

# INTRANSIT



The magazine for secure parking areas and transport companies, Special Edition: BIDEGI

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Dear Members and Friends of ESPORG,

On behalf of ESPORG, I am very honored to present to you this special edition of INTRANSIT. This special edition exclusively features ESPORG member, BIDEGI, regarding their CEF-funded project to build two parking areas according to the gold level of the EU-Parking Standard.

The two parking areas will provide much needed relief for drivers and the logistics industry near the Spanish French border, specifically in Astigarraga and Oiartzun. The professionalism of their team has demonstrated their deep understanding of correct procedures, European Standards, and the need for heightened security and outstanding services for drivers.

We are continually impressed with their level of commitment to their customers and hope that others use their example for future safe and secure parking areas. In fact, we will be showcasing the parking areas to other members later this month.

ESPORG is incredibly proud of BIDEGI for their efforts in making the transportation industry a safer and more secure place!

Best wishes,

Dirk Penasse

# INTRODUCTION FROM THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF GIPUZKOA

From January 2022, truck drivers will have at their disposal two new safe and secure parking lots for trucks on the AP-8 motorway as it passes through the territory of Gipuzkoa, in the Atlantic RTE-T (Trans-European Transport Network) corridor. These two secure platforms of the “Centro Integral de Transportes” (CIT) Astigarraga-Oiartzun promoted by the Provincial Council of Gipuzkoa and managed by the provincial public agency BIDEGI, have the endorsement and financing of the EU through the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA).

Professionals and companies in the transport and logistics sector will have 525 parking spots for their vehicles and goods located on the E-70 AP-8 / AP-1 trans-European highway, near the Irun-Biriatou border crossing, in Gipuzkoa, Basque Country.

The Astigarraga car park, 17 kilometers from the French border and with capacity for 341 trucks, will serve those traveling northbound and the Oiartzun car park, 8 km from the same border, will offer its 184 parking spots to southbound transits. A daily average of 8,100 heavy goods vehicles (HGV) drive through the area of influence of these car Parks.

From the Provincial Council of Gipuzkoa we were aware of the need for infrastructures of these characteristics in the territory in a communication axis that forms the backbone of the European North-South corridor that crosses Gipuzkoa.

From the very beginning, BIDEGI began the steps to obtain the involvement of the European institutions. In the process, it has had the support of advisers specialized in European connection to guarantee the efficiency of the project. It has also had the close collaboration of the European Safe and Secure Parking Organisation (ESPOG) to which BIDEGI belongs to ensure the execution of the two car parks in accordance with European standards and to obtain the Gold level of the EU-Parking Standard.

The objective of the entire process, which is now culminating, is to contribute to the safeguarding of trans-European transport infrastructures and the improvement of a sector, such as transport, with a precarious workforce and many times with the obligation to drive on the road with little to no security. In this sense, having safe, protected parking areas connected to Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) such as those in Astigarraga and Oiartzun becomes a necessity.

If the Covid-19 pandemic has taught us something, this is the urgency of having a continuous flow of goods and food, and in this context these parking models where drivers will find at their disposal the different services that respond to their needs, are more necessary. Needs: safety of drivers and their goods, rest, restaurants, hygiene, connectivity ... It is our contribution to the dignity of the professional performance of the drivers and road safety.



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# LAUNCH OF NEW SAFE AND SECURE PARKING FOR TRUCKS



**GIPUZKOA SAFE AND SECURE PARKING AREAS (SSTPAs)**  
Strategic locations on the Atlantic TEN-T Corridor

Located in the E-70 AP-8 / AP-1 of the Atlantic Corridor of the TEN-T (Trans-European Transport Network) with the endorsement and financing of the EU

From January 1, 2022, truck drivers will have two new secure and guarded truck parks (SAFE AND SECURE TRUCK PARK AREA) in the RTE-T Atlantic Corridor (Trans-European Transport Network). The two truck parks, with a total capacity of 525 spaces, are located on the E-70 AP8 / AP-1 motorway, near the Biriatou border crossing to the west of the Pyrenees, specifically in the Basque Country near the municipalities of Astigarraga for northbound traffic and in Oiartzun for southbound traffic. At this time and until its opening, they are operating in a trial period to verify the correct operation of all services and proceed with the certification procedures according to the Gold level of the EU-Parking Standard.





