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EDP FOUNDATION REPORT 2020

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At EDP, we are in the business of innovating. Our 4 decade long track record has turned us into better energy providers and pioneers of the green evolution. Change has been our driver as we deliver an agile network with more efficient, smart and sustainable solutions. As leaders in the energy transition, we see investment in renewables as an active way to engage with future generations, promoting decarbonisation in energy production and consumption. We are playing our part for a more balanced and sustainable world, one that is inclusive, diverse and humane.

**We're changing tomorrow now.**



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# ABOUT THE REPORT

Year 2020 is coming to an end; the year of COVID-19 and probably the hardest one which an increasingly globalised world has had to face. However, despite the difficulties, not only we have managed to adapt ourselves and maintain most of the projects planned in the Foundation's four priority areas for action (education, culture, society and the environment), but we have also achieved to establish multiple specific and extraordinary lines of support to tackle the situations derived from COVID-19.

Thus, this 2020...

- **We have strengthened our commitment to education and research**, transforming our education programme 'Viva Nuestra Energía' (Long live our energy) into a digital and multilingual platform, which has allowed many more schoolchildren aged between 6 and 16 to access its contents, as well as supporting scientific and biomedical research through our collaboration with the DIPC (Donostia International Physics Center) and the FINBA (Asturias Foundation for Biomedical Research and Innovation).
- **We have maintained our commitment to culture** through 'Arte Público' (Public art), a design competition for art, architecture and design students; our support to #nosolopoetry, an online multimedia channel to spread poetry on a national and international level; and our collaboration with the opera seasons, symphony concerts and piano sessions organised in Asturias and the Basque

Country, as well as with the chamber music cycles held in the dome of the Centro Niemeyer in Avilés.

- It should be highlighted the special collaboration we have maintained with the Princess of Asturias Foundation and the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao.
- **We have increased our collaboration in the social area**, by creating specific support programmes for social entities to tackle the crisis derived from COVID-19, and by strengthening the programmes of EDP Solidaria (EDP Solidarity) and Energía Solidaria (Solidarity Energy), aimed at improving our society through the promotion of equal access to energy and the fostering of rural development and elderly people care.
- **We have maintained our commitment to the environment**, supporting our forests and rivers.

The foregoing is just a small sample of the multiple and varied initiatives the EDP Foundation has developed during this complicated year 2020, and which may be consulted on the website [www.fundacionedp.es](http://www.fundacionedp.es). This year again, these actions have been performed thanks to the flexibility, adaptation ability and resilience of the volunteers and employees of the EDP Foundation; without their work, we could not have carried out this ambitious project.

Thank you very much for everything!

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# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

OF THE EDP FOUNDATION

Manuel Menéndez Menéndez

**‘In such a complex setting, with a multidimensional crisis to face, we have tried to fulfil the mission of the EDP Foundation, strengthening the Group’s commitment in the geographical areas in which it performs its activity.’**

Once again, the time has come to present the work of the past year in a compilation of sentences and figures. This summarising task is especially complex on this occasion, on which, hidden behind the numbers and words, there are very complicated moments and major efforts to adapt the activity of the Foundation to a very unstable context, marked by large needs, but also by significant limitations.

In such a complex setting, with a multidimensional crisis to face, we have tried to fulfil the mission of the EDP Foundation, strengthening the Group’s commitment in the geographical

areas in which it performs its activity. It is precisely such strengthening of our commitment to our environment which has driven us in 2020 to adapt our activities in an attempt to respond to the needs that have unexpectedly come up, without losing sight of our priority areas for action: education, cultural, social and environmental.

This is an adaptation effort that is difficult to convey through the pages of a Report, but it is still marking our daily work and the way we cope with the months of the long road that is still ahead of us.

## ‘We do not know what 2021 holds for us, but we do know that we will keep working on building a stronger, more caring and more sustainable society.’

If we are sure about something after this year 2020 is that the EDP Foundation must be a player that contributes to the economic and social recovery of the society it forms part of. We cannot be oblivious to a crisis the consequences of which are still unknown, or act in isolation. One of the things this pandemic has taught us is that the response must be global and coordinated, since the solutions require everybody's efforts: the public sector, the civil society and, of course, the private sector.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed our usual activity, but it has pushed us to look for new solutions and partnerships. It has led us to innovate and, above all, to strengthen our institutional commitment to collaboration, cooperation, resilience and a local approach to work, yet not abandoning the global dimension.

I cannot finish this letter without expressing my gratitude and recognition to all the people, entities and institutions that have

contributed to carry out everything reflected in this Report. From the volunteers that have devoted their time and effort altruistically, to the entities with which we collaborate, which have kept working despite the difficult situation, with often scarce resources and limited means, but always with the ever-present goal of reaching those that need it the most.

We do not know what 2021 holds for us, but we do know that we will keep working on building a stronger, more caring and more sustainable society, capable of successfully overcoming crises such as the one we are living, trying not to leave anyone behind along the road.





# MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL DIRECTOR

OF THE EDP FOUNDATION

Vanda Martins

**‘Flexibility, adaptation and resilience are the three words that better define our work in 2020, a year in which, for instance, we made EDP Solidaria’s demands and requirements more flexible in order to adapt ourselves to the difficult situation the beneficiary social entities were going through.’**

2020 will be a year we will never forget. A year that, all of a sudden, turned completely around our way of living, thinking and even facing the future. A year that has made us confront one of the greatest challenges in human history, reminding us what truly matters and showing us that we cannot move forward oblivious to the world around us.

The fact that the world is interconnected is something that we already knew, but cannot ignore any more; this pandemic has made us understand that only by working and moving forward together will we be able to reach the future we dream of, and

that building a more just, caring, sustainable and committed world is not an option, but our only choice.

We must assume that no one will make it to the end unless everybody does, and that social and environmental responsibility does not only concern companies, but it is the only possible way to ensure a future and a decent life for the generations to come.

This Activity Report is a way to explain and spread how we understand such responsibility in the EDP Foundation.



## ‘In sum, a complex year, indeed, and difficult as well, but also a year of opportunities that we need to seize. It is not the time for inactivity, it is the time to move on, stronger and more committed.’

Here, you will find the results of a year of action heavily marked by the pandemic and the consequences thereof, but, most of all, you will find a sample of how, despite the difficulties, we have redoubled our efforts to adapt ourselves and keep working, aware that it is precisely now when the EDP Foundation’s work is more necessary than ever.

Flexibility, adaptation and resilience are the three words that better define our work in 2020, a year in which, for instance, we made EDP Solidaria’s demands and requirements more flexible in order to adapt ourselves to the difficult situation the beneficiary social entities were going through.

A year in which we modified the way in which young trainees integrated into the company in order to guarantee their safety and, at the same time, to make sure not to deprive them of a learning opportunity that is going to be very useful to face the complex future ahead of them.

2020 has been also the year in which we have launched a new programme to foster art and creation, the ‘Arte Público’ (Public

Art) programme, and the year in which we have announced an extraordinary initiative for the support of social entities, aware that their work is indispensable to overcome the crisis in which we are immersed.

In sum, a complex year, indeed, and difficult as well, but also a year of opportunities that we need to seize. It is not the time for inactivity, it is the time to move on, stronger and more committed. There is still a long way to go in order to get us out of this crisis, and probably the world will never be the same again, but it is up to us to make the world that we find at the end of the road a better place than the one we left behind.

Thank you very much for keep walking by our side.

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# OUR FOUNDATION

## ORGANISATION

The EDP Foundation is governed by the Board of Trustees, which is responsible for seeing to the performance of the foundation purposes and for making the most appropriate decisions to meet them, with the support and thanks to the efforts of the Steering Committee and all the people involved in the daily work of the Foundation.

Among them, there are numerous volunteers from the different companies and departments of the Group in Spain, which contribute their time and commitment to the development of the various activities that are carried out.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EDP FOUNDATION

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**General Director:** Vanda Martins

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# TRANSITION

FROM A JUST TRANSITION  
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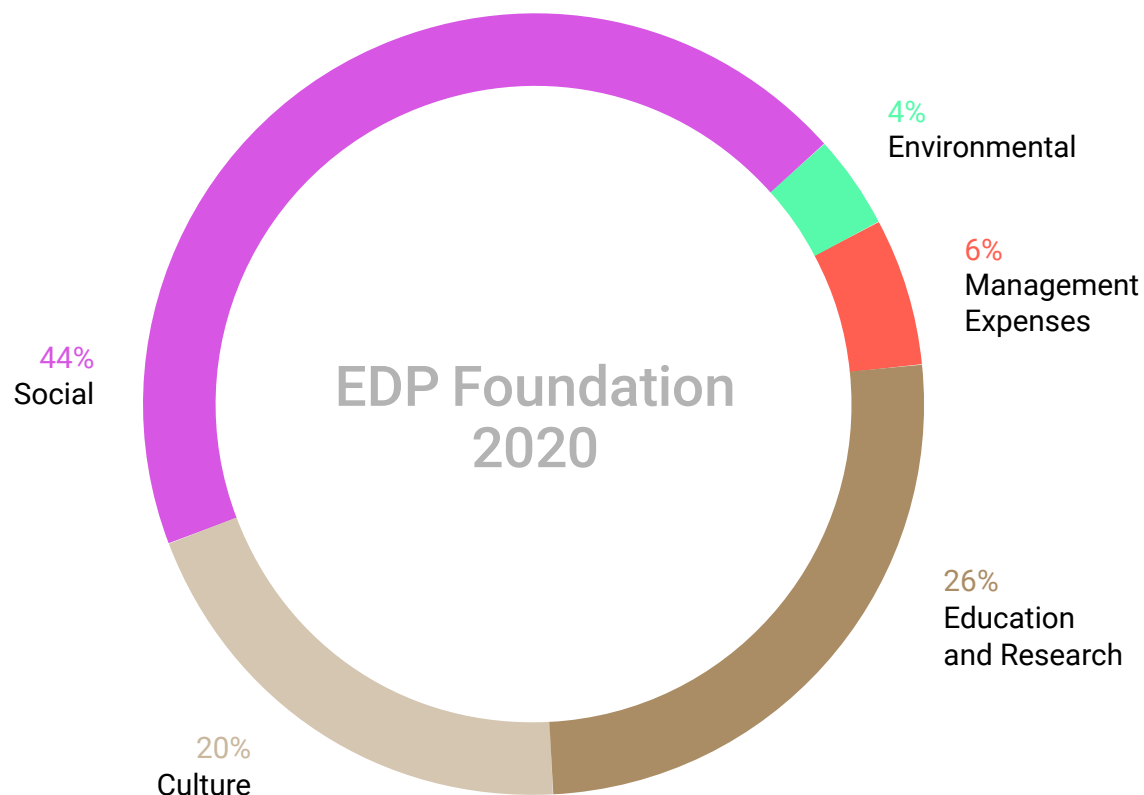
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# MISSION AND VISION

On the basis of its current duties, the Vision of the EDP Foundation is 'to be a foundation committed to local communities, which promotes change to achieve the sustainable development of the society'.

In order to fulfil its Vision, the EDP Foundation has defined a Strategy, a road map that will let it attain such goal, always acting in accordance with certain Values. The Values reflect the principles and beliefs of the EDP Foundation's organs and, as such, they remain unaltered despite any change in the Strategy.



**The amount of the initiatives promoted by the EDP Foundation in 2020 in the different geographical areas added up to 3.2 million euros. 19% of the total amount invested by the EDP Foundation was allocated to measures against COVID-19.**



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# VALUES AND COMMITMENTS

## VALUES

### EXCELLENCE

In execution.

### INITIATIVE

In pursuit of innovative solutions.

### TRUST

In the cooperation with other public and private agents and in building genuine relationships with our partners and communities.

