

## How To Reach TECNALIA's Headquarters

TECNALIA has several locations all over the Basque Country and Spain. The meeting will take place at the Headquarters of TECNALIA located in Derio, in the Scientific and Technological Park of Bizkaia (Biscay in English).

The exact address is the following:

Parque Científico y Tecnológico de Bizkaia  
C/ Geldo. Edificio 700  
E-48160 Derio (Bizkaia)  
Tel.: (+34) 946.430.850

<http://maps.google.es/maps/ms?msid=206650820090356156053.0004a64b4cf733e4bb550&msa=0&ll=43.295933,-2.871208&spn=0.0014,0.003484>



TECNALIA possesses furthermore three more buildings in this scientific part so please pay attention to the number of the building ("Edificio 700" in Spanish).

Derio is a small town (ca 5000 inhabitants) approximately 12kms away from the center of Bilbao and 4kms away from the airport.

To reach TECNALIA's Headquarters there are mainly two options, by taxi or by bus.

### To reach TECNALIA by taxi

The taxi takes about 30 minutes (depending on the traffic) and it costs about 25€. You should tell your taxi driver "Parque Tecnológico, Edificio 700".

### To reach TECNALIA by bus

The bus number that reaches directly the technological park is the number A3250 (Bilbao – Parque Tecnológico (Túneles de Artxanda)) and it is green (although some yellow ones are still

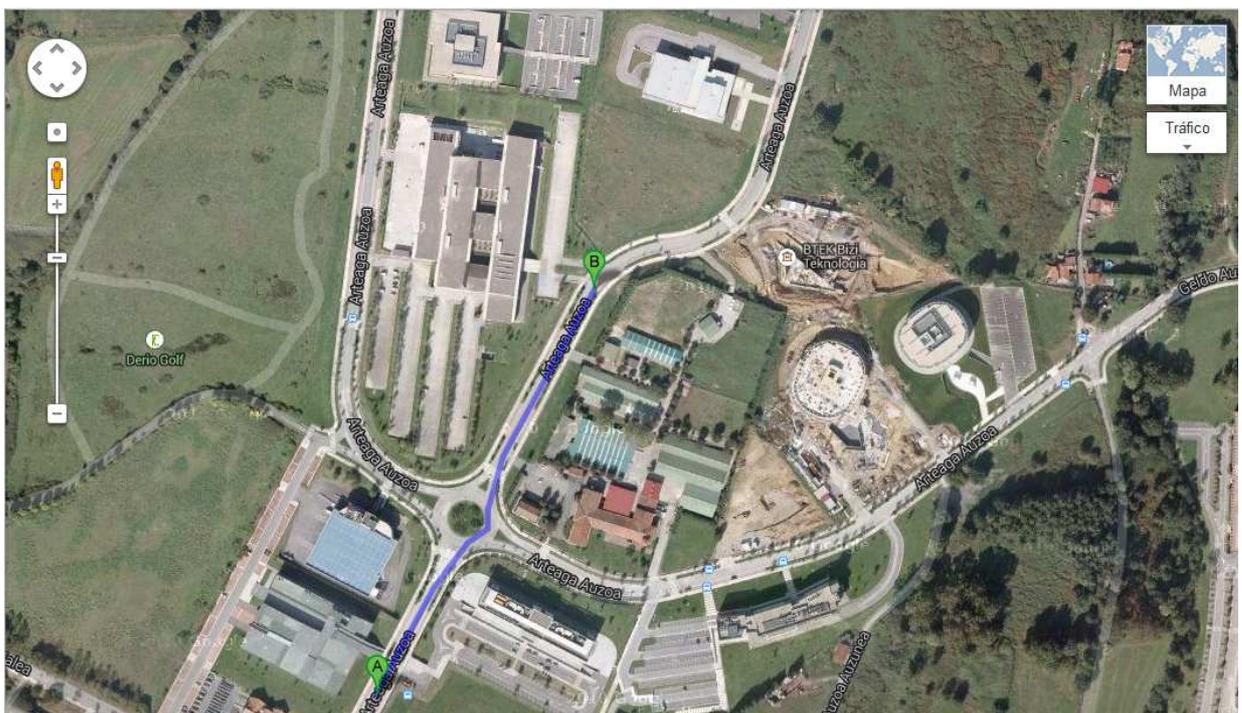
on duty). The bus starts in Plaza Moyúa 3, at the very heart of Bilbao, at walking distance of most hotels. Please pay attention to the bus number because several other buses start from there, like for instance the non-direct bus to the technological park or the bus to the airport.

