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Mr. Arejita is a Trustee of FUNDACIÓN IBERDROLA ESPAÑA. He has studied Humanities at Derio Lower Seminary and Philosophy at Derio Upper Seminary, and has studied at the Faculty of Theology at the University of Deusto. He holds an Honours Degree in Romance Languages with Philosophy and Literature from the University of Deusto and a Postgraduate Degree in Basque Studies from the University of Deusto (1995).

***Professional experience***

Mr. Arejita is a lecturer of various subjects related with the Basque language (grammar, lexicography and lexicology) at the University of Deusto, the Labayru Diocesan Institute in Derio, the Bilbao Official School of Languages, the “Begoñako Andra Mari” Diocesan Teaching College, the College of Translation supported by the IVAP, and the Faculty of Information Sciences at the University of the Basque Country.

He has been director of the Department of Basque Language at the Labayru Institute since 1980.

***Career highlights relevant to his post on the Board of Trustees***

Mr. Arejita is the Euskaltzaindia (Royal Academy of the Basque Language) and is a trustee of several organisations including the Etxepare Basque Institute.

***Additional information***

Mr. Arejita regularly contributes to written press, in Bizkaia Irratia, on the radio (the state-run channel RTVE 3 and Radio Popular in Bilbao) and television (having participated in the first programmes in Basque on Spanish state television).

He has coordinated a number of research programmes, including the dictionaries compiled and edited by the Labayru Institute, and is author of various publications such as the critiques of Juan Antonio Mogel entitled *El Cathequista Bascongado* and *Peru Abarka*.