### SUSTAINABILITY

With the aim of improving the quality of life of present and future generations.

### INNOVATION

To create value in the diverse areas in which the EDP Group operates.

## COMMITMENTS

### TO SOCIETY

Through the EDP Solidaria programme, the EDP Foundation has supported sustainable projects that allow to improve the quality of life of people; these projects are mainly focused on the promotion of energy efficiency, rural development and elderly people care. Extraordinarily, in October, it launched the EDP Solidaria COVID-19 initiative, in order to tackle the exceptional circumstances derived from COVID-19.

### TO EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

The Foundation training programme has allowed more than 150 university students to supplement their training in different EDP offices and to actively participate in their first job experience. Likewise, EDP's staff has telematically contributed to strengthen the organisational skills of the social entities and thus, to improve their impact and efficiency. The EDP Foundation has collaborated with biomedical research for the creation of new medicines, supporting the activities of the Asturias Foundation for Biomedical Research and Innovation (FINBA).

### TO CULTURE

The EDP Foundation has announced the 'Concurso de Ideas Arte Público' (Public art design competition) so art, design and architecture students perform an action to promote inclusion and social development in rural areas. In its first series, it has been carried out in collaboration with the Town Council of Ribera de Arriba, which will be in charge of the implementation of the winning projects.

### TO THE ENVIRONMENT

The EDP Foundation has maintained its collaboration with the environmental organisation FAPAS (Fund for the Protection of Wild Animals), planting trees in areas of public use in Asturias. Likewise, it has collaborated with several anglers' associations in the restocking of Asturian rivers with indigenous species.

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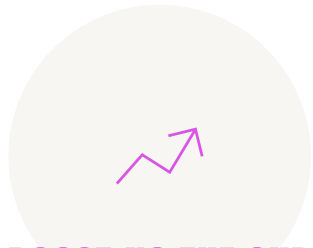
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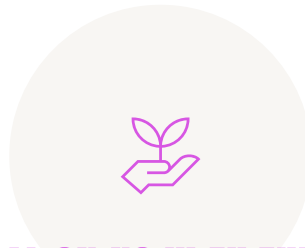
# STRATEGIC PLAN

Continued alignment with the strategy of the EDP Group.  
**Resilience and Consistency: Adaptation to the context without losing sight of the existing goal and commitments.**



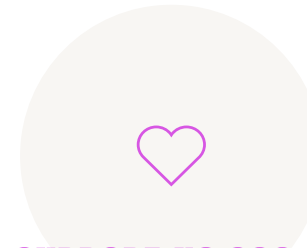
## BOOSTING THE CURRENT AID AND INITIATIVES

- **Guaranteeing the consistency between the Group's geographical priorities and those of EDP Solidaria**, so the latter contributes better to the positioning of the Group as regards **energy efficiency and solar energy promotion**.
- **Enhancing the recognition and position of the Foundation** and its work through increased spreading of the EDP Solidaria programme, considering that it is the initiative with the highest potential for repercussion and impact.



## ALIGNING WITH THE STRATEGY OF THE EDP GROUP

- Supporting **innovative and sustainable projects** that engage the **relevant stakeholders**, in order to establish a closer relationship with the **communities in which EDP is present** and thus, to create higher value for the society (solar energy and energy efficiency project in the **Museo Reina Sofía** and the 'Concurso de Ideas Arte Público').



## SUPPORTING SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

- Guaranteeing **adaptation to the context** and the response to the current needs and demands of the society through the existing tools: **Flexibilisation of EDP Solidaria to facilitate the adaptation of the ongoing projects to the situation caused by COVID-19**.
- Ensuring consistency by giving priority to the proposals that **respond to the COVID-19 crisis from any of the three strategic lines and from a sustainability, innovation and collaboration approach**.
- **Extending the scope of the EDP Academy**, consolidating a partnership model through the agreement with the AEF (Spanish Association of Foundations) and the commitment to skill-based volunteering.



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FROM MORE TO BETTER

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# SOCIAL

## EDP SOLIDARIA

The 'EDP SOLIDARIA' programme is an initiative promoted by the EDP Foundation whose main goal is to help improve the quality of life of the people in the areas in which EDP carries out its activity, by supporting sustainable projects aimed at addressing the top priority social needs, fostering the improvement in the quality of life and the inclusion of the people and groups that are most vulnerable and at risk of exclusion, and promoting employment and entrepreneurship.

### AREAS FOR ACTION

- Promotion of energy efficiency and equal access to energy;
- Fostering of rural development and fight against depopulation of rural areas;
- Care of elderly people's needs.

Since 2015, it has supported **121 projects in Spain**, to which it has allocated more than **3 million euros**, which have benefited **more than 200,000 persons**.

The exceptional situation of severe social, health care and economic crisis our country is going through as a consequence of COVID-19 has driven the EDP Foundation to launch in October the extraordinary EDP Solidaria COVID-19 initiative.



**Helping to improve the quality of life of the people in the areas in which EDP carries out its activity, by supporting sustainable projects aimed at addressing the top priority social needs.**



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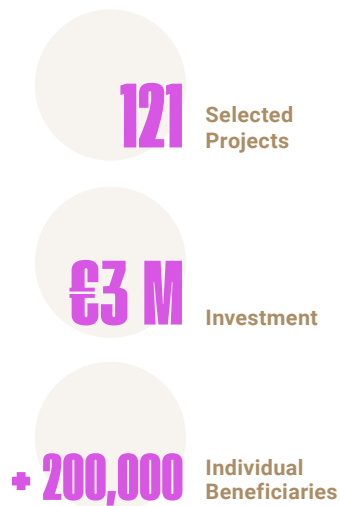
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## EDP Solidaria Projects 2015-2020



### ASTURIAS

ACCEM Asturias  
 AFESA Asturias  
 Aldeas Infantiles SOS  
 APACI - Asociación Padres y Amigos de Cardiopatías Congénitas  
 Asociación Amigos contra la Droga  
 AADEM - Asociación Asturiana de Esclerosis Múltiple  
 Asociación Cuantayá  
 Asociación Galbán  
 Asociación Parkinson Asturias  
 Asociación Teléfono de la Esperanza  
 ASPACE Asturias  
 Asturias Acoge  
 Es Retina Asturias  
 Fundación Acción contra el Hambre  
 Fundación Ayuda en Acción  
 Fundación CESPA - Proyecto Hombre de Asturias  
 Fundación de Solidaridad Amaranta  
 Fundación EDES para la Educación Especial  
 Fundación Hogar de San José  
 Fundación SILOE  
 Fundación Universidad de Oviedo  
 Identidad Para Ellos y Ellas  
 Una Ciudad para Todos

### MADRID

AFANIAS, A.Pro Personas Discapacidad Intelectual  
 Apostólicas CJ - Comunidad de Obras Sociales  
 Asociación Asperger Madrid  
 Asociación Cultural La Kalle  
 Asociación Espiral Loranca  
 Asociación Ginkgo Biloba  
 Asociación Madrileña de Inserción Social Aurrera  
 Asociación Nuevo Futuro Madrid  
 CONCAES - Confraternidad Carcelaria de España  
 Coordinadora Nacional de Artritis  
 Economistas sin Fronteras  
 Fundación Acción contra el Hambre  
 Fundación Ayuda en Acción  
 Fundación Balía por la Infancia  
 Fundación Desarrollo y Asistencia  
 Fundación Gil Gayarre  
 Fundación Menudos Corazones  
 Fundación Personas y Empresas  
 Fundación Síndrome de Down de Madrid  
 Fundación Soñar Despierto  
 Fundación Tomillo  
 OMC Radio  
 SERCADE  
 Asociación Socaire

### GALICIA

ACEESCA  
 Centro de Desarrollo Rural O VISO  
 Fundación Acción contra el Hambre

### EXTREMADURA

Fundación Ayuda en Acción  
 Fundación Tomillo Tiétar

### ANDALUSIA

Asociación AFIM21  
 Energía sin Fronteras  
 Fundación Ayuda en Acción  
 Fundación Balía por la infancia  
 Fundación Soñar Despierto  
 Religiosas de Jesús-María

### GASTILLA-LA MANCHA

Fundación Balía por la Infancia  
 Fundación Tomillo Tietar

### CANTABRIA

Fundación Síndrome de Down de Cantabria

### BASQUE COUNTRY

ASPANOVAS Bizkaia  
 Cáritas Bizkaia  
 Centro de Acogida Lagun Artean  
 Cruz Roja  
 Fundación Fondo Formación

### ARAGON

ACISJF - Asociación Católica Internacional de Servicios a la Juventud Femenina  
 SERCADE Aragón  
 CEDEMAR - Jóvenes dinamizadores rurales  
 ECODES - Fundación Ecología y Desarrollo  
 Fundación Ayuda en Acción  
 Medicusmundi NAM

### CATALONIA

Fundación Soñar Despierto

### BALEARIC ISLANDS

Fundación Ayuda en Acción

### VALENCIA

Economistas sin Fronteras  
 Fundación Soñar Despierto

### REGION OF MURCIA

Fundación Acción contra el Hambre

## PROJECTS SELECTED BY EDP SOLIDARIA 2020

### Promotion of energy efficiency and equal access to energy

#### Fundación Hogar San José



[www.fundacionhogardesanjose.org](http://www.fundacionhogardesanjose.org)

##### Project

**'Eficiencia energética y entorno adecuado para la reparación del daño, como Derecho de los Niños, Niñas y Adolescentes bajo tutela que residen en la Fundación Hogar de San José' (Energy efficiency and appropriate environment for damage repair, as a right of the boys, girls and teenagers in care who live in the Fundación Hogar de San José)**

This project promotes an improvement in the residential homes of the boys, girls and teenagers in care in the entity. Its purpose is ensuring comfort conditions similar to those that are desirable for any family. This project aims to erect a new building that meets the best energy efficiency standards, for which EDP Solidaria was requested part of the investment required to achieve such standards.

##### Geographical area

Asturias

#### Fundación EDES para la Educación Especial



[www.fundacionedes.org](http://www.fundacionedes.org)

##### Project

**'Transición y Eficiencia Energética, atención a personas con discapacidad y Educación Medioambiental en Centro Especial de Empleo Agroecológico' (Energy transition and efficiency, care of people with disabilities and environmental education in the Agri-food Employment Special Centre)**

This project will undertake an action to improve the energy efficiency of the installation of the Agri-food Employment Special Centre, replacing the heating system with a more efficient one and the electricity supply system with a renewable energy self-consumption system. The project will allow a cost reduction and will improve the viability of the entity, at the same time that it will transmit an image more consistent with the agri-food production of the project on social inclusion and employability of people with disabilities, serving as model for others and becoming one additional element of a potential environmental education programme.

##### Geographical area

Asturias

In collaboration with the EDP Volunteering Programme, employees support the management of the winning projects and act as contact person in the relations with our partners, supporting them in the monitoring of the project and being available for finding solutions to solve any potential issue.

## WHAT DO OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY?

### Alfredo Menéndez Morán

EDP SPAIN

'EDP Solidaria mobilises EDP's employees' time and talent as part of its commitment to the communities in which we are present, supporting the most disadvantaged people and groups, doing their bit to build a more just and equal society and, in sum, a more sustainable world. And this vision is now more necessary than ever, due to the current social and health care crisis we are living and which is making all the weaknesses of our society emerge – a society all of us used to regard as the social welfare society, but which concealed major inequalities and weaknesses.'

