

## GRANTS FOR LITERARY TRANSLATION 2026

**RESOLUTION** issued on 12 May 2026 by the Director of the Etxepare Basque Institute, which publicises the procedure for awarding grants for literary translation in 2026, approved by the Executive Committee.

Law 3/2007, dated 20 April, on the Creation and Regulation of Etxepare Euskal Institutua / Etxepare Basque Institute (hereinafter EBI) states that the purpose of the Institute is to: "To promote and disseminate Basque culture abroad in any of its official languages, manifestations, formats, means and forms of expression, especially encourage culture created in the Basque language".

Likewise, in accordance with the provisions of Decree 88/2008 of 13 May 2008, which approves the regulation for the organisation and operation of the EBI, the Institute is responsible for disseminating and promoting Basque culture outside the Basque Autonomous Community. Section 19.2.g) of this decree states that the area of action is to promote literature, thought and research in the Basque language through the dissemination scientific thought and research, as well as journals of Basque thought and culture. Moreover, section f) of the aforementioned article establishes that among the functions of the EBI is the design of grant programmes for cultural actors with the aim of promoting Basque creation internationally.

For all these reasons, in accordance with the EBI's area of competence, it has been considered of interest to establish the procedure by which grants are awarded for the translation of literary works written in Basque and works by authors from the Basque Autonomous Community.

These grants, as well as the basic criteria for awarding the grants, were approved by the Executive Committee on 16 March 2026 and are included in the Department of Culture and Linguistic Policy's 2025-2028 Strategic Plan for Grants and the 2026 Annual Grants Plan, which were approved by Order of First Vice President of the Basque Government and the Ministry of Culture and Linguistic Policy on 17 February 2026, published on the aforementioned Department website ([PES 2025-2028: Dirulaguntzen Plan Estrategikoa. // PAS 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028: Dirulaguntzen Urteko Planak. - Hezkuntza, Hizkuntza Politika eta Kultura Saila - Euskadi.eus](#)) and are part of the strategic objective of promoting Basque language and Basque culture outside the Basque Autonomous Community.

### Whereby

### I DECLARE:

**Sole article** - To publicise the call approved by the Executive Committee for literary translations in 2026. The content of the call is attached as an annex to this Resolution.

Donostia-San Sebastián, 12 May 2026.

Etxepare Basque Institute Director,

IRENE LARRAZA AIZPURUA

## ANNEX

### Article 1. Objective.

The purpose of this call is to establish for 2026 the regulation of the grant regime for the translation of:

- a) Literary works written and published originally in Basque into other languages.
- b) Literary works originally written and published in Spanish by authors registered officially in the Basque Autonomous Community into languages other than Basque.

In both cases, only first translations in a specific language will receive funding. In the case of second or subsequent translations, only publishing and promotional work may be funded.

### Article 2. Financial resources.

1. The maximum total amount of this call will be sixty-three thousand (63,000) euros. Of this amount, forty-three thousand (43,000) euros will be allocated to translation work and twenty thousand (20,000) to publishing and promotional work.

2. Regardless of the allocation indicated for each category, if the established amount is not fully used, the amount of funding for one category may be increased by means of the remaining funds in another category, as long as no decision has yet been made in regard to this category. To this end, the Director of the EBI will issue a resolution.

3. Two areas will be financed by the call: translation work and publishing and promotional work, in accordance with the following criteria:

In the case of translation work:

- a) When there is a basic degree of translation difficulty, 0.018 euros per character, without spaces, based on the source language.
- b) When there is an extraordinary degree of translation difficulty, 0.032 euros per character, without spaces, based on the source language.

The assessment committee will determine whether a text is of extraordinary difficulty in terms of language.

In the case of publishing and promotional work:

The maximum amount that a publisher can obtain for publishing and promotional work will be one thousand (1,000) euros. This amount will be calculated on the basis of the score achieved in Article 11 (d) and (e) for the examination of applications. Publishing and promotional work will be understood as editing, layout, printing and publicity activities.

Value-added tax shall not be regarded as eligible expenditure when the beneficiary entity is required to file a VAT return.

3. This applies without prejudice to the general provisions of article 30 of Law 20/2023, dated 21 December, on the Regulation of the Grant System.

### **Article 3. Award of the grant.**

1. The grants under this call for proposals will be awarded through a tender procedure. In order to award the grants thus, applications will be compared and ranked in accordance with the selection and assessment criteria laid down in article 11.

Grants will be awarded starting with the highest-scoring evaluations, in proportion to the score obtained, provided they exceed the minimum score of 50%, until the available financial resources have been exhausted.