The two new infrastructures have been promoted by the Provincial Council of Gipuzkoa through its public company BIDEGI. Its upkeep, maintenance and management correspond to the winning bidder company "CIT Autopista 8, SA" and will manage it under the brand name "Mowiz TRUCK". Users can reserve a place in either of the two truck parks through the "Mowiz TRUCK" app.

## PROJECT ENDORSED AND FINANCED BY THE EU

In the execution and start-up of the two truck parks, the Infrastructure Agency BIDEGI has invested more than 17 million euros, of which the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA) has considered eligible up to a total of 15 million. In this way, the EU finances the two truck parks with 2.7 million, 18% of the approved amount. When evaluating CINEA support, it describes the project presented by BIDEGI as excellent and points out that it is in total coherence with the objectives of the CEF (Connecting Europe Facility) call.

All the places are rotating and have been executed in accordance with the requirements of the European Union and with the highest technological and quality standards required by the Gold level of the EU-Parking Standard.

GOLD EU PARKING



## NORTH DIRECTION 341 SPACES (ASTIGARRAGA)



The Astigarraga truck park will be available to truck drivers traveling north to France. It is located 17 km from the French border in the municipality of the same name and with direct and exclusive access from the E-70 AP-8 / AP-1 motorway. In its 25,563m<sup>2</sup> of platform, it has capacity for 341 trucks.

In the future, the truck park plans to host a service station for sustainable and environmentally friendly fuels.

The truck park has 30 spaces for dangerous goods of which 14 are for flammable and 16 for non-flammable. This section has its own system for collecting liquids and a settling tank. The refrigerated transports have 28 specific places with plugs to connect to the electrical network and another 20 without connection in the same area. In this way, the transports that require continuous cooling operation are located in a single area and displace the noise that their operation generates, guaranteeing a better rest.

The enclosure has an anti-climbing double perimeter of 930 meters long, with a variable height between 2.5 and 3.5 meters in compliance with the measures required by the required certification.

In order to facilitate recreation, exercise and rest in the open air, the inner perimeter has a green lane for walking or running and an area with fixed elements for physical exercises similar to those in public parks.



A drainage system for the truck park called a hydrocyclone allows the water to be collected, especially from the first runoff, which is the one that carries the surface material, and decants it before it reaches the general rainwater network. The area for dangerous goods has a second drainage system that collects any spills to direct them to its own warehouse.

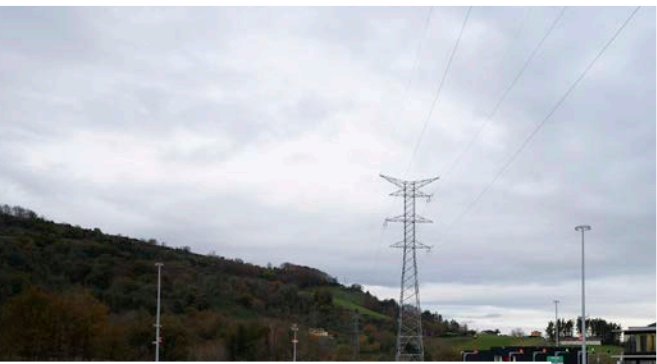
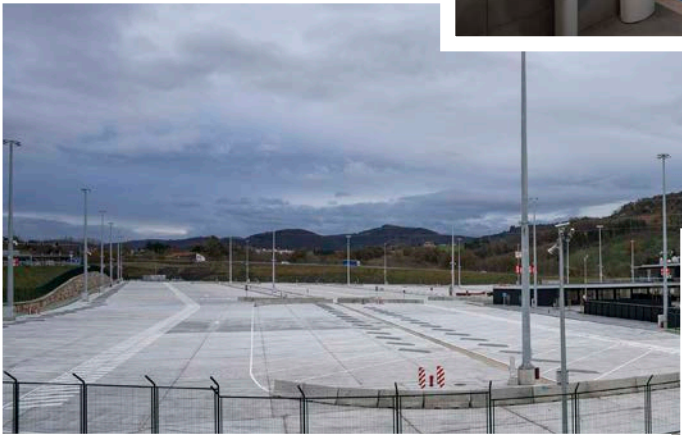
The new parking lot offers truckers a 1,186m<sup>2</sup> service building distributed over two floors. The ground floor, with 845m<sup>2</sup>, houses the commercial area, the restaurant-cafeteria, a supermarket, rest area, toilets, showers and laundry. The first floor of 341m<sup>2</sup> is intended for the provision of services that the property considers appropriate.