## ECODES - Fundación Ecología y Desarrollo



www.ecodes.org

### Project

**'RehabilitArte con Energía: rehabilitación energética y arte urbano en barrios vulnerables' (Energy renovation and urban art in vulnerable neighbourhoods)**

The project envisages the energy renovation of a building fitted out for vulnerable families. Its main measure will be the installation of thermal insulation on the external faces of the façades, in combination with micro-efficiency measures in the inside and energy advice for families. This will considerably improve their energy efficiency and the thermal comfort inside it, reducing their energy bills and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Such insulation will serve as basis for an urban art participatory action on the façades, which will increase the visibility of energy action and contribute to a positive transformation of the environment, an improvement in social inclusion in the neighbourhood and a promotion of the feeling of ownership and belonging by fostering citizen participation throughout the entire process. It will implement energy advice points and energy and art workshops for all the neighbours, extending the action in the building to the entire neighbourhood.

For the implementation of the urban art action and the revitalisation actions related thereto, the entity has established a partnership with Asociación Asalto ([www.asalto.org](http://www.asalto.org)). It is an entity that designs, manages and produces projects, both in the urban and in the rural sphere, which use urban art as a tool for social transformation.

### Geographical area

Aragon

## MEDICUSMUNDI Navarra - Aragón - Madrid



www.medicusmundi.es

### Project

**'Espacio de participación y transformación ciudadana basada en la eficiencia energética y en la economía circular' (Space for citizen participation and transformation based on energy efficiency and circular economy)**

This is the second year of execution of a three-year project approved in the EDP Solidaria 2019 programme. It envisages the creation of a space for citizen participation and social transformation in one of the most vulnerable neighbourhoods in Zaragoza, applying energy efficiency, renewable energy and circular economy criteria. The year of execution will allow to conclude the restoration of the space; to strengthen the awareness and social transformation activities, using the space as a training tool; to train trainers in global citizenship and responsible consumption in the non-formal education sphere; to offer a space for groups from the neighbourhood and the city; and to work for the development of income-generating activities, using the potential of the space and applying business methodologies to contribute to the maintenance of the organisation's essential activities in defence of the right to health.

### Geographical area

Aragon

## WHAT DO OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY?

### Jose Antonio Aisa Oliver

E-REDES

'In my opinion, EDP Solidaria is a great opportunity and a way to give back to society part of what it has given us. The Foundation, through this initiative, is doing a lot of good in society, and I am proud to be a part of it.

I think it is a great opportunity to grow as a person, to get to know other social realities which you often could not even imagine, and to get involved in the improvement of the society in which we are living; and you always receive more than what you give.

I am looking forward to the EDP Solidaria ceremony; it gives you the opportunity to get to know better all the projects supported by the Foundation every year and to share the excitement of entities, volunteers and partners.'

### Carmen Echevarría Cuadrado

EDP SPAIN

'It is a pleasure to be able to participate as a volunteer in the solidarity initiatives of the Foundation and to collaborate in its projects, which enrich society, the entities themselves and every volunteer.'

## Socaire por una nueva cultura energética



[www.socaire.es](http://www.socaire.es)

### Project

**'Hogares que merecen ser habitados' (Homes that deserve to be inhabited)**

It aims to escalate the work performed in the project funded by EDP Solidaria in 2019, extending it to the entire Puente de Vallecas and taking it further. On this occasion, in addition to intervening in vulnerable homes to improve energy efficiency and their knowledge of energy matters, it proposes to create a district network of organisations to fight energy vulnerability, including the training of female workers in energy matters, the establishment of an energy desk in 4 entities to offer personalised advice and the intervention in 20 vulnerable homes, implementing electricity security and micro-efficiency measures, following the performance of an energy audit.

### Geographical area

Madrid

## Energía sin Fronteras



[www.energiasinfronteras.org](http://www.energiasinfronteras.org)

### Project

**'Mejora de la inclusión social por implantación de un sistema solar Fotovoltaico en el Centro Amigo de Cáritas en Triana' (Sevilla) (Improvement in social inclusion as a result of the implementation of a photovoltaic solar system in Centro Amigo de Cáritas in Triana)**

It aims to install a set of solar panels on the roof of the Cáritas refuge for people at risk of exclusion in Triana, on a self-consumption basis, seeking a saving in the energy bill that will allow the release of resources to increase the number of beneficiaries and extend the support they are provided. The current annual consumption according to the electricity bills is 55,000 kWh. After having studied the usable surface on the roof, it is planned to install 20 solar panels of 400 Wat/u, which would involve a power of 8 kWp. The annual production expected with the panels will be 12,700 kWh, which would entail saving approximately €2,000 per year during the useful life of the panels, that is between 25 and 30 years.

### Geographical area

Andalusia

## WHAT DO OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY?

### Mercedes González Villa

EDP CLIENTS

'For me, the best part was getting to know associations and the utterly important work they do with and for the people. It is astonishing the exclusive dedication they devote to them all the time.

The hardest part of my work was listening to the extremely sensitive issues conveyed to us by the directors of the Association, aimed at foster children. It is shocking to see first-hand the problems they are confronted with.

Without a doubt, participating in EDP Solidaria is a unique experience that brings you so much on a personal level and makes you take up again values and reflect on topics about which we never stop to think, but which exist, making many people, including children, suffer; by doing our bit we will achieve a better world for them.'

## Fostering of rural development and fight against depopulation of rural areas

### CEDEMAR - Jóvenes dinamizadores rurales in consortium with ADRI Jiloca Gallocanta



www.cedemar.es  
www.adri.es

#### Project

**'La Era Rural ([www.laerarural.es](http://www.laerarural.es)) – Apoyo al emprendimiento, iniciativa y liderazgo juvenil en el territorio rural' (The rural era – Supporting youth entrepreneurship, initiative and leadership in the rural territory)**

This is the second year of execution of a three-year project approved in the EDP Solidaria 2019 programme. The goal of the project is to stimulate youth leadership both on a social and economic level, offering them a support network and tools to be able to revitalise and contribute to the development of their territories, while simultaneously creating the necessary conditions for them to remain therein. For this purpose, it works on the creation of a network of young people that promotes youth participation activities, offering them support and peer learning tools, and furthermore, it commits to the promotion and support of youth entrepreneurship, broadly speaking, both on a social and economic or mixed level, through different onsite and online actions that seek, above all, to create a public-private support network and to establish synergies among players.

#### Geographical area

Aragon

### Fundación Tomillo Tietar in consortium with Fundación Maimona



www.tomillotietar.org  
www.maimona.org

#### Project

**'ROOT-ED: Propuesta de transformación educativa en el territorio' (ROOT-ED: Proposal for educational transformation in the territory)**

This project seeks to increase the life opportunities of young people aged between 14 and 18 in the south region of Almazor, connecting their development and aspirations to the opportunities in their area. For this purpose, it will work on reducing the digital gap in the rural population, connecting young people from different autonomous regions with experiential educational content focused on their territory, in a blended learning exploratory journey. It will also improve the social and emotional abilities of young people aged between 14 and 18 with school dropout and lack of motivation problems, sparking their creative spirit, self-leadership and vocation as agents of change. Lastly, it will try to build a sustainable eco-system in the region, overcoming the usual barriers among autonomous regions, engaging key players of the territory: secondary schools, companies, professionals, social entities and volunteers.

#### Geographical area

Extremadura and Castilla la Mancha

## WHAT DO OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY?

### Javier Lopez Lahera

EDP RENEWABLES

'It is gratifying to check how, from a company such as ours, we can have a positive impact on the life of the most disadvantaged people, confirming the solidarity side of our Company. The beneficiaries obtain a higher energy efficiency, which is translated into economic savings, which, for families at risk of exclusion, is significant regardless of its amount.'

I would encourage my co-workers to participate; I would tell them that it is a little effort, especially because of bureaucracy, but it is completely worth it.'

### Lorena Linares del Rey

EDP RENEWABLES

'I have been an EDP Solidaria manager for several years. In my case, since I had only participated in short-span volunteering actions (one day), it has given me a deeper insight into the complexity of volunteering projects; they require major planning, coordination of activities and a huge ability to adapt to change. As for the beneficiaries, I think they appreciate the realisation of the empowerment derived from knowledge; in my specific case, realising the savings you can obtain by understanding the electricity bill.'

I love that EDP offers me to participate in volunteering initiatives, because I personally do not have many other options that let me volunteer in such an easy and supportive way.'

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## Fundación Acción contra el Hambre



www.accioncontraelhambre.org

## Project

**'ASTURIAS SOSTENIBLE – Proyecto para la puesta en marcha de empleos y emprendimiento en el marco de la economía circular' (SUSTAINABLE ASTURIAS – Project for the launching of employment and entrepreneurship in the circular economy framework)**

This is the second year of execution of a multi-annual project approved by EDP Solidaria in 2019. The project plans to seize the peak of circular economy to try to create employment and entrepreneurship opportunities in Asturias, mainly in rural areas. For this purpose, firstly, a study of opportunities was conducted to identify market niches and, subsequently, based on the obtained conclusions, it will work on employment and entrepreneurship schools, with technical training and specific advice.

## Geographical area

Asturias

## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

## Elena Rúa

Social and Education Intervention Manager

EDP Solidaria 2019 | Entity: Ayuda en Acción Asturias | Project: 'RiberA I@b: Laboratorio de oportunidades para la ruptura de la brecha digital y el fomento de la cohesión social' (RiberA I@b: Laboratory of opportunities for bridging the digital gap and promoting social cohesion)

'For Ayuda en Acción, EDP Solidaria's support has meant a significant boost to our project L@bs4Opps, through which we work on the reduction of the digital and gender gaps in the most vulnerable children and adolescents. Thank to this partnership, we have been able to take it to the rural environment (specifically, to the locality of Ribera de Arriba), where these gaps are more pronounced. In the framework of this project, we offer students an alternative learning space, in which we use technology for the social transformation of the environment and in which students create social projects that respond to the closest needs, encouraging them to advocate for critical and committed citizens.

L@bs4Opps has had a very positive impact on all the students that have participated in the project. They have improved their attitude, self-esteem and motivation to learn, and we have fostered their feeling of inclusion and belonging to the education community and its environment.'

## Juan Carlos Menéndez Gómez

Quality and Assessment Manager

EDP Solidaria 2019 | Entity: Fundación CESPA - Proyecto Hombre de Asturias | Project: 'Programa de Intervención con Menores y Jóvenes Reciellea' (Reciellea intervention programme in underage and young people)

'The EDP Foundation's support served to start the project, which has been already developed in Oviedo for years, in the locality of Gijón. The opening of a centre in Gijón responds to the beneficiaries' demand for a closer physical proximity and compatible schedules, both for the teenagers and their families, which in many cases have to juggle their attendance and their work activity. Likewise, this demand was reflected in the external assessment carried out by the University of Oviedo, which pointed out that opening centres in more localities would improve the coverage of the resource. Thus, for the recipients, EDP Foundation's support meant the possibility to access the programme, which entails being able to benefit from its results: reduction of the current and future development of addiction problems in underage and young people, improvement in the family dynamics and reduction of family conflicts, and acquisition of communication and coping resources for the family.'

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## Care of elderly people's needs

### Centro de Desarrollo Rural O VISO



[www.cdoviso.org/index.php](http://www.cdoviso.org/index.php)

#### Project

#### 'O VISO CONECTA CONTIGO' (O Viso connects with you)

This project offers elderly people in rural areas proximity services that help them to develop their life plan, through actions that foster personal autonomy, ensure covering of basic needs, and act to stop deterioration, maintain their skills and/or recover their functions. It makes psycho-social interventions and the creation of a support network possible, thus fostering that they can stay in their own homes in optimal and healthy conditions, preventing uprooting and institutionalisation and stopping the disappearance and centralisation of social and health care services.

