

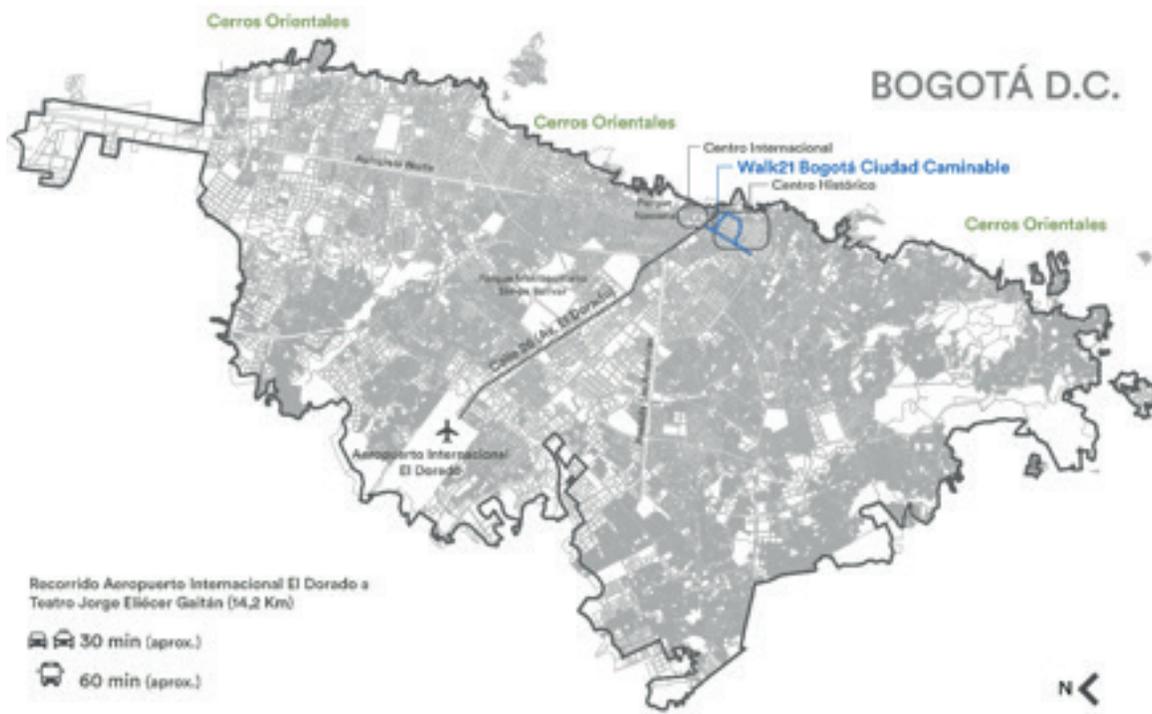


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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The official language of Colombia is Spanish

Colombia time zone is UTC/GMT-5



Recorrido Aeropuerto Internacional El Dorado a Teatro Jorge Eliécer Gaitán (14,2 Km)

30 min (aprox.)

60 min (aprox.)

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Walk21 Bogota Walkable City main venue is the Jorge Eliecer Gaitan Theatre, in the centre of Bogota

(<http://www.idartes.gov.co/es/teatro-jorge-eliecer-gaitan>)

The address is as follows: Carrera 7 No. 22-47, Bogotá

On the afternoons of October 16, 17 and 18, parallel sessions will be held at the Universities: Jorge Tadeo Lozano, Andes, Rosario, Central (Auditorio Faenza) and at the Auditorio Huitaca of the Bogota City Hall.

Universidad Jorge Tadeo Lozano: Carrera 4 No. 22-61
 Universidad de los Andes: Carrera 1 No. 18A-12
 Universidad del Rosario: Calle 12C No. 6-25
 Universidad Central (Teatro Faenza): Calle 22 No. 5-56
 Alcaldía de Bogotá (Auditorio Huitaca): Calle 11 No. 8-17

REGISTRATION

There will be **no fee** for registration.

Each participant at the **Walk21 Bogota Walkable City** Conference must be registered individually to attend the conference. Registration by the organization is not allowed.

The online registration has opened on May 2018.

Registered participants will be able to collect the badge to access the venue at the Accreditation Centre at the main venue (Jorge Eliecer Gaitan Theatre).

Accreditation will take place at the Lobby of the main venue starting on 16 October 2018. The schedule for the accreditation centre is:

16 October 2018 from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
17 October 2018 from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
18 October 2018 from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

It is strongly encouraged to come with enough time and avoid peak morning hours for on-site registration.

Visit our web site www.walk21bogota.com and click on “register”.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The **Walk21 Bogota Walkable City** venues are accessible by public transport in several ways. It is recommended to visit the web site www.sitp.gov.co to take the preferred route.

The nearest TransMilenio stations are: Estación Universidades, Estación Las Aguas, Estación Museo del Oro and Estación San Diego.

In the same way, you can easily access on foot by taking Carrera 7 or alternative routes of the city centre.

LANGUAGES AND INTERPRETATION

Spanish and English are the official working languages of the **Walk21 Bogota Walkable City** Conference.

The academic sessions will have simultaneous translation in English and Spanish, with the exception of the Workshops and Walkshops (guided walks), which are going to be in English or Spanish.

ACCOMMODATION IN BOGOTA

Most of the activities scheduled are going to be held in the centre of Bogota. It is recommended, by proximity and ease of access, to stay at hotels located on Calle 26 (Avenida el Dorado), International Centre or Historic Centre.

In Bogota, delegates and visitors have a variety options among five-stars hotels for less than US\$150 per night, ensuring a comfortable experience throughout their stay.

Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for accommodations.



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VISAS

Most nationalities do not require visas for social or business visits to Colombia. Visitors to Colombia must be in possession of a valid passport or travel document with a minimum validity of six months beyond the period of stay.

For more information on visa, please refer to Colombia Immigration Office at:

http://www.cancilleria.gov.co/tramites_servicios/visa

CURRENCY

The monetary unit of the country is Colombian Pesos and is written as COP. The exchange rate is valued at USD 1= COP 2.853 (as June 8, 2018).

Foreign currencies can be exchanged at banks and money changers found widely at the El Dorado International Airport and city centre.

Banking details: ATMs are available country-wide with 24-hour access. Major credit cards are widely accepted at hotels, department stores, shops, restaurants and pubs. Please take usual precaution when PIN is required when using some cards.

WEATHER

Colombia experiences tropical weather year-round. Bogota is located in the foothills of the Andes, at an elevation of 2.600 metres. The city is characterized by a temperature highland climate (max. average temperature 17-20°C / 63-68°F)

HEALTH

All participants should ensure that they have adequate medical insurance (health insurance) prior to arrival.

You must present a certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever upon arrival in Colombia.

Government and private hospitals are found in all the main cities. Medical services in the city (private clinics and hospitals) are available. Visitors should take medical precautions and advice should be sought before travel.

For further information: walk21bogota@dadep.gov.co



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