## Bilbao welcomes ImagineNano - one of the largest 2011 European events in Nanotechnology

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Bilbao, Spain, will host one of the largest 2011 European Events in Nanoscience & Nanotechnology from **11th** until **14th** of **April** at BEC (Bilbao Exhibition Centre).

The Phantoms Foundation and CIC nanoGUNE, in cooperation with other institutions will bring ImagineNano, a newly Nanoscience & Nanotechnology concept in Europe.

For the first time, ImagineNano will comprise in **15.000 m2** extensive **thematic conferences in parallel**, a **huge industrial exhibition** carried out with the latest nanotrends for the future and a **social** component where everyone can meet and greet Nanotechnology side by side. ImagineNano will therefore gather global nanotechnology community, including researchers, industry policymakers, investors and plans to be a reference in Europe in the next upcoming years.

One place, five conferences in parallel covering hot science trends:

- NanoSpain 2011 NanoSudoe (Spain, Portugal & France)
- Graphene 2011
- NanoBio&Med 2011
- Trends in NanoApplications (TNA 2011): Energy
- PPM 2011 (Photonics, Plasmonics and Magneto-Optics)

Opportunities are now available for industrial, academic and governmental organizations to share common objectives and drive the commercialization and the know-how of nanotechnology, which has been estimated to value 3.000 trillion Us dollars by 2015.

ImagineNano aims to provide an outlook of the most innovative projects and products in various fields of Nanoscience & Nanotechnology.

**About Phantoms Foundation:** This Non-Profit organization was established in 2002 (Madrid, Spain) in order to provide high level Management profile to scientific projects. This association plays an important role in the 6th and 7th Framework Programs as a platform for European funded projects (nanoICT, nanomagma & NanoCODE) to spread excellence amongst a wider audience, and to help in forming new networks. This Association is now a key actor in structuring and fostering European Excellence in "Nanoscience and Nanotechnology", having a world leading position in organizing conferences, training and dissemination activities in this field.

About CIC nanoGUNE: Is a newly established center created with the mission of addressing basic and applied world-class research in nanoscience and nanotechnology, fostering high-standard training and education of researchers in this field, and promoting the cooperation among the different agents in the Basque Science, Technology, and Innovation Network (Universities and Technological Centers) and between these agents and the industrial sector. CICs are promoted by the Department of Industry, Trade and Tourism of the Basque Government and are designed with the aim of creating an effective framework of collaboration that strengthens interdisciplinary basic and applied world-class research in order to provide technology transfer and promote competitiveness of the Basque Industry in strategic areas.

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There's no doubt that ImagineNano is the right place to see and be seen.