2. A single work may not receive funding for translation into more than three languages during the same year as the call. Should there be more than three applications, the three with the highest score will receive the grant.

3. The calculation of the amount of money which each project can receive will be carried out as follows: the percentage of the score obtained in the evaluation will be applied to the amount of the grant corresponding to the rates established in this call or to the amount specified in the contract (if that amount stated in the contract is lower than that applicable to the call) and the outcome of that will be the aid received.

4. The maximum amount that each application will be able to obtain is eight thousand (8,000) euros. Each applicant is eligible, however, to receive a maximum of twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) euros in this call.

5. In the case of a joint publication, each publisher must request the corresponding part and decisions, payments and justifications will be in accordance with that part.

6. The grants covered by this call will be in line with grants awarded for the same purposes by other public or private institutions, provided there is no over-financing. In the event of over-financing, the amount of the grant will be reduced to the corresponding limit.

### **Article 4. Beneficiaries.**

The following conditions must be met in order to benefit from the grants regulated in this resolution:

- a) Be a natural or legal entity engaged professionally in translation or publication or whose activities include translation or publication.
- b) As regards Spanish translations, in the case of legal entities, they must have their head offices outside the Basque Autonomous Community. Natural persons may be registered in the Basque Autonomous Community, provided that the translation is published by a publishing house based outside the Basque Autonomous Community.
- c) Be registered under the relevant activities heading of the Economic Activities Tax prior to the application deadline, if necessary, in the country in question.

Exceptionally, that condition is not required of translators who translate their own work.

- d) Private organisations and foundations with mainly public capital will not be able to apply for subsidies; or an association which does not have a direct connection with the activity of the sector of the corresponding modality.

#### **Article 5. Applicant requirements.**

In order to be eligible for aid, applicants must meet these requirements:

- To be up to date with tax obligations and Social Security payments (or their equivalents).
- Applicants to receive the grants provided for in this resolution must not have an administrative or criminal penalty which denies them the opportunity to access public subsidies or assistance, nor a legal prohibition to receive subsidies, including the effects of gender and discrimination, in accordance with the Combined Text of article 23 of the Law for the Equality of Women and Men and to Live Without Male Violence against Women (this Combined Text was approved by Legislative Decree 1/2023 of 16 March) and the article 82 of Law for the real and effective equality of trans people and the guarantee of the rights of LGTBI people (Law 4/2023 of February 28).
- To have paid off any obligations to repay grants.

Applicants or beneficiaries will be deemed to be up to date with their grant repayment obligations if they do not have any debts with any public sector entity in the Basque Autonomous Community related to the repayment of subsidies during the execution period.

Likewise, individuals or entities will be deemed to be up to date with their obligations for the repayment of grants if the debts are divided or deferred and guaranteed or if the debt has been suspended as a result of the decision to appeal the repayment.

– Likewise, the provisions of Article 11 and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Article 13 of Law 20/2023, of December 21, Regulating the Grants System, will apply.

– All of these requirements must be met, not only to be a beneficiary, but also until the grant received is settled.

#### **Article 6. Accreditation of specific requirements for the applicant.**

1. Under the provisions set forth in article 28.2 of Law 39/2015, dated 1 October, on Common Administrative Procedure for Public Administrations, the interested parties have the right not to provide documents that are already in the possession of the acting Administration or have been drawn up by any other Administration. The Administration may therefore consult or obtain these documents unless the party raises an objection. In this case, they shall be accredited by the applicant.

If the applicant is from another country, a certificate accrediting compliance with tax obligations and a Social Security certificate or equivalent must be presented, as well as any other documentation requested, if applicable.

2. Pursuant to Law 20/2023 on the Regulation of the Grant System, dated 21 December, the following obligations will be verified by means of a declaration of responsibility included in the application:

- Notification of the application for and, where applicable, receipt of grants, subsidies, income or other resources intended for the same purpose, from any administration or entity, public or private.

- Notification of the application for and, where appropriate, receipt of other 'de minimis' financial aid received in the last three years.

- The applicant has not been sanctioned administratively or criminally and is therefore not disqualified from receiving public grants or subsidies and is not subject to any disqualifying legal prohibition.

- To have paid off any obligations to repay grants.

- The applicant declares that the information included in the application and accompanying documentation is accurate and that they meet the requirements set out in the current regulations to be a beneficiary of these grants.

3. When the application is submitted on behalf of another person, proof of identity and power of legal representation must be provided via the relevant documents.

#### **Article 7. The body in charge of the grants.**

The Department for the Promotion and Dissemination of Basque Culture of the Etxepare Basque Institute is responsible for managing the grants which will be awarded through this call.

