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## BILBAO SHOWS ITS CHINESE SIDE IN LONDON



**CCCB Director Mr Yuan met Director general of Bilbao Mr Zuzendari Nagusia**



**Presentation of Cai Guoqiang Exhibition in Guggenheim Museum Bilbao**

March 16<sup>th</sup> (CCCB, London): Representatives from the Regional Government of Biscay in the Basque Country came to London to showcase the wide range of attractions available to tourist in Bilbao and Biscay. China UK Business Association (CCCB), the Regional Government of Bizkaia, ORBISO and Publicasity jointly organised this exclusive event to celebrate the exhibition by Chinese modern artist Cai Guoqiang (蔡国强) taking place at the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao at The Berkeley Hotel in Knightsbridge. More than tow hundred business people were invited to taste different Basque cuisine samples prepared by six well known Biscay chefs, some of them with Michelin Stars.

Cai Guoqiang is known for his use of gunpowder to create large-scale "gunpowder drawings" - made by igniting explosives on paper - and for spectacular outdoor "explosion events" using pyrotechnic displays to convey conceptual themes. Lately he has been acclaimed for his work as a core member of the creative team for the opening and closing ceremonies of the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics.

Bilbao is world famous thanks to the Guggenheim Museum, but its appeal goes far beyond this iconic building. Built along a river, Bilbao is a mix of architectural and cultural marvels such as the Santiago Calatravas bridge, the Bilbao Underground designed by Sir Norman Foster, the Arata Isozakis housing project and the Zorrozaurre peninsula which is currently being renovated by the Anglo-Iraqi architect Zaha Hadid.

Outside of Bilbao the Biscay territory offers a diverse historical and cultural heritage to satisfy the interests of every visitor. A land of contrasts, Biscay includes nature reserves and industrial areas, proud stately boroughs and modern new towns.



Basque and Biscay cuisine is internationally renowned thanks to its reliance on only the best of ingredients and its innovating author cuisine. The Basques have always known how to make the most of the products offered by the earth and the sea and the 'stars' of this cuisine are fish from the Basque coast and from the far-off fishing-grounds as well as T-bone steaks, barbecued, with a crisp coating on either side and red and juicy on the inside. Vegetables are also particularly delicious with tempting stews made from a range of greens.

### **Tasting of the best Basque and Biscay Cuisine and enjoying the Bilbao and its region Culture**







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Membership at CCCB brings together individuals, companies and organizations who share a deep interest in doing business between China and the Great Britain. We engage with a diverse range of backgrounds and professions including businesses, academics, diplomats, the media, NGOs, politicians, policy-makers, on core issues and promote the exchange of best practice between China, UK and the Europe.

Focusing on key areas of activity, we provide a unique platform for utilizing different venues to enhance each event's unique focus, we provide host of events from CCCB briefings, presentations, seminars, discussion platforms, luncheons, dinners, and social networking with both specific and open backdrops for networking and business development opportunities to help promote our members' business interests and develop their contacts.

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