



# ABOUT THE UNIVERSIDAD

# PILOTO DE COLOMBIA

Born of the desire for a better academic experience, the Universidad Piloto de Colombia offers its students a multidisciplinary and highly connected environment that includes research, business practice, international exchanges, and much more on a variety of subjects.

With an urban campus equipped with the highest technology and extensive academic resources, the Universidad Piloto offers its students and graduates 15 undergraduate programs, as well as master's degrees, diplomas and specializations.

http://www.unipiloto.edu.co/la-universidad/

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## ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM

The Architecture Program of the Universidad Piloto de Colombia emerged in response to a felt need of restless students who questioned the way of teaching and practicing the Architect's profession in the country in the 1960s. Over the course of 55 years, academic work responds to the needs of the country, and research has been consolidated with increasing national and international visibility. One of the particular characteristics of the Program is that it is organized around seven Labs, spaces raised as think tanks provide the substantive functions of: teaching, social responsibility and research.

The program currently has more than 1900 students, with a National Accreditation of High Quality since 2007, granted by the National Accreditation Council in Colombia, whose Re-accreditation was granted in 2014 and until 2022. It is a Program with International Validation by the Royal Institute of British Architects.



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# INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

The Architecture Program of the Universidad Piloto de Colombia presents the International Seminar on Architecture, an event that has been held since 1987 and has been consolidated as a space that opens new horizons for students and teachers towards the development of innovative themes in harmony with the global concerns and problems surrounding the role of architecture in the world. Every two years international experts from a specific area related to architecture are invited to discuss their academic and professional practices. The International Seminar has also become a scenario that shows, disseminates and allows to put into dialogue different perspectives of particular issues and of great impact for the environment and society.

The audience of this event can be classified into four types of participants: university students and teachers, external academics (invited from leading institutions in Latin America), national and international speakers (outstanding professionals in the developed subject) and general public (interested local professionals).

#### ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL

## **SEMINAR 2018**

# EFFICIENCY + EXPERIENCE:

TOWARDS AN ARCHITECTURE OF COMFORT The International Seminar of Architecture 2018 will be held on 30 and 31 August 2018, with a central theme of Comfort in architecture. On this occasion, the seminar will mark the conclusion of the research project Climate driven building design and construction in the tropics; tools and strategies to improve human comfort in Colombia, a Royal Academy of Engineering funded project led by the programme of Architecture at Universidad Piloto de Colombia, in partnership with the University of Bath, Buro Happold Engineering, Lacunae ltd and in collaboration with IDEAM, the Colombian national institute for Meteorology; Hydrology and Environmental studies. The project will make Colombian historical meteorological data openly available online, using visualization tools aimed at describing the links between climate and comfort in architecture, and providing downloadable files ready for use with standard simulation engines.

The present conference will embrace a selection of influential speakers with a variety of views regarding the subject of comfort in architecture, discussing the differentiated but by no means opposed concepts of Efficiency and Experience, and rather using them as balancing approaches to understand architecture.



# ABOUT THE AGENDA

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Academic research and professional practices are the two approaches that generally organize the seminar's themes. In the academic research group, two international speakers specializing in architecture and two international speakers will be invited to work on this subject from other disciplines (arts, human sciences, etc.). In the group of professional practices, two consulting firms and two internationally renowned architects will be invited for their continuous research on comfort. In this group of specialists there will be two conferences of national architects. Each intervention will have a maximum duration of 45 minutes.

GENERAL THEMES		HOUR	AUGUST 30th	AUGUST 31th
WELCOME PREVIOUS INFORMATION		7:00 / 8:00	Entry and registration	Entry
		8:00 / 8:45	Welcome and Introduction	Programming Reading
RESEARCH	National architect	8:45 / 9:30	Conference 1	Conference 7
	International architect	9:30 / 10:15	Conference 2	Conference 8
	10:15 / 10:45		Snack break	
	Interdisciplinar	10:45 / 11:30	Conference 3	Conference 9
	IAPP	11:30 / 12:15	Conference 4	Conference 10
PRACTICE	12:15 / 13:30		Lunch break	
	Consultant	13:30 / 14:15	Conference 5	Conference 11
	International architect	14:15 / 14:45	Conference 6	Conference 12





# **ABOUT THE PUBLICATION**

Papers presented will be compiled into the event proceedings edited in English and Spanish. The information will be published in the following formats:

**WEB:** Downloadable open access .pdf

**PRINTED:** 23cms x 16cms brochure with 200pp, available for conference participants and the general public.

**Extension of each paper:** From 2000 to 3000 words (does not include title, abstract, keywords and bibliographical references).

# **ABOUT BOGOTÁ**

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Bogotá is located on the Andes, at 2,640 m.s.n.m. The Colombian capital can be reached by air by entering El Dorado International Airport. The savannah has an average temperature of 14  $^{\circ}$  C, with hourly temperatures that can vary between 9 and 22  $^{\circ}$  C.

From Bogota, we can highlight: its accelerated urban transformation, the new mass transportation system known as Transmilenio, the bicycle paths, its markets, its growth as a business and investment center in the region, the diversity of its tourism and cultural agenda, its many events, festivals, gastronomy, nightlife, big concerts, a variety of commercial establishments and shopping facilities, natural and religious attractions, hotel growth and sophisticated leisure offerings.



