

EcoMobility Days

Information for EcoMobility Alliance cities and participants Quito, Ecuador

16 – 19, October 2016

1. About Quito:




Quito, the capital of Ecuador, is situated at 2,800 meters (9,200 feet) above sea level in the province of Pichincha. It is the second largest city in the country after Guayaquil with a population of 2.6 million people, and one of the highest capitals in the world.

Quito has the largest and best preserved historic centre in Latin America, and it was the first World Cultural Heritage Site declared by UNESCO in 1978. One of Quito's main squares, the Plaza San Francisco, is located about 25 kilometres (16 miles) south of the Equator. A monument and a museum known as La Mitad del Mundo mark the general location of the Equatorial line.

2. Venues overview:



- The **Habitat III Village** is located in the inner city area of Quito (districts of La Mariscal, La Floresta y El Parque el Ejido).

- **H3** The official Habitat III venue (**H3 “Negotiation Area”**) will be within this Habitat III Village. The building is called: Centro de Cultura Ecuatoriana.
-  **Quito Sustainable Cities Campus Habitat III** organized by the Municipality of Quito. Location: Centro de Convenciones Eugenio Espejo. 10-15 minutes on foot outside the H3 Blue Zone.
-  **Habitat III Exhibition area** will be within the National Assembly.
-  **University of Quito** (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Ecuador), close to the Blue Zone. Location for the EcoMobility Days.

October 16: The Sustainable Cities Pavilion Habitat III at Eugenio Espejo Conference Centre, Quito, Ecuador

Ambientes y espacios

SEIS GRANDES SALONES

GS Grandes Salones / 232 m²

CINCO SALAS

S1 Sala 1 / 62 m²

S2 Sala 2 / 170 m²

S3 Sala 3 / 85 m²

S4 Sala 4 / 87 m²

S5 Sala 5 / 87 m²

AUDITORIO

A2 Auditorio / 113 m²

CAPILLA

CP Capilla / 355 m²

GALERIAS, CORREDORES Y PATIOS

GC Galería de cristal / 228 m²

GV Galería con ventanales / 65 m²

PC Patio central / 500 m²

J Jardín / 1000 m²

TRES SALAS DE ESTAR

ES Estar 1 / 35 m²

ES Estar 2 / 32 m²

ES Estar 3 / 63 m²

OTROS SERVICIOS

I Información

C Cafetería

P Parqueadero

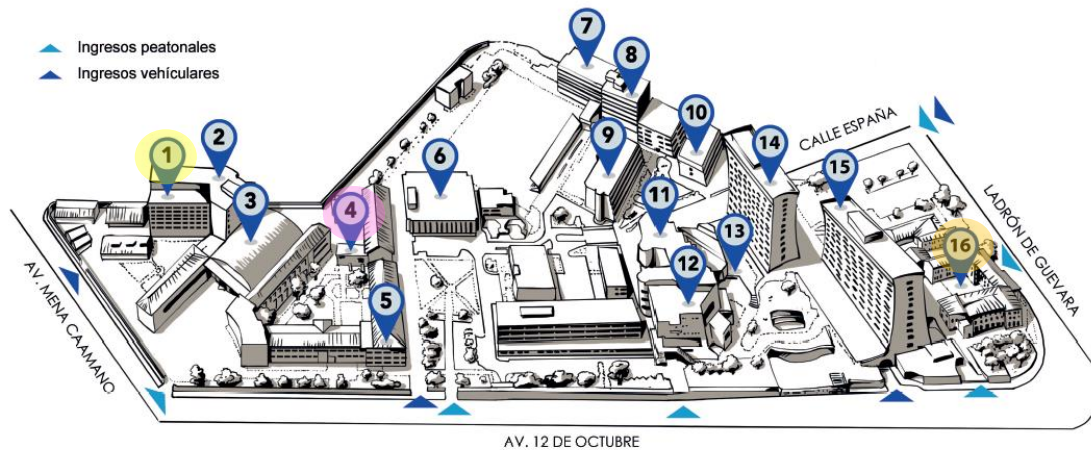
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October 17 – 19: The Pontificia Universidad Católica de Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador:

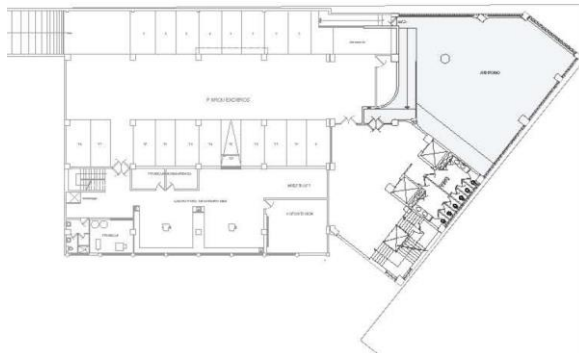
It is located next to Casa de la Cultura, the most important cultural centre of the country and the official venue of Habitat III. It is also located next to the Ejido Park, in the city centre, and it is surrounded by many hotels, services, libraries, public spaces and the main public transport network of Quito.