#### **Article 8. Submission of applications and deadlines.**

1. Individuals may submit their applications either in person or electronically:

- In person: applications shall be submitted to the following address: Etxepare Basque Institute, Andre Zigarrogileen plaza 1, Tabakalera eraikina, 3. solairua, 20012 Donostia-San Sebastián (20012), between 8:30am and 2:00pm. Likewise, applications may also be submitted to the Zuzenean offices of the Basque Government or to the bodies referred to in article 16.4 of Law 39/2015, dated 1 October, on Common Administrative Procedure for Public Administrations.

- Electronically: applications shall be submitted through the euskadi.eus website using the links indicated in paragraph 4 of this article.

Whether using either channel, the applicant may change the previously selected route at any time in the process.

2. Legal entities shall submit applications by electronic means by accessing the web address provided in paragraph 4 of this article.

3. Exceptionally, foreign individuals or legal entities may submit their applications

electronically or in person.

4. Whether presenting applications in person or electronically, the form and instructions will be available via the euskadi.eus website at the following address:

[www.euskadi.eus/zerbitzuak/1032412](http://www.euskadi.eus/zerbitzuak/1032412)

Procedures by electronic channel subsequent to the application are done through:

<https://www.euskadi.eus//nirekarpeta>

5. The applicant may use Basque or Spanish in the application and other documents. Likewise, the language chosen by the applicant will be used throughout the procedure, as set out in articles 52.a) and 6.1 of Basic Law 10/1982, dated 24 November, on the Normalisation of the Use of Basque.

6. The applicant must have one of the electronic means approved for electronic identification and published in the Basque Government's electronic office.

7. The presentation of applications implies the express and formal acceptance of the terms and conditions of this call.

8. An application shall be submitted for each activity. If an applicant submits more than one application, it is not necessary to submit the administrative documentation relative to the applicant more than once.

9. The application deadline is one month from the day following publication of the call for applications in the Official Gazette of the Basque Country (BOPV/EHAA).

10. The translations covered by the grants will be published no later than 30 December 2027.

11. Documents to be submitted with the application:

a) Book or text to be translated in digital format (Word file).

b) Sample translation: 15,000 characters (without spaces), in digital format.

Exceptionally, no work need be submitted in the case of works of less than 25,000 characters.

e) Translator's curriculum vitae.

f) Publisher's latest catalogue.

e) Authorisation or copyright certificate for the translation and publication of the work.

f) Translation contract signed by both parties. The contract must include the amount to be paid. If there is no contract, the translator's invoice shall be submitted.

g) Signed commitment by the publisher.

h) If the original work is in Spanish, the author's certificate of municipal registry.

#### **Article 9. Rectification of application defects.**

1. After a maximum of 4 months from the application submission deadline, the provisional list of those admitted and excluded will be published on the Basque Government's electronic bulletin board. If any of the required documents are missing or if defects or errors are detected therein, or if defects are found in the documents submitted for assessment, the interested party will be required to remedy the problem or provide the required documents within ten working days.

If this period has elapsed and no correction has been made, the application will be deemed to have been withdrawn, or the corresponding procedure will be lost.

After this period, the final list of those admitted and excluded will be published on the Basque Government's electronic bulletin board by resolution of the Etxepare Institute director.

2. If an applicant who is required to submit the application electronically submits it in person, they will be asked to make a correction to submit it electronically. For these purposes, the date on which the correction is made will be considered the date on which the application was submitted.

#### **Article 10. Assessment Committee.**

1. An assessment committee will be set up to analyse and evaluate the applications. The committee will be made up as follows:

a) President: The director of EBI Promotion and Dissemination of the Basque Language.

b) Members: between 3 and 5 members appointed by the EBI director, from among experts in each category and administration technicians.

c) Secretary: a technician from the EBI, appointed by the director, will participate as committee secretary, but without the right to vote.

2. The composition of the Assessment Committee will be decided by the director of the Etxepare Basque Institute and will be published in the EHAA (Official Gazette of the Basque Country). In any case, any specifications and conditions established by law regarding non-participation and refusal shall be respected and a balanced representation of women and men with the appropriate training, skills and education will be sought. Representation shall be considered balanced when each sex has at least 40% representation.

#### **Article 11. Application assessment criteria and resolution proposal.**

1. The task of the Assessment Committee will be to evaluate the submitted applications and to prepare a report containing the result of the evaluation, as well as to send the report to the managing body, so that it can make an award proposal.

2. The main criteria for analysing and assessing the projects submitted will be:

a) Literary interest of the original work to be translated with a view to internationalisation:

up to 30% of the total score.

b) Quality of the sample translation: up to 25%.

