



Iván Duque Márquez

Iván Duque Márquez is president of the Republic of Colombia and was elected in June 2018. Previously, Duque Márquez served as head of the Culture, Creativity, and Solidarity Division at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), where he worked on social innovation, entrepreneurship, youth, and creative economies. He was a consultant to the IDB president and a principal advisor for Colombia. During his time as a Congressional senator, he proposed several laws including the Orange Law which promotes creative industries and culture as an engine for development; the Law on Severance Funds, which permits parents to use their severance funds to pre-pay their children's education tuition; and the Law on Defibrillators, which requires all public places and emergency transportation be equipped with CPR equipment in Colombia. In addition to his legislative activity, he has been a relevant figure in several of the country's recent political

developments. He drafted, submitted, and defended the legal challenge against the Legislative Act for Peace, before the Constitutional Court, that curtailed the fast track and allowed Congress to make changes to the implementation of the peace agreements with the FARC.

Duque Márquez is the author of several books including *IndignAcción*, *Ideas Para El Futuro de Colombia (Ideas for the Colombia of the Future)*, *Pecados Monetarios (Monetary Sins)*, *Maquiavelo en Colombia (Machiavelli in Colombia)*, *Efecto Naranja (Orange Effect)*, *El Futuro Está en el Centro (The Future Lies in the Center)*, *Arqueología de mi Padre (Archeology of My Father)*, and coauthored *Economía Naranja (Orange Economy)*, with Felipe Buitrago. He holds a master's in public policy and public management from Georgetown University, a master's in economic law from American University, a degree in executive studies from Harvard University, and a law degree from Universidad Sergio Arboleda.