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| 1 Sala de tesis: Facultad de Ingeniería | 7 Auditorio Edificio de profesores | 13 Centro cultural: teatro |
| 2 Auditorio: Facultad de Ingeniería | 8 Auditorio: Facultad de Ciencias Exactas y Naturales | 14 Torre 2 : auditorio 1 |
| 3 Coliseo | 9 Auditorio: Facultad de Ciencias de la Educación | 15 Torre 1 : auditorio 1,2,3 y 4 |
| 4 Aula Magna Lunch: Crêpes de Paris Cafeteria | 10 Auditorio: Escuela de Trabajo Social | 16 Auditorio: Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Artes |
| 5 Auditorio: Facultad de Ciencias Filosófico-Teológicas | 11 Centro cultural: auditorio mayor | |
| 6 Biblioteca | 12 Centro cultural: auditorio mayor | |

Lunch: Lunch will be served at the cafeteria “**Crêpes de Paris**” inside the university (number 4 on the map).

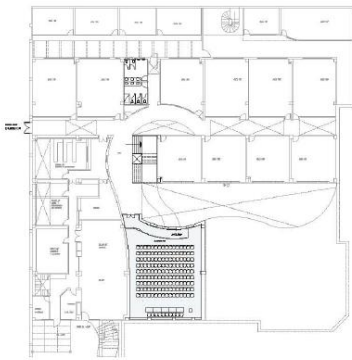
Room setting Auditorio de Ingeniería Civil, The Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador:



- Capacity: 100 persons

- Resources: projector, scenario, podium, speakers, screen, internet, control cabin for light and sound.
- Access to disabled: yes
- Services: Toilets and cafeteria.

Room setting Auditorio de Facultad de Arquitectura Diseño y Artes, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador, Quito-Ecuador



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Thematic information around Habitat III

Lots of discussions are still going on around the Habitat III Conference and the related process towards a “New Urban Agenda”.

The latest draft of the New Urban Agenda after the last Preparatory Committee in Surabaya can be found following this [link](#).

Other interesting information and outcomes of the process can be found on [Citiscopes - Toward Habitat III](#) page.

Registration

Registration to Habitat III is open till 1st October.

To date, access to all venues above mentioned is not limited and everybody can register within the system set-up by the Habitat III Secretariat. Please visit this [link](#) for further information on registration.

It is not yet made clear, however, which actual access rights are associated with this open registration. For a “full registration”, applicants must be affiliated with a national government, local government or accredited NGO.¹ ICLEI fulfills this criterium as it is accredited with ECOSOC.

Up to today, no system is in place to check such a self-entered affiliation.

Habitat III Program

An initial program structure and overview of the UN Habitat III Conference can be found [here](#).

Travel and accommodation

Accommodation

We strongly recommend to book accommodation very quickly. Quito is short in appropriate facilities. It is also recommended to accept pre-payment requirements to ensure the booking.

Travelling to Quito

We equally advise to make flight arrangements soon. There are not many far-distance connections for Quito airport.

Arrival and transfer

From Quito airport to the city center

Quito is serviced by the Quito Mariscal Sucre International Airport about 18 km east from Quito city center. The airport is regularly connected to the city center by buses and taxis.

By bus

Aeroservicios: modern and comfortable buses connect the city to the airport with no stops en route 24 hours a day. The bus stop is located at the arrival terminal of the International Airport of Quito. To get back to airport from the city center you can take the bus at the bus terminal in Quito located at the former international arrivals section of the old airport (Terminal Bicentenario). Tickets can be purchased online on the Aeroservicios website (www.aeroservicios.com.ec) or directly at the Aeroservicios terminal or at the counters located at the Arrivals Hall of Mariscal Sucre International Airport.

Public transport buses: the public transport units connect the airport with the Inter-parochial Terminal on Avenida Río Coca to the North of Quito (operated by Consorcio SOTRANOR) from 5:30 am to 10:00 pm and the Quitumbe Inter-provincial Terminal to the South (operated by Consorcio COSIBO) from 5:30 am to 7:00 pm.

By taxi

To get from Quito Airport to the city center find the nearest taxi stand from your terminal following the taxi signs. The airport is served by taxis of the company Cooperativa Aeropuerto Mariscal Sucre No. 34 (Univalle). They will take you directly to the desired address.

¹ In this case, such NGOs must have been accredited at the last Habitat conference - Habitat II, held in 1996 or with the U.N. Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) or must have applied for special accreditation to Habitat III, a deadline that has already passed.

When in Quito

Weather

Quito has a mediterranean climate with dry warm summers and mild winters. Because of its elevation and its closeness to the equator, Quito has a fairly constant cool climate. The annual average temperature is 14 °C (57 °F). In October starts the wet season in Quito that is normally referred to as winter. Because of its elevation, Quito receives some of the greatest solar radiation in the world.

Business hours

Banks

Mon-Fri: 08:00 – 14:00 or 08:00 – 16:00

Shops

Mon-Fri: 09:00 – 19:00

Sat: 09:00 - noon

Post Offices

Mon-Fri: 08:00 – 18:00

Sat: 08:00 – 13:00

Currency and payment

The Ecuadorian official monetary unit is the US Dollar (\$).

Please note that the exchange rates fluctuate daily; it is therefore recommended to check current rates before making any large transactions.

Electricity and voltage

Electricity is the same as in the United States, 120v.

Leaving Quito

When you leave Quito airport by the international airport terminal, the Ecuadorian tax for leaving country is 31 USD, please carry this money in your pocket when you leave Ecuador since it is not included in your air ticket.

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