

# Nieto Sobejano



## PROJECT

MUSEUM AND RESEARCH CENTRE  
MADINAT AL ZAHRA  
Córdoba, Spain  
1st price, competition 1999

Nearby the archaeological site of a 10th century Arab city we decided to work like archaeologists: not to construct a new building, but rather to discover it underneath the ground, as if the passage of time had kept it hidden there right up to the present day. The new museum and research centre articulates its complex programme around a sequence of open patios of different shapes. It will have appeared silently in the landscape, unearthed over the years like the remains of the ancient city of Madinat al Zahra.

## GROSS FLOOR AREA

9.500 m<sup>2</sup>

## TOTAL BUILDING COSTS

12.500.000 Euros

## CLIENT

Junta de Andalucía

## ARCHITECT

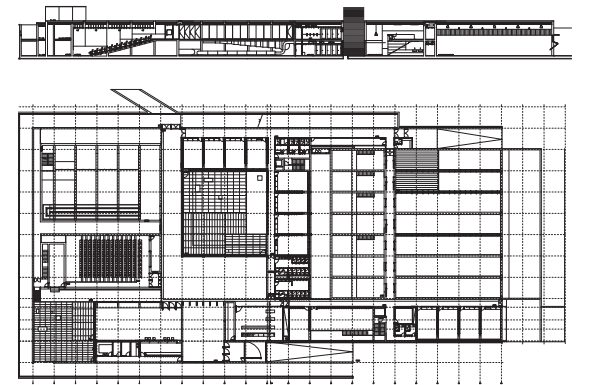
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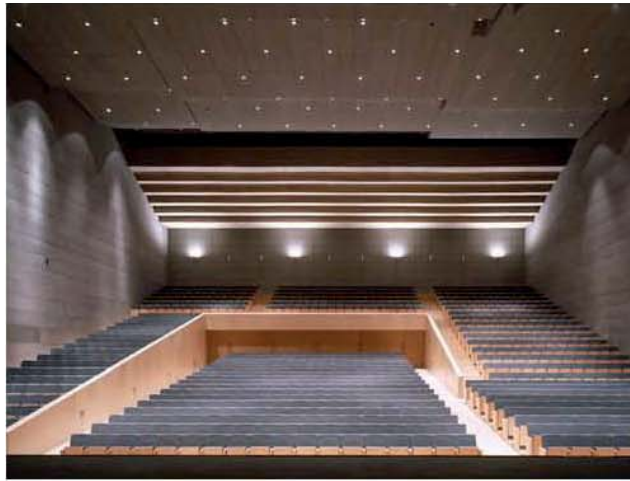
## CONSTRUCTION

2005 - 2008





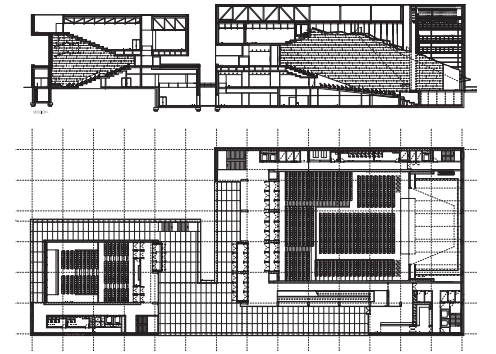
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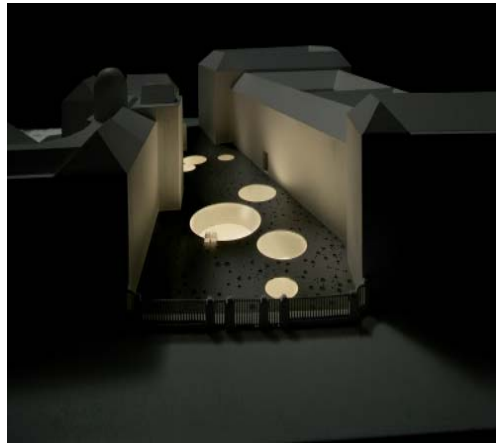
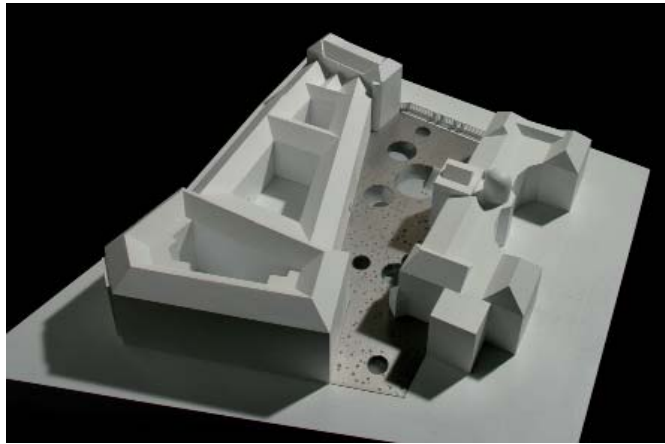
PROJECT MÉRIDA AUDITORIUM AND CONFERENCE CENTRE  
Mérida, Spain  
1st price, competition 1999

