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IVÁN DUQUE MÁRQUEZ



Host President of the Republic of Colombia (2018-2022)

Born in Bogotá on August 1st, 1976. He received his Law Degree from Universidad Sergio Arboleda, where he majored in philosophy and humanities. He is an expert in economic affairs, with executive studies in Harvard, a Master in public policy and Public Management from Georgetown University and a Master in Economic Law from American University.

He has worked as a columnist and professor. He was 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 acted as consultant to the IDB presidency and as senior advisor for Colombia.

As a Senator he put forward several Laws of the Republic: the Orange Law that promotes creative industries and culture as an engine for development; the Law on Severance Funds, that permits parents use their severance funds to pre-pay their children's education and that of their dependent persons; the Law on Defibrillators, that provides that all public places and emergency transport be equipped with resuscitation equipment in Colombia; the Law on "B Companies" that provides the conditions for creating and establishing commercial companies of Collective Benefit and Interest; and, is co-author of the law that extended maternity leave from 14 to 18 weeks.

He is the author of several books: *IndignAcción*, ideas para el futuro de Colombia ("IndignAcción: 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 he coauthored *Economía Naranja* ("Orange Economy"), with Felipe Buitrago.

Ivan Duque, in addition his legislative activity, has been a relevant figure in several of the country's recent political developments. He



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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. In 2016 *Semana* magazine and the Fundación Colombia Líder ("Colombia Leader Foundation") chose him as one of the country's outstanding leaders and during his three years as congressman he was elected best Senator by his peers, and by several local organizations that follow and provide metrics on the work of Colombian legislators.

The President is married to Ms. María Juliana Ruiz, and is the father of three children: Luciana, Matías, and Eloísa.

On June 17, 2018, Ivan Duque was elected President of Colombia for the 2018-2022 constitutional terms with 10'339,689 votes, and on a government program based on Legality, Entrepreneurship, and Equality.