



## **International professionals visit the university of Oñati and Arantzazu Sanctuary**

**A group of ten highly qualified professionals participated in the sociocultural activity organized by Gipuzkoa Talent.**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November a group of ten highly qualified professionals enjoyed the beautiful environment of the town of Oñati and its surroundings, located in the valley of the Alto Deba between the cities of San Sebastián and Vitoria. The professionals come from countries such as the Dominican Republic, Chile, Mexico, Russia and from other parts of the Spanish State such as Albacete, and they are currently carrying out their professional activities in companies such as BCBL, CAF, Ikor and Polymat, amongst others.

In the morning they visited the town's most important building, the Espiritu Santo University, accompanied by local historian José Antonio Azpiazu. Built in the year 1540, it is one of the oldest universities in the Spanish State and is one of the finest existing examples of Basque Renaissance architecture. After visiting the university, they were introduced to the ex-manager of Ulma, José Luis Madinagoitia, who expounded on the cooperative model that is so widespread throughout the area.

At midday, the group travelled to Arantzazu Sanctuary, which was built some 500 years later, and they were able to enjoy its unique architecture before having lunch in a well-known local hostelry.