Interest in politics has increased among Basque Young people

The percentage of young people very or quite interested in politics rises to its highest level in the last 15 years (39 %)

39 % of Basque young people aged 15 to 29 say that they are very interested or quite interested in politics in 2016. This is the highest level that interest in politics has reached in the series that began in 2000.

The interest in politics among young people is 10 points higher than the interest showed by general population aged 18 and over (29 % in March 2016, according to the Basque Sociometer 60 published by the Social Survey Office of the Basque Government).

When we ask about their ideology, most of young people who are very or quite interested in politics say they are leftist. Most of them also say they want to participate more actively in public affairs.
These data come from a survey conducted by the Basque Youth Observatory in 2016. In this survey we have interviewed a representative sample of 1500 Basque young people aged 15 to 29, who have been asked about several themes, including their interest in politics. All the results of the survey will be published in the report titled “Basque Youth 2016” that is still being prepared.