

1. Diagonal-Besòs Campus

MUNICIPALITY

Sant Adrià de Besòs

HEADING

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ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Total surface area: 77,332 m² (at end of execution)
- Gross floor area: 174,112.15 m²
- General uses: teaching, research and business
- When complete, it is planned to accommodate UPC 6,000 students and faculty members, almost 1,000 researchers and 5,000 business people

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Diagonal-Besòs Campus, led by the Technical University of Catalonia (UPC) in conjunction with the Government of Catalonia, local administrations (led by the City Councils of Barcelona and Sant Adrià de Besòs), the Barcelonès County Council, the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona and Barcelona Provincial Council, aims to become a new pole of innovation and an international benchmark in industrial technologies.

The campus will be a strategic space for relations with companies operating in the scientific and technological areas in which its activity is concentrated: energy, water, materials technology, chemistry and biomedical engineering. It will also have a strategic role in the creation of synergies, and therefore value and occupation, for a leading technological and business venture that will enjoy the support of one of the main industrial engineering schools in Catalonia, as well as the research centres and major companies of the sectors involved.

The UPC and the Government of Catalonia intend to promote the campus as a project whose implementation will be a driving force for economic and social transformation, benefitting the area and Catalonia as a whole. The UPC will occupy most of the spaces on the campus earmarked for research and teaching.

Work on the Diagonal-Besòs Campus is currently proceeding on schedule, having now reached the basement of Buildings C and I, which will house UPC research groups and the Catalonia Institute of Energy Research (IREC). Recently, a start has been made on the works on Building A, to be used for teaching by the University School of Industrial Technical Engineering, and for general research services.

PROJECT ADDRESS

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RESPONSIBLE

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