#### Geographical area

Galicia

### Fundación GIL Gayarre



[www.gilgayarre.org](http://www.gilgayarre.org)

#### Project

#### 'Mayores Conectad@s' (Elderly people connected)

This project seeks to reduce the digital gap that affects the elderly people with intellectual disability who participate in the organisation. Through the acquisition of adapted equipment and training, the project will work on the following goals for these persons: access to information under equal conditions; autonomy and personal development; cognitive stimulation; communication; inclusion in the community; choice of leisure; undesired isolation and loneliness; active aging.

#### Geographical area

Madrid

## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

### Matxalen Somoza

#### Project Expert

Entity: Cáritas Bilbao | Project: 'Lurra IN love'

'The collaboration of the EDP Foundation has been key in the whole process, from the implementation of the social vegetable gardens for self-consumption in Gordexola to their transformation into a company for employability purposes. Gizartelur, whose trade name is biozaki, produces, distributes and markets fresh and tinned ecological products. During 2020, the 'Lurra in Love' project has allowed to contract 7 people and 2 more took work placements; has provided the space to develop the pre-employment workshop 'Soloan', which every year follows the progress of 10 people; has hosted volunteering solidarity initiatives; has raised awareness about local and healthy consumption; has activated underused land; has participated in community structures; and has supported small producers and local retail trade. Its ultimate goal is the social inclusion and employability of people in a situation of vulnerability as a mean to develop their personal, professional and community projects.'

## OMC Radio



[www.omcradio.org](http://www.omcradio.org)

### Project

#### 'Mayores En Red' (Networking elderly people)

This project wants to create a mobile radio and an online virtual one, with contents including different topics that foster social change, such as active aging, loneliness prevention, equality or social fight, in which autonomous and dependent elder people can participate, through the people accompanying them and/or carers, even from their own homes. The main goal of this space is to turn these persons into active agents of communication, making them create their own radio contents and/or productions, featuring them as the real main figures and integrating them into the association tissue, improving their knowledge and bond with other territorial resources.

### Geographical area

Madrid

## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

### Julián Martín de Soto Domínguez

#### Vocational Training Director

EDP Solidaria 2019 I Entity: Fundación Tomillo I Project: 'SMART CITIES: propuesta para la inclusión social y la empleabilidad de los jóvenes en la Comunidad de Madrid' (SMART CITIES: proposal for the social inclusion and employability of young people in the Region of Madrid)

'With the SMART CITIES project, we aimed to take one step further and integrate technology into these social impact projects, both in young people and in the community. This involved intensively working on the SDGs and on the innovative concept of Smart Cities, which builds interconnected efficient communities that guarantee the well-being and inclusion of all the people thereof; all this including a very powerful digital basis which was new for young people and involved a challenge for educators.

Thanks to EDP Solidaria's support, we have achieved to implement such digital basis in the social impact projects that our Foundation develops. We have realised that individual support, personalisation, training and community projects, on one side, and technology, on the other side, are not incompatible, but quite the opposite, supplementary and necessary for each other.

It is also relevant to highlight the impact as regards youth education adherence during the pandemic. None of the young people that was actively participating in the project in January dropped it out in the lockdown months. This speaks positively about the development of their own autonomy and, specifically, about skills such as self-regulation, growth mentality, empathy, etc. It should be noted that most of them were absentee students in the ordinary education system nine months earlier.'



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## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

### María Jesús Ramos Álvarez

Programme and Project Expert

### Vanesa Díaz González

Project Coordinator

Entity: AFESA Asturias I Project: 'Apoyándonos para la vida independiente'  
(Supporting ourselves for independent living)

'EDP Solidaria's support has meant the materialisation of the launch of this project and has ensured its implementation. This fact has been fundamental in order that all the agents involved, the entity itself and the public administration checked the validity of the planned intervention methodology, the needs covered by the project and its future potential.

For the beneficiaries, the project has involved the acquisition of habits and skills that will allow them to lead an autonomous and independent life, without needing to resort to institutionalisation. It has brought an improvement in their quality of life and in the future projection of their own life project. For the workers with their own experience in mental health who have intervened as technical staff, it has been their first work experience and an opportunity to also start their own life project.

The implementation of the project has entailed the development of a new resource, with an innovative therapeutic intervention, which has been well received by the public services, which support it, and which we hope can become the spearhead of other similar experiences.'

### Carlos Pablo Alcaine

Manager of the Aragón office

Entity: Medicus Mundi Navarra Aragón Madrid I Project: 'Espacio de participación y transformación ciudadana basada en la eficiencia energética y en la economía circular' (Space for citizen participation and transformation based on energy efficiency and circular economy)

'EDP Solidaria's support has allowed us to achieve a little dream: having a space open to citizens, but a sustainable, ecological and energy efficient one that serves to prove that, in the cities, it is possible to renovate spaces for citizen use in a more sustainable way.

Despite the pandemic and the delays it has caused to the project, now, young people, volunteers and the residents of a very vulnerable neighbourhood in Zaragoza, in which most of the buildings are very old and poorly efficient in energy terms, have a space in which they can participate that is unique in the city; most of the material used is recycled and ecological, and it operates on clean energies.

Furthermore, we have reduced our environmental impact and, since we have worked with a company for employability purposes, we have managed that vulnerable people acquire important knowledge about sustainable renovation of urban spaces, which is going to help them in their professional future.'

### Andrés Mayor Lorenzo

President

Entity: Asociación Es Retina Asturias I Project: 'Plataforma formativa ConTICgo: servicio de asesoramiento y formación digital' (ConTICgo training platform: digital advice and training service)

'Thanks to the EDP Foundation's support, we have been able to focus our work on the improvement in the autonomy of people with reduced vision and visual impairment through technology. This support has been fundamental in the pandemic and lockdown situation, also in order to stand by people with visual impairment in these times of uncertainty and major difficulty of development. Thus, it has been achieved that 100% of the onsite care beneficiaries state that their quality of life has improved in some respect.

Furthermore, the development of this project has allowed us to have a training platform and other investments for the future, of which we will be making the most. This is in addition to the training we have received and which we consider a further investment resource.

This is why we would like to thank the EDP Foundation for the priceless work it performs.'



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## Economistas sin Fronteras



www.ecosfron.org

### Project

**'Proyecto Econos: Finanzas para mayores'**  
(Econos project: Finances for elderly people)

This project consists in improving the quality of life of our elders as regards their relationship with the financial field. For this purpose, different activities and tools are planned to allow them to obtain enough basic knowledge to be able to independently cope with the daily management of their finances, to acquire confidence in themselves for making decisions, and to be able to use tools to carry out online banking transactions. To this end, it combines face-to-face training sessions with audio-visual materials to reinforce contents, with an innovative element with respect to other training programmes in the market: the availability of an interface simulating banking transactions through which they can learn, not only in the workshops, but also in a private way after the conclusion thereof, how to carry out basic banking transactions using digital devices.

### Geographical area

Madrid and Valencia

## AFESA Asturias



www.afesasturias.org

### Project

**'Cuidando la Salud Mental en el entorno rural de Asturias'** (Taking care of mental health in the rural environment in Asturias)

This project aims to develop a comprehensive home-based care service for elderly people with mental health problems and for their family carers in the Asturian rural area. It has been proven that the care provided to their environment favours the patients' stability and improves the family atmosphere. Therefore, in coordination with the Mental Health public services, it aims to develop an intervention programme for these people, covering one of the main deficiencies in these isolated areas.

### Geographical area

Asturias

## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

### Pablo Castilla Weeber

Education and Career Advice Expert

EDP Solidaria 2019 I Entity: Fundación Fondo Formación  
Project: 'Goazen Lanera: Apoyo a la inserción sociolaboral de personas mayores de 45 años' (Goazen Lanera: Support for the social inclusion and employability of people over 45)

'The EDP Foundation's support has brought us experience-based knowledge of more innovative and effective ways of acting to increase the employability of a very vulnerable group such as people over 45.

We should highlight their participation in the networking self-support groups, since, as well as improving their job seeking skills, they have been able to improve their self-esteem and self-knowledge and to create contact networks with people of their age, thus breaking, in many cases, the isolation in which people over 45 are. It is to be noted the case of a beneficiary that, thanks to the self-support group, expanded her social relations and was even able to find a home through a contact network she established.'



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## WHAT DO EDP SOLIDARIA'S PARTNER ENTITIES SAY?

### Inmaculada Florido García

#### Coordinator of Partnerships with Companies and Foundations

Entity: Acción Contra el Hambre | Project: 'ASTURIAS SOSTENIBLE – Proyecto para la puesta en marcha de empleos y emprendimiento en el marco de la economía circular' (SUSTAINABLE ASTURIAS – Project for the launching of jobs and entrepreneurship within the framework of circular economy)

'During 2020, we have also started supporting people and small companies in the rural areas of Asturias in their entrepreneurial process in order to provide them with tools. Both unemployed people and entrepreneurs and small companies have been supported throughout the year to start businesses, and they have received training in specific and cross-cutting matters related to circular economy. Thanks to the technical support, 18 people have received training and advice to carry out their business idea.

Out of the entire action, we would like to highlight the entrepreneur Cristina Secades Cicero, with her Kiwin Bio project. It is a sustainable agri-food project in an ecological farm for the production of baby kiwi and Asturian dessert apple. The abilities acquired and the self-confidence created enabled Cristina to sign up for the EWA initiative (Empowering Women in Agrifood), in which she was selected, along with 9 other projects, as the best ones in the entire Spanish territory.

Generating opportunities in the rural environment, especially affected by the depopulation phenomenon, can settle population in the territory and foster the return of people to the rural areas, giving these territories a new opportunity.'

### Pablo Puente

#### Director

Entity: Fundación Siloé | Project: 'Aula de Música de la Fundación Siloé' (Music classroom of the Fundación Siloé)

'The support of the EDP Foundation has meant, first of all, an incentive and the recognition of a project relatively new in the entity, which pushes us to maintain our determination to foster and promote it further. Since its beginning, we have been committed to the

therapeutical benefits brought by artistic expression and, particularly for this project – music – to the minors and adults we support in the social organisation. This is why, in the second place, it has also involved the possibility to continue the performed work based on the planned project, both as regards the payment of the salaries of the professionals developing it as well as minor expenses – material and technical – required for its execution.

As for the impact in 2020, it must be taken into special consideration the start of the state of alert dated on 13 March and the pandemic situation on a global level, which, as one would expect, deeply affected the development of this activity and the remaining activities performed by the organisation. This pandemic situation involved the forced restriction of the actions that were not classified as essential activities.

Despite this scenario, and also because of it, the performed activities entailed a strengthened creative and emotional support to the minors and adults that were affected by the lockdown situation and the social restrictions, creating a space for catharsis and psychological well-being.'

**'The support of the EDP Foundation has meant, first of all, an incentive and the recognition of a project relatively new in the entity, which pushes us to maintain our determination to foster and promote it further.'**



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## ENERGÍA SOLIDARIA

It is a programme that seeks to promote energy efficiency and sustainability through different initiatives, engaging the different business areas of EDP and its volunteer employees.

The main goal of Energía Solidaria is to increase the safety, well-being and energy efficiency of the most vulnerable families identified by Cáritas and Cruz Roja, by analysing the energy situation of their households and performing activities aimed at reducing their energy bill and changing their consumption habits. The activities include, among others, the implementation of energy measures in dwellings, as well as training in efficient energy consumption habits, which will allow families to make a sustainable use of energy in accordance with their financial resources.

Energía Solidaria has the same goals as regards the installations of non-profit organisations, carrying out activities parallel to those performed with families, with the aim of improving the energy and economic sustainability of such installations.

As a consequence of the situation generated by COVID-19, during year 2020, EDP's volunteers have not been able to

conduct their usual visits to the households of the vulnerable families, although the actions for improvement detected in previous visits have been carried out in the dwellings and centres specified by Cruz Roja and Caritas, thus benefiting 18 families, 6 centres and more than 1,800 people.

