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EIFN ROUNDTABLE IN THE BASQUE COUNTRY

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1 Main objectives of the Roundtable

- Present in detail the objectives, scope and methodology of the project to the real and potential stakeholders
- Present the performance of the project as well as the produced documents and tools
- Know the point of view of the participants about the project as well as their expectancies and needs

2 Roundtable Programme

- EIFN General Presentation
- EIFN Stakeholders Network
- EIFN Entrepreneurs Poll

3 General Comments on the Discussions

- Most participants underlined the relevance and diversity of the group
- The event was considered as a good occasion for different market agents to meet and interact
- Participations in the discussion highlighted by their openness and expertise
- Some agents were missed (VC, more SMEs, more companies, etc.)
- The discussion needed concretion; it was a brainstorming rather than a discussion
- Need to distinguish between innovation and research because the financing mechanisms are not the same (private vs. public). The research is a previous phase and the innovation is the result
- 65% of participants indicated their interest in participating in the next roundtables to be organized. The rest of participants didn't answer this question

4 Conclusions of the Roundtable

- Most participants (80%) considered the overall quality of the Roundtable high or very high
- 80% considered that the roundtable met their expectancies well or very well
- 65% considered the relevance of the covered topics high or very high
- The duration and timetable was considered good or very good by all the participants
- The methodology of the meeting was considered good or very good by most participants (80%)
- The documentation provided was considered of good or very good quality by 65% of the participants
- The overall organization of the roundtable (registration, communication, room, etc.) was considered good or very good by most participants (85%)

5 Speakers

- Marisol Molinuevo (Deloitte)
- Enrique Doheijo (Deloitte)
- José R. López (EVE)

6 Lists of Participants

- Two Big Companies (GUASCOR and Naturgas Energía)
- Three Technology Centres (ROBOTIKER, LBEIN and IKERLAN)
- Two associations (Cluster de la Energía and Cluster del Conocimiento)
- Two Universities (UPV and Universidad de Deusto)
- Two Financial Institutions (BBK and KUTXA)

- One SME (PYGMALY)
- The Basque IRC (SPRI) and the Industry Department. of the Basque Government