



### ***NIEVES FERNÁNDEZ VICENTE (President)***

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My professional career has centred around the humanist mission of education. Supporting learning by boys, girls and young people has entailed co-learning.

I have worked in several areas: the public and private sectors, formal and informal education, Basque-language schools (in Basque, *ikastolas*) and learning cooperatives.

I have also learned by performing different roles – first as a teacher, and for the last 12 years as head of the San Félix Ikastola, the Artxandape Ikastola and the Azkorri Teaching Collective.

Throughout this time, two competences have focussed my professional development towards the quality education sought by UNESCO: advanced management, and innovation. My work with school teams has been recognised with prizes such as the silver Q, the silver A, the gold A and the Basque Prize for Innovation from the Basque Government.

In parallel to my professional work, I have been involved in social transformation as an active and ongoing participant in EUSKALIT-Basque Quality Foundation and UNESCO Etxea, where I currently serve as President.