



// Itinerary //

International Council

March 5-8, 2016

Mexico City

Participants //

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Arrivals //

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Notes

For your safety, do not hail street cabs in Mexico City, especially if you do not speak Spanish.

Best option: **Uber**

Here is a list of safe taxi services to call: [Taxi-Mex](#): Tel. 5519-7690.

[Servi-Taxi's](#): Tel. 5271-2560

Radio-Elite: Tel. 5560-1122

Radio-Taxi: Tel. 5566-0077

[Porto-Taxi](#): Tel. 49933232

Things to See for Early Arrivals, Mar. 4-5:

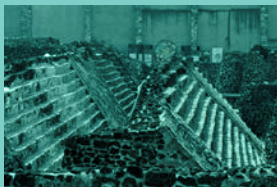
Frida Kahlo Museum + Diego Rivera & Frida Kahlo Home and Studio (some of you can see this on Sunday, March 6 with Chloe)



Luis Barragan House & Casa Gilardi (you must make a reservation in advance)



Sites downtown:



Templo Mayor



Teatro de Bellas Artes



Edificio Postal



Palacio Nacional



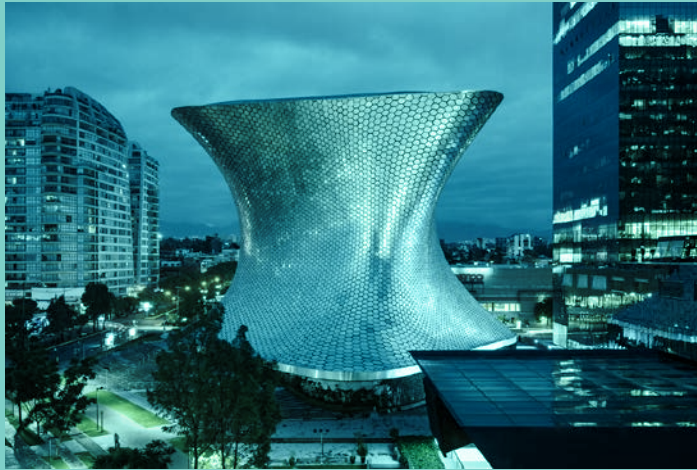
Catedral Metropolitana

International Council Program // Mar. 5-8

Throughout our two-day exploration in Mexico City, we will consider this year's MEXTROPOLI theme of "inhabiting the city." We'll reflect on the ebb and flow of human behavior in the modern megalopolis, and its effects on urban development and city life. We'll consider impacts: how are residents of Mexico influenced by their built environment? And vice versa: How is their behavior affecting the evolution of their urban spaces?

Sábado \\ Saturday \ Mar. 5

6:15 PM – Explore Museo Soumaya with Raymundo Zamora, FR-EE



7:30 PM - MEXTROPOLI VIP Function:

Superpowers of Ten Exhibition & Lecture with Beatrice Colomina at Museo Jumex



Late Night – 9:00 PM //

MEXTROPOLI Cocktail Hour at Monumental a la Revolucion

Council celebrates first night of trip at a cocktail hour for the festival.



Domingo \ Sunday \ Mar. 6

DRESS CODE: Wear good walking shoes and light colors! This will be a day of exploring.

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Morning //

9:00 AM

Bus departs from lobby of **Hotel Condesa**

Option 1) 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Arrive and explore World Heritage site **Xochimilco**: the Venice of Mexico City. We'll tour the barrio's canals by "trajineras" or gondola-like boats, and visit a chinampa, or Mexican agricultural site as well as the barrio's vibrant street market along the water by foot.



Option 2) 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

For those Council members who are not interested in exploring the Xochimilco canals on Sunday morning, Chloe will lead a group to the Studio & Home of Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo. We will tour the couple's house, and if we have time, continue on to the Frida Kahlo museum to see the city's impressive collection of her artworks.

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Travel to UNAM: National Autonomous University of Mexico

2:00PM – 3:30 PM

Lunch on the terrace at Jeronimo



3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Tour of **UNAM** with architecture historian **Axel Arano**



4:30PM – 5:30 PM

Travel

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Closed-door session with city officials, planners, urbanists, academics hosted by Van Alen

Institute and MEXTROPOLI at **Museo Mural Diego Rivera**

Council Discussion Leaders:

David van der Leer, Kai-Uwe Bergmann, Kim Herforth Nielsen, Carla Swickerath, Hana Kassem, and Sasa Radulovic

Confirmed Local Participants:

Maria Garcia-Holley, Laboratoria Para La Ciudad
Gabriella Gomez-Mont, Laboratoria Para La Ciudad
Arturo Ortiz-Struck, City Planner
Jose Castillo, City Planner
Alejandro Hernandez, City Planner
Rodrigo Diaz, Architect
Guillermo Osorno, Architect
Bernardo Gomez Pimienta, Architect
Mauricio Rocha, Architect
Gerardo Salinas, Architect
Enrique Norton, Architect

Thematic Questions:

- (1) As a city evolves and changes, how does our human manner of inhabiting built space evolve alongside it?
- (2) How would you define impacts in relationship to the built environment? Is impact measurable? Is it spatial? Is it social?
- (3) You're taking on a new project in a city you've never visited before. What's your first line of research? Where do you look for answers or clues into the larger needs of the local community?
- (4) What is equity's role in the relationship between humans and their built environments? What is citizenship's role in this relationship?

9:30 PM

Beer, cocktails, and casual fare at **Mercado Roma** designed by Rojkind Arquitectos



Lunes \ Monday \ Mar. 7

DRESS CODE: Casual

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8:30 AM

Bus departs Hotel Condesa

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Comparison tour of **Museo Tamayo** with their Director Juan Gaytan and **Museo Nacional de Antropología** with artist Eduardo Abaroa



10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Travel

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Meet architect **Alberto Kalach** for tour of his studio, neighboring office tower, and the Kurimanzutto Gallery.



12:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Lunch hosted by **Alumnos 47** in their garden



3:00 PM – 5:00 PM:

Tour of La Merced barrio led by Mexico City's urban lab **Laboratoria para la ciudad.**



6:00 PM – 8:00 PM: MEXTROPOLI Roundtable discussion featuring Council members Kai-Uwe Bergmann, Kim Herforth Nielsen, Carla Swickerath, Sasa Radulovic, and Hana Kassem.

8:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Concluding discussion and wrap-up – 8:30 bus back to Condesa

Late night:

Council meets for drinks in Condesa