated and analyzed from **a triple perspective**: individual, organization and program.

Covering **soft and hard skills** and 6 life dimensions for a **comprehensive approach** to the evaluation.



Results. What do figures say?

+ 18 months...





Agintzari

When you get a job your life is going to change. Because I will have money, to help my family... I will be able to improve

my life...

Having the documents gives me peace of mind. I can now be hired by a company. I can visit my relatives. Before I was more worried. But now, I can move forward... This is an experience in which we have learned to manage our doubts and look to the future. We are capable!

Mmm... I don't participate in many things because I'm always working...