Also in 2020, the EDP Foundation joined the pilot experience of the first renewable and solidarity 'Barrio Solar' (Solar Neighbourhood) in Spain, which will be installed in Zaragoza. In addition to the technical audits, the processing of energy certificates, the technical inspections or the replacement of basic equipment (such as LED, radiators, boilers, etc.), the 'Barrio Solar' Office will be created in order to carry out different environmental and energy awareness, education and advice initiatives, which will be open to all the neighbours.

**Since 2015, the EDP Foundation has supported 331 families and 69 centres, to which it has allocated a total of 780,500 euros, thus benefiting more than 70,000 people and engaging more than 139 volunteers from EDP.**

331

Beneficiary families

69

Beneficiary centres

€780,500

Total investment

70,000

Individual beneficiaries

139

EDP volunteers

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## EDP FOUNDATION ACADEMY

It is aimed at contributing to strengthen the organisational capabilities of partner companies in order to reinforce their social impact and at contributing to fulfil the global goal of the EDP Solidaria programme. This initiative is a clear example of how the EDP Foundation tries to offer all the social entities, regardless of their size, the opportunities and tools required to improve their operation, impact and efficiency.

In 2020, due to COVID-19, the academy opened to entities registered at the Asociación Española de Fundaciones (Spanish Association of Foundations) and all the sessions became telematic. 70 entities attended a total of 11 fully free training sessions, such as Social Innovation, Preparation of Projects with an Impact, Impact Measurement, Sustainable Finances or Financial Management focused on NGOs.

**Since 2019, the Academy has reached 102 entities and engaged around 900 attendees from Asturias, Galicia, Aragon, the Basque Country, Madrid, Cantabria and Andalusia, with 27 sessions.**

102

Entities

900

Attendees

27

Sessions

## WHAT DO THE ACADEMY'S VOLUNTEERS SAY?

### Beatriz Fernández Irigoyen

EDP Sucursal in Spain SA

'I was a volunteer trainer in the Academy of the EDP Foundation, an excellent opportunity to volunteer with the backing of a leading company such as EDP.'

For me, the best was being able to participate along with my co-workers in a solidarity initiative, in which we tried to share with the NGOs a little bit of our daily work, in the hope that our experience and expertise were useful for them to improve their management.'

### Esther González Sancho

EDP SPAIN

'As a volunteer, what matters the most to me is being able to contribute and share really useful and practical expertise with the entities.'

Being on the spot always helps us to encourage participation, but all of us are already getting familiarised with this new online format, which could be carried out this year thanks to, undoubtedly, the Foundation's quick decision to adapt it to the streaming format, the volunteers that adapted the contents and the Digital Processes' efforts, which have worked so hard this year.

I think that the best of the EDP Academy is that all of us learn.'

### Ana Pedrosa

EDP SPAIN

'This year has been a new challenge, due to the channel used, but it was certainly worth it.'

It is a privilege to work in a Company that promotes Volunteering not only in terms of initiatives, but also providing the conditions to do it. Regardless of the intensity of the work, we must try to do our bit to improve the conditions of those who need it the most. Even though it is sometimes difficult to combine it with work, it is an experience that I would always recommend.'

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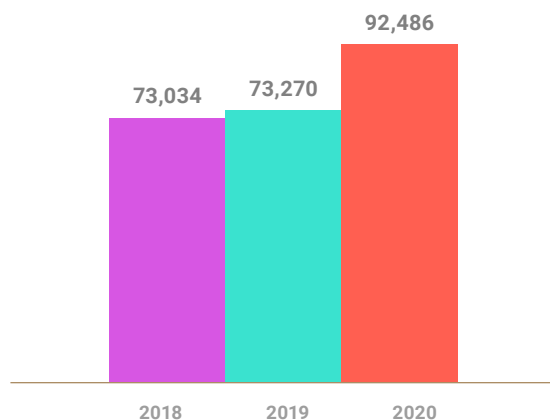
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## 'PUNTOS RESPONSABLES'

It is a fully free programme that rewards EDP customers with a number of points obtained in different ways: for each kWh of gas or electricity consumed, for associating new contracts, for each year of membership in the programme, for participating in EDP initiatives, etc. The accumulated points can be exchanged for gifts or donated for the implementation of solidarity projects through different NGOs. These are the so-called 'Puntos Responsables' (Responsible Points).

During 2020, EDP customers contributed 46,243,000 Responsible Points. The EDP Foundation contributed an equal amount of additional points, as a result of which the equivalent economic amount totalled €92,486. The entities that benefited from this programme were: **Comedores Sociales, Cruz Roja, Cocina Económica, Plantación árboles, Fundación Síndrome Down, DYA, Fundación Oso, Teléfono de la Esperanza and Energía Sin Fronteras.**

Amount (€)



## 'ORDENADORES SOLIDARIOS'

Through this initiative, every worker can opt to purchase their own computer equipment (personal computer and peripherals) when it is time to withdraw them and they are not going to be used any more. The worker will acquire the computer equipment by paying a certain amount according to the type of computer, which the EDP Foundation will donate to the non-profit organisation chosen by the employee. In 2020, €7,590 have been raised and 161 computers have been donated to different entities.

Since its launch in July 2014, €104,387 have been raised and 1,528 pieces of computer equipment have been donated.

## OTHER COLLABORATIONS

### The Walk On Project (WOP)

This year again, the EDP Foundation collaborated with the WOP, which develops different fund-raising initiatives to fund research projects pursuing therapies for neurodegenerative diseases.

### 'ESTROPATADA'

It is a sustainable WOPatos race, which this year was adapted to the online format. The EDP Foundation funded part of a WOPatón with which we wanted to pay homage to the health care workers for their dedication during this pandemic.

### 'EL MAYOR ÁRBOL DE NAVIDAD WOP' (THE BIGGEST WOP CHRISTMAS TREE)

The EDP Foundation participated in this exciting challenge lighting up a big tree with optimistic messages and being part of a vast social action. Each pineapple that lighted up this tree contributed minutes of science and health to therapies.

### Busti Zaitetz 23<sup>rd</sup> Series

This awareness event, which invites society to 'get their feet wet' in swimming pools or beaches as a symbol of support to people suffering from multiple sclerosis, was turned into an online event in which funds were raised to maintain the rehabilitation centres of the Associations in Euskadi.

### AECC fun races / Sports Association Monte Aro

As a consequence of the pandemic, most of the charity sports events were suspended. However, we collaborated with two virtual events organised by the Spanish Association Against Cancer (AECC) and the Sports Association Monte Aro, which achieved to raise €3,300 to support children with cancer.



[www.aecc.es/es](http://www.aecc.es/es)

[www.montearobtt.com](http://www.montearobtt.com)



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# EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

## MARTÍN GONZÁLEZ DEL VALLE 2019-2020 WORK PLACEMENTS

The work placement programme of the EDP Foundation allows many young people to supplement their university education through remunerated work placements at different EDP offices, in order that they can acquire skills that will help them to make their way through an increasingly complex and competitive labour market which is getting increasingly hard for the youth to enter. Plus, they not only acquire technical skills and experience in a work environment, but they also receive training in key topics related to sustainable development and corporate responsible behaviour, gathered in the

different policies of the company, such as the quality or environmental policies.

This year, a total of 152 trainees from 10 Spanish universities have joined our programme, open to students from more than 30 specialities from different colleges and faculties, including postgraduate studies. Due to the pandemic, the experience was carried out by telematic means. Likewise, a laptop was provided to every trainee so they were able to take the placement online and have access to the company applications.

**Since its implementation, more than 100 people who participated in the programme have joined the staff of the EDP Group in Spain.**

## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Erik Fandiño Hernández

Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and Administration | EDP department: Business Intelligence and Big Data

'On my first day, right after arriving at EDP, I had a host of feelings. On the one hand, I was happy for the opportunity they were giving me to work with them, but, on the other hand, I was a little scared, since it was my first work placement and I did not know whether I would be up to it or meet the expectations of my position.

This fear quickly disappeared; my co-workers were always willing to help me with any problem or doubt that may come up and they still do that at present, so the improvement is continuous.

Over this time, I have learnt to perform a great variety of tasks in this department, among which I could highlight learning how to handle the SAS Guide, Information Map Studio or Olap Cube Studio tools, in addition to others for different purposes.

Through the performance of this work placement, I hope to acquire further knowledge about these tools, others tools and their purposes, and teamwork but, most of all, to better cope in the student and labour spheres thanks to everything we have been learning and still are.'



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## 'VIVA NUESTRA ENERGÍA'

The education programme 'Viva Nuestra Energía' (Long live our energy) has been bringing boys and girls closer to key concepts related to energy and sustainability for more than 11 years.

Even though 'Viva Nuestra Energía' started out as a group of face-to-face workshops in order to help children to better understand the world and the environment and to become aware and responsible consumers, the challenge for year 2020 has been adapting the programme to the situation caused by COVID-19, promoting the renewable energy message beyond a specific physical environment.

To this end, 'Viva Nuestra Energía' has been transformed into a didactic multilingual digital platform (Web + APP), which allows schoolchildren aged between 6 and 16 (Primary and Secondary stages) to use it on a local or remote basis on a national level, thus extending the initial geographical range to which the programme was limited.

'Viva Nuestra Energía' has put at the disposal of students and teachers 'La Gran Aventura' (The Great Adventure): the discovery of energies through avatars that allow the interaction of all the participants, including online games, weekly tests and challenges that have a major motivating effect on students.

During the first half of 2020, it reached 4,086 boys and girls from 41 schools, thanks to agreements with the different Regional Departments of Education, which have made it possible to integrate the contents of the programme into the primary education curriculum.

Since October 2020, the digital platform has been used approximately by 9,000 students from different areas of the country, and it has even been tentatively used in other countries. Up to December 2020, 15 chapters have been added to 'La Gran Aventura', in addition to 50 resources for different subjects, fun video experiments and a classroom management application for teachers.

The main goals of the application will be promoting teamwork among students and online/offline work in these times of uncertainty, so that, not only it moves forward towards a more sustainable and avant-garde future, but it will also help teachers in the digitisation of the classroom.



[www.vivanuestraenergia.es](http://www.vivanuestraenergia.es)

**Since 2010, it has reached  
a total of 1,788 centres and more  
than 279,000 students.**

## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Ana García Giadás

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering and ICT  
EDP department: Automation

'Though it may seem difficult to start at a new company, especially given the health care crisis we are going through, I had never thought I would feel so at ease from the first day. Both my tutor and my co-workers have always been willing to help me with any doubt I might have and to explain to me everything relating the work I had to perform. They placed their trust in me at all times, letting me contribute my ideas and give my opinion, which made me feel that I was part of the team and helped me carry out my tasks in an increasingly autonomous way.

I feel very lucky and grateful for having been able to enjoy this opportunity, which has allowed me to put into practice the knowledge acquired in my degree, and, at the same time, it has helped me to develop new skills both in professional and personal terms.'



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## VISITS TO EDP PREMISES

It is a programme to visit EDP's thermal and hydraulic power plants, where it is possible to get to know first-hand how electricity is generated and the best practices in the management of these installations.

As a consequence of the pandemic, visits had to be cancelled for most of the year, but yet 704 people (students and groups) have visited us and discovered the secrets of our hydraulic and thermal power plants.



[www.espana.edp.com/es/programa-de-visitas#aviso](http://www.espana.edp.com/es/programa-de-visitas#aviso)

**An average of  
200 visits and 3,500  
people per year.**

## 'STARTInnova'

It is an initiative by the newspaper *El Comercio* aimed at promoting entrepreneurial culture among young upper secondary and/or vocational training students through an e-learning platform via which the students develop business projects that are presented to a panel of experts from the University of Oviedo.

