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15-16-17 SEPTEMBER 2024

IWGP RESEARCH GROUP

**PLANT MANAGEMENT AND
DOMESTICATION IN
SOUTHWEST ASIA**

First Meeting



SOCIETY OF SCIENCE ARANZADI
Salón de Actos/Salón Elosegui
Zorroagaina 11, Donostia-San
Sebastian (Basque country, Spain)

BUILDING COMMON GROUND ON CONCEPTS, DATA AND INTERPRETATION

In this meeting, researchers working around the world will convene to offer state-of-the-art perspectives and share new data on plant management and domestication in southwest Asia. We expect this first gathering to serve as a meeting point, to stimulate dialogue and discussion between researchers and set the foundations for future research.

JOIN THE IWGP RESEARCH GROUP!!!

Web address for signing up:

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IWGP-SWA-PLANTDOM@JISCMail.AC.UK

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DONOSTIA SAN SEBASTIAN

BASQUE
COUNTRY

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Salón de Actos/Salón Elosegui,
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Sebastian

 www.aranzadi.eus

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REGISTRATION

TYPE OF PARTICIPATION

This meeting will include three types of contributions:

- **Oral communication**
- **Posters** (in person only)
- **Participation in a Round Table** (in person only)


In the Round Table participants will have the possibility to discuss key subjects related to plant management and domestication in southwest Asia, with special focus on the definition of concepts, the scientific data available and its interpretation.

Participants will have the chance to suggest specific topics or ideas for discussion in the "Registration form".

The outcomes of this round table will be published as a multi-authored paper in a peer-reviewed international journal.

ABSTRACTS

Abstracts should contain basic information - title, authors, affiliation, email address, type of contribution (oral or poster) and summary up to 300 words.

 **THE ABSTRACT SHOULD BE SENT BY EMAIL TO:**

ercpalaeorigns@gmail.com

UNTIL THE 31ST OF MAY



REGISTRATION

Following this link: docs.google.com

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REGISTRATION FEES:

Payment concept: IWGP_Participants' full name

Bank details: Kutxabank

Name: Sociedad de Ciencias Aranzadi

Account: 2095 5206 0510 6004 0820

IBAN: ES39 2095 5206 0510 6004 0820

BIC: BASKES2BXXX

Registration fees must be paid by the 31st of May

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

☑ SUNDAY 1ST DAY

- Registration
- Invited Speaker (to be announced)
- Welcome Reception: plant-based cocktails (including non-alcoholic) and “basque pintxos”



☑ MONDAY 2ND DAY (lunch included)

- Morning: Registration and Talks
- Afternoon: Talks

☑ TUESDAY 3RD DAY (lunch included)

- Round table
- Lab session
- Final conclusions

OPTIONAL TUESDAY EVENING TRIP:

- Return bus
- 1h tour to a Cider Museum
- Dinner in Astarbe cider-making house:

Traditional: 2-3 starters, meat or fish (to choose), dessert (to choose), bread, drinks (water and cider) and coffee/tea.

Vegan: 2 starters, main course, dessert, bread, drinks (water and cider) and coffee/tea.