To reach the building 700 you can either get off at the last stop (Mendikoi) or the stop before last (Abeletxea / Granja) and walk from there. Both stops are at about the same distance (350m). The bus takes about 30 minutes and it costs around 1.4€. You can buy the ticket from the bus driver.

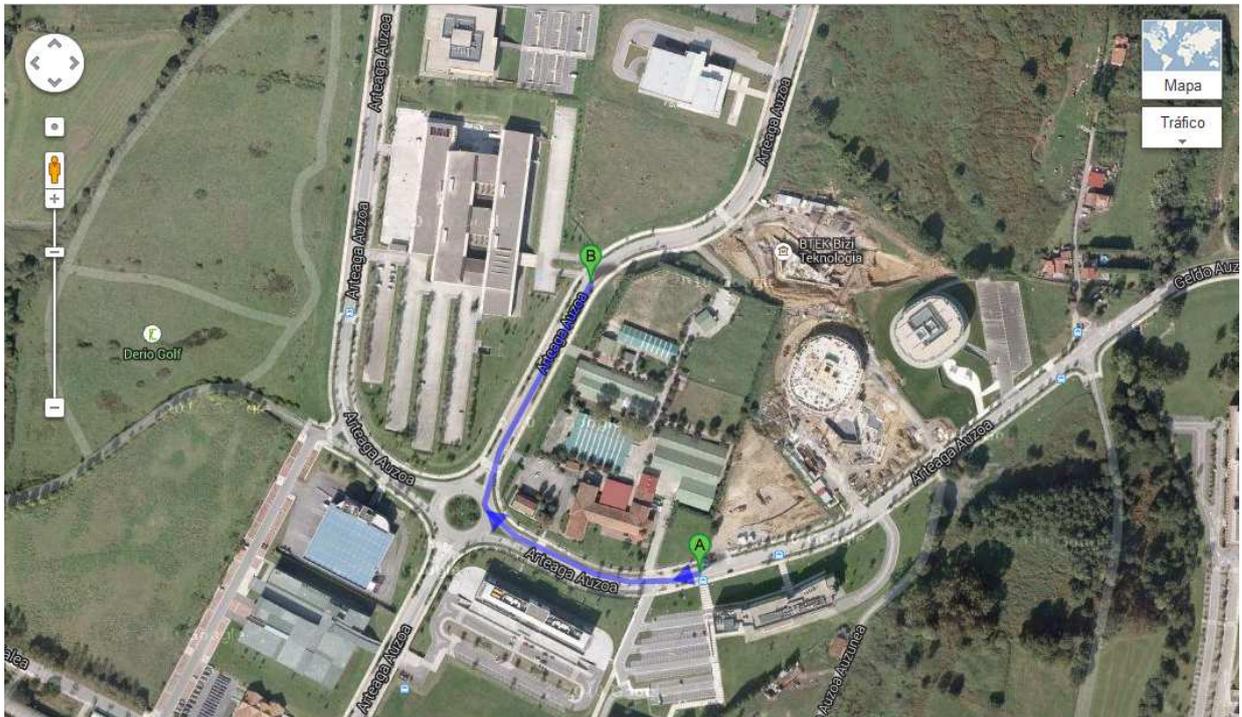
This is the bus route:



If you get off at Mendikoi, you will have to walk straight up to the slope until you find a roundabout; you circle it and continue walking straight ahead onto the slope. After around 200 m, you will find a barrier on your left. You have reached Building 700.



If you get off at Abeletxea / Granja, walk to your left until you find the roundabout and then turn right, up the slope.