Aware of the entrepreneurship and innovation potential, this 8<sup>th</sup> series has allowed the participation of more than 200 students from 17 centres in Asturias.



[www.vivanuestraenergia.es](http://www.vivanuestraenergia.es)

## GREEN EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The goal of this initiative is to help reduce inequalities in the education sphere resulted from socio-economic reasons. It is a scholarship programme targeted at schoolchildren and university students who get good marks and have scarce financial resources.

This year, 53 scholarships were granted in the localities of Medina Sidonia (Cádiz), Chinchilla-Montearagón (Albacete), PozoCañada (Albacete) and Cañete la Real (Málaga).

## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Diego Ramírez Amandi

Bachelor's Degree in Software Computer Engineering  
EDP department: Substations

'The work placement of the EDP Foundation has been a great opportunity. I started a few months ago and, from the first moment, I have felt welcomed by my co-workers. You usually picture your first day of a work placement as a chaotic moment, but in my case, it was not like that; since the first moment, I fitted in perfectly and was able to start working.

As one would expect from someone who has studied my degree, when I started, I did not know anything about the electricity industry. However, this has not been a problem. Thanks to the knowledge transmitted by my tutor and my co-workers, I have been able to fit in without any problem and learn from them. The work atmosphere is ideal. This work placement is an important milestone in my training, and I am sure that it will be very useful for my academic and professional future.'



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## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Olga Medina Castillo

4<sup>th</sup> year Business Management and Administration  
EDP department: B2B Sales

'To tell the truth, at first, it scared me a little bit, but I was very well received by my co-workers and my tutor, who have always helped me with everything I needed. The tasks that I perform are downloading and preparing the relevant documentation, preparing price comparisons, opening contacts on the portal, making calls to filter new and future customers of the company... in short, helping my co-workers as much as possible.

My experience at EDP Foundation is helping me to put into practice the theoretical knowledge acquired during my degree, as well as acquiring work experience and professional development for my future.

Despite the current situation we are living, I have been able to take the placement onsite, which has allowed me to get to know the work environment and the excellent employees of the company.

From the first moment, my tutor has explained to me in detail all the tasks to be performed, such as, for example, issuing and cancelling guarantees, factoring, sending payment orders, obtaining reports on outstanding and collected items... and I still have so much to learn.

I think there could be no better company to start my professional career, since it has allowed me not only to put into practice all the theoretical knowledge that I have been learning throughout my degree, but also to acquire a deeper understanding of the treasury department and the energy industry, as well as developing my communication and social skills.'

### Diego Martínez García

Bachelor's Degree in Labour Relations and Human Resources  
EDP department: Labour Relations

'When I started my work placement in the EDP Group, I felt deeply astonished and happy, since, because of the pandemic we are going through, I thought I would not find any company that selected me due to the scarce work placement positions offered.

Once I started the work placement, I discovered an office work environment which, up to that moment, had been unknown to me, and although it was not my first work experience, it was indeed in the large company sphere and, especially, in the human resources sector. For this reason, at first, I felt a bit doubtful and worried about whether I would be able to perform the different tasks I would be required; however, those doubts quickly disappeared, since the people in my department and my placement tutor helped me to face each experience and activity, and they solved any doubt or problem I might have.

If I had to sum up my experience taking a work placement in the EDP Group, I would undoubtedly have to say that it has served me to develop myself in many senses and to be able to apply little by little the theory I have been learning throughout my degree, both on a professional and a personal level, and that it has served me to learn how to face the different situations and problems that may come up in the work environment and come out stronger from them. And, most of all, it has given me a vision and a perspective of the labour world very different to the one I had until now. Without any doubt, this work placement has given me the opportunity to get to know first-hand the development of the professional activity which I want to professionally develop in the future. Thus, I will be forever very grateful for this great opportunity offered to some students every year.'



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## ASTURIAS FOUNDATION FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (FINBA)

Biomedical research is essential for the creation of new medicines and for the early diagnosis of diseases and their treatment. The FINBA was launched in 2014 with the hope of contributing significant breakthroughs in biomedical research.

In order to improve the research work, new premises have been inaugurated in the old Psychiatric Hospital building, next to the Hospital Universitario de Asturias (HUCA). This has been possible thanks to the support of different companies and entities, among which the EDP Foundation is included.



[www.finba.es](http://www.finba.es)

## DONOSTIA INTERNATIONAL PHYSICS CENTER (DIPC)

It is a centre for the development of scientific research in the field of basic and applied physics in areas of interests for the Basque society and for international scientific development, open to partnerships with other technology centres, universities and companies.

We collaborate with the DIPC by being members of the Board of Trustees thereof, contributing in such capacity to the financial support of its research activities. Our contribution has served to develop nanoscience research producing results of a major international impact.



[www.dipc.ehu.es](http://www.dipc.ehu.es)

## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Ane Álvarez Ugalde

Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics I EDP department:  
Business Intelligence and Operational Efficiency

'In professional terms, the experience is being extraordinary. Since it is my first contact with the labour market in the industry, at first, I felt doubtful and disoriented, but I received the necessary support and help to adapt myself (despite teleworking). Throughout these two months, I have acquired a great deal of knowledge and competencies, such as the use of programmes such as SAS and SQL, where I have programmed and performed extractions. To sum up my professional and personal assessment, I can only say that having the opportunity to take a work placement such as this totally changes your vision of the world you have known until now, you are completely aware of what you are capable of as a professional, it helps you to identify weaknesses and strengthen them, and, furthermore, you create links with a company that operates in the sector of your professional activity.'

## 'FORO COMUNICACIÓN Y ESCUELA'

Our commitment to the territory is reflected in our maintained partnerships which, year after year, allow us to contribute to the development of the communities in our surroundings, which are facing major challenges related to imbalances between rural and urban life.

An example of this commitment is our partnership, since 2009, with 'Foro Comunicación y Escuela' (Communication and school forum) and the Secondary Education School Elisa y Luis Villamil; an initiative aimed at supplementing the education received by students by using communication as a cross-cutting element in the activities, with the goal of breaking the isolation of young people in rural areas, bearing in mind that school is the best tool to eliminate inequalities.

This year, in spite that the pandemic forced to cancel the Forum, the EDP Foundation kept collaborating with the secondary education school, supporting initiatives carried out by the students.



[www.iesvegadeo.es](http://www.iesvegadeo.es)

## OTHER COLLABORATIONS

The EDP Foundation collaborated this year again with the University of Oviedo and its Foundation in the performance of the following initiatives:

### ASTURIAN BIOLOGY OLYMPIAD

It is a competition aimed at fostering interest in knowledge of biology among young people and promoting a scientific, research and environmental preservation culture. It is addressed to Biology students in their last upper secondary education year, both from public and private or state-subsidised private centres. In the Asturian regional stage three students are selected, by examination, to participate in the Spanish Biology Olympiad (OEB).



[www.olimpiadadebiologia.edu.es/asturias](http://www.olimpiadadebiologia.edu.es/asturias)

### AWARD TO THE MOST OUTSTANDING GRADUATE IN MINING TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING 'EDP-EIMEN'

The Premios Fin de Carrera are awards granted to the students with the best academic records. The EDP Foundation supported the award given by the School of Mining, Energy and Materials Engineering of Oviedo.



[www.uniovi.es](http://www.uniovi.es)

## WHAT DO OUR TRAINEES SAY?

### Jaime Fernández Fernández

Bachelor's Degree in Business Management and Administration | EDP department: Product

'I started my work placement on 16 November 2020. The truth is I have no bad words to define my experience in EDP Solar. The tasks I perform in the Product department are various, among which it stands out data analysis related to the information we receive through the call centres we have contracted, in addition to a thorough review of the campaigns we are carrying out in EDP Solar, analysing the scheduled visits and sales of our customers in order to make the percentages tally in a generic dashboard (PowerBI) we have and in the Salesforce platform. The responsibility I assume for my position is important and I am happy to keep learning every day with my tutor, Margarita Silvia Muñoz Polo, and my co-worker, Pablo Gonzalo Sastrón Toledo. The atmosphere at my workplace is pleasant and the relationship with my co-workers is amazing. The renewables world is an industry I have always been passionate about and I am very proud to be part of this project. I have learnt to use different platforms, as I have previously mentioned, Salesforce and PowerBI, which help me learn every day new tasks that I had not known until now. I have been very happy with my experience and my progress since they day I joined the team.'

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# CULTURE

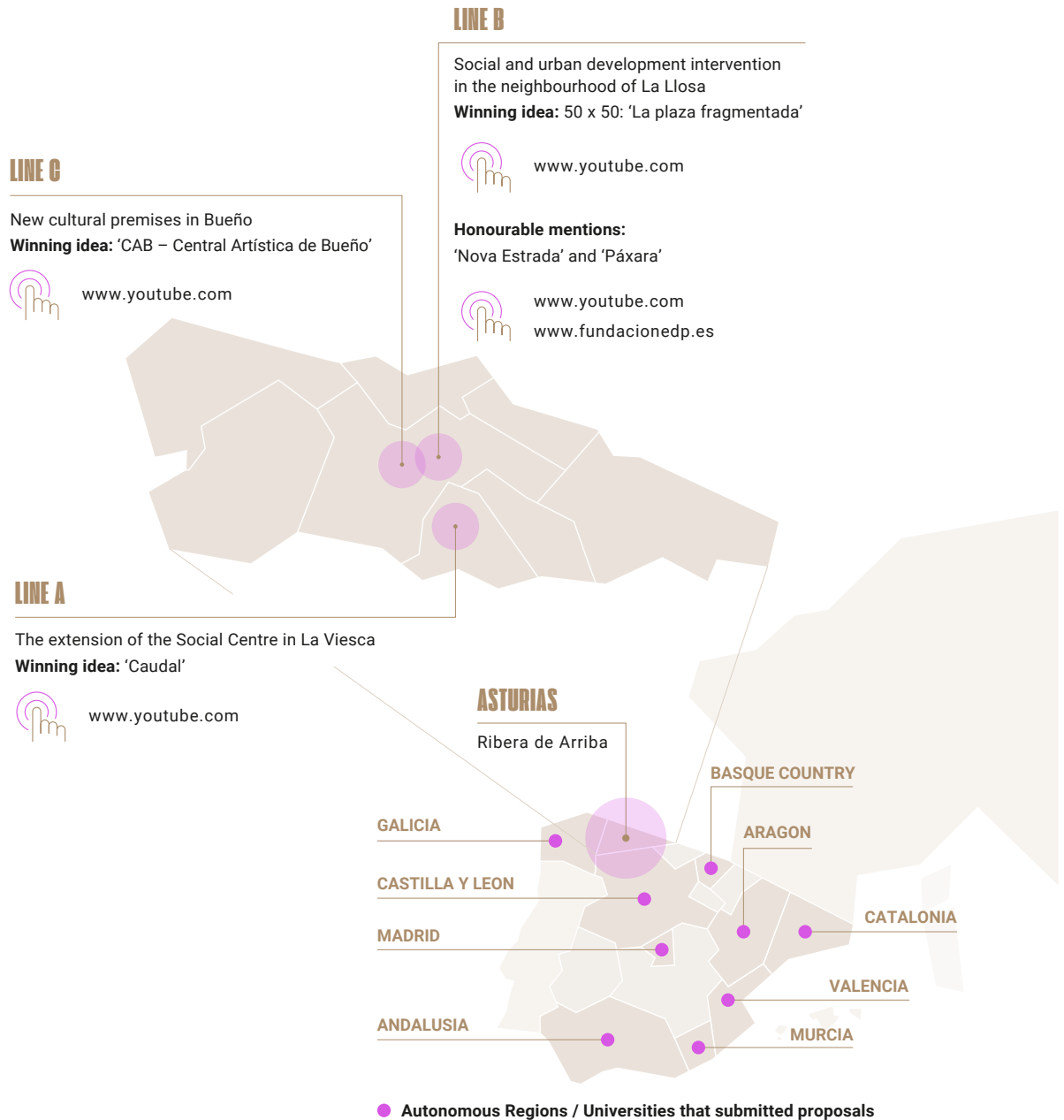
## DESIGN COMPETITION 'ARTE PÚBLICO' (PUBLIC ART)

It is a competition for art, design and architecture students, with domicile in Spain, aimed at supporting them in the execution of a joint artistic and applied architectural design action, following the programme specified by the panel and chaired by Joaquín Vaquero Ibáñez.

