



Business Mission, BASQUE Country, SPAIN, 18 – 22 March 2024

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Why Basque Country, Spain?

1. Spain is one of the largest economy in Europe with strong economic growth and access to Latin America
2. Spain is the 2nd largest automotive manufacturer in Europe; 50% of automotive component companies are based in the Basque Country.
3. Spain has laid out a 10-year roadmap to becoming a leading European market for floating offshore wind; key energy companies are based in the Basque country
4. Upcoming urban transformation projects in the Basque country could offer opportunities in eMobility, construction and water management.

Join Us

This Business Mission (BM) will help Singapore companies gain insights on Basque capabilities and explore business partnerships with Basque companies, especially in:

1. Advanced manufacturing - Automotive/components, Industry 4.0
2. Offshore Wind. In conjunction with a visit to the Wind Europe Annual Event trade fair.

Programme

1. Briefing sessions on policies and incentives
2. B2B networking
3. Site visits to key Basque companies, tech centres and industry clusters

*Please see indicative program on next page

Who should participate?

Key decision makers of Singapore-based companies in the sectors stated above.

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Please click on the [LINK](#) and submit your registration by 20 February 2024 (Tuesday).

Business Mission Fee

S\$3,231 (SBF member), S\$3,731 (non-SBF member) per participant (inclusive of company visits, scheduled ground transport, official meals).

Estimated cost per participants after ESG grant subsidy reimbursement for Singaporean or Singapore PR, is estimated at:

S\$1,600 - S\$1,900 (SBF Member), S\$2,100 - S\$2,400 (non-SBF member)

All airfare, accommodation in Spain & tradefair pass, personal expenditure are not included. These expenses shall be borne by participants.

Payment

Full payment of the business mission fee of S\$3,231 (+ GST) or S\$3,731 (+ GST) must be received by SBF upon successful registration.

A maximum of 20 participants will be accepted into the programme



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Indicative Programme

Day 1 (18 March 2024 Monday)
<p>Morning</p> <p>Visit to Basque Trade & Investment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signing of MOU between BasqueTrade and EnterpriseSG • Learning journey for Singapore companies conducted by Invest in Basque. • Meet with BIND 4.0, Basque Open Innovation platform for I4.0 solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Case studies of successful international partnerships through BIND 4.0</i> ○ <i>Upcoming open innovation calls</i> • Potential sharing by Singapore company that is already present in the Basque Country, to share on their experience doing business in the region.
<p>Afternoon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Bilbao City Council to understand how Singapore SMEs could plug into urban redevelopment project opportunities, such as the Zorrotzaurre and Punta Zorratza urban transformation projects. • Visit to B Accelerator Tower to learn about services and program available for startups, corporates, and industry clusters; and how BAT could support Singapore startups to do business with the Basque Country and Spain/Europe. [Potential B2B session].
Day 2 (19 March 2024 Tuesday)
<p>Morning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer to San Sebastian • Visit to Technalia, a benchmark European research and technological development centre, to understand how Singapore SMEs could leverage its capabilities in areas such as smart manufacturing, health and food, digital transformation, urban ecosystem, energy transition, circular economy, and sustainable mobility • Visit to AFM - Advanced Manufacturing Technologies: The Basque & Spanish Association of Manufacturers of Machine Tools for Industry 4.0.
<p>Afternoon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer back to Bilbao • Visit to the Zamudio Technology Park: Visit to the Park to understand the network of Basque Technology parks, the innovation initiatives and the private companies established in the park and its network. (it is in the same location as the CFAA). • Visit to the Aeronautics Advanced Manufacturing Center (CFAA): This Center is built as a mixed research center within the University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU) and a consortium of companies, the aim is to work towards final applications and to generate new know-how in advanced manufacturing technologies.
Day 3 (20 March Wednesday)
SPLIT 1 – Advanced Manufacturing (Automotive)
<p>Morning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to BasqueVolt, an European pioneering company in solid-state lithium batteries. BasqueVolt's technology makes possible the mass deployment of electric transportation, stationary energy storage and advanced portable devices.
<p>Afternoon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to Automotive Intelligence Center (AIC), the European centre that offer services to improve the capability and capacity of the automotive sector globally, increasing integrated training, R&D and new business under the same structure. • [Potential B2B to be organised at AIC or site visit to a key Basque automotive company]

Indicative Programme

Day 3 (20 March Wednesday)

SPLIT 2 – Sustainable Energy/Offshore Wind (Wind Europe Annual Event)

Event Background

Annual wind energy conference and exhibition, covering

- All aspects of onshore and offshore turbine technology and operations
- How wind can support and drive the electrification of the wider energy system
- How companies could accelerate the scale-up, automate both manufacturing and operations
- How companies could better understand and prevent fatigue and faults in larger turbines.

Morning:

- **Curated conference sessions on:**
 - Turbine technology
 - Installation & Operations
 - Floating Offshore Wind
 - Digitalisation
 - Environmental Sustainability and Social Acceptance
 - Grid and System Integration
 - Renewable Hydrogen and Power-to-X

Afternoon:

- **Curated booth visits, e.g.**
 - **Basque Energy Cluster** which comprises energy sector operators, equipment and component manufacturers, engineering firms, service companies, involved in smart grids, wind power, solar energy, oil & gas, electrical recharging, hydrogen and industry decarbonisation projects.
 - **Spanish Wind Energy Association** promotes the use of wind energy in Spain, Europe and worldwide
 - **Iberdrola** (Basque based) renewable energy global leader
 - **BlueFloat** (Madrid based) is developing offshore wind projects in various parts of the world
 - **IberBlue** (Madrid based) is a joint venture specialized in the design, development and management of floating offshore wind farms that will operate in the Iberian market.
 - **Repsol** (Madrid based) Spanish multinational energy and petrochemical company
 - **Acciona** (Madrid based) Spanish conglomerate that develops sustainable infrastructure solutions
 - **Seatrium**, Singapore marine and offshore company
 - **Sheffield Energies**, Singapore-owned, one-stop HR solution and training provider for the Offshore Wind (OSW) industry
- **1-to-1 onsite meeting between Basque and Singapore companies**

Day 4 (21 March Thursday)

Morning:

- Meet with **Iberdrola PERSEO**, Iberdrola's startup programme which aims to facilitate the group's access to the technologies of the future while fostering the development of a global ecosystem of startups in the electricity sector with a focus on sustainability.

Afternoon:

- **[The companies in the energy sector could come back to the Wind Europe event]**
- Mission debrief and submission of trip feedback

Day 5 (22 March Friday)

Morning:

- Depart Bilbao for Singapore

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