The timetables are the following:

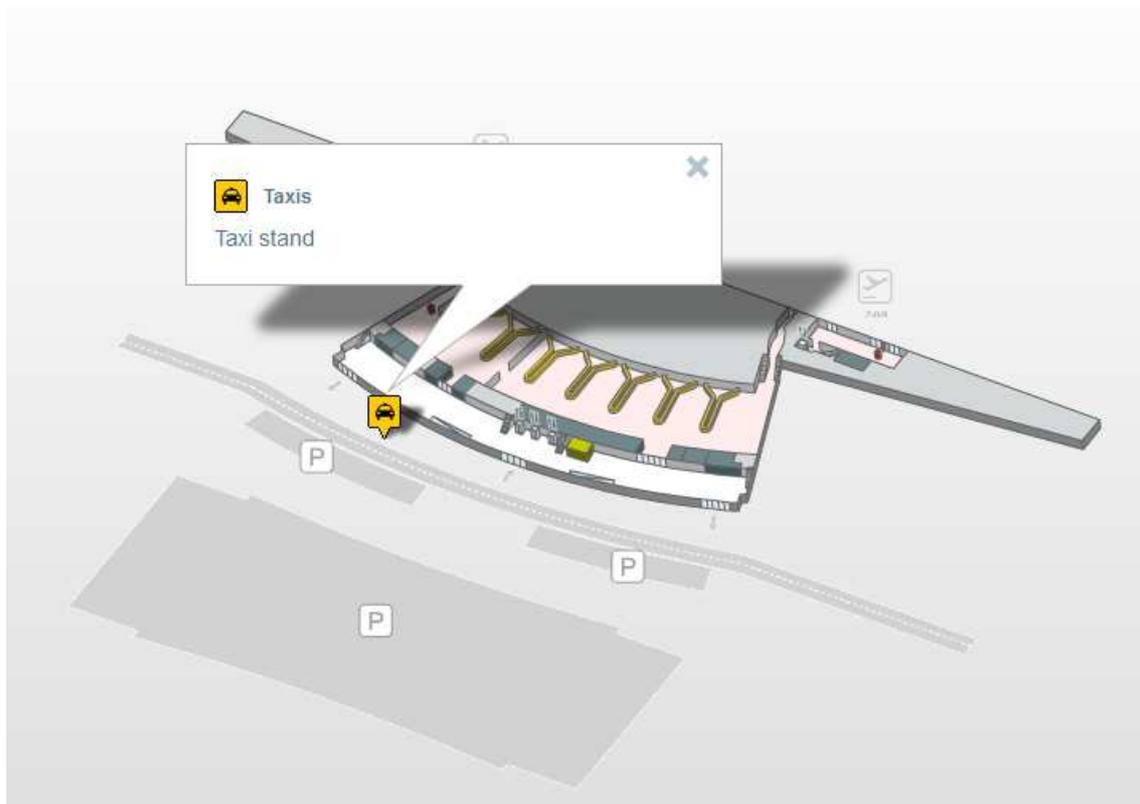
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- From Parque Tecnológico to Bilbao:  
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## How to Reach Bilbao from the Airport

The airport of Bilbao is located at approximately 15 km from the center of Bilbao (<http://www.aena-aeropuertos.es/csee/ContentServer/Aeropuerto-Bilbao/en/Page/1047658432555/Introduction.html>).

There are mainly two ways to access Bilbao, by bus or by taxi.

