

Multifunctional Districts: Proposal for the Urban Redevelopment of "La Carlota" Airport Caracas, Venezuela

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This project intends to investigate the idea of districts as a system for the organization of cities, not only in political or physical terms but also, from the morphological point of view, as autonomous pieces that might operate with certain independence within the general structure of the City. The creation of an alternative downtown for Caracas is the initial hypothesis for this project that integrates a series of public and private functions within the territory of this small secondary airport. Keeping the airport and its runway as the main feature, it includes a terminal to function as a commuting station that is related to the Metro Subway Line and parking structures. This

triple modal interchange is parallel to the inclusion of an Urban Park on the site, as an extension of an existing one, which becomes the main event of the district centralizing the other sections around it. Three major events are related to the Park as three symbolic pieces of architecture that represent three different ways of organizing districts within a district. The first one, is the headquarters building for an Oil Corporation, structured as a vertical district; second, a mix used complex is developed parallel to the runway becoming a linear district and; third, a City Hall that, with a centralized organization, serves to the eastern section of Caracas.