TRADITIONAL OPTION: 60€ VEGAN OPTION: 55€

🌐 www.astarbe.eus/es



VENUE

How to reach



 **SOCIETY OF SCIENCE ARANZADI (Salón de actos/Salón Elosegí)**
Zorroagaina Kalea, 11, 20014 Donostia, Gipuzkoa

 **Buses from Donostia/San Sebastian to Aranzadi**
15-20 minutes from the city center

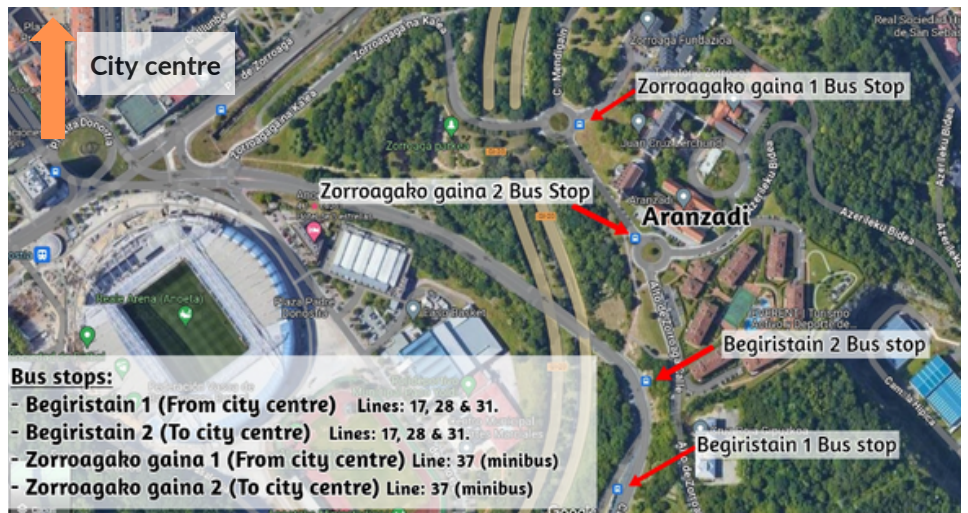
- **LINE 17** - [Info and route map](#)
- **LINE 28** - [Info and route map](#)
- **LINE 31** - [Info and route map](#)
- **LINE 37** - [Info and route map](#)

BUS STOPS (from the city center)

Begiristain 1 (lines 17/28/31)
Zorroagako 1 (line 37)

BUS STOPS (to the city center)

Begiristain 2 (lines 17/28/31)
Zorroagako 2 (line 37)



City bus line: www.dbus.eus

BUS TICKETS

to be purchased on the bus (by card or cash)

SINGLE TRIP 1,85€

NIGHT SINGLE TICKET 2,50€

TOURIST CITY CARD

online ([San Sebastian City Card](#))

in the Tourist Office and in some hotels

SIX D-BUS TRIPS 9€

TWELVE D-BUS TRIPS 16€

The TOURIST CITY CARD include several other discounts in museums, restaurants, other transport and leisure activities ([Activities San Sebastian Card](#))



AIRPORT CONNECTIONS



SAN SEBASTÁN (HONDARRIBIA) AIRPORT TO SAN SEBASTIAN:

BUS/COMPANY: **Bus E21**/Ekialdebus-Lurraldebus (ekialdebus.eus; lurraldebus.eus)

BUS STOP: across the parking, next to the gas station

TRAVELLING TIME: ca. 30-40 minutes

FREQUENCY: ca. 45 minutes

STOPS: Plaza Gipuzkoa, Donostia-San Sebastian



TICKETS: 2,75€

To be purchased directly on the bus (by card or cash)

BIARRITZ AIRPORT TO SAN SEBASTIAN:

BUS/COMPANY: **ALSA BUS** (alsa.es) or **FLIXBUS** (flixbus.es)

BUS STOP: directly at the terminal

TRAVELLING TIME: **ALSA** (ca. 40 minutes); **FLIXBUS** (ca. 1h-1h 20m)

FREQUENCY: **ALSA** (one Bus at 11.40 a.m.); **FLIXBUS** (10.55 a.m., 1.00 p.m., 7.40 p.m., 10.30 p.m.)

STOPS: Donostia-San Sebastian Train/Bus station



TICKETS: 7-10€

To be purchased at the airport or online

BILBAO AIRPORT TO SAN SEBASTIAN:

BUS/COMPANY: **PESA BUS** (pesa.net)

BUS STOP: across the parking, next to the gas station

TRAVELLING TIME: ca. 1h 20m

FREQUENCY: every hour

STOPS: Donostia-San Sebastian Bus station



TICKETS: 12-17€

To be purchased directly on the bus (by card or cash) or online



SAN SEBASTIAN TRAIN STATIONS



NATIONAL TRAIN AND BUS STATION

- **TRAIN STATION:** currently under renovation, although it still offers the service.
CONNECTION: with Vitoria/Gasteiz and Pamplona, from there to rest of inland Spain and France
- **BUS STATION:** The bus station is underground, in front of the train station. The access is through a ramp or an elevator.
CONNECTION: airports of Bilbao and Biarritz. Main cities around: Bilbao, Biarritz, Vitoria/Gasteiz, Pamplona (pesa.net) and other towns in the province of Gipuzkoa (lurraldebus.eus)



EUSKOTREN

It's a small railway line operating between Irun and Bilbao. From San Sebastian/Donostia it can be useful to visit neighbouring coastal towns like (Pasaia, Orio, Zarautz and Zumaia).





