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Rethinking Local Economic Development
from the Peripheries**

**Universidad de los Andes (CIDER), Colombia
30th September – 1st October 2019**

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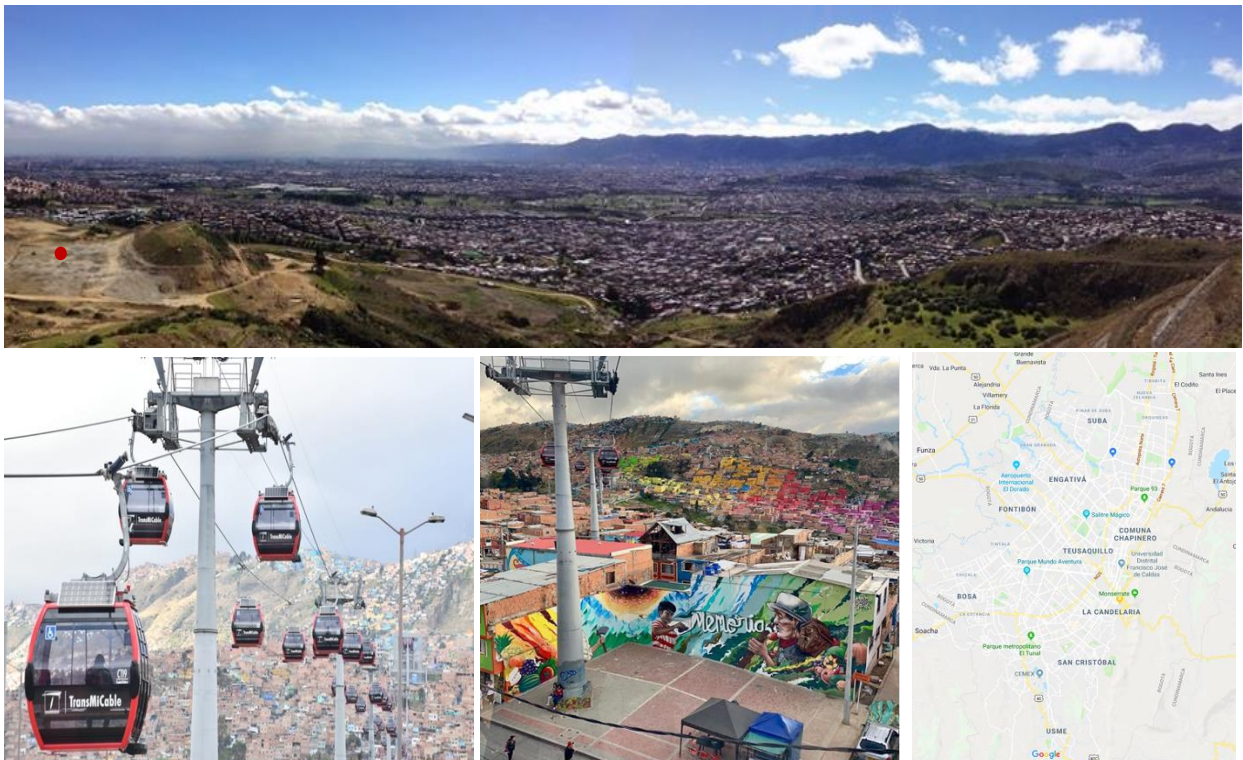
<https://www.regionalstudies.org/events/2019latinamericadivision/>

Sunday 29th September 2019

There will be 2 Bogotá tours on Sunday September 29. Please sign up via the links below to register for one of both of the tours. The tours will be led by *Lina González* (Senior urban consultant, graduate student at Universidad de los Andes & Bogotá lover)

1. Bogotá Peripheries Tour - Morning Tour (08:30 - 12:00) optional, [separate registration necessary](#)

Price: £5



Review and Context: <http://www.thisisplace.org/i/?id=7fcb272f-c641-4eef-a9e8-98f3049ba9d6&>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OAteljNoUoQ>

Itinerary:

8:30	Meet at IBIS Museo Nacional Hotel lobby (Transversal 6 # 27-85, Bogotá)
8:35 - 8:50	Walk from hotel to Museo Nacional TransMilenio bus station. Buy tickets. You will have the chance to see Ciclovía, a 70-mile street closure programme to promote urban biking that happens every Sunday in Bogotá (about 1 million people participate!)
9:00 - 09:35	Trip by Transmilenio bus to Portal Tunal
9:40 - 10:00	Trip from Portal Tunal cable car to Paraíso Mirador TransMicable Station
10:00 - 10:45	Coffee Break and walk around, city view
10:45 - 11:00	Cable car back from Paraíso Mirador TransMicable Station to Portal Tunal
11:00 - 12:00	Travel back in TransMilenio bus to IBIS Museo Nacional Hotel

2. Bogotá Colonial Downtown Afternoon Tour (13:00 – 16:00)

optional, [separate registration necessary](#)



Price: approx. 3,000 Colombian pesos (approx. 1 USD) for a coffee at Café Pasaje

Itinerary:

13:00 Meet at IBIS Museo Nacional Hotel lobby (Transversal 6 # 27-85, Bogotá)

13:00 – 16:00 Stroll along the **La Septima (7th Avenue)**, one of the city's most important streets. You will have the chance to see Ciclovía, a 70-mile street closure program to promote urban biking that happens every Sunday in Bogotá (about 1 million people participate) ¹

We will walk down La Septima towards **La Candelaria**, Bogotá's historic centre, popular because of its colonial architecture. We will visit Avenida Jiménez - a street built over the San Francisco River, which flows down from the mountains – and the **Iglesia de San Francisco**. This church was built between the 16th and 17th centuries and is the oldest preserved church in Bogota. On Avenida Jiménez you can spot the few remaining tracks of Colombia's first tramway operated in the early 20th century. We will have a coffee at Bogotá's famous Café Pasaje, near the university.

We will also visit **Gaitan's Corner**: this is a wall monument dedicated to liberal-leftist leader Jorge Eliécer Gaitán, who was assassinated on this exact spot in 1948 and gave way to a series of riots in the city known as El Bogotazo. We will continue walking through La Septima and will arrive to **Plaza de Bolívar**, the historic heart of the city and one of the main centers of political power in Colombia. At Plaza de Bolívar, we see the neoclassical **Catedral Primada**, the Parliament of Colombia (**Capitolio Nacional**) and the City Hall (**Edificio Liévano**). On the northern side is the **Palacio de Justicia**, the country's Supreme Court, which was taken by the M-19 guerrillas on 1985 with tragic consequences.

After that, we will walk in and around La Candelaria neighborhood among blocks of colonial houses with beautiful wooden doors and red tiled roofs. Here you we will see different universities, libraries and museums. On Calle 10 we'll find the **Teatro Colon** and, opposite to it, the 16th century **Palacio de San Carlos**, the city's oldest palace and now home to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. We will continue walking up the hill and reach **Plazoleta Chorro de Quevedo**, a little square popular with students, tourists and live storytellers. On the north of the square is a colourfully painted narrow street called **Calle del Embudo** (Funnel Street). On our way back to the Ibis hotel, we will pass los Andes University and **Plazuela de las Aguas**.

¹If you would like to get more information about this programme, see Montero, S. (2017). "Worlding Bogotá's Ciclovía: From Urban Experiment to International 'Best Practice.'" *Latin American Perspectives*, 44 (2), 111-131.

Monday 30th September

Universidad de los Andes Campus Tour (08:00-09:00) –

open to all, no need to register

We will depart at 08:00 from the main entrance of the Santo Domingo (SD) building (before the Welcome to the conference at 09:00). We will see some of the highlights of the university campus, which is located in the Andes mountains. The tour will end again at the Santo Domingo building where you have registered before and will now attend the Welcome to the conference and opening plenary session.



Bird-eye view Universidad de los Andes

RSA Conference Dinner, 18:30

[separate registration necessary](#)

Those of you who have registered for the conference dinner, this will take place at the [San Isidro restaurant](#). This restaurant is at Monserrate, on top of the mountain, at 3,152 meters of altitude. We will take a cable car to get there.

We will meet at the main entrance of the SD building at 17:40 and will walk together to the cable car (approx. 15-minute walk). We will have dinner at San Isidro restaurant at 18:30. We will take the cable car back to the foot of the mountain at 9pm. A small bus will be waiting for us at the base station to take us to the Hotel Ibis Museo Bogotá.

More information about the restaurant: <https://www.restaurantecasasanisidro.com/>



TUESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

Informal get-together after the conference (no need to pre-register)

There will be an informal get together after the conference at [Céntrico](http://www.centrico.co/), a bar/restaurant which is a 5-minute walk from Hotel Ibis Bogotá Museo. **You do not need to pre-register** to attend this informal get-together, but you will have to cover the entrance fee (approx. \$4 USD) and the drinks you consume. This bar is located on the 41st floor of a downtown building. Get ready for a night of Colombian and international music with great views of Bogotá downtown!



Address: Cra. 7 # 32 -16, 41st floor

More information about the bar:

<http://www.centrico.co/>