

## Multi-level governance of Basque Country STI policy (OECD Reviews of Regional Innovation: Basque Country, Spain 2011)

This chapter first highlights the special position of the Basque Country within Spain with respect to its fiscal regime and STI competences. It then analyses the policy influence and level of resource flows from higher levels of government, notably Spain and the European Union. It reviews the horizontal governance arrangements within the Basque Country government among the different public and private stakeholders that are (or should be) responsible for setting the STI strategy and policy agenda as well as implementing a whole-of-government approach to innovation. The role of sub-regional entities, including the three provinces and local development agencies, is discussed as they are active in some instruments related to STI policy. Finally, the importance of filling gaps in monitoring and evaluation is raised.

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