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She is a professor of Environmental Criminology and Environmental Psychology at the University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU. Member of the Applied Criminology research group, linked to the Basque Institute of Criminology, she develops her research in the field of urban security. More specifically, her areas of interest include the perception of insecurity by citizens and its relationship with the quality of urban life, including innovative methodologies for the study of fear of crime; as well as the study of criminal events and alternatives for their prevention from an environmental and situational point of view. In these areas, her publications include the volume «Environmental Criminology, ecology of crime and security», co-authored with Prof. César San Juan, and she is also the author of various articles in international journals of impact. She has participated in multiple research projects, and led the project «The city for all: perception of security and mobility on foot in public space». He is currently involved in an international project with researchers from the University of Manchester and the University of Porto on new methodologies for the study of the perception of crime and place. He has carried out research stays at the University of Surrey in the United Kingdom and at the Jill Dando Institute of Crime Science, at the University College of London. He received the IV Pinatel Award for the best research work in Criminology in 2010, awarded by the ICAV, and the SEIC Award for the promotion of New Researchers in Criminology in 2006.

Research Lines

Perception of insecurity, social perception of crime, fear of crime and self-protection behaviours.
Environmental criminology: spatial analysis of crime and its perception. Sustainability and urban quality of life.