The truck park also has two exterior modules: one with toilets and showers located on the right side of the entrance and another towards the back of the parking lot with laundry service. It also has a truck wash and a warehouse building.

The works began in September 2019 and in its execution Bidegi has invested 9.3 million euros of which 6.8 million have corresponded to the

earthworks, construction of the platform, the access and exit roads and the outer roundabout. Another 2.5 million have been allocated to the so-called super-structure that, among other elements, includes the security system, video-surveillance installations, fire hydrant network, public address system, wi-fi, lighting, group generator that guarantees energy autonomy in the event of a power failure in the general network.







## SOUTH DIRECTION 184 SPACES (OIARTZUN)



Located in the service area of the same name at pk 8,000, of the E-70 AP-8 / AP-1, just after crossing the Central Irún toll, the new infrastructure serves traffic from Europe and circulates in South direction towards the different points of the Spanish State, Portugal and North Africa.

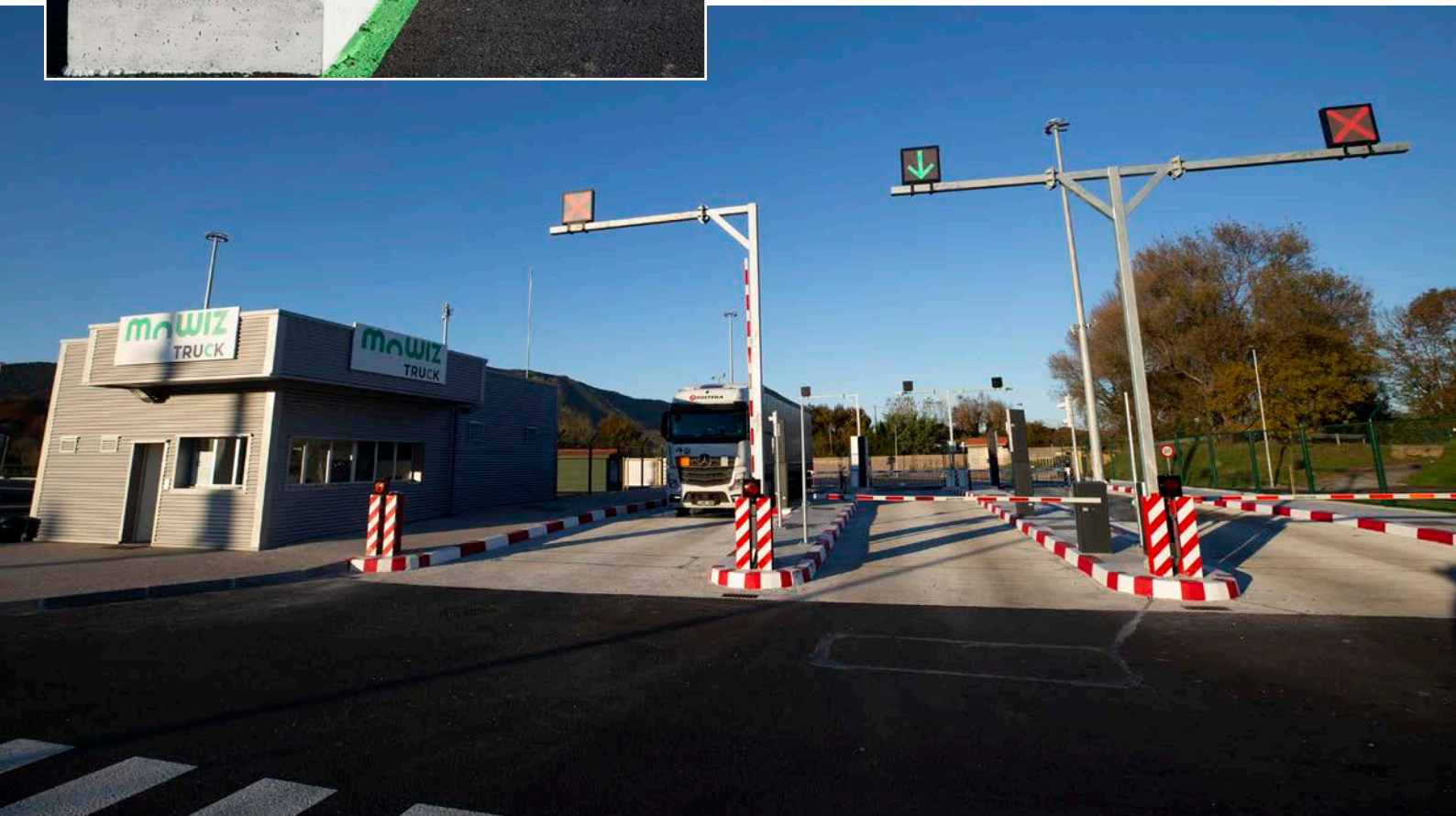
In the Oiartzun truck park, transporters have 184 spaces for their vehicles and goods distributed over an area of 16,220m<sup>2</sup>. The space has 29 places for dangerous goods of which 12 are for flammable and 17 for non-flammable. This area has its own system for collecting liquids and a settling tank. The refrigerated transports have 18 specific places with plugs to connect to the electrical network and another 18 without connection in the same area.