It is a public-private innovative action that seeks to impact on the improvement in social inclusion in the community and to foster local development in the rural areas, by using art applied to the environment. Art is used as a social transformation tool that goes beyond the borders of the municipality, building an environment of innovation and social value.

In this first series, in collaboration with the Town Council of Ribera de Arriba, 122 applications were received, with a total of 177 people interested, which were finally reduced to 33 proposals, with a total of 59 participants from 20 Spanish universities.

The panel, comprised by a cross-cutting expert team, with an interdisciplinary profile and perfectly aligned with the defended values, decided, in addition to award the best idea of each line, to grant a recognition to two additional ideas in view of their quality.



## Boards of Trustees and Associations

### GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM BILBAO FOUNDATION

The Guggenheim Museum Bilbao is one of the emblematic buildings of the third millennium, associated with concepts of contemporaneity, technology, avant-garde and design, in addition to the fact that it has become a cultural icon. Since its inauguration in 1997, the museum has received more than one million visitors per year, causing an extraordinary impact on the Basque economy and society, promoting tourism in the region and fostering the revitalisation of many public and private spaces in the locality, in addition to improving the image of the city.

The EDP Foundation has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Museum Foundation and actively collaborates on its activities since 2004.



[www.guggenheim-bilbao-corp.eus](http://www.guggenheim-bilbao-corp.eus)

### PRINCESS OF ASTURIAS FOUNDATION

It is an institution that confers every year, since 1981, the Princess of Asturias Awards, which recognise the scientific, technical, cultural, social and humane work performed by individuals, work teams or institutions, in addition to granting the Exemplary Town of Asturias Award.

The EDP Foundation has the honour of being a member of the Board of Trustees of this institution and collaborating with its activities since its creation. In 2020, as in previous years, the EDP Foundation loaned six 100% electric vehicles to the Princess of Asturias Foundation for travelling around during the week of the Awards, an event with a significant impact on a local, national and international level.



[www.fpa.es](http://www.fpa.es)

### ROYAL ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS OF THE MUSEO REINA SOFÍA

The Museo Reina Sofía is one of the world's top contemporary art museums. Its Association of Friends promotes, boosts and supports cultural actions carried out in connection with the mission and the activity of the museum, such as exhibitions, workshops for children, cultural trips or guided tours, and for that purpose, it relies on partnerships with several entities committed to culture, including the EDP Foundation.



[www.amigosmuseoreinasofia.org](http://www.amigosmuseoreinasofia.org)



## Art

## EXHIBITION OF PABLO PICASSO'S ENGRAVING

The Centro Niemeyer launched three series highlighting the prime of creation, the command of the different techniques and the variety of themes that make the graphic work of Pablo Picasso one of the most important artistic testimonies of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. This exhibition displayed *Suite Vollard*, started by Pablo Picasso in 1930 and considered one of the peak works of the master from Málaga. It also presented the full series *Les Cavaliers d'Ombre* (1954) illustrating the book by Geneviève Laporte, comprised by poems written between 1951 and 1953. *El entierro del Conde de Orgaz* is another creation by Picasso that could be admired on this occasion. It was a series of thirteen engravings edited on 25 October 1969, a date that coincides with the anniversary of the birth of the author.



[www.centroniemeyer.es](http://www.centroniemeyer.es)

## FUNDACIÓN MUSEO EVARISTO VALLE

The main purpose of this Foundation, based in Gijón, is to exhibit, maintain and preserve the works of the painter Evaristo Valle and, in broader terms, to promote cultural activities related to art and the work of this well-known artist. It benefits

from the EDP Foundation's collaboration, which, this year, has supported the summer programme.



[www.evaristovalle.com](http://www.evaristovalle.com)

## CENTRO DE ESCULTURA DE CANDÁS – ANTÓN GRANT

The Centro de Escultura de Candás (Candás Sculpture Centre) association manages the events carried out around the Museo Antón: guided tours, workshops for primary, secondary and pre-school students and the maintenance of the museum itself. Every year, the Centro de Escultura de Candás-Museo Antón convenes the Anton Grant for the Support of Sculptural Creation.

The grant, sponsored by the EDP Foundation, is aimed at the execution of an exhibition sculpture project to be displayed in the temporary exhibition rooms of the Museo Antón, with the goal of selecting a sculptor and help him or her in his or her artistic career.

This year, the winner of the 27<sup>th</sup> Anton Grant for the Support of Sculptural Creation in 2020 has been the group comprised by Román Torre and Ángeles Angulo for their project titled 'Ekumen Souvenirs'.



[www.museoanton.com](http://www.museoanton.com)

## #NOSOLOPOETRY AND THE 10<sup>TH</sup> MADRID POETRY FESTIVAL, POEMAD

The EDP Foundation supported the launch of a pilot project: a multimedia channel aimed at becoming an online benchmark for poetry, both national and international. In short, it consists in communicating poetry through multiple disciplines and formats, working for this purpose around a podcast channel and the live streaming of activities.

The development of the Madrid Poetry Festival for 10 years has allowed POEMAD to be provided with multimedia material propitious for spreading the voices that comprise the current poetry corpus, and which will be seized through the multimedia channel subject of this project. The POEMAD activities have been broadcasted from the Centro Cultural Conde Duque, Casa América, the Residencia de Estudiantes, the Instituto Cervantes and the Centro Cultural de China en Madrid, from the month of October 2020, and they will last until February 2021.



[www.nosolopoetry.com](http://www.nosolopoetry.com)

## Art and Energy Efficiency

### MUSEO NACIONAL CENTRO DE ARTE REINA SOFÍA

In 2020, the EDP Foundation entered into an agreement with Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía for the development of a project on the lighting of the Collection Rooms dedicated to the work *Guernica* and its historic context. The project consists in the replacement of the existing conventional lights by LED lights, notably improving the energy efficiency of the installation. The reached agreement also provides that the monetary value of the energy savings resulted for the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía may be allocated to implement social actions within the scope of the Museum's purposes and competences.

This agreement follows the collaboration path started by the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía and the EDP Foundation in 2019, with the lighting project for the interior of the Palacio de Cristal in the Parque de El Retiro, in Madrid.



[www.museoreinasofia.es](http://www.museoreinasofia.es)

## Art and Heritage

### RESTORATION OF THE SAN PEDRO DE LA RIERA CHURCH (SOMIEDO)

We collaborated in the restoration of the church in San Pedro de La Riera, dating from the 18<sup>th</sup> century, with a Latin-cross plan, a vault and a bell tower, in which several works were executed: restoration of the roof, involving the replacement of most of the tiles, but respecting the traditional shape thereof; restoration and painting of the walls affected by dampness; renovation of the belfry vault, following the instructions of the technical report of the Oviedo Archbishopric; and partial renewal of the electricity system.

### INCUNA (INDUSTRY, CULTURE AND NATURE)

It is a non-profit industrial archaeology association, of public and social use, that groups citizens, professional groups and experts interested in the defence, conservation and enhancement of industrial, cultural and natural heritage.

The EDP Foundation funded the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Industrial Heritage Congress with the theme 'Towards a New Deal for Industrial Heritage'.



[www.incuna.es](http://www.incuna.es)

### PATRIMONIUIINDUSTRIAL.COM

It is an online platform to access the industrial heritage of the Principality of Asturias through a combination of technology, design, audio visual creation, academic rigour and marketing. With the support of several sponsors, which include the EDP Foundation, the project was born with the goal of gathering pieces of the Asturian legacy until reaching the 500 heritage resources audio visually portrayed.

This conception is the result of more than two years of work by a team comprised by 30 professionals from the fields of industrial heritage, cinema, photography, art history, architecture, design, web programming, journalism and marketing.



[www.patrimoniuiindustrial.com](http://www.patrimoniuiindustrial.com)

## Music

### MUSICAL FORTNIGHT DONOSTIA-SAN SEBASTIÁN

This is a musical event held in San Sebastián every month of August since 1939. It has become the oldest music festival in Spain and one of the oldest in Europe. It offers more than one hundred concerts and shows scattered all around the city.

The EDP Foundation sponsored this Musical Fortnight, standing out, among other concerts, the *Coriolan Overture*, *Heroic Symphony no. 3*, performed by Euskadido Orkestra and conducted by Semyon Bychkow, to commemorate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Beethoven's birth.

This year, it has relied on national performers due to the restrictions caused by COVID-19.

### CÍRCULO CULTURAL VALDEDIÓS

Non-profit secular cultural association founded in 1998, aimed at the promotion and spreading of culture. It is rooted and based in the Santa María de Valdediós Monastery in Villaviciosa, Asturias, a medieval construction erected around San Salvador de Valdediós, 'el Conventín' (the little convent), one of the Asturian pre-Romanesque jewels. The Monastery is a place of withdrawal, tourism and pilgrimage, which offers guesthouse services.

The Chamber Music Concert Cycle was held on 25 July and 1, 8, 15 and 22 August, under the name 'Atardeceres musicales' (Musical evenings), with which the EDP Foundation collaborated.



[www.circuloculturalvaldedios.org](http://www.circuloculturalvaldedios.org)

### KURSAAL ESZENA (CONFERENCE CENTRE AND AUDITORIUM OF SAN SEBASTIÁN)

This support allows the EDP Foundation to contribute to the cultural and leisure offer of Donostia-San Sebastián and Gipuzkoa, thanks to the varied annual cultural programme containing classic, family, regional and modern music activities, being a benchmark for Gipuzkoa's cultural offer, enhancing the image of the province, as well as of its capital Donostia-San Sebastián. In 2020, we sponsored the *Don Giovanni* opera.



[www.kursaal.eus/es/kursaal-eszena](http://www.kursaal.eus/es/kursaal-eszena)



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## BILBAO FRIENDS OF THE OPERA ASSOCIATION (ABAO)

The goal of this institution is the organisation of concerts and activities related to the Opera, including the organisation of an internationally renowned annual opera season, which is a European benchmark and a model of public-private collaboration. It is an essential player in the Basque and State cultural sector and it stands out for its international projection. The EDP Foundation supported ABAO TXIKI.



[www.abao.org/es](http://www.abao.org/es)

## FUNDACIÓN ÓPERA DE OVIEDO

The EDP Foundation is one of the top sponsors of the Fundación Ópera de Oviedo (Oviedo Opera Foundation), an entity whose main purpose is holding concerts and activities related to the opera, including the organisation of the annual opera season in the Teatro Campoamor in Oviedo. The significance of this artistic activity involves, in addition to a cultural event not to be missed, an economic boost to the city, since different sectors benefit from it for several months.



[www.operaoviedo.com](http://www.operaoviedo.com)

## PALACIO VALDÉS CENTENNIAL

The EDP Foundation collaborated with the Town Council of Avilés in the celebrations to commemorate the centennial of the Palacio Valdés theatre, a cornerstone of Avilés' cultural life. From the Town Council, they coordinated its programme and reinforced the activities with other installations subsequently created across the entire city. Throughout its 100 years of existence, the Palacio Valdés theatre has witnessed the industrial boom of Avilés, with successive extensions of the harbour, events, crisis and restructuring processes.