In the case of the works of less than 25,000 characters, the percentage of this paragraph shall be prorated among the other paragraphs.

c) Translator's professional career: up to 15%.

d) Publisher's professional trajectory, catalogue and criteria for working internationally, plans, projects, etc.: up to 15%. Dissemination activities abroad will be particularly valued.

e) Characteristics of the publication specified in the contract: print run, size, format and the like: up to 5%.

f) If the translation is undertaken directly from a work written originally in Basque: 10%.

3. In order to qualify for the grant, the applicant must score 50%. However, if the score for the quality of the sample translation or for the publisher's professional trajectory is less than half, the grant will not be awarded, even if the total score is 50%.

#### **Article 12. Resolution.**

1. The director of the Etxepare Basque Institute is responsible for analysing the proposed resolution presented by the managing body and issuing a resolution.

2. The resolution will be published on the Basque Government's electronic bulletin board, in accordance with article 45, Law 39/2015, dated 1 October, on the Common Administrative Procedure for Public Administrations.

3. Resolutions will be published within a maximum period of six months from the date on which the resolution publishing the call takes effect. If they are not published by the end of this period, the applications will be deemed rejected, under the terms of article 22.5 of Law 20/2023, dated 21 December, on the Regulation of the Grant System.

#### **Article 13. Obligations of the beneficiary.**

1. To accept the grant. If, within fifteen days from publication of the resolution of the grant, the beneficiary does not expressly waive their right to it, it shall be understood as accepted.

2. To apply the grant to the specific purpose for which it was requested and ensure that the subsidised translation is published before 30 December 2027.

3. To submit to the verification activities carried out by the Etxepare Basque Institute, as well as to the control activities corresponding to the Economic Control Office of the Treasury and Finance Department of the Basque Government, regarding the grants received. Likewise, to accept the actions foreseen in the specific regulations of the Basque Court of Public Accounts and those that may be carried out by other control bodies in relation to the funding received.

4. To use the EBI logo (which will be made available on the website) both in the medium

used to publish the translation and for presentation and promotion, and in both cases clearly mention the award of the translation grant, by means of the following sentence: *Liburu honen itzulpenak eta edizioak Etxepare Euskal Institutuaren dirulaguntza izan du* (Funding for the translation and publication of this book has been provided by the Etxepare Basque Institute), or a translation into the corresponding language.

5. To notify the EBI of any changes made to the subsidised project, either in writing or, in the case of online applications, through "Nire kudeaketak/Mis Gestiones". From the moment of any such notification, the EBI will have a period of 15 working days to respond. If there is no response, the change will be considered accepted, provided that the minimum requirements laid down in the rules for the beneficiary of the grant are met.

6. The beneficiary shall grant the EBI authorisation to use the material and images relating to the subsidised project so that it may publish the information on various media.

#### **Article 14. Payment and justification.**

1. Grants awarded on the basis of this resolution shall be paid in two instalments, as follows:

75% no later than one month from the date of the decision to allocate the grants.

25% no later than six months after completion and justification of the activity.

Any withholdings and payments on account required under current tax legislation will be deducted from the amount of the grant.

Where applicable, the beneficiary shall request the withholding tax rate for start of activity. This request shall be submitted within the 15 days stipulated in article 13.1 on acceptance of the grant.

2. Individuals may submit justifications either in person or electronically:

- Justifications may be submitted in person at the following address: Etxepare Euskal Institutua, Andre Zigarrogileen plaza 1, Tabakalera eraikina, 3. solairua, Donostia-San Sebastián (20012), between 8:30am and 2:00pm. Similarly, justifications may be presented at the Zuzenean offices of the Basque Government or to the bodies set forth in article 16.4 of Law 39/2015, dated 1 October, on the Common Administrative Procedure for Public Administrations.

- Justifications may also be submitted by electronic means at the following website: <https://www.euskadi.eus//nirekarpeta>

3. Legal entities must submit the justifications by electronic means through the address mentioned above.

4. Exceptionally, foreign individuals or legal entities may submit their applications both electronically and in person.

5. The specifications on how to process justifications, both in person and by electronic means, are available at [euskadi.eus](http://euskadi.eus) at the web addresses indicated in article 8.4 of this resolution.

6. A period of two months from the publication date will be allowed for grant justification. If publication is in December 2027, this period will be one month.