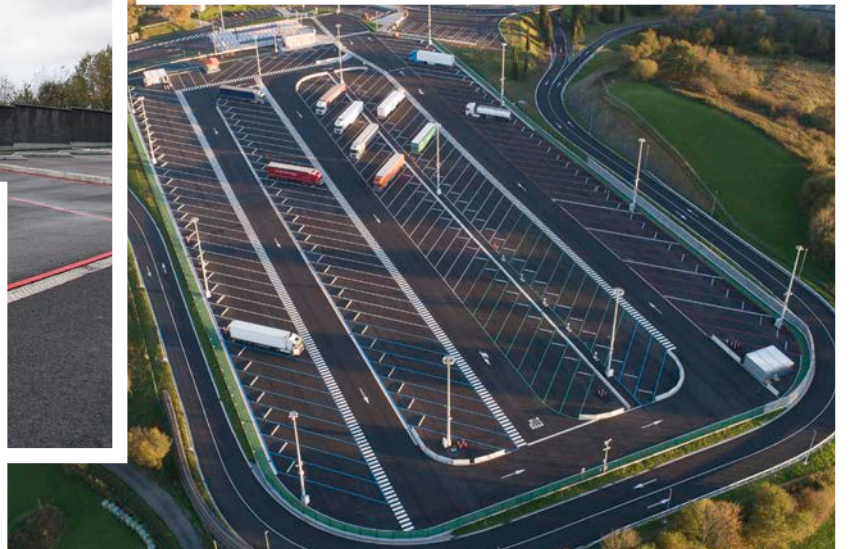
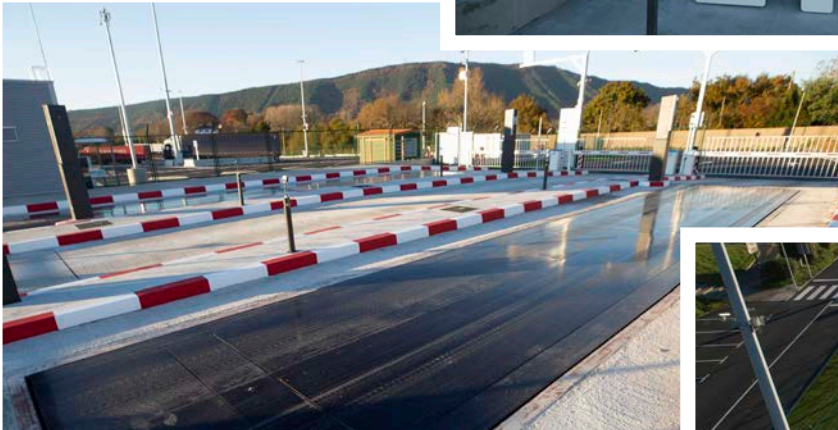
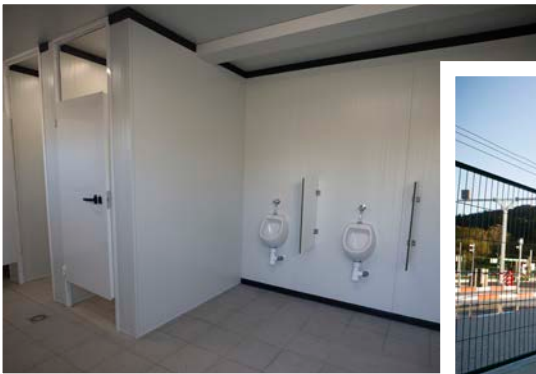
Like its counterpart in Astigarraga, it has an anti-climbing, 600-meter long fence and a 100-meter long concrete fence. Both with a height of 2.5 meters. Inside there are two modules: one with sinks and laundry and the other with sinks and showers. The enclosure also has surveillance cameras monitoring the entire surface, public address system, generator system, lighting and a control of entrances and exits for drivers who move to the adjoining service building. Here the truck drivers will have restaurant services, shop, toilets and showers.

