

# THIS IS MONDRAGON

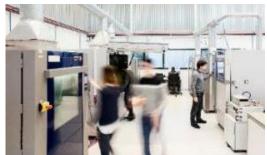




Total cooperatives	95
Services (consulting, engin., food)	5
Research and Development	14
Educational	8
Agricultural	3
Consumer	1
Credit	1
Industrial	63





















#### Jose Maria Arizmendiarrieta

 In 1941 he came to the parish of the town of Arrasate-Mondragón as a curate.
 He is 25 years old

These are his ideas:

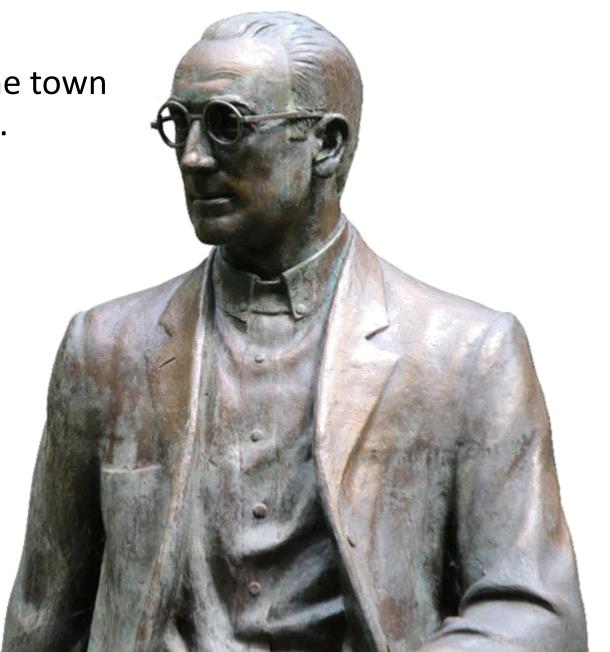
Dignity of the human person

Solidarity

Work

Education

- The world is in crisis
- We have to create a new person



#### Jose Maria Arizmendiarrieta

In the town of Arrasate-Mondragón, after the war: economic hardships and social division

 He works intensively with young people organizing many activities: sports, culture and, mainly, education

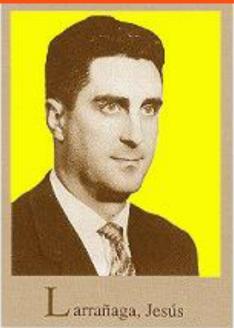
- In 1943 he founded the *Escuela Profesional*
- A group of that young people studied technical engineering
- Ideological education; preaching; action



#### ULGOR

- Also action in the field of work
- They asked *Unión Cerrajera* (the biggest company in the region at that time) to distribute shares among the employees so they could have power. They did not succeed
- In 1956 five of the engineers created ULGOR











#### Member = Worker = *Owner*

The right to vote (1 vote)
The right to be elected

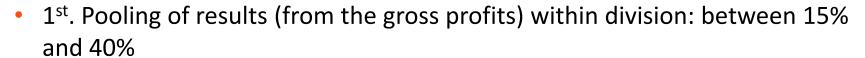
Funds for the community (10%)

Narrow remuneration system



#### Some of the rules in MONDRAGON

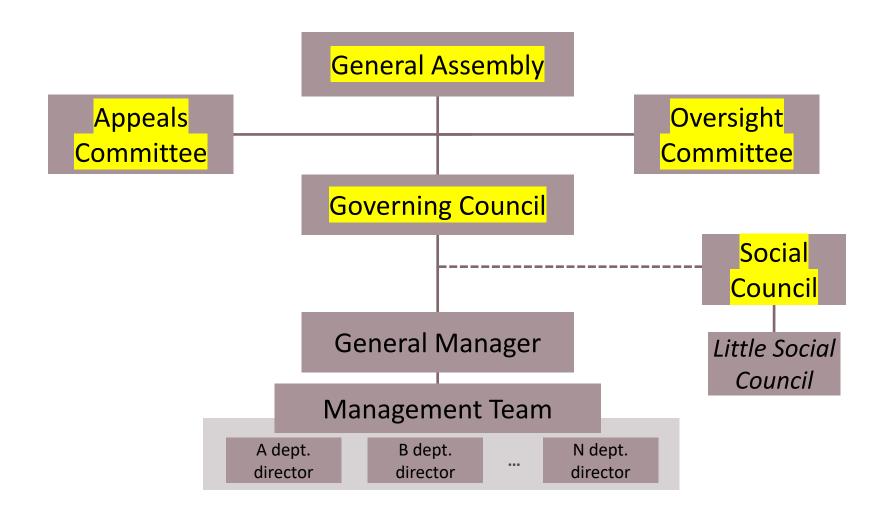
- Relocations of personnel among cooperatives
- Not internal competition
- Initial membership investment/contribution (€16,000)
- Interest paid out of cash <7.5%</li>
- Reporting of data concerning MONDRAGON Headquarters
- Narrow remuneration system

