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Analytic Summary

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Abstract: The aim of this article is the study of business entrepreneurship in the rural environment and in metropolitan areas of the Autonomous Basque Community (CAV). Our research focuses specifically on the following three areas: the profile of entrepreneurial companies, the characteristics of new companies and the means of finance used. The results of our research into these three areas reveal that differences exist between the rural and metropolitan areas in the Autonomous Basque Community when it comes to creating new businesses.

Key Words: Business entrepreneurship. Rural environment. Metropolis.

Contín Pilart, Ignacio; Larraza Kintana, Martin (Univ. Pública de Navarra. Dpto. Gestión de Empresas y LUCE. Campus de Arrosadía. 31006 Pamplona – Iruñea): **Actividad Emprendedora Rural y Urbana: el Caso de Navarra** (Urban and Rural Entrepreneurial Activity: The Case of Navarra) (Orig. es)

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Abstract: This paper examines entrepreneurship in rural and urban environments and the factors that determine this process in Navarre. Our analysis reveals a lower rate of emerging entrepreneurship in the rural environment. These differences are linked to factors related to demand and the large concentration of people, rather than to socio-cultural factors that either favour or hinder rural entrepreneurship.

Key Words: Entrepreneurial activity. Rural environment. Urban environment. Navarre.

Echeverría Ezponda, Javier (UPV/EHU. IKERBASQUE Basque Foundation for Science. Dpto. Sociología 2. Sarriena, s/n. 48940 Leioa): **Las TIC en las relaciones entre Europa y Latinoamérica** (ICT in the relationship between Europe and Latin America) (Orig. es)

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Abstract: Information and communication technologies offer great opportunities for relations between Europe and Latin America. This article proposes an agenda to promote the Euro-Latin-American information society, based on the Action Plan of the UNO and the Lisbon Agenda (EU).

Key Words: Europe/Latin America Relations. Information society. Information and communication technologies. Latin American space of knowledge.

Innerarity, Daniel (Univ. de Zaragoza. Fac. de Filosofía y Letras. Dpto. de Filosofía. Pedro Cerbuna, 12. 50009 Zaragoza): **La teoría como pasión** (Theory as Passion) (Orig. es)

In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 95-113

Abstract: A summarised autobiography of a teaching and research career in political and social philosophy, primarily concerned with the following three issues: research into contemporary philosophy (notably, the works on Hegel and Habermas); the attempt to create a political philosophy of the contemporary world; and, accompanying all of this, the continued reflection on the nature of philosophy as a profession in the modern world.

Key Words: Philosophy. Political philosophy. Social philosophy. Contemporary world.

Jensen, Eric L. (Univ. of Idaho. Dept. of Political Science and the McClure Center for Public Policy Research. P.O. Box 443165. Moscow 83844-3165); **Browning, Sarah; Waid, Courtney** (North Dakota State Univ. Dept. of Criminal Justice and Political Science. P.O. Box 6050. Dept. 2315. Fargo ND 58108-6050): **Life Imprisonment as a Penal Policy** (Orig. en)

In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 115-136

Abstract: This article analyzes the policy of life imprisonment from an international perspective. The life imprisonment policies of European nations and the U.S.A. are reviewed. An overview of human rights issues and life imprisonment is presented. Proportionality is used as the philosophy of punishment underlying life imprisonment as a penal policy. The special situation of juveniles is also discussed.

Key Words: Life imprisonment. Human rights. Proportionality. Comparative penal policy.

Ursua Lezaun, Nicanor (Eusko Ikaskuntza. Miramar Jauregia. Miraconcha, 48. 20007 Donostia – San Sebastián): **¿Es posible una teoría crítica y racional del conocimiento útil para todas las ciencias y saberes?** (Is a critical and rational theory of useful knowledge that is valid for all science and knowledge possible?) (Orig. es)

In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 137-173

Abstract: This work offers a presentation of the general theory of knowledge from a critical point of view and with a possible application that includes the different kinds of knowledge. Cognitive rationality is presented as a kind of critical rationality without foundation or justification, but with criteria which must help us in the process of trial and elimination of error. Some criteria and meta-criteria are suggested at the end for the elaboration of epistemological rationality.

Key Words: Knowledge. Kinds of knowledge and models of knowledge. Qualified forms of knowledge. Information and knowledge society. Rationality and types of rationality. Criticability. Tools of criticism. Criteria. Meta-criteria. Validity.

News

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Montxo Armendáriz: Fiction rooted in reality (Manuel Lekuona Prize 2008) (Aguirre, Juan). – 17th Congress of Basque Studies: Innovation for Sustainable Social Progress (Azkoaga, Iñaki; Garro, Olatz). – Auspoa: The Valued Legacy Left to Us by Antonio Zavala (Esnal, Pello). – Luis Peña GancheGUI and architectural renovation in the 20th century Basque Country (Galarraga Aldanondo, Iñaki). – The End of a Long Period (1982-2009): The Last Legalised *Ikastolas* in Navarre (López-Goñi, Irene). – Atom by atom (Zarate, Enrique; Pitarke, José M^º). – Euskonews: reaches issue number 500 (Velez de Mendizabal, Josemari).

Doctoral Theses

List of doctoral theses read in the universities of the Basque Country between 1st July and 31st December 2009.

In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 297-325

Abstract: This Section intends to offer to scientific community an introduction to the research that is accomplished in the Universities of the Basque Country providing a list of the doctoral theses defended in Basque universities.

Book review

six reviews. In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 327-344

Eusko Ikaskuntza: analytic summaries 2009:

Analytical summaries of Eusko Ikaskuntza publications (2009).

In: *Rev. int. estud. vascos.* 55, 1, 345-380

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