The congress centre is conceived as a unitary piece, excavated to shape a new public space: a large raised terrace overlooking the river and the old Roman city of Mérida. Like the opus incertum of Roman walls, a textured prefabricated concrete skin contrasts with the zinc and glass finish of the main auditorium volumes.

GROSS FLOOR AREA 10.000 m<sup>2</sup>  
TOTAL BUILDING COSTS 18.000.000 Euros  
CLIENT Junta de Extremadura  
Consejería de Cultura  
ARCHITECT Nieto Sobejano  
PROJECT ARCHITECT Carlos Ballesteros  
CONSTRUCTION 2000 - 2004







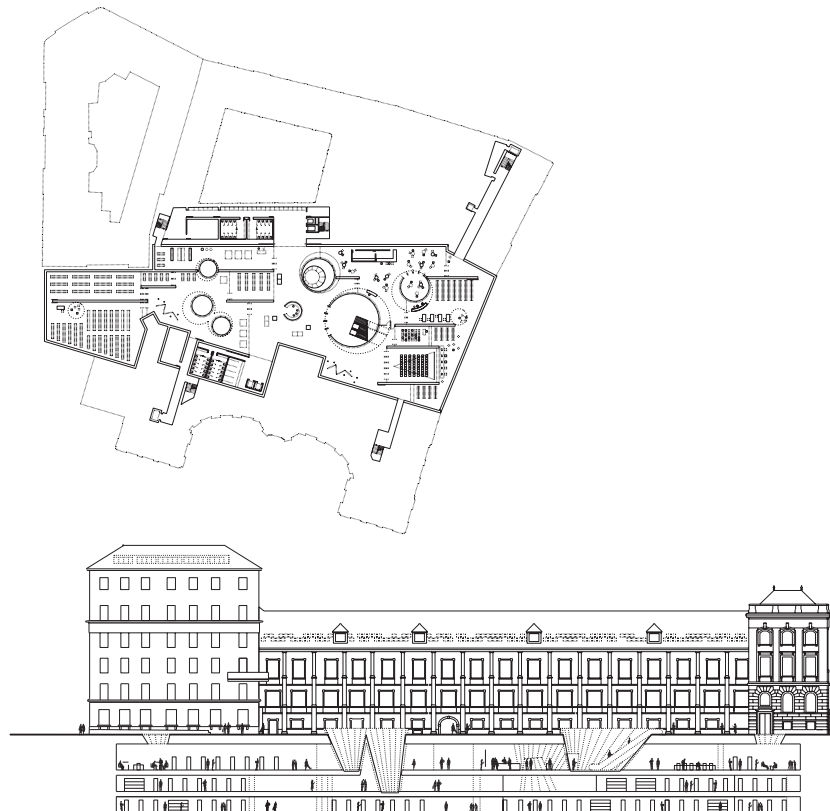
PROJECT

JOANNEUM LIBRARY AND MUSEUM EXTENSION  
Graz, Austria  
1st price, competition 2006

The new extension of the Joanneum in Graz is conceived as a mineral surface - a "carpet" - that covers the exterior space between the existing historical buildings, creating a new access to the museum. A series of conical intersections introduces natural light into the underground rooms, which house the public spaces of the programme.