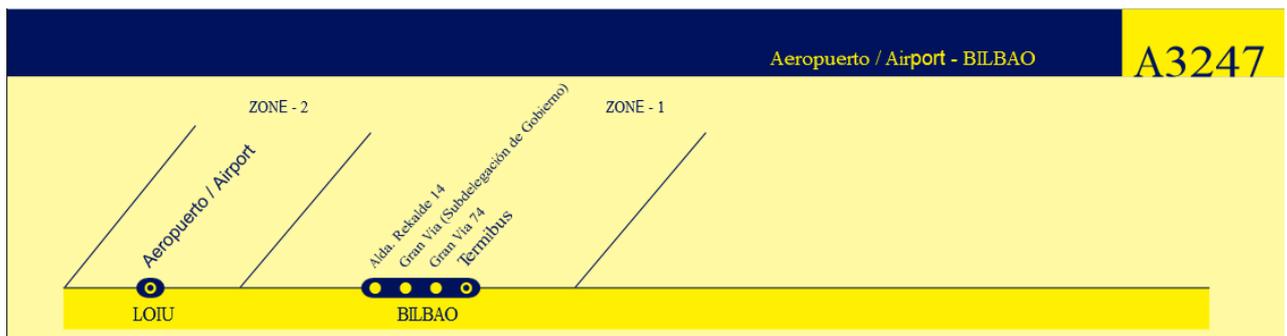
The taxi stand can be found when coming out from the arrivals lobby of the airport. The travel time to Bilbao is of approximately 30 minutes (depending on the traffic conditions) and it costs around 25 – 30 €.



The bus departs also from the arrivals lobby.



The bus number is A3247 Bilbao-Aeropuerto. The ticket costs around 1.4€ and it takes between 30-40minutes depending on the stop. The bus has four (4) stops in Bilbao, being the most central one the second named in the map below as “Subdelegación del Gobierno”, located at Plaza Moyúa. Most hotels can be found at walking distance.



The timetable of the bus from the airport to Bilbao is:

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## About Bilbao

Bilbao is a municipality and city in Spain, the capital of the province of Biscay in the autonomous community of the Basque Country. With a population of over 350.00 as of 2010, it is the largest city of the Basque Country and the tenth largest in Spain. The Bilbao metropolitan area, called Greater Bilbao, holds roughly 1 million inhabitants making it the fifth largest urban area in Spain.

Bilbao was founded in 1300 by D. Diego López de Haro and it was mainly a commercial town due to the importance of the port based on the export of the iron that could be found in the mountains surrounding the city. The industrialization of the area became even more important in the 19th century and beginning of the 20th, turning the city in the second most industrialized city in Spain only after Barcelona. The population increased extraordinarily at that time. After a severe industrial crisis in the 1980's and 1990's, Bilbao started a renewal process and the city turned into a booming service city revitalized by several initiatives such as the construction of the Guggenheim Museum (architect Frank Gehry), the new airport terminal (architect Calatrava), the subway (architect Norman Foster), the Alhóndiga (architect Ricardo Bastida, renewed by Phillippe Starck) and the area of Abandoibarra.

Sightseeing recommendations:

- Old Quarter also called "7 streets" because originally this was the number of streets that Bilbao had: Plaza Nueva, Arenal, the Arriaga Theatre, St. James Cathedral. Do not miss the Pintxos in the bars of this part of town although they can be found also all over the place.
- New quarter, along the Gran Vía, from Plaza Moyúa towards the old quarter.
- Along the river from the old quarter to the Guggenheim and beyond: Town Hall, Isozaki Towers, Zubi-zuri (white bridge), Deusto Bridge, Padre Arrupe Bridge, University of Deusto Guggenheim museum. Euskalduna Palace of music and congress.
- Guggenheim museum (<http://www.guggenheim-bilbao.es/en/>), built by Frank Gehry and opened in 1997. The statues around the building are also worth a visit (i.e. Puppy)
- Alhóndiga Bilbao (<http://www.alhondigabilbao.com/en/la-alhondiga-centro-de-ocio-y-cultura>): Originally a wine warehouse, it was designed by Basque architect Ricardo Bastida and inaugurated in 1909. However, in the 1970s the Alhóndiga was abandoned. Finally, in 1994 it was decided to renovate it and build a sports and culture center. It holds currently a multi-media library, a sports center (gym and 3 swimming pools), movie theaters, exhibition rooms, conference rooms, 2 restaurants, a cafeteria, a shop... and 43 columns, each different from the other.
- San Mamés: San Mamés is the football stadium where the town team, Athletic Bilbao, plays. The centennial San Mamés was demolished in 2012 and a new one is (currently

being) built. This new San Mamés is called San Mamés Barria. More info [http://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Estadio\\_de\\_San\\_Mam%C3%A9s\\_%282013%29](http://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Estadio_de_San_Mam%C3%A9s_%282013%29)

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