



Rosan Bosch Studio advises the Ministry of Education in Argentina on designing schools

The National Ministry of Education in Argentina is working in the redesign of the countries' public secondary schools with a vision of creating schools that support 21st Century Learning Skills.

Rosan Bosch Studio has advised the Ministry in a strategy and design process that involves comprehensive user processes. As part of the process, Rosan Bosch Studio has undertaken a series of workshops in Argentina with more than 70 participants, including teachers and directors from all of the schools, architects and employees from the provincial governments and the Ministry of Education.

Furthermore, a design manual, *Spatial organisation criteria for the new secondary school of Argentina*, has been developed in close collaboration with the Ministry, and it will be put into practice in nine pilot schools from provinces all over Argentina; Jujuy, La Rioja, Mendoza, Provincia de Buenos Aires, Rio Negro and Salta.

"It is very visionary of the Argentinian Government to acknowledge design as a tool for developing a strategy for the school system. The potential of design as a pedagogical innovation tool is extensive," states Rosan Bosch. She adds:

"The transformation of education is a holistic process. Therefore, we work with school's, organization, pedagogy and design as inseparable aspects. The dynamic interplay forms the culture, practice and identity of the educational institution. For too long, schools all over the world have omitted or not prioritized the physical space and the interior design as important tools for changing the way we educate and learn."

Rosan Bosch Studio's work with school design, e.g. the Vittra schools in Sweden, has received great international attention – also in Argentina. In 2016 Rosan Bosch was invited to Buenos Aires by the Argentinian Ministry of Education to give advice and input to the imminent strategy for education policy.

The visit became the starting point of the process. Besides being strategic advisor, the Studio has worked in close collaboration with the ten schools

involved and the Ministry to develop a design manual. The manual's objective is to empower the schools to change the interior of their buildings and enable them to implement new ways of educating.