GROSS FLOOR AREA	22.485 m <sup>2</sup>
TOTAL BUILDING COSTS	27.000.000 Euros
CLIENT	LIG Steiermark
ARCHITECT	Nieto Sobejano
PROJECT ARCHITECT	Dirk Landt
CONSTRUCTION	2008 - 2011



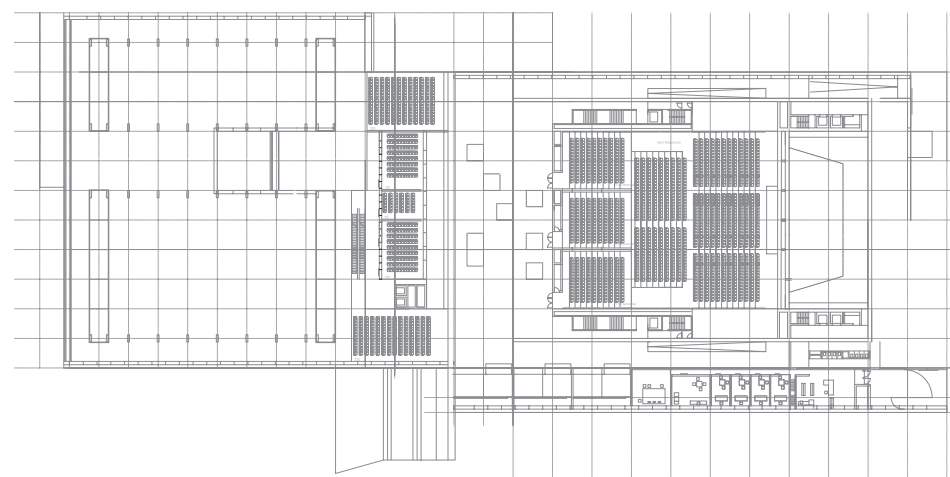


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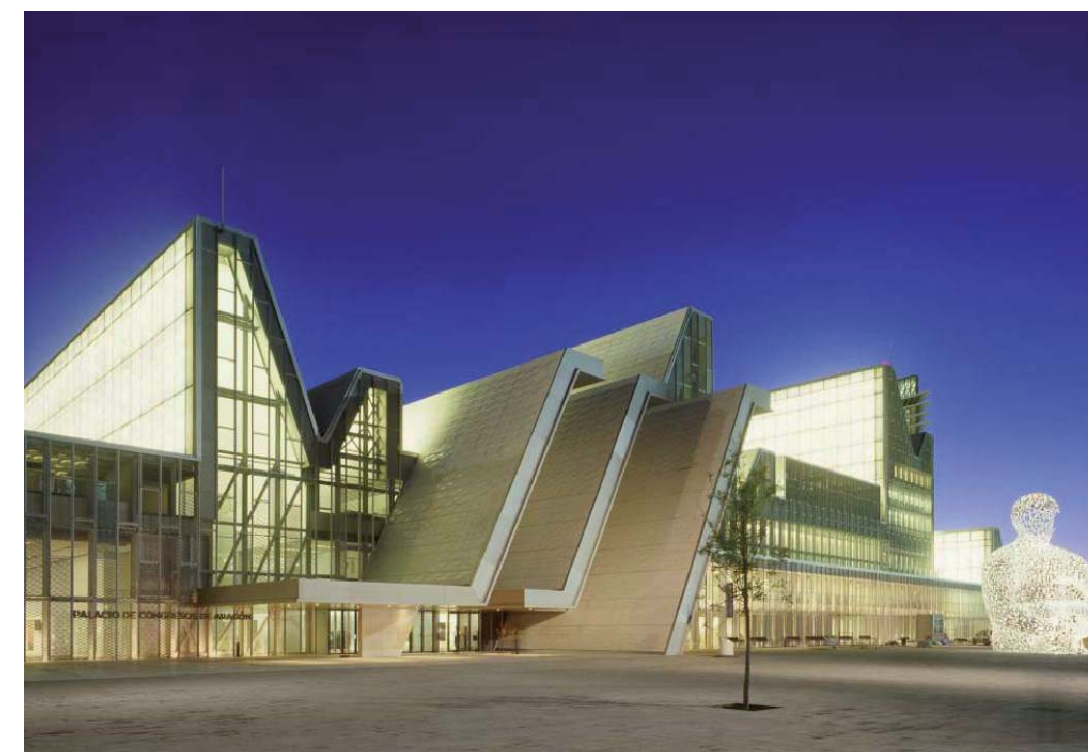
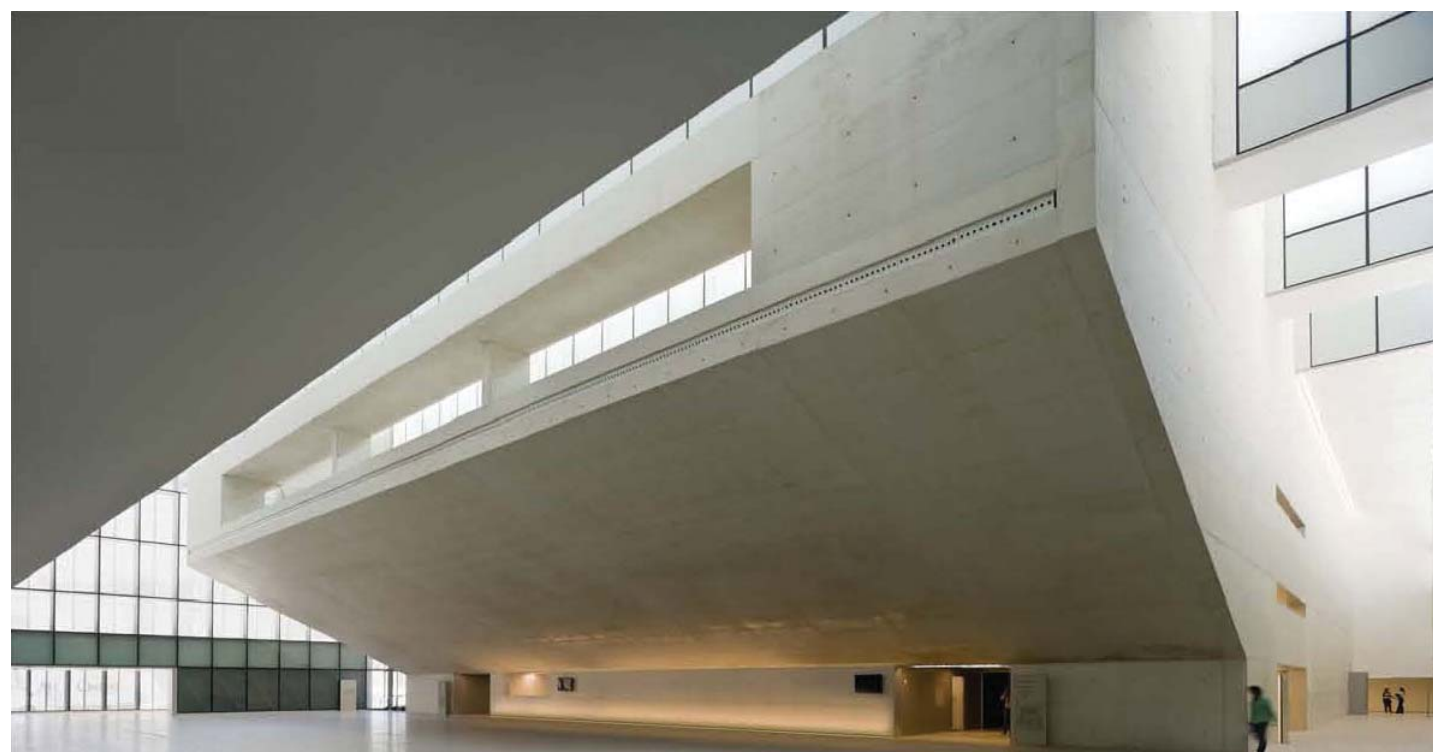


PROJECT EXPO2008 AUDITORIUM AND CONGRESS CENTRE  
Zaragoza, Spain  
1st price, competition 2005

The new Congress Centre for the Zaragoza Expo 2008 portrays a fractional and changing profile, ascending and descending in response to the different spaces housed in its interior. A white concrete and ceramic roof covers the large convention areas and the main auditorium, thus expressing the presence of natural light and the connection of the building to the ground.



GROSS FLOOR AREA 22.000 m<sup>2</sup>  
TOTAL BUILDING COSTS 65.000.000 Euros  
CLIENT Gobierno de Aragon  
ARCHITECT Nieto Sobejano  
PROJECT ARCHITECT Patricia Grande  
CONSTRUCTION 2006 - 2008





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## PROJECT

MORITZBURG MUSEUM EXTENSION  
Halle, Saale, Germany  
1st price, competition 2004

The extension of the ancient castle of Moritzburg in Halle is conceived as a new roof, a large folded platform which rises and opens to allow natural light to enter, and from which the new exhibition rooms are suspended. The angular geometry of the new roof landscape communicates with the existing irregular shapes of the building, continuing the process of transformations that featured in the history of the castle over time.