7. The following documents shall be submitted for justification:

a) 3 copies of the published translation in print format.

b) Document justifying payment to the translator, if the applicant is a publishing house or publisher.

c) Proof of payment for editing and promotional work.

d) A declaration of responsibility, specifying the list of grants received for the same purpose after the application was submitted or, if no other grant has been received in addition to that provided by the Etxepare Basque Institute, stating that this is the case, and explaining that the data provided in the application (translators, number of copies, etc.) has not been altered.

e) Likewise, the general provisions of article 32 of Law 20/2023, dated 21 December, on the Regulation of the Grant System, shall also apply.

#### **Article 15. Resolution of payment**

If the grant is not duly justified or if for any reason the amount of the grant is reduced or withdrawn, the EBI director shall, within two months of the deadline for the submission of supporting documents, issue an individual resolution of payment in accordance with the principle of proportionality.

#### **Article 16. Non-compliance and reimbursements.**

1.- The following will be understood as non-compliance:

a) Use of all or part of the grant awarded in an activity other than that provided for in this convocation.

b) Failure to comply with the obligations set out in this resolution or, if applicable, those established when providing aid.

c) Those established in article 36 of Law 20/2023, dated 21 December, on the Regulation of the Grant System.

2. Should any of the above occur, the amounts received and the accrued interest to be applied in the realm of financial aid must be reimbursed to the Etxepare Basque Institute, in accordance with the provisions of articles 40 and 41 of Law 20/2023, dated 21 December, on the Regulation of the Grant System.

#### **FIRST ADDITIONAL PROVISION**

Depending on the total amount of grants requested, the amount stipulated in Article 2 may be increased, provided that funding has not been exhausted after other EBI grant calls are finalised. This adjustment shall be made prior to the decision regarding the applications. The

indicated change must be notified by resolution of the director of the EBI and the resolution will be published in the Official Gazette of the Basque Country.

## SECOND ADDITIONAL PROVISION

The grants provided for in this convocation shall be regulated in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 2023/2381 of the European Commission, of 13 December 2023 (OJEU, no. 2381. 15.12.2023) - a regulation concerning the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to 'minimis' aid -. These grants have a 'minimis' nature; that is, the total subsidy that a legal or natural person will receive will not exceed 300,000 euros, in the previous three years. Grants below this amount neither affect trade nor distort the conditions of competition; for this reason, they do not fall under the scope of applying article number 107.1 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

The beneficiary of the grant must report any 'de minimis' grants received in the corresponding year and the previous two fiscal years in the declaration of responsibility included in the application, in order to verify that the grants received do not exceed the maximum limit indicated in the Regulation.

## THIRD ADDITIONAL PROVISION

Basic data protection information.

Personal data will be used and will be added to this processing activity: *Grants and subsidies for the promotion and dissemination of the Basque language and culture.*

Responsible body: Etxepare Basque Institute.

Objective: To have a list of the legal representatives of individuals or legal entities that apply for and receive grants and subsidies promoted by the Etxepare Basque Institute.

Legitimation:

- The processing is necessary in order to comply with applicable legal features.
- The processing is necessary for the performance of a task in the public interest or in the performance of the public powers conferred on the person in charge.
- By Law 3/2007, dated 20 April, on the Creation and Regulation of Etxepare Euskal Institutua / Etxepare Basque Institute (Official Gazette of the Basque Country no.89, 10/05/2007).

Receiving party: no data is provided.

Rights: the applicant shall have the right to access, rectify and delete their data, as well as other rights contained in the additional information.

Additional information: additional and detailed information on Data Protection can be found on the following website:

<https://www.euskadi.eus/informazio-klausulak/web01-sedepd/eu/gardentasuna/057300-cap2-eu.shtml>

Regulations:

- General Data Protection Regulation

([www.euskadi.eus/contenidos/informacion/normativa\\_dpd/eu\\_def/adjuntos/RGPD-2016\\_0679\\_eu.pdf](http://www.euskadi.eus/contenidos/informacion/normativa_dpd/eu_def/adjuntos/RGPD-2016_0679_eu.pdf))

- Constitutional Law 3/2018, dated 5 December, on the Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights

([www.boe.es/boe\\_euskera/dias/2018/12/06/pdfs/BOE-A-2018-16673-E.pdf](http://www.boe.es/boe_euskera/dias/2018/12/06/pdfs/BOE-A-2018-16673-E.pdf))

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### **FIRST FINAL PROVISIONS**

An appeal for reconsideration may be lodged by interested parties with the EBI's Board of Directors against this agreement, which shall exhaust administrative procedures, within one month from the day following its publication, or an administrative appeal may be submitted to the competent chamber of the High Court of Justice of the Basque Country within two months from the day following its publication.

### **SECOND FINAL PROVISIONS**

This resolution shall take effect on the day after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Basque Country.