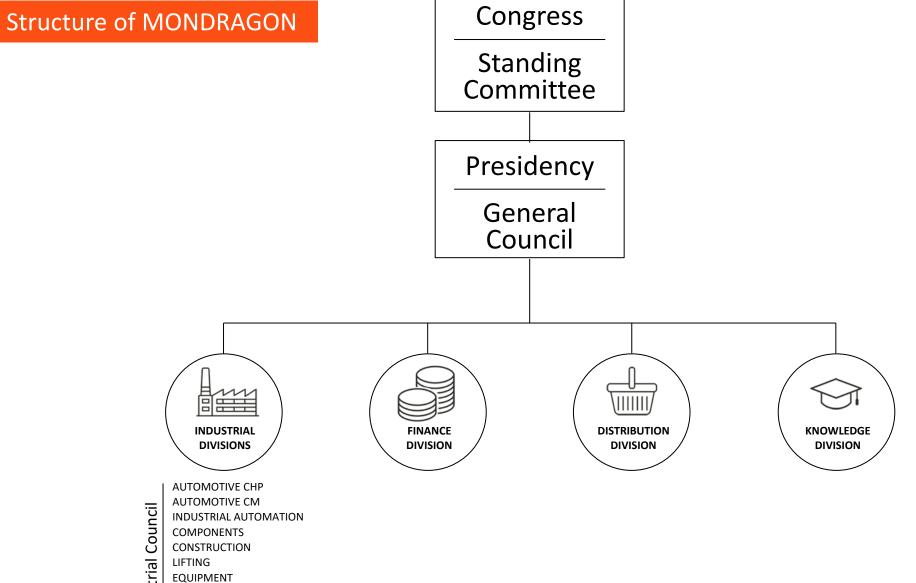


- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Then, 14% for corporative funds: investment funds 7%, aid funds 7% (education-research, compensation for losses, social projects...)
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Distribution of net profits
  - . 10% for education and cooperative promotion fund (law requires 10%)
  - . 60% for reserve fund (law requires at least 20%)
  - . 30% returns to workers  $\rightarrow$  capitalize (members), cash (non-members)



#### Basic structure within a cooperative





**ENGINEERING AND SERVICES** 

MACHINE TOOLS INDUSTRIAL SYSTEMS TOOLS AND SYSTEMS







# Mechanisms in times of crisis



#### LAGUN ARO Employment aid

- Relocation
- Professional retraining
- Unemployment insurance

- Flexible work calendar
- Early retirement
- Compensation

#### 2021 – 2024 challenges

- Commitment and cooperative identity
- Sustainability
- Business with a future
- Flexibility and adaptability
  - Digital transformation
- Intercooperation
- Attracting and developing talent

Europa: Next Generation projects

- Digitalization
- Energy and electric vehicle
- Health and care for people

# intercooperation is Solidarity and is a requirement for business efficiency



#### Some milestones

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- ✓ 1943 Arizmendiarrieta sets up the Escuela Profesional (MONDRAGON UNIVERSITY since 1997)
- √ 1956 ULGOR
- √ 1959 Caja Laboral (bank + entrepreneurial division)
- ✓ 1959 Lagun Aro (welfare health mutual for members)
- √ 1964 First co-operative Group (Ularco-Fagor)
- √ 1966 Alecop (student working in a worker co-op)
- ✓ 1968 Auzo-Lagun (founded by women)
- √ 1969 Comerco, later called Eroski (consumer cooperative)
- √ 1974 Ikerlan (research center)
- √ 1987 I Congress: creation of Grupo Cooperativo Mondragon (GCM)
- ✓ 1991 III Congress: creation of Mondragon Corporación Cooperativa (MCC)

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# Corporate values

#### **CO-OPERATION**

Owners and protagonists

#### **PARTICIPATION**

Commitment to management

#### **INNOVATION**

Constant renewal

#### **SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Distribution of wealth based on solidarity, and involvement in the community



## Basic principles

- 1. Open admission and neutrality
- 2. Democratic organization
- 3. Sovereignty of labor
- 4. Instrumental and subordinate nature of capital
- 5. Participatory management



- 6. Wage solidarity
- 7. Intercooperation
- 8. Social transformation
- 9. Universality
- 10. Education

#### Mission

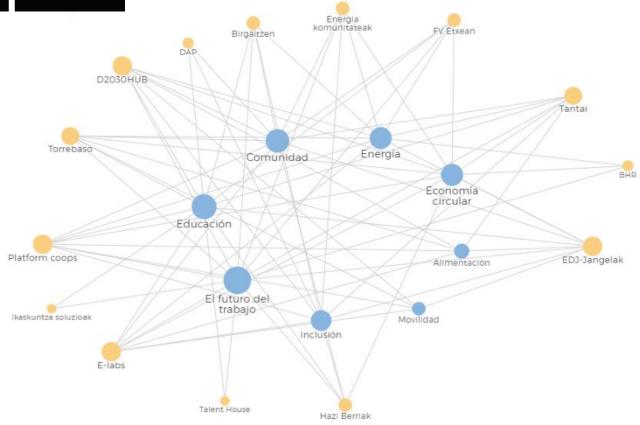
MONDRAGON is an entrepreneurial socioeconomic entity with deep cultural roots in the Basque Country, created by and for the people, inspired by the Basic Principles of our Co-operative Experience, committed to a sustainable society, to the improvement of competitiveness and to the satisfaction of customers, to create wealth and transform the society through entrepreneurial development and job creation, preferably membership-jobs in co-operatives.

#### Debagoiena 2030



To achieve a smart, inclusive and climate-neutral Alto Deba by 2050, by deepening the community development of the territory, acting jointly with public institutions, economic agents, knowledge agents and civil society.

https://debagoiena2030.eus/es/



#### Gender equality. Data 2020









### Environmental objectives



#### Mission

- ✓ Based on a commitment to solidarity
- ✓ Using democratic methods (one member, one vote)
- ✓ Encourages the participation and integration in:
  - Management
  - Profits
  - Ownership
- ✓ Develop a shared project harmonizing social, business and personal progress
- ✓ Promote training and innovation

# Intercooperation









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