## GROSS FLOOR AREA

5.500 m<sup>2</sup>

## TOTAL BUILDING COSTS

18.000.000 Euros

## CLIENT

Stiftung Moritzburg

## ARCHITECT

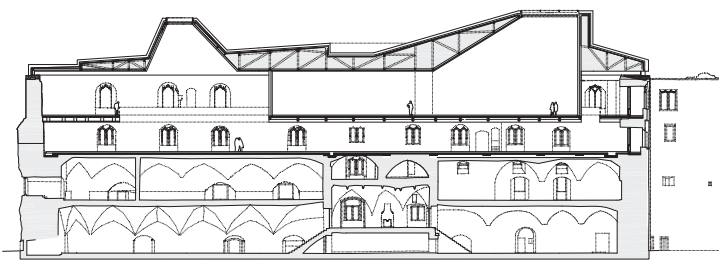
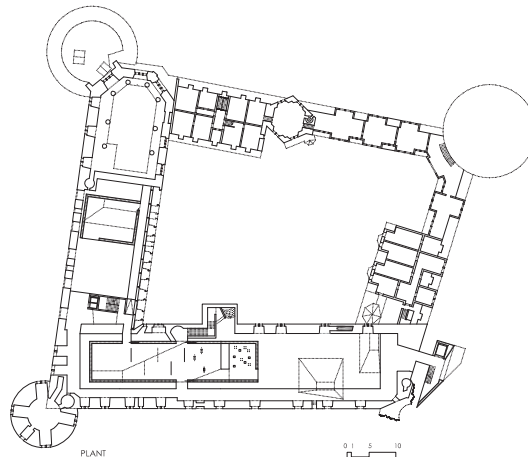
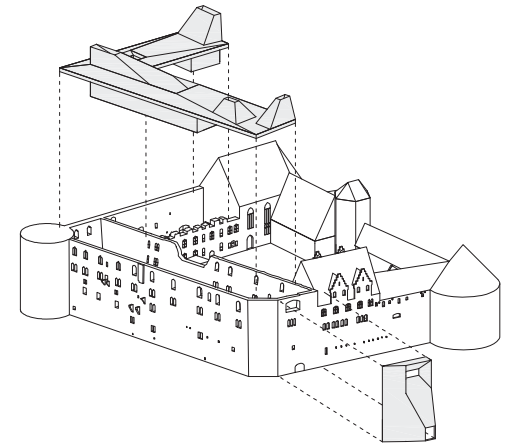
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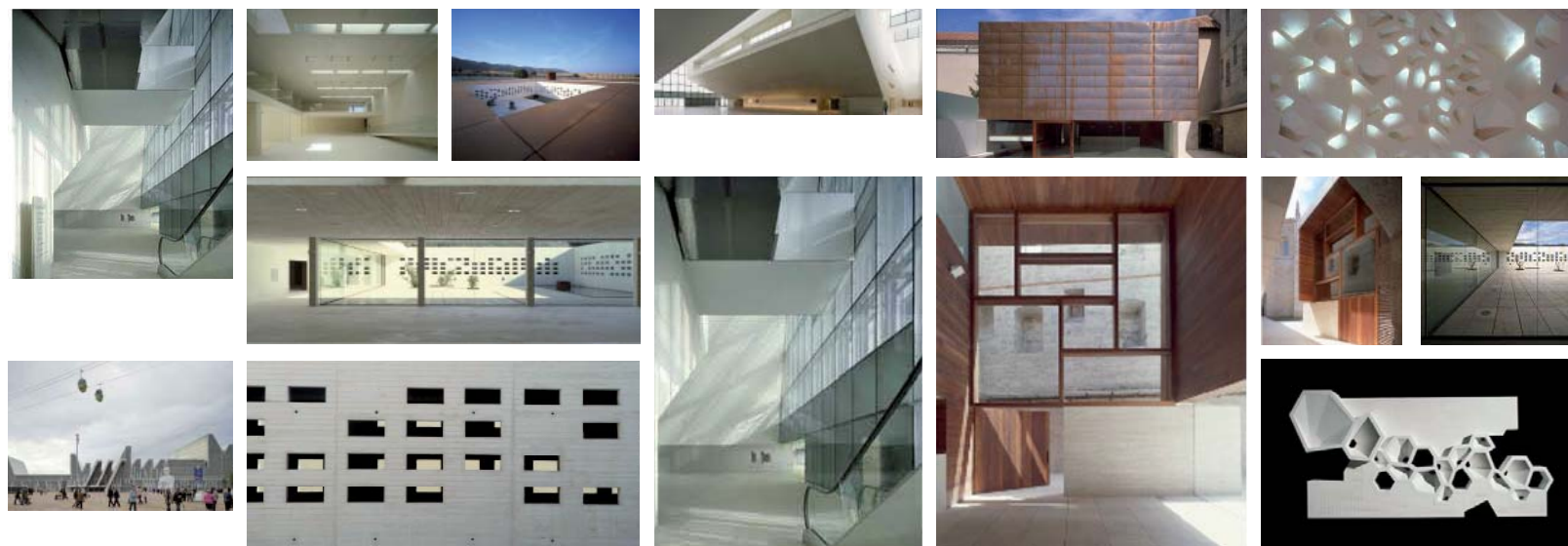
Sebastian Sasse