ACCOMMODATION



HOTELS NEARBY ARANZADI

ANOETA HOTEL (ca. 10 minutes walking uphill) (anoeta.hotel.com)

PENSION AMARA (ca. 10 minutes by Bus and 20 minutes walking) (pension-amara.es)



HOTELS IN THE CITY CENTRE

SILKEN AMARA PLAZA (hoteles-silken.com)

CASUAL HOTELS (casualhoteles.com)

URBAIA ROOMS (urbaiarooms.com)

TALO URBAN ROOM (talourbanrooms.com)

ZINEMA7 HOTEL (zinema7hotel.com)

GUEST HOUSE IBAIA ET AMARAK (ibaiaetarramak.com)

SERCOTEL EUROPA SAN SEBASTIAN (sercotelhoteles.com)

FAR OUT INN (faroutinn.net)

Pintxos information



The high quality gastronomical offer of San Sebastian is worldwide known, however it is not enclosed into fancy, exclusive restaurants, on the contrary it is widely spread through the city. Whereas some bars have aimed to set the city's gastronomy up to date, some others have kept the exact same offer with an improved quality of the products. Either way, both interpretations of the basque cuisine is legitimated, and it is easily accessible in comfortable small formats called *pintxos*. Some information and recommendations for the best *pintxos* and where to find them is given hereafter:

Txepetxa

This bar is one of those with very retro aesthetic, mirroring past times of the city. Here you will find walls covered with the photos of the many famous actors that visited it during their movies presentation in the film festival and, of course, one of the best made-to-order **marinated anchovies** in town. They come with many and very inventive toppings including blueberries, papaya or foie with apple sauce.



Paco Bueno

More on the classy, retro wooden-bar and white-walls aesthetic, this bar is known for having the best **battered prawns** in the old town.



Bar Sport

Quite far from what the name suggests. This is, again, one of those very traditional, classic bars from San Sebastian serving outstanding food even if it doesn't look like it. Although the most renowned pintxo from Sport is the **grilled foie gras**, they have other delicious ones: give a try to the **rib-eye mini-burger**, the **sea urchin cream**, or the **squid stuffed with crab**.



La Viña

Have you ever heard about the famous **Basque Cheesecake**? Visiting La Viña is a must to taste their speciality and the broadly considered best in town. If you don't have a sweet tooth, you can also try the award-winning **Canutillo**, a surprising made-to-order pintxo with anchovy and cream cheese.



La Ceba

Another old-school pintxo bar serving the classics from San Sebastian. This is a good place to taste many different iberian products among the highest quality, such as **iberian charcuterie** or **cantabric sea anchovies**.



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Borda berri

Contrasting with other bars in the old town, this is a low-key modern place serving among the greatest pintxos and portions of the city. Based on traditional basque cuisine, but made into a comfortable pintxos and tapas format to try more of it. Of special mention are the **stewed veal cheeks** or the **cod sounds in pil-pil sauce**. However, the menu changes seasonally, so dare to try what's written in the board!



Ganbara

Among the most renowned traditional bars in San Sebastian. It worths a visit to delve into the huge exposition of fresh basque produce at the bar. When visiting Ganbara, don't hesitate ordering the **crab tartelette** or the **mushrooms with egg yolk**.



Martínez

Among the best bars of the city. If ordering in this place, ask for the made-to-order pintxos from the kitchen, even though the large bar is filled with delicious pintxos. It's worth trying the **courgette stuffed with crab**, or the **red bell-pepper stuffed with tuna and tartar sauce**, some say it's the best pintxo of the city.