For the driver's rest and recreation, like in the Astigarraga parking area, it has an interior perimeter lane for walking or running which in turn is equipped with fixed elements for physical exercises.



In its execution, Bidegi has invested 4.3 million euros. Another million has been allocated to the so-called super-structure that, among other elements, includes a security system with the same characteristics as those of Astigarraga. The action has made it possible to promote outside an area for 11 coaches that can stop in the adjoining service area in transit.





## RATES

In the two car parks the first hour will be free for all types of heavy vehicles and the second will cost € 4.70. Rates will vary depending on the type of transport and length of stay. Thus, a transport with non-dangerous goods will pay € 28.70 for a 24-hour stay while a vehicle with dangerous goods, with the ADR rating (European Agreement that regulates the international transport of dangerous goods by road) will pay € 33.50. For those who park for 48 hours, the cost per hour will be € 1.16 and € 1.50 respectively.

The objective of the investment undertaken is to contribute to the dignity of the professional performance of the driver by equipping and providing safe facilities along the European Atlantic corridor, offering safe and protected parking for the driver, vehicle and freight, as well as suitable services.

Through Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS), carriers will instantly know the availability of places, as well as the time required to access the Parking based on incidents that could affect road traffic.

As of January 1, 2022, carriers have adequate and safe parking areas combined with modern services and rest facilities.

## THE 10 STRATEGIC AND FUNCTIONAL OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

- 1 Increase the supply of parking spaces for heavy vehicles in the Basque territory
- 2 Ensure safe parking for drivers, trucks and freight
- 3 Provide a wide range of services for drivers
- 4 Provide specific administrative services for companies
- 5 Provide parking for dangerous goods.
- 6 Offer strategic location and direct accessibility from the road
- 7 Simplify booking and billing management
- 8 Offer social, environmental and road safety benefits for the transport of goods
- 9 Act in accordance with European Union regulations and STI standards for the freight transport sector
- 10 - Provide interoperability with strategic freight transport modes for the Gipuzkoan territory




The kick-off event for the opening of the two parking areas was scheduled for January 26th, 2022 but has been postponed due to current situations regarding COVID.

The program for this event includes a presentation of the latest technology and applications used, a round table on the perspective of the European Commission regarding the trans-European road transport corridors, the infrastructures and services required, as well as the guidelines for the correct development of transport, a second round table on the reality of safe parking through the experience and lessons of three managers of safe parking located in three different realities (Calais, La Junquera and Romania), a site visit to the new facilities themselves, and a presentation and contrast of the social, economic and environmental impact study that has been carried out around the safe car parks of Oiartzun and Astigarraga.

Despite the delay of the kick-off event, the truck parking areas will still be fully operational from February 1st as planned.





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