[www.teatropalaciovaldes.es](http://www.teatropalaciovaldes.es)

## LA CASTALIA

The 19<sup>th</sup> singing and vocal repertoire Course on the Voice on Chamber Music of the association La Castalia, sponsored by the EDP Foundation, was held in the month of December in Oviedo and included a workshop on lyrical performance in order to give students practical and real experience in dramatic performance. As a consequence of the pandemic, the closing concert had to be moved to February 2021.



[www.facebook.com/lacastalia](https://www.facebook.com/lacastalia)

## CONCERT SERIES AND PIANO SESSIONS OF THE OVIEDO CITY COUNCIL

This year again, the EDP Foundation partnered with the Oviedo City Council in the sponsorship of the concert series in which the world's best orchestras and piano performers participate; these series have become a must-attend event in the territory which is already part of the cultural identity of the city and the region.



[www.oviedo.es/ccjp](http://www.oviedo.es/ccjp)

## 'SUENA LA CÚPULA'

It is a cycle of nine chamber concerts that were organised in the dome of Centro Niemeyer, in Avilés. The concerts were held one Sunday a month, in the morning, with a limited capacity, due to the constraints caused by the pandemic.



[www.centroniemeyer.es](http://www.centroniemeyer.es)

## OTHER COLLABORATIONS

### TRIBUNA CIUDADANA

It is a cultural association founded in 1980 that fosters the development of science and culture in their broadest and most varied facets, through the promotion and performance of all kind of activities aimed at the study, development and spreading of scientific and cultural topics. The EDP Foundation collaborated in the cycle named 'PORTUGAL Y ASTURIAS. LAZOS Y ABRAZOS' (Portugal and Asturias. Ties and embraces), whose purpose was studying the bond between Asturias and Portugal and their historical, artistic and cultural ties. Some of its activities had to be moved to 2021, as a consequence of the pandemic restrictions.



[www.tribunaciudadana.org](http://www.tribunaciudadana.org)

### 'PEGADOS A LA TIERRA'

The EDP Foundation collaborated in the sponsorship of a series of features published by the newspaper El Comercio, under the title 'Pegados a la tierra' (Stuck to the land), whose goal was to be a portrait of the emptied Asturias, inviting its readers to reflect on the region, which is almost in an endemic crisis, but which can have and must have a promising future.



[www.pegadosalatierra.elcomercio.es](http://www.pegadosalatierra.elcomercio.es)

### CHILDREN'S COMPETITION 'LA EVOLUCIÓN DEL HOMBRE'

The EDP Foundation sponsored the children's drawing competition 'La Evolución del hombre' (The evolution of man), aimed at Primary Education students in the school centres of the region, related to the 'Humanos' (Humans) exhibition about the evolution of man, organised by the newspaper *La Nueva España*.

In order to participate in the competition, the students had to produce their drawings on a DIN A4 sheet and take a brief test containing questions related to the exhibition.



[www.lne.es](http://www.lne.es)

### BASQUE LANGUAGE FIESTA IN THE BASQUE COUNTRY

Ikastolas (schools, in Basque) fiesta in support of the Basque culture and the Basque language, including a concert held in the Kursaal Palace on 13 November, in which local artists performed. This concert was recorded and broadcasted on the Basque public television.

### CONTEMPORARY ART ASSOCIATION ALNORTE

The EDP Foundation collaborated this year again in the 19<sup>th</sup> Contemporary Art Week of Asturias, which was held between 1 and 30 October in different Asturian localities. It is a generational meeting that includes exhibitions, grants, seminars, presentations, round tables, meetings, debates, courses and workshops in various sections.



[www.artenorte.com](http://www.artenorte.com)

## 5.4.

# ENVIRONMENTAL

## PLANTING FOR BIODIVERSITY

This almost veteran programme is carried out with the collaboration of the environmentalist organisation FAPAS (Fund for the Protection of Wild Animals) and seeks to increase the forest area in an eco-friendly way, contributing to protect biodiversity, in addition to producing fruits to feed the fauna in the area.

In 2020, 8,600 trees were planted in Asturias in areas of public use, specifically in Ribadedeva, in the councils of Ribadedeva and Ribera de Arriba and in the University of Oviedo Campus in Gijón. The action in Ribadedeva was supplemented by a programme through which the eucalyptuses of the forest were removed and used in turn as fertiliser to repopulate the land with indigenous vegetation. In the University Campus, the goal is to foster the formation of a significant leafy forest mass, also boosting biological diversity, since many of these species produce fruits, thus contributing to feed squirrels and other animals. The trees were planted in Ribera de Arriba in an



attempt to create a wet forest strip that serves as firewall for the municipal mount. For this purpose, it was a very closed birch plantation, which will allow to generate sufficient dampness to prevent fire from entering the forest mass.



[www.fapas.es](http://www.fapas.es)

**Since its start in 2009,  
more than 140,000 trees  
have been planted in  
different areas of Asturias.**



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## FISH RESTOCKING

In 2020, not only the forests, but also the Asturian rivers benefited from the restocking with indigenous species thanks to the collaboration of the EDP Foundation with the Asociación de Pescadores y Amigos del Nalón (Association of Fishers and Friends of the Nalón River), the Real Asociación Asturiana de Pesca fluvial (Asturian Royal Association of Fluvial Fishing) and the Asociación de Pescadores Fuentes del Narcea (Fuentes del Narcea Association of Fishers) .

On this occasion, the activities that are organised every year with schoolchildren from the areas could not be carried out due to the pandemic restrictions.



[www.asturianadepesca.com](http://www.asturianadepesca.com)  
[www.amigosdelnalon.es](http://www.amigosdelnalon.es)

## ASTURIAS BEAR FOUNDATION (FOA)

It is a private non-profit entity whose purpose is the promotion and development of activities aimed at the conservation of the Cantabrian brown bear and its habitat.

The EDP Foundation collaborated in the project on environmental reporters in Protected Natural Areas. Thus, three environmental reporters worked between 1 July and 15 September in different areas of the Las Ubiñas-La Mesa and Somiedo nature reserves and their vicinity, with the aim of promoting the preservation and protection of those protected

natural areas, specifically the habitat of the Cantabrian brown bear in Asturias, as well as environmental awareness and education.



[www.osodeasturias.es](http://www.osodeasturias.es)

## FUNDACIÓN PATRIMONIO NATURAL DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN

It is a foundation linked to the Castile and Leon Regional Government which seeks to promote, maintain and manage the natural heritage of the Castile and Leon region. The EDP Foundation and EDP Renovables have been collaborating since 2014 to carry out several environmental actions aimed at the conservation of the red kite and which, in 2020, materialised in the following:

- Repair of red kite transmitters purchased in previous campaigns and recovered on the field.
- Acquisition of 6 new transmitters and re-attachment of devices to 10 chicks in their nests.
- Actions to track the breeding population of red kite in the provinces of Salamanca and Zamora.
- Location and tracking of the breeding population of red kite in the province of Salamanca.
- Tracking of the breeding population in the region of Sayago (Zamora).

- Editing, layout and printing of the monograph about the red kite.

## REHABILITATION GROUP FOR NATIVE FAUNA AND ITS HABITAT (GREFA)

It is a non-government non-profit organisation which was founded in 1981 as an association for the study and conservation of nature. The EDP Foundation and EDP Renovables collaborate to develop the following projects that have been executed throughout 2020:

- Sponsorship of two specimens of black vulture, classified as a species at risk of extinction, within the conservation programme 'Proyecto Monachus'.
- Assessment of the impact of the waste treatment plant located in the area of the wind farms Altos del Voltoya on the black vulture and red kite populations.
- Correction of an overhead line situated in the area of the wind farms Altos del Voltoya which was successfully completed last month of August. It was a line that, despite not being linked to EDPR infrastructures, was a source of accidents for birds, due to its proximity to a waste treatment plant which was a usual route for birds from their home ranges to their feeding areas, and because it was not fitted out with appropriate security measures against electrocution and collision. In total, action has been taken on 11 dangerous supports and 35 state-of-the-art bird diverters have been installed.

## 5.5.

## MEASURES AGAINST COVID-19

The EDP Foundation implemented several measures and collaborated with different initiatives during the health care crisis with the aim of contributing to solve and reduce the impact caused by the pandemic. These have been the main collaborations:

- With the regional Government of Asturias, to provide sanitising gel to different essential service workers: police, security services and external public health care workers.
- With the Fundación María Cristina Masaveu Peterson and the Fundación Cajastur, to give all the Asturian citizens free access to the contents on their website for a month.
- With the campaigns of the newspapers *La Nueva España* ['Asturianos en Casa, a favor de quedarse en casa'] and *El Comercio* ['Saldremos juntos Asturias, información sobre el decálogo contra el coronavirus'].
- With the Fundación Banco de Alimentos de Asturias, to address the needs of many families, especially those who have lost their jobs.
- With the IMOMA (Asturias Institute for Oncological and Molecular Medicine), funding the studies the IMOMA may conduct in connection with the analysis on individuals potentially infected by virus SARS-CoV-2, for the ultimate purpose of contributing to determine genetic factors that influence the susceptibility of people to the infection by this virus.
- With Cáritas, other NGOs and residential homes in Asturias, for the donation of PPE for the most vulnerable people.
- With the Regional Department of Education of the Principality of Asturias, for the purpose of reducing the digital gap for the most vulnerable families, by funding laptops and thus enabling access to education.
- This initiative, carried out jointly with other companies, was recognised with the 'Premio iTIC Empresa' award, an 'Impulso TIC' initiative that seeks to help and promote technological creation in Asturias.
- With the Asociación de Fundaciones de España, letting their members access the EDP Foundation Academy.
- With the NGO Sed, since, despite the cancellation of the summer camps, EDPR has managed the collaboration





- with such entity for the care of minors and families in a vulnerable situation or at risk of social exclusion faced with the situation created by COVID. The support has been based on three lines of action: covering basic needs, psychological support and social support.
- With i4case e Innovación EDP, supporting a smart system connected to the telephone through an App that provides clear reference values to monitor patients that are isolated in their homes due to COVID-19 (85%), and that also alerts them and/or health care workers of a dangerous situation that requires hospitalisation. The project has a clear innovation goal, since it expects to define the parameters that govern the healthiness of the air inside people's homes, to estimate the correlation between environmental variables and vital parameters provided by i4case, and to obtain additional information from the processing of the data obtained from the sensorization of people and dwellings/offices in order to establish the environmental conditioning needs.
  - With the non-profit association CANVIDA DETECCIÓN, contributing to respond to the crisis caused by the global pandemic, supporting a dog unit for the detection of COVID-19; it is an initiative aimed at detecting people infected by COVID-19, especially those asymptomatic, in transit areas or in crowded environments. The project, which will be initially executed in Asturias, is framed within a broader programme that involves professionals from different fields (health care, university, staff from the Dog Rescue Unit of the Principality of Asturias, etc.), for the purpose of using dogs' ability to smell in order to detect diseases. Its impact may be especially relevant to limit the expansion of COVID-19 and for the gradual return – under safety conditions – of the population to sports and cultural events.
  - With EDP Solidaria COVID-19: an extraordinary initiative restricted to the entities selected in previous series of EDP Solidaria (2015-2020) to help entities meet the expenses of the actions carried out in 2020 to respond to the crisis generated by the pandemic.

+ €610 M  
Total investment

+ 81,000  
Individual beneficiaries

15,000  
Litres of gel produced

+ 41,000  
PPE delivered to 45 entities

+ 20 NGO  
Supported by EDP Solidaria COVID-19

+ 460  
Computers donated to children who were able to continue accessing education

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