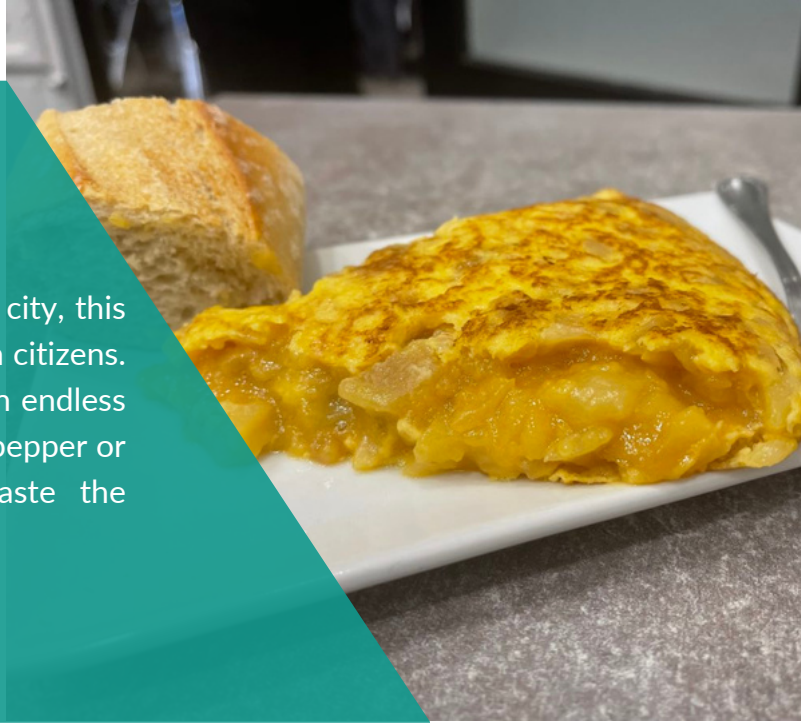
Casa Vallés

Located a little bit outside of the old town, behind the Buen Pastor cathedral, this is also a very old-school bar serving only top quality iberian produce - only need to check the black-labeled iberian hams hanging above the bar to confirm it. If visiting this area of the city, it is highly recommended to try a **Gilda** pintxo (anchovy, green olive and the basque pickled spicy green pepper called 'piparra'), which was invented here and named after the character played by Rita Hayworth in the 1946-movie with the same name.



TORTILLA DE PATATAS / SPANISH OMELETTE

Among the most famous culinary preparations of the city, this is one of the most preferred pintxos for San Sebastian citizens. To find the best tortilla in the city would incur into an endless debate (with caramelised onion or without? with bell pepper or without?), therefore, here are some places to taste the hundred ways of tortilla:



Antonio Bar

Between the old town and the Buen Pastor cathedral - schedule it properly, they only have at midday and around 19pm!



Casa Senra

Gros neighborhood



Bodega Donostiarra

Gros neighborhood



Adamo Beach Bar

By the end of the Zurriola beach, Gros neighborhood



Short trips in San Sebastian

(not organised)



San Telmo museum

Situated in the Old Town of San Sebastian, it is the reference museum for history, archaeology and ethnography of the province of Gipuzkoa. This small museum will tell you about the history of the city and also of Gipuzkoa from the Prehistory to our days, you can also see the San Telmo church holding some impressive frescoes. The museum is in Plaza Zuloaga, and it's open from 10:00 to 20:00, the entry fee is 6€ and with a City Card you will get a 10% discount.



Aquarium

The aquarium in San Sebastian is the oldest Marine Natural Science museum in Spain, inaugurated in 1928 it is situated in a staggering corner of the Old Town overlooking the bay and the Old Harbour. The entrance fee is 14€ and it includes a discount if you are the holder of a City Card. It's open during the week 10-19h and 10-20h on weekends.



Basque Maritime Museum

Situated in the Old Harbor, just 50m away from the Aquarium we find the Basque Maritime museum. The building represents one of the few survivors of the 1813 fire; it once held the San Sebastian consulate. Here you will learn about the development of the old harbour, the historic commercial relevance of S. Sebastian and about the basque fishing industry. The entrance fee is 3€, it's open Tuesday to Saturday 10-14h/16h-19h, and 11-14h on Sundays.



Short trips in San Sebastian

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Igeldo mountain

Igeldo amusement park opened to the public in 1912 and it's among the oldest in Spain. This small park has some of the best views of the city, together with the enchanting old fashioned rides and the funicular taking you from the beach to the top of the mountain, makes it an unforgettable experience. The funicular runs every 15min between 10:30-21:00h and the way and return ticket costs 4,5€ <https://www.monteigueldo.es/home>.

You can take a 30min stroll from the centre to the funicular station walking along the beach, don't forget to visit the iconic Peine de los Vientos by Chillida at the end of the promenade.



San Telmo museum

This is the mountain over the Old Town, where the old fortress of the city and the Christ sculpture are situated. It's currently a park, only closed at night, it has several entrances. The only downside is that the way to the top is quite steep, so take it easy! You will be rewarded with the views, and can take a drink in the 'Urgulleko polboriña' bar.



Day trips

(not organised)



Hondarribia

One of the most beautiful coastal towns in the Basque Country. This border town has loads of history, founded in the XIII century as a military outpost, it still preserves a rich cultural heritage, making it a top tourist destination. Most remarkable areas are its walled old-town overlooking the Bidasoa estuary and the fishermans' quarter filled with bars and restaurants. Its manageable size makes it a good destination for a day or morning trip, as one can see most of the highlights within a few hours.

To reach Hondarribia one can take the E21 bus in the city center (Gipuzkoa Plaza), it runs every hour and also stops in the S. Sebastian airport (Ekialdebus or Lurraldebus, it's the same service).

<https://ekialdebus.eus/es/linea-e21-aeropuerto-hondarribia-donostia/>

<https://www.lurraldebus.eus>

The cost of the ticket is 2,75€, it can be bought directly in the bus by card and the travelling time is around 30-40 min.



Day trips

(not organised)



Albaola museum

Albaola is a museum and shipbuilding factory promoting basque fishing and shipbuilding heritage. Currently they are building a replica of the XVI century whale fishing ship 'Nao San Juan' using local oak wood and traditional techniques and tools. The shipwreck was found in 1978 in Newfoundland (Canada), its voyage and sinking were traced back thanks to historic archives. The construction of the replica started in 2016, and it's expected to be finished by the end of this year.

The museum is in Pasajes San Pedro, and it is possible to take a small boat across the bay to visit the colourful Pasajes San Juan. To reach San Pedro take the E09 or E08 in Calle Okendo 16 (City centre), the bus runs every 15mins and it's the last stop, it takes 15min (<https://www.lurraldebus.eus>). The entrance fee is 10€ and a City Card offers you a discount, its open 10-14h on Tuesdays and Sundays, and 10-14h/15-18h from Wednesdays to Saturdays <https://albaola.org/>



Day trips

(not organised)



Getaria/Zumaia

Getaria is a small town, birthplace of Juan Sebastián Elcano first sailor to complete the first circumnavigation of the Earth 500 years ago, and of the fashion designer Cristobal Balenciaga founder of the worldwide famous clothing brand. The town is also known for its popular white wine 'txakoli', essential in the fresh fish roasting restaurant menus in the town. To know more about the fashion designer one can visit the Balenciaga Museum <https://www.cristobalbalenciagamuseoa.com/>. To reach Getaria take the bus UK10 (<https://www.lurraldebus.eus>) at Avenida de Libertad 3 (city centre), it runs every hour and the journey is takes around 40min. The same bus continues its journey all the way to Zumaia, which is 10 minutes further than Getaria, so in a day both towns can be visited.



Zumaia is well known for the Basque Coast geopark, a stretch of 13kms of coast exposing a geological record of more than 50 million years of flysch formation between the Cretaceous and the Paleogene. There are various routes along the coast and even guided boat trips to learn about these outstanding geological outcrops <https://geoparkea.eus/es/>.

