



59° ICA

Congreso Internacional de Americanistas

UNIVERSIDAD PONTIFICIA BOLIVARIANA

MEDELLÍN, COLOMBIA 5 AL 9 DE JULIO 2027



Medellín, 16 March 2026

Receive the warmest welcome to the 59th edition of the International Congress of Americanists (ICA), which will be held between 5 and 9 July 2027 at the facilities of Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana (UPB). This Congress, in addition to having the support of the Mayor's Office of the Special District of Science, Technology and Innovation of Medellín, demonstrates UPB's commitment to scientific advancement and social, urban, and educational transformation.

With gratitude and a high sense of responsibility, we assume the trust that the Permanent Committee and the General Assembly of the 58th ICA placed in us, in July 2025, in the city of Novi Sad, Serbia. It is an honor for UPB and for the allied institutions to continue the historical legacy of ICA, contribute to the integral development of the Americas and strengthen the academic and inter-institutional ties that unite us throughout the world.

On behalf of the Local Organizing Committee, we extend a cordial invitation to researchers, teachers, students, and professionals from all over the world to participate in this space of interdisciplinary dialogue and collective construction of knowledge.

Organizers:

Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana (UPB)

Partner:

District of Science, Technology and Innovation of Medellín

Venue

Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana (UPB).
Circular 1 70-01, Laureles neighborhood, Medellín, Antioquia, Colombia

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Medellín: District of Science, Technology and Innovation

Medellín, recognized as a Special District of Science, Technology, and Innovation, is today a Latin American benchmark in urban transformation, higher education, sustainable mobility, and citizen culture.

With more than 40 higher education institutions, a solid ecosystem of research and entrepreneurship, and an extensive track record as a host for international events, Medellín offers a conducive environment for academic encounters and the exchange of knowledge.

Its strategic location, air connectivity (through the José María Córdova International Airport), and efficient public transportation system facilitate the mobility of national and international participants.



Central Theme *Tradition and innovation: the memories of the Americas*

The 59th ICA edition proposes a space for critical reflection on the complex transformations of contemporary societies, in permanent dialogue with their historical, cultural, political, and social roots.

The Congress will emphasize three major lines:

1.

Technologies:
power, culture,
and society

2.

Territories,
regeneration,
and climate
change

3.

The past
is always
present

These lines offer a comprehensive framework for understanding the connections between memory, identity, and transformation in the Americas.

General Structure of the Congress

- Thematic symposia and individual papers
- Round tables
- Parallel events
- Keynote lectures
- General Assembly
- Plenary sessions

Thematic areas

The proposed areas are as follows:

1. Anthropology and Social Anthropology
2. Archaeology
3. Architecture and Urbanism
4. Art and Aesthetics
5. Political Science and Political Studies
6. Applied Exact Sciences and Environmental Studies (Health-Medicine)
7. Communication, Technologies and Artificial Intelligence
8. Culture of Peace and Conflict
9. Law and Human Rights
10. Education
11. Colombian and Latin American Studies
12. Gender Studies
13. Economic Studies
14. Religious, Biblical, Theological and Pastoral Studies
15. Social Studies and Social Movements
16. Philosophy and Philosophical Thought
17. Regenerative Future: Sustainability, Climate Change and Well-being
18. Geography
19. History
20. Linguistics and Translation
21. Literature
22. Migrations
23. Cultural Patrimony
24. Original Peoples and Indigenism
25. International Relations and Global Studies

**An international
Scientific
Committee
will guarantee
the academic
evaluation of the
proposals**

Submissions

Symposia

**Round
tables**

**Parallel
events**

The required criteria and basic data can be reviewed at <https://congresoica.org/>

Official Languages of the Congress

Spanish, Portuguese, English, French, German and Italian (with the possibility of including the language of the host country of each session).

Publications

- Electronic book of keynote lectures. (July - November 2027)
- Electronic book of abstracts. (July - November 2027)
- Thematic publications in international co-edition: Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, in conjunction with other institutions and universities, invites congress attendees to submit their chapters for the publication of several volumes of the collection: Tradition and innovation: the memories of the Americas, as a result of the 59th ICA and related to the thematic areas of the Congress.

In the second circular on 06 August 2026, we will share the editorial guidelines.

Forms of participation

Attendees with a paper

They will have the following rights:

- To participate in all academic and social activities of the Congress.
- To propose motions in the General Assembly and participate in it with voice and vote (motions must be submitted in advance to the Permanent Committee of the ICA).
- To receive the informational materials and other services that are stipulated.
- Proposals for the next ICA venue must follow the regulations, that is, they must be submitted with due anticipation to the Permanent Committee for its evaluation.

Attendees without a paper (accompanying persons)

- The companions must be registered as such by a participant in the corresponding form and have the credential of the Congress. They shall be entitled to participate in all the main and complementary activities during the Congress.

Key dates

First circular

March 2026

Submission of proposals for symposia and round tables

From 20 March to 06 July 2026

Evaluation of proposals for symposia and round tables

Acceptance of proposals for symposia and round tables

From 06 April to 03 August 2026

Publication of the final list of approved symposia and round tables

Second circular

06 August 2026

Call for individual papers

From 06 August 2026 to 31 January 2027

Sending of approval letters for individual papers

October 2026 - January 2027

Registration and payment:

First phase of registration for presenters: USD 120

From 06 August to 31 January 2027

Second phase of registration for presenters: USD 160

From 1 January to 30 March 2027

Third phase of registration for presenters: USD 200

From 1 April to 5 July 2027

First phase ICA Youth (student presenters and young researchers up to 30 years of age): USD 40

Year 2026

Second phase ICA Youth (student presenters and young researchers up to 30 years of age): 60 USD

Year 2027

Attendees without papers (accompanying persons): USD 60 Years 2026 - 2027

Parallel events

From 03 August 2026 to 31 March 2027

Third circular

07 June 2027

- Congress Program
- Dissemination of the academic and parallel program

From 15 March 2027 to 28 May 2027

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From 05 to 09 July 2027

Publications:

Preparation of proceedings and minutes

July - November 2027

Books in the Collection: Tradition and innovation: the memories of the Americas

Julio de 2028

Finalization of delivery of certificates and academic certificates

August 2027



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memories,
knowledge, and
transformations
of the Americas**



**Soon we will expand information
about hotels, scholarships, discounts,
transportation and tourist routes. Thank you!**

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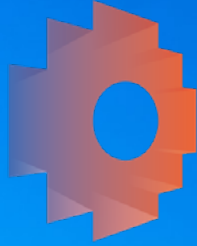
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