



## SHORT BIO

Postdoctoral researcher and advisor on local climate emergency policies at Basque Centre for Climate Change. Graduated in Law and specialized in Urban Planning, she has more than 25 years of experience working in the public sector in this field, especially in advising on local climate change policies. She currently works supporting and coordinating different regional, national and European projects on urban strategies to address the climate emergency, integrating the health perspective.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL DATA

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### ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

2018-2022 PhD on Local Climate Emergency Policies. International University of Catalonia (UIC) and Basque Centre for Climate Change (BC3). *Climate Emergency and Health Policies. How to address them in an integrated manner by local governments? Methodological framework.*

2005 Advanced Course in Urban Planning Management. Estudios Jurídicos Superiores y Revista de Derecho Urbanístico, Madrid.

1998-1999 Postgraduate Degree in Urban Planning. Basque School of Territorial and Urban Studies EVETU-IVAP, Bilbao.

1991-1996 Undergraduate Degree in Law. University of the Basque Country, Donostia-San Sebastián.

### LANGUAGES

-English advanced  
-Spanish native

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

1998-Present. Member of the ICASV (Professional Association of Lawyers, Bizkaia).

2012-Present. Member of the Sustainability Commission Law Society in Bizkaia.

### PUBLICATIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

2022 *Ciudad Sostenible. The great challenge of local governments in the face of the climate emergency.*  
Authors: Estibaliz Sanz; Jaione Ortiz de Zárate

2022 PhD. *Climate Emergency and Health Policies. How to address them in an integrated manner by local governments. Methodological framework*. Estibaliz Sanz, PhD, directed by Lorenzo Chelleri (UIC), and Aline Chiabai (BC3).

2021 *WIT Transactions on Ecology and the Environment*, Vol. 253. Conference paper. "Measuring participation: A comparative study of citizen engagement processes in urban planning". Authors: Jone Belaustegigoitia et al.

2020 *Papeles de economía española-FUNCAS*. "¿Están las ciudades españolas adaptándose al cambio climático?" Authors: Elisa Sainz de Murieta, Marta Olazabal, Estibaliz Sanz.

2019 BC3 Policy Briefing. *Planificación de la adaptación al cambio climático en las ciudades españolas: evaluando su sostenibilidad y efectividad a largo plazo*. Authors: Estibaliz Sanz, Marta Olazabal, Elisa Sainz de Murieta.

2018 Conference paper. *Reframing Urban Resilience Implementation Congress: "Are Spanish local adaptation policies likely to be successfully implemented and sustained in the long-term? Assess their legitimacy, scientific, policy and economic credibility"*. Authors: Elisa Sainz de Murieta, Estibaliz Sanz, Marta Olazabal.

## **PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND**

### **January 2018-Present. Postdoctoral Researcher at the Basque Centre for Climate Change BC3.**

Coordinates the participation of BC3 in the LIFE Integrated URBAN KLIMA 2050 project, addressing the Basque strategy implementation. Participates in regional, national and European projects related to local climate emergency policies, health, and public engagement.

Collaborates in the PROCESA project, financed by the Biodiversity Foundation of the Ministry of Ecological Transition, focused on the analysis of adaptation to climate change in Spanish provincial capitals. Moreover, analyses the barriers and opportunities of the Basque Country municipalities in the climate emergency.

Developed an assessment framework to guide cities how they can boost and strengthen their climate emergency and mainstreaming the public health perspective. This research included an exhaustive analysis of the scientific literature, complemented by participatory processes, with the views and perspectives of key actors, including technical experts, politicians and decision-makers from the field of climate emergency and health. The framework was tested and evaluated in the city of Barcelona which proved the usefulness of the assessment framework and its results, facilitating the perfecting of the evaluation framework to its final version and making it transferable to other cities and municipalities.

Speaker seminars, conferences and congresses nationally and internationally on how to support local governments in their climate emergency policies integrating the health perspective. Currently, she is collaborating on several scientific papers.

### **2015- 2018. FreeLancer Consultant.**

Consultant for city governments, research centres, companies and private consultants, in European, national and local projects, related to climate change and sustainable urban planning. Contributes in European projects such as LIFE Local Adapt, and other national and local projects, mainly related to adaptation.

### **July 2007-June 2015. Advisory of Bilbao City Council.**

Support and coordinate different projects related to sustainability policies, regeneration and urban innovation, in municipal areas including Mayor's Office, Environment, and Urban Planning Departments.

Specific positions:

- Director of Climate Change BIO Office.
- Coordinator of Bilbao participation in the Covenant of Mayors, and development of the Bilbao Sustainable Energy Action Plan 2020 (SEAP).
- Contributor to European proposals and projects, such as Horizon 2020 in the field of adaptation, (RESIN, RAMSES)
- Coordinator in different collaborative activities with BC3 such as the Spring University, Klimagunes conferences, and different studies related to the economic impact of strategic city projects.
- Municipal representative of the new Basque Strategy against Climate Change, Klima 2050.
- Manage public bidding processes (preparation of specifications, process management and awarding reports), as well as in the approval and modification of different municipal ordinances.
- Coordinator the positioning of Bilbao as a Smart City.
- Coordinator in different processes of citizen participation and leasing with the main agents of the Basque Country, Innobasque, IHOBE, EVE, Clusters, etc.
- Speaker on municipal urban policy in different forums and conferences and member of the Planning Advisory Council and the Civic Council of the City of Bilbao.

### **November 2005-July 2007. Managing Director SESTAO BERRI.**

Sestao Berri is a public company for socio-urban regeneration. Management tasks: preparation of strategic plans, bidding processes, urban planning and management, budget and results management, preparation of Councils, reports, team coordination, institutional relations, management and negotiation with companies and private companies.

### **March 2004- November 2005. Senior Technician in Town Planning Management and acting Director of Town Planning Management ORUBIDE.**

ORUBIDE is a public urban management company. Main Tasks: contracting, land search, negotiation with out-of-planning industries and owners, urban management of plots and land, dialogue with owners, preparation of contracts, reports, analysis of operations, management of public bidding processes, participatory processes, etc.

### **1999-March 2004. Practicing lawyer at M+A+S, lawyers specializing in administrative, urban planning and environmental law.**

Work as environmental and urban planning lawyer in the private sector for well-known industries related to urban planning and the environment. Moreover, in the public sector, collaborated with different administrations and their dependent entities.