## CONSTRUCTION

2005 - 2008







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### RECENT PRIZES AND HONORABLE MENTIONS

#### 1st Prizes

Competition Urban development, Offices and Hotel Buildings. Munich, Germany 2009  
Competition National Center for the Visual Arts. Madrid 2008  
Competition Comercial and Sport Center Barceló. Madrid 2007  
Competition Museum of History of Lugo. 2007  
International Competition Museum Joanneum. Graz, Austria. 2006  
International Competition Contemporary Arts Center. Córdoba 2005  
International Competition Kastner & Öhler Extension. Graz, Austria. 2005  
Competition Rioja Wine Museum. 2005  
International Competition Congress Hall & Auditorium Zaragoza. 2005  
Competition Extension of the San Telmo Museum. San Sebastián 2005  
International Competition Extension of the Museum Art in Moritzburg. Halle, Germany. 2004  
Competition Cultural and Environment Center. Cáceres. 2003  
Competition Sports Center Montecarmelo. Madrid. 2003  
Competition Museum of Canarias. Las Palmas. 2003  
International Competition Housing in La Habana. Cuba. 2000.  
Competition Extension of the National Sculpture Museum. Valladolid. 2000  
International Competition Museum & Research Center Madinat al Zahra. Cordoba. 1999  
Competition Congress Hall & Auditorium of Merida. 1999.  
Competition Museum of the Sea Castillo de La Luz. Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. 1998.  
Competition Council Building Latina, Madrid. 1997.  
European Competition for Young Architects. EUROSPAN-IV. Sevilla 1996.  
Competition Rectorate of the University of Vigo. 1995.  
Competition Housing Building Benta-Berri. San Sebastián. 1993.

#### 2nd Prizes

Competition Toy Museum. Anger, Bayern. Germany 2008  
Competition Torre del Agua. Expo Zaragoza, 2004  
International Competition Sports Hall Las Palmas. 2002  
Competition Museum of the Language. Alcalá de Henares. Madrid. 2001  
Competition CIDEMAT. Tenerife. 2000.  
International Competition Lorient Submarine Base. France. 1999  
Competition Auditorium Building of Navarra. 1998.  
Competition Faculty of Economy. University of Murcia. 1996.  
Competition Parliament of Navarra. Pamplona 1996.  
Competition Housing Building Vallecas (Madrid). COAM EMV. 1994.  
Competition Sports Hall Valdemoro (Madrid). 1993.

### 3th Prizes and Honorable Mentions

Honorable Mention Competition for the Extension of the Zoo. Frankfurt, Germany. 2009  
Honorable Mention Competition for the Auditorium, Congress and Exhibition Centre of Vitoria-Gasteiz. 2009  
3rd Prize Competition Hotel, housing and retail space Nürnberg, Germany. 2008  
3rd Prize Competition Park and Museum of Transportation. Málaga. 2007  
3rd Prize International Competition Congress Hall & Convention Center. León. 2005  
Honorable Mention City of Justice Competition. Madrid. 2005  
3rd Prize Competition Municipal Offices Junta de Extremadura. Mérida. 2004  
Honorable Mention International Competition Tomihiro Museum. Japan. 2002  
Finalist Prize of the Arts of Extremadura. 2000  
Honorable Mention Competition for the new Fair Building. Palma de Mallorca. 2000  
Finalist International Competition New Opera House. Oslo. 2000.  
Honorable Mention Competition University Building of Murcia. 1997.  
Finalist Competition Fine Arts Museum Castellón (Spain). 1997.  
Finalist Waterfront Greenport Competition. USA. 1997.  
3rd Prize Competition Housing Building Las Rosas (Madrid). COAM EMV. 1995.  
Honorable Mention Competition Opera Bilbao. 1992.

#### Prizes for built work

Mention Bienal Española de Arquitectura.  
Extension of the Museum Art in Moritzburg. 2009  
National Prize for Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Patrimony.  
Museo Nac. National Sculpture Museum. 2007  
Andalucía Prize of Architecture 2008. 174 VPO-PERI. 2008.  
Prize Arquinfad Members. Barcelona. Extension of the National Sculpture Museum. Valladolid. 2007  
Finalist Prize FAD. Barcelona. Extension of the National Sculpture Museum. Valladolid. 2007  
1st Prize Madrid City Hall. Offices and Housing in C/ Talavera, 4. Madrid. 2006  
Mention Prize of Implementations European 1 to 4  
Mention Prize COAM 2005. Housing in Aravaca  
Finalist Prize FAD. Barcelona. Congress Hall & Auditorium of Merida. 2005  
Hon. Mention Premios COAM 1999. Council Building Latina District. Madrid. 2000  
1st Prize Madrid City Hall. Housing in calle Sicilia. Madrid. 2001  
Finalist Prize of the Arts of Extremadura. 2000  
Finalist Bienal Española de Arquitectura. Council Building Latina District. 1999.  
Finalist Prize FAD. Barcelona. Rectorate of the University of Vigo. 1999.  
Honorable Mention Premio Architecti. Portugal. 1999.  
Honorable Mention Veteco Competition. 1998  
Finalist Prize Fundación Camuñas. Madrid. 1992  
Finalist Prize Internazionale Andrea Palladio. Vicenza (Italy). 1992

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Both have been visiting critics and/or referents at various Spanish and international universities and institutions, as for example Technische Universität München, Germany (1999); GSD Harvard University USA (2000); University of Arizona, USA (2001); ETSA University of Barcelona (2002); University of Torino, Italy (2003); Mediateca de Sendai, Japón (2005); University of Cottbus, Germany (2005); University of Stuttgart, Germany (2006); Columbia University, New York USA (2006); University of Texas, Austin, USA (2006); Dallas Architecture Forum, USA (2006); Messe Frankfurt, Germany (2006); 10th Alvar Aalto Symposium, Helsinki, Finland (2006); IBA 2010, Halle, Germany (2006); University of Graz, Austria (2006) V Conferencia Europea de Registros de Museos, Madrid (2006), Portland Museum of Art, USA (2007), Encuentros de Arquitectura AE'07 # 2, Argentina (2007); Debate sobre arquitectura, Instituto Cervantes en Utrecht, Paises Bajos (2007); University HTWK Leipzig, Germany (2007), University of Limerick, Ireland (2008); Trinity Collage, Dublín (2008), Auburn University, USA (2008), University of Arkansas, USA (2008), University of Illinois (2008), "Arquitectura Concreta" Kunsthaus Graz, Austria (2008); "The Second International Utzon Symposium", Aalborg, Denmark (2008); "Urban Aphorisms", Sofia, Bulgaria (2008); "ICOMOS 2008", Québec, Canada (2008), etc.

From 1986 to 1991 they were editors of the architectural journal ARQUITECTURA edited by the Architectural Association of Madrid (Colegio Oficial de Arquitectos de Madrid). Their work has been published in various Spanish and international magazines and books and has been exhibited among others, at Biennale di Venezia 2000, 2002 and 2006, Bienal Española de Arquitectura 2003, Extreme Eurasia, Tokyo (Japan) 2005, On site: New Architecture in Spain, MoMA New York 2006, Less and more exhibition, 10th Alvar Aalto Symposium, Helsinki 2006, ARCO Art Fair Madrid 2007, España (f) nosotras, las ciudades, Madrid 2007, Collective Housing Substance of our Cities. Pavillon de L'Arsenal. París 2007, La Mujer Construye. Utrecht, Holland 2007, Algarve lifetime experiences, Portugal 2007, Arquitectura Contemporánea en Galicia, Centro Gallego de Arte Contemporáneo, Santiago de Compostela 2007; Arquitectura Concreta Aedes Gallery, Berlin 2008, Kunsthaus Graz (Austria) 2008, Moritzburg Museum, Halle